

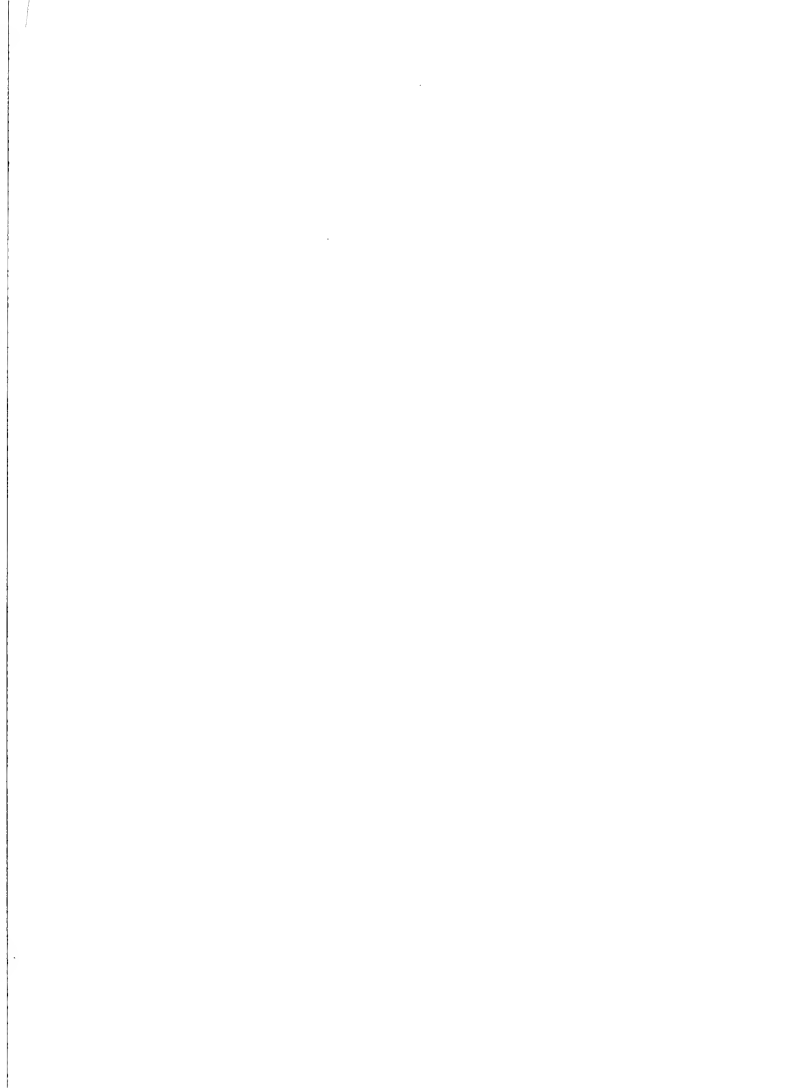


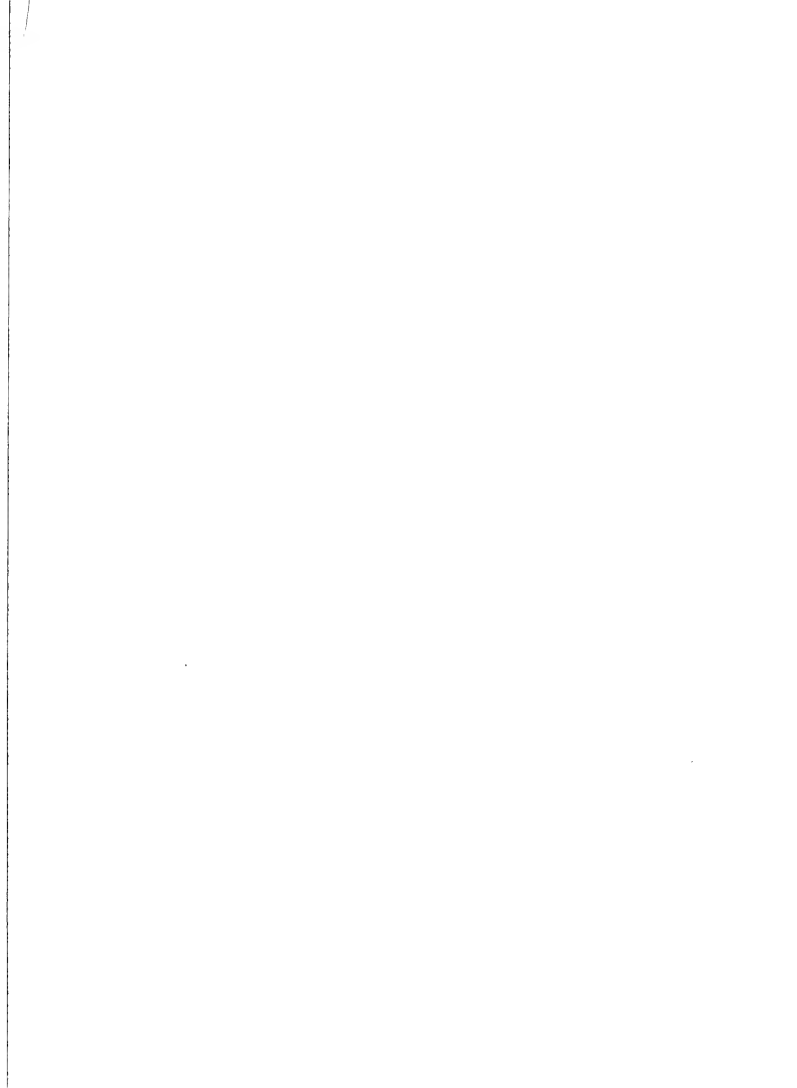
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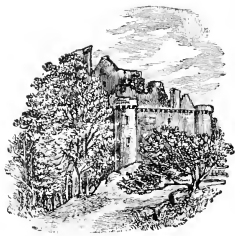
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PREFACE.

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VERY neighborhood is a world in miniature. As the natural phenomena which may be observed within any limited area furnish abundant illustration of the grand laws that govern the physical universe, so the virtues that build up nations and the passions that wreck them are all exemplified, in even the smallest community. There is profound truth in Gray's intimation, that each hamlet possesses its "mute, inglorious Milton," its "Cromwell, guiltless of his country's blood." And as nothing, surely, more nearly concerns all human beings than the character and actions of their fellowmen, it follows, that a work which in any degree mirrors the life of a community must be of interest, not only to those whom relationship or neighborhood has made sharers in that life, but to all thoughtful minds. The annals of the quietest neighborhood are as attractive, in their way, and as profitable a study, as the history of a nation. The nature of the interest they inspire will of course vary with the point of view of the reader. If he be given to philosophy, a student of social or political economy, or of psychology, he will seek to construct or to support some theory. If he be in search of statistics, a collection of biographies, drawn from all walks of life, will be rich in material for him. If, on the contrary, he be imaginative and sympathetic, many pictures of tranquil domestic happiness, many instances of heroism, many tender and thrilling stories of love or of war, will rise before him. Even amid dry details, one who can "read between the lines" will catch frequent glimpses of the tragedy and even of some of the comedy of life; for the shifting scenes of human existence cannot fail to afford gratification to the sense of humor.

In early and simple times, when the as yet unorganized nations were only an aggregation of small communities, or tribes, more or less effectually separated by natural boundaries, the main occupation of each small group of families was determined by the nature of their locality, and there was but little intercourse between different parts of the country. In those days, the lives of the individual members of a community presented few outward points of difference, and a collection of their biographies would have been only a monotonous series of repetitions. Now, through the mingling of races and peoples and the changes perpetually taking place, all is variety; from one we can no longer learn all, as to any civilized people or even any small division of such nation. Threads of connection bind the dwellers in every secluded village to the past and the present of the whole world. This is especially the case in America. To form our nation, the best nations of Europe were, as Cotton Mather expressed it, "sifted." Descendants of various nationalities people our cities, our towns, and our rural neighborhoods: the process of fusion between so many distinct elements being by no means complete, the life of the American people is a profound and

absorbing study, and any work which even in the most humble degree aids in its prosecution, ought to be sure of a welcome.

The valley of the Juniata is the fertile and picturesque region which forms the background of the histories furnished for this work. Its very nomenclature is historic; for while their soft and musical Indian appellations cling to the most of the mountains and streams, the names of towns and townships usually commemorate the pioneers of the white race, or the European homes from which they came. In the annals of families which we here present, we believe convincing proof may be found of the truth of what we have said regarding the value of biography and its several points of interest. Among the immigrants who here invaded the primeval wilderness, the Scotch-Irish and Germans predominated, but France, Switzerland, Holland, and other European nations by no means lacked representation. Many families here can trace their line of descent far back, even to the romance period of European history. Some might boast of many generations of noble and cultured ancestry; others might be equally and as reasonably proud of their descent from a line of sturdy yeomanry, or from upright and useful peasants and laborers. Among the earliest settlers of this lovely valley were many who were driven from their homes by persecution, braving the sorrows of expatriation and the perils of the wilderness through single-hearted devotion to principle. Others came from motives which, if less heroic, were not less laudable; desiring to find room and favoring circumstances for the growth and education of their families. The sufferings and the heroism of the "Pilgrim fathers" of New England has been the theme of many a song and story; but the toils and privations, the patience and the daring of the "Pennsylvania Pilgrims" has never been half told. Let the annals of the valley of the Juniata lie as a green wreath on their resting place. Among these pioneers, mutual respect and sympathy were generally prevalent, and American patriotism was a plant of easy and rapid growth. The hardships and the terrors which they had endured in common, the dangers and conflicts of the infant republic, shared with alacrity by those whose parents had spoken different tongues and inhabited widely separated climes, quickly cemented elements that might under other circumstances have been conflicting ones, and unified the population of the valley. Thus the denizens of this region took their place in the Commonwealth of the old Keystone State, and helped to impart to it that sturdy and vigorous, but refined and dignified character so well symbolized in the architecture of the old State capitol, in whose recent destruction Pennsylvania has suffered an ir retrievable loss.

The worth of the citizens of this valley has been proved by the religious, educational and benevolent institutions which have sprung up everywhere within their borders; by the public works in which many of them have taken a distinguished part; by their noble record of military service, and their no less valuable services as civilians; in brief, by the whole social fabric which they have reared, and which makes of the land rescued by their forefathers from the wilderness a region of homes, cultured, peaceful and inviting.

In presenting the Biographical Encyclopedia of the Juniata Valley to its patrons, the publishers acknowledge with gratitude the encouragement and support their enterprise has received, and the willing assistance rendered in enabling them to surmount the many unforeseen obstacles to be met with in the production of a work of such magnitude. To procure the material for its completion official records were carefully examined, newspaper files searched, manuscripts, letters, and memoranda were sought, and a corps of competent solicitors visited every portion of Huntingdon, Mifflin, Juniata, and Perry counties and secured information direct from the parties concerned. The biographies were afterward carefully type-written and submitted to those who furnished the material, thus affording them an opportunity of insuring accuracy. Those who furnished the data are, therefore, responsible for its genuineness and authenticity. Great care was taken to have the sketches as free from error as possible, but we do not hold ourselves responsible for mistakes, as we charge nothing for the insertion of any printed matter contained in the book. In the preparation of the biographies we have been ably assisted by a number of competent writers, the work being under the general editorial direction of Miss R. H. Schively, of Chambersburg, Pa.

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BIOGRAPHICAL ENCYCLOPEDIA

—OF—

HUNTINGDON, MIFFLIN, JUNIATA AND PERRY COUNTIES.

THE ELLIOTT, ASHMAN, ALLISON AND ORBISON FAMILIES.

Among the pioneers of what is now comprised in Huntingdon county were the Elliott, Ashman, Allison and Orbison families, and as the members of these families were closely connected by marriage, their histories follow in the order above written.

THE ELLIOTT RECORD.

Robert Elliott was born prior to 1730, but whether in the north of Ireland or in this country is not known; his ancestors were Irish. Soon after 1730, he lived in that part of Lancaster county, Pa., which became Peters township, Cumberland county, now Franklin county. He was twice married; his second wife was Martha Barnett, a widow, who died in July, 1778, leaving a will. He died in 1768, in Peters township, Cumberland county, leaving a will, dated March 2, 1768, which states that he was in ill health, and which is recorded at the Register's Office at Carlisle, Pa., the date of probate being omitted. Of this will his brother James was one of the executors. In this will, he devises to his two sons, Benjamin and George, the two tracts of land which he owned, the one on which he lived, and the other which he had purchased from Hugh Shannon. He bequeathed to his wife Martha, during her life, or till her death or marriage, his negro woman; and at her death or marriage, to his three daughters.

By his first wife he had issue: I. Benjamin, born 1752; II. George, III. Barbara, IV. Jane.

2. Benjamin Elliott (1. Robert) was born in Peters township, Cumberland county, now

Franklin county, Pa., in 1752. On account of lack of harmony with his stepmother, he left home early in life, and entered at once upon what was then a successful business career, for in 1769 he was assessed in Dublin township, Cumberland county (subsequently Bedford county), with 100 acres of land, three acres cleared, one horse, one cow. In 1771, he had 25 acres cleared, two horses, two cows and eight sheep; and in 1788, the assessment list of Huntingdon shows that he had eighty acres, four horses, four cows, two negroes, one servant, one house and six lots of ground. It is probable that he moved to Huntingdon, then in Bedford county, about 1775. Huntingdon was at that time a village of a few houses, and the county adjoining was still occupied by the Indians. The assessment list for 1776 of Barree township, which then included Huntingdon, shows him charged with what was probably a personal tax. On August 17, 1776, Dr. William Smith conveyed to him by a ground rent deed Lot No. 2 in the borough of Huntingdon, situated on the north side of Allegheny street, fronting one hundred feet on said street and extending one hundred feet back. This lot was at the northwest corner of Second and Allegheny streets, where he built a frame house, in which he lived for a number of years. It is known that about 1780 he was living on what was known as Snake Spring farm, some five miles east of Bedford on the state road. At the formation of Huntingdon county, September 20, 1787, he was living in Huntingdon, where he continued to reside until the time of his death, with the exception of a few years spent on his farm two miles east of Huntingdon.

His high character and merit brought him

into prominence when very young. When but twenty-four years of age he was elected, July 8, 1776, one of the delegates from Bedford county to the convention which met July 15, 1776, at Carpenter's Hall, Philadelphia, for the purpose of forming the first constitution of the Commonwealth. He was sheriff of Bedford county in 1784, and was again appointed, October 31, 1785. At the time when Huntingdon county was formed from Bedford, he was living in Huntingdon. The act creating the new county was passed September 20, 1787, and provided among other things that Benjamin Elliott, Thomas Duncan Smith, Ludwick Sell, George Ashman and William McMevy should be appointed trustees to take assurance of any lands or grounds for the public buildings. Upon the formation of Huntingdon county, he was appointed its first sheriff, being commissioned October 22, 1787; and on November 30, he was commissioned lieutenant of the county. In the same year, he was elected a delegate from Huntingdon county to the Pennsylvania Convention which ratified the Federal Constitution. This convention met in Philadelphia, November 21, 1787; and on December 12 the vote was taken, when its ratification was carried by a good majority, Benjamin Elliott voting in the affirmative, although a large number of his constituents were opposed to the ratification. This opposition afterwards became riotous and violent. In May, 1789, a battalion of militia which had been organized by Benjamin Elliott, the lieutenant of the county, was ordered to assemble in Hart's Log valley. Some of the opponents of the constitution were present, and refused to be mustered in; an assault was made upon Colonel Elliott, as he is called in the old records, when he received many severe blows from several persons. Colonel Elliott, in his account of this disturbance, says: "I was very ill-used by a senseless banditti, who were influenced by a number of false publications circulated by people who were enemies of the Federal government."

Benjamin Elliott was appointed, August 12, 1789, a justice of the peace for the town of Huntingdon, and was the same day commissioned justice of the County Court of Common Pleas. He was elected a member of the Supreme Executive Council from Huntingdon county, October 31, 1789, took his seat De-

ember 30, 1789, and served until December 20, 1790, when Thomas Mifflin became governor, and the council expired, as provided in the new constitution of 1790. He was county treasurer from 1788 to 1795. He was appointed associate judge August 17, 1791, and after that was called Judge Elliott. In 1800 he was elected county commissioner. The town of Huntingdon was incorporated into a borough by the act of March 29, 1796, and in that year he was elected the first chief Burgess, which position he held for three years. About 1812, Judge Elliott went to the neighborhood of Newark, Ohio, where he purchased about 2,000 acres of land. While there, he was pursued by Indians, but escaped by getting into a boat and crossing a river. His sons by his third wife, Benjamin and John, inherited these lands, and made their residence upon them.

Benjamin Elliott was originally a Presbyterian, but on account of some difficulty with Rev. John Johnston, the first Presbyterian minister at Huntingdon, who was his neighbor, he left that church, and became an Episcopalian; all of his daughters afterwards became Presbyterians. He was above the average in height, and of great physical strength and endurance. He resided in Huntingdon until his death, which occurred March 15, 1835, at the age of eighty-three years; his remains rest in Riverview cemetery. He was thrice married: first, about 1777, to Mary Carpenter, who had come from Lancaster county, Pa., to Huntingdon, with her brother-in-law, Abraham Haines. Judge Elliott's children by his first wife were: I. Martha, born 1779; II. Mary, born May 6, 1781; III. James, born 1783, read law, died young and unmarried. Judge Elliott was married a second time in 1786 to Sarah Ashman, of Bedford Furnace, Huntingdon county, a sister of Col. George Ashman (see Ashman record). Their children were: I. Eleanor, born 1788; II. Harriet, born October, 1790; III. Matilda, born 1792. He married his third wife, Susan, daughter of Abraham Haines, of Huntingdon, and niece of his first wife, Mary Carpenter, March 28, 1805. Their children were: I. Patience, married Judge Calvin Blythe; II. Benjamin, married Mary Peebles, of Pittsburg, and moved to Newark, Ohio, where he died, leaving several children, of whom one, William, is a lawyer, and lives in

Chicago, Ill.; III. Louisa, married Dr. William Yeager, they had a daughter, Augusta, who married Mr. Kew, and removed to St. Louis, Mo.; III. John, married Miss Wilson, of Ohio, whither he removed.

3. Martha Elliott, (1. Robert; 2. Benjamin, and Mary), born 1779; married David McMurtrie, of Huntingdon, October 2, 1795; she died February 26, 1841, aged 63 years; he died November 9, 1843. Their children were:

I. Janet McMurtrie, born July 4, 1796.

II. Anna McMurtrie, born March 17, 1798, married Edward Patton, of Lewistown; after his death married Thomas Jackson, of Hollidaysburg, and after his death moved to Huntingdon, where she died.

III. Mary McMurtrie, born January 16, 1800, married James Gwin, of Huntingdon, who was appointed associate judge of Huntingdon county, March 20, 1840, and who was a son of Patrick Gwin; she died October 16, 1834. They had one son: i. David P. Gwin, born December 18, 1828, died in 1894; married Louisa Cunningham; had children, James, who died in 1896, and Mary.

IV. Ellen McMurtrie, born January 3, 1802, married Matthew Gregg, of Centre county, Pa. Their children are: i. David McMurtrie Gregg, born April 10, 1833, at Huntingdon; graduated at West Point, 1855, when he entered the regular army as lieutenant, became captain in May, 1861; colonel Eighth Pennsylvania Cavalry in January, 1862; brigadier general of volunteers, November 29, 1862; placed in command of a division of cavalry at Fredericksburg, and served as its commander on the Stoneman raid, in the campaign of Gettysburg, Mine Run, the Wilderness, and in front of Petersburg; commanded the cavalry of the Army of the Potomac from August, 1864, until his resignation from the army, in February, 1865; breveted major general, United States Volunteers, August 1, 1864; appointed United States Consul at Prague, Bohemia, by President Grant, in February, 1874, resigned in July, 1874; commander Pennsylvania Commandery Military Order of Loyal Legion since 1886; elected Auditor General of Pennsylvania November 3, 1891. He married Ellen Jones, of Reading, Pa.; they have two sons, George and David McE.; ii. Mary Gregg, married G. Dorsey Green, of Barree Forge, Huntingdon county, who afterwards moved to Centre county, Pa.; iii. George Gregg,

lives in California; iv. Ellen Gregg, lives in Centre county, with her sister Mary; v. Henry H. Gregg, born March 19, 1840; was in the military service during the war of the Rebellion; was commissioned major; was captured by the Confederates and taken to Libby prison; is married and lives in Joplin, Mo.; vi. Thomas J. Gregg, born October 8, 1842; was in the military service during the war of the Rebellion, and was commissioned captain, afterwards entered the regular army, is now on the retired list, holding a commission as major; married Bessie McKnight, of Pittsburg, and lives in Euchenec, Ventura county, Cal., where he is cashier in a bank.

V. David McMurtrie, born July 11, 1804, married Martha McConnell, of Huntingdon, May 21, 1845. She was born November 28, 1804, died November 8, 1890, in her eighty-sixth year; he died at Huntingdon July 7, 1892, in his eighty-eighth year, leaving a large estate; he was generally known as "Major." They had no children.

VI. Benjamin McMurtrie, born December 15, 1806, married January 28, 1830, to his cousin, Sarah Harriett Orbison (see Orbison record); they had one child, Harriett Orbison, born November 25, 1832; married Richard Rush Bryan in 1855, died June 7, 1893, in Philadelphia. After the death of his first wife, November 25, 1832, he about 1834 married Ellen Patton Dorsey, widow of Henry Dorsey; he was a physician, and for some time was connected with iron works near Frederick, Md.; he died in 1865 at Huntingdon; his children by his second wife were: i. Anna McMurtrie, born in 1835, died in 1866, married H. S. Wharron, of Huntingdon; their children are, Ellen, married — Van Buskirk, Anna, married William Verbeck, Mary, married — Reilly, and Henry; ii. Jane McMurtrie, born 1837, married James Moorehead and lives in Texas; iii. Rudolph McMurtrie, born 1839, married Jane Hurd, of Brownsville, Pa.

VII. Margery McMurtrie, born May 22, 1809.

VIII. Robert Allison McMurtrie, born December 15, 1811, was admitted to the Huntingdon county bar April 15, 1837, afterwards moved to Hollidaysburg, Pa., where he continued the practice of law until his death; he married Mrs. Maria Demison, a widow; they had children: i. David; ii. Sarah.

IX. Martha McMurtrie, born July 21, 1814, married James McCahan, of Huntingdon, who afterwards moved to Hollidaysburg, Pa.; their children are: i. David, died in April, 1897; ii. John, married Miss Glenn, of Philadelphia, lived in Harrisburg, Pa., is deceased; iii. Martha, married — Sylvey, of Hollidaysburg; iv. Theodore; v. Laura; vi. James; vii. William.

X. William McMurtrie, born February 25, 1817, married Margaret Whittaker, daughter of John Whittaker, of Huntingdon; he was engaged in the iron business near Frederick, Md., but spent most of his life in Huntingdon, where he died, January 27, 1893, in his seventy-sixth year, leaving a large estate. Their children are: i. Martha McMurtrie, born 1840, married R. Milton Speer, Esq., of Huntingdon, who was a prominent lawyer, and was elected to Congress in 1870 and 1872; their children are: William McM., editor of the *Albany Argus*; Robert Elliott, assistant secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, married Emma Bailey, of Harrisburg; Mary, Victor and Margaret; ii. Elliott Stewart McMurtrie, born August 13, 1842, studied law at Indiana, Pa., was admitted to the Huntingdon bar August 13, 1866, when he entered into partnership with his brother-in-law, R. M. Speer, Esq., under the firm name of Speer & McMurtrie, and since the death of Mr. Speer practises by himself; iii. Arthur McMurtrie, born 1844; iv. Elizabeth McMurtrie, born 1846, married 1870 to Caleb C. North, cashier of Union Bank of Huntingdon, now connected with a bank in Washington, D. C.; their children are: David McMurtrie, William McMurtrie, Caleb, James, Elizabeth, and Mary; v. David Elliott McMurtrie, born 1849; vi. Mary McMurtrie; vii. Margaret McMurtrie, deceased; viii. Clara McMurtrie.

4. Mary Elliott (1. Robert; 2. Benjamin and Mary), born May 6, 1781, in Fort Bedford, Bedford, Pa., whither her parents had gone for protection from the Indians, who were very troublesome at this time; so much so that George Ashman, then lieutenant of Bedford county, addressed a letter dated June 12, 1781, to the President of the Supreme Executive Council, stating that a number of families were fleeing away daily, and that he would move his family back to Maryland unless assistance should be rendered. She was married September 21, 1802, by Rev.

John Johnston, to Robert Allison, of Huntingdon (see Allison Record); she died at Huntingdon, May 4, 1857, aged seventy-six years.

5. Eleanor Elliott (1. Robert; 2. Benjamin and Sarah), born at Huntingdon in 1788, married October 6, 1808, by Rev. John Johnston, to William Orbison (see Orbison Record); she died at Huntingdon, February 13, 1865, aged seventy-seven years.

6. Harriett Elliott (1. Robert; 2. Benjamin and Sarah), born at Huntingdon, in October, 1790, married August 20, 1811, to Jacob Miller, of Huntingdon, born in April, 1786; he was first lieutenant of the Huntingdon Light Infantry, which tendered its services to the President in the war of 1812, and which left Huntingdon September 7, 1812, and marched to Buffalo, N. Y., reaching there on the 2d of October. In 1845, he was elected register, recorder of deeds, and clerk of the Orphans' Court; he was a very fine penman. For many years he kept store in Huntingdon. She died September 16, 1869, in the seventy-ninth year of her age; he died June 15, 1863, in his seventy-seventh year; the day of his funeral was one of excitement in Huntingdon, as it was reported that the Confederate troops were in Fulton county, and were on their way to Huntingdon; the people were busy secreting their valuables in wells, cisterns and gardens. Their children are:

I. Henry W. Miller, born in January, 1812, married Mary Hoffman; he was clerk to the county commissioners for a number of years; he died in May, 1893; their children are: i. Ashman; ii. Nannie, married J. Emory Greene, resides in Peoria, Ill.; iii. Mary, married Henry Elliott Miller (see Allison Record); iv. Rose, married Irvin Haddenman, of Bedford county, Pa.; v. Lillie; vi. Margaret, married Timothy Campbell, M. C., of New York.

II. Elliott Miller, married Keziah Peebles and moved to near Pittsburgh, where he lived for many years, died at Huntingdon in February, 1893; their children are: i. William; ii. Harriett.

III. G. Ashman Miller, married first Mrs. Hannah Fahs; their children are: i. J. Garrettson, married —; ii. Rachel Mary, married Orlando Swoope, lives in Philadelphia; iii. Harriett, married George W. San-

derson, of Huntingdon. His second wife was Amanda McFarlane; their child is: William, died in June, 1894.

7. Matilda Elliott (1. Robert; 2. Benjamin and Sarah), born at Huntingdon in 1792, married March 28, 1816, to Dr. James Stewart, of Huntingdon county, who afterwards moved to Indiana, Indiana county, Pa.; she died in 1865, aged seventy-three years. Their son is:

1. William M. Stewart, born January 17, 1817, married Elizabeth F. Clopper, of Greensburg, Pa., July 13, 1847. He read law and became a successful lawyer, was in partnership at Indiana with Silas M. Clark, who was elected justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. Prior to 1870, he moved with his family to Philadelphia, Pa., where he engaged in the banking business and was one of the firm of B. K. Jamison & Co., although still keeping his office at Indiana and continuing his practice there, being counsel for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. Their children are: i. Henrietta B.; ii. James, born June 9, 1850, married June 9, 1881, to Carrie Washburn; their children are William M. and James M.; iii. Edward, born October 15, 1852; iv. Matilda E., married A. C. Coddington, June 13, 1882; she died in 1891; their child is Elsy; v. Mary B.; vi. William Moore, born November 30, 1858, married Margarette L. Ballard, November 23, 1892, is a lawyer in Philadelphia; vii. Harry, born January 30, 1857.

The original Elliots were Scotch-Irish Presbyterians, and most of their descendants have continued in the same faith. Benjamin Elliott was a Federalist, and his descendants for the most part have been Whigs and Republicans.

THE ASHMAN RECORD.

1. George Ashman was born prior to 1660 in Lynton, County Wiltshire, England. He probably came to America in 1670, with the Cromwells, Gists, Morays, Murrays, Baileys, Philips's, Hawkins's, Bards, Wilmoits, Besons and Rattenburgs, who formed a colony and first settled in Calvert county, Md. He afterwards moved to Anne Arundel county, on the south side of the Patapasco river. On November 30, 1894, he received a grant from King William III, of a farm of 500 acres on Gunpowder Neck, then Cecil county, which he

called "Ashman's Hope," and whither he removed some time after receiving the grant. About 1687, he was married to Elizabeth Trahearne, widow of William Cromwell, who died in 1684, and who was the son of Henry Cromwell, and first cousin of Oliver Cromwell, Lord Protector of England. This Henry Cromwell had been in Virginia as early as 1620, his sons, William, Richard and John, came to America in 1670 with the colony that took up land on the south side of the Patapasco river, in Maryland. The Cromwell family lived near the Ashmans and there were a number of intermarriages between their descendants. In 1692 George Ashman and Richard Cromwell, with four others, were elected by the freeholders of Patapasco parish, now St. Paul's, as vestrymen, and as such had civil duties as well as religious to perform. In 1693, George Ashman was presiding justice of the county courts of Baltimore. He died in 1699, leaving a will dated August 10, 1698, which was probated February 23, 1699, and of which his wife Elizabeth was executrix. He devised to his son John, when he should be sixteen years old, his plantation called "Ashman's Hope;" to his daughter Charity, when she should be sixteen years old, or married, his plantation called "Charity's Delight" and to his daughter Elizabeth a plantation called "George's Fancy." In case of his children dying without issue he devised his lands to his brothers James and John. He also refers to his stepsons, Philip, Thomas and William Cromwell, whom he calls sons-in-law. At the time of his death his children were minors. He was a man of prominence and a member of the Church of England. He was buried in St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore, January 31, 1699. The children of George and Elizabeth Ashman were: i. John, born in 1689; ii. Charity, born in 1691; iii. Elizabeth, born in 1693.

2. John Ashman (1. George), born in Anne Arundel county, Md., in 1689, married November 26, 1713, to Constance Hawkins, whose parents lived in the same county, across the river from the Cromwells, and had come to America in 1670 with the English colony referred to in the history of George Ashman. He lived at "Ashman's Hope" which had been devised to him by his father. His wife was born about 1693. Their chil-

dren were: i. George, born November 8, 1714; ii. John, born September 1, 1716, married Miss Hawkins; iii. Elizabeth, born December 24, 1718, married Daniel Stanbury; iv. Constance, born March 17, 1720, married William Cockey, born February 20, 1718, they had four children; v. Charity, born February 11, 1722, married William Cromwell, son of William, grandson of William Cromwell and Elizabeth Trahearne and great-grandson of Henry Cromwell, they had six children; vi. Ruth, born March 12, 1724, married Hugh Merriken; vii. Rachel, born October 29, 1726, died in 1768, unmarried; viii. Patience, born March 26, 1728, married ——— Jacob; ix. William, born July 8, 1731, died in 1762, unmarried; x. Emanuel, born November 27, 1734; xi. Mary, born August 29, 1739.

3. George Ashman (1. George; 2. John and Constance), was born November 8, 1714, at "Ashman's Hope" on Gunpowder Neck, Md. After reaching manhood he went to England on business for his father, and while there met Jemima Murray, of Edinburg, Scotland, whom he married and brought with him to his home in Maryland. Her father and family accompanied them and settled in Maryland. Their children were: i. George, born in 1740, died November 5, 1811; ii. Elizabeth, married Richard Colgate, of Baltimore county, Md.; iii. Ellen, married John Colgate, of Baltimore county, Md.; iv. Sarah, born in 1765, married Benjamin Elliott.

4. George Ashman (1. George; 2. John; 3. George), was born in 1740, in Maryland; was married March 15, 1774, to Elinor Cromwell, who died in April, 1827. She was the daughter of John Cromwell, of Anne Arundel county, Md., and Elizabeth Todd; he was the great grandson of Richard Cromwell, who was the son of Henry Cromwell. The niece of Elinor Ashman, Elinor Cromwell, daughter of Richard Cromwell, was married to Thomas Lee, of the vicinity of Washington, D. C., and their daughter, Mary Diggs Lee, was married to Charles Carroll and had a son, John Lee Carroll, who was governor of Maryland in 1876. In June, 1776, George Ashman moved from Maryland to Bedford Furnace, now Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, Pa., where with his brother-in-law, Thomas Cromwell, and Edward Ridgely, he erected

the old Bedford furnace about 1785, it being the first iron establishment west of the Susquehanna. After coming to Pennsylvania, he was on December 10, 1777, commissioned colonel of the Second Battalion of Bedford county Associators, and on November 21, 1780, appointed lieutenant of Bedford county. He was commissioned justice of the Court of Common Pleas of Bedford county September 24, 1784. The county of Bedford from 1771 to 1787 included the present territory of Huntingdon county. In 1794 he built a log house at Three Springs, Huntingdon county, Pa., six miles distant from Orbisonia, on a tract of 1,800 acres of valuable limestone land which he had acquired, and moved there from Bedford Furnace. In 1781, the Indians became so troublesome that he was obliged to send his family to Fort Littleton, Fulton county, where they remained in the fort until the country became settled. He died November 5, 1811, in his 72d year. The children of George and Elinor Ashman were all born at Bedford Furnace, and were: i. James, born January 7, 1775, married Mary Mason; ii. Elizabeth, born March 15, 1776, married John Palmer; iii. Richard, born October 7, 1778, died unmarried; iv. Sarah, born January 25, 1781, died unmarried; v. John, born February 24, 1783, married Elinor Cromwell; vi. Josephus, born July 10, 1785, died unmarried; vii. Henrietta Maria, born August 24, 1787, married David Hunter; viii. Rebecca, born February 14, 1790, married William Hammill; ix. Eleanor, born October 15, 1792, married James McGish; x. Ann, born on the same day, died in infancy; xi. George, born on the same day; married Jane Scott and moved to Indiana. The last three were triplets; xii. Francis, born October, 1, 1795, died unmarried; xiii. Oliver.

5. Sarah Ashman (1. George; 2. John; 3. George), was born in 1765 in Maryland, moved with her brother George in 1776 to Bedford Furnace, Pa., and resided with him until 1786, when she was married to Benjamin Elliott of Huntingdon, Pa. (See Elliott Family.) Their children were: i. Eleanor Elliott, born 1788, married William Orbison, October 6, 1808; ii. Harriett Elliott, born October 1, 1790, married Jacob Miller, August 20, 1811; iii. Matilda Elliott, born 1792, married Dr. James Stewart, March 28, 1816.

6. James Ashman (1. George; 2. John;

3. George; 4. George), was born at Bedford Furnace, Pa., January 5, 1775. He moved to Fayette county, Pa., and married Mary Mason, daughter of Colonel Isaac and Catharine Harrison Mason, of Mt. Braddock, Fayette county, Pa., January 5, 1805; she was born July 22, 1780, and died March 3, 1852. He was commissioned captain in the Tenth Regiment of Infantry, U. S. A., by President John Adams, April 17, 1799. He received the degree of Master Mason, March 20, 1799, in Lodge No. 55, at Huntingdon, Pa. He died January 25, 1808. They had one son: i. George James Ashman, born June 19, 1806, died March 18, 1872; he married Sarah Ann Dawson, daughter of George and Mary Kennedy Dawson, of Brownsville, Pa., November 24, 1830. She was born April 10, 1811, and died March 9, 1848. They lived at New Haven, Fayette county, where he kept a store. Their children were: i. James R. Ashman, born April 11, 1831, died April 24, 1836; ii. Mary Ashman, born March 21, 1833, died May 29, 1856; married Lafayette Markle, son of Gen. Joseph Markle, of Westmoreland county, Pa., June 12, 1855; he was editor of the *CConnellsville Enterprise* at the time of their marriage. They had a son, George Ashman Markle, born March 14, 1856, who married Emma Overholt April 3, 1879, they have two children, Gertrude, born 1880, and Howard, born 1882; iii. Catherine Torrence Ashman, living at Connellsville, Pa.; iv. Sarah Kennedy Ashman, born October 15, 1834, died April 23, 1836; v. Louisa Cass Ashman, born November 16, 1838, married David Henry Vecch, son of Judge James and Maria Ewing Vecch, May 1, 1862. He was born 1837, and was a lawyer. During the civil war he was first lieutenant in the Fifth Artillery, U. S. A., and was afterwards captain of volunteers. After the war, he practised law in Pittsburg until his death, May 2, 1874. Their children are: Catharine Ashman Vecch, born March 6, 1863, married Benjamin Paschall Howell, April 21, 1885; Sarah Louise Vecch, born February 3, 1867; and James Ashman Vecch, born November 21, 1872; vi. George Dawson Ashman, born September 5, 1844, died January 16, 1875. He enlisted as a private when seventeen years of age, and served through the civil war; after the war, resided in Pittsburg, Pa., where

he was assistant paymaster on Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago R. R. He married Sarah Jane Miller, of Harrisburg, in 1865.

7. Elizabeth Ashman (1. George; 2. John; 3. George; 4. George), was born at Bedford Furnace, Pa., March 15, 1776, married John Palmer, of Shirley township, Huntingdon county, Pa., February 19, 1795. In 1799 he was commissioned justice of the peace. Their children were: I. George Palmer; II. ——— married ——— Greer; III. Mary Palmer, born 1804, died April 19, 1897, aged 93 years, married William Maclay, of Huntingdon county, Pa. She was living at Spruce Creek, Pa., with her daughter Margaret, at the time of her death. Their children are: i. John Palmer Maclay, formerly of Huntingdon, now of Altoona; married and has the following children: Ellen, Amie, married to Mr. Vanness; James, Mary, Harry J., married to Miss Maule; Margaret, married to William S. Taylor, son of the late Hon. George Taylor, of Huntingdon; Cyrus and William; ii. Margaret Maclay, married to Jacob Isott, of Spruce Creek, Pa.; IV. Peggy Palmer; V. Sarah Palmer, married ——— Logan.

After the death of John Palmer, his widow Elizabeth married William Harvey, of Shirleysburg, Pa., they had a daughter, Catharine Harvey, who married Andrew Fraker, of Shirleysburg; their children were: i. W. Ashman Fraker, who lived at Shirleysburg; he is now dead, and his family reside in Altoona, Pa.; ii. Ellen Fraker, born 1841, married Dr. Alexander Sheaffer, of Lewistown, Pa., who is now dead. Their daughter, Catharine Sheaffer, is married to Harry Lee, of near Lewistown, and they have a son, Henry Richard Lee, born 1895.

8. John Ashman (1. George; 2. John; 3. George; 4. George), was born at Bedford Furnace, February 24, 1783. Most of his life was spent on one of the farms near Three Springs, which had been owned by his father, Colonel George, and was known as the "Mansion farm." He was married about 1810 to his cousin Elinor Cromwell, daughter of Thomas Cromwell, who had come from Maryland to Bedford Furnace about 1776. She was born 1786. Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, was named "in honor of Col. Thomas Cromwell, who was an early settler and a distinguished and hospitable citizen." The children of John and Elinor Ashman were:

I. Richard Ashman, married Mary Jane Loraine, daughter of Dr. Loraine, of Phillipsburg, Pa.; he lived at Three Springs on one of the farms which had been owned by his grandfather, and was a merchant. He died a few years ago. Their children are: i. Loraine, married, lives in the West; ii. Cornelia, lives at Three Springs; iii. George, married Miss Hamlin, practised dentistry at Phillipsburg, Pa.; iv. Siegel, married Miss Stevens, lives near Three Springs in the old mansion house erected by his great-grandfather, George Ashman; v. Herbert, married Ellen Kessler, of Phillipsburg, Pa., and lives at Three Springs, in the house formerly occupied by her father; vi. Lillian, married Dr. Dallas Barnhart, of Dublin Mills, Fulton county, Pa. He was elected to the legislature in March, 1897.

II. Ann Ashman, married Isaac Taylor, lives at Mt. Union, Pa.

III. Ellen Ashman, married Dr. J. A. Shade, and lived at Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, Pa., until he was murdered in 1876.

IV. Thomas Ashman, married Melissa Greene, daughter of Kenzie L. Greene; their children are John and Annie, and live at Orbisonia, Pa.

9. Henrietta Maria Ashman (1. George; 2. John; 3. George; 4. George), born August 24, 1787, at Bedford Furnace, Pa., married in 1811 to David Hunter, of Ayr township, Bedford (now Fulton county, Pa.) who was born in 1781. He was a member of the legislature from Bedford county in 1834-1835. She died March 29, 1835, aged 48 years. He died October 26, 1853, aged 72 years. Their children were: i. George Ashman Hunter, born April 10, 1813, died 1890, married Martha Hunter, of Kentucky; ii. William Hunter, born September 25, 1814, died 1818; iii. Eleanor Cromwell Hunter, born November 15, 1815, died 1888, married Rev. Finley McNaughton; iv. Elizabeth Hunter, born January 15, 1818, died 1869, married Wm. M. Patterson, of Ayr township, Fulton county; their children, David Hunter, and Henrietta, married to T. Erskine Carson, of Baltimore, Md.; v. Henrietta Maria Hunter, born December 18, 1819, married George McCulloch, of Alabama; vi. Louisa Hunter, born April 22, 1822; vii. Martha M. Hunter, born November 6, 1824; viii. Ann Galloway Hunter, born August 5, 1828, died June 12, 1853. She was married in October, 1848, to

John B. Patterson, whose grandfather, William Patterson, of Ayr township, Bedford county, was an ensign in the Seventh Company, Eighth Battalion, of Cumberland county Associates, was commissioned July 31, 1777, and spent part of one winter at Valley Forge. He was born in York county in 1747, and was a member of the Pennsylvania Legislature in 1794. On John B. Patterson's farm in Fulton county, the Confederate General, Bradley T. Johnson, had his headquarters on the night of the day when Chambersburg, Pa., was burned by the Confederate troops (July 30, 1864). That was the last Confederate camp fire north of Mason and Dixon's line. John B. Patterson and Ann Galloway his wife had one son, Thomas Elliott Patterson, born in Ayr township, Fulton county, July 15, 1853; graduated from the law department of Union College, N. Y., in 1875, admitted to the Philadelphia bar February 26, 1876, and still continues to practise law in Philadelphia. Was married June 18, 1885, to Bertha Remington, of Union, Herkimer county, N. Y. They have two children: Elliott Remington Patterson, born August 7, 1886; and Howard Ashman Patterson, born September 13, 1891.

10. Rebecca Ashman (1. George; 2. John; 3. George; 4. George), born February 14, 1790, at Bedford Furnace, Pa., married William Hamill, of Shippensburg; she died at Orbisonia, Pa., November 30, 1862, aged seventy-two years. Their children are:

I. George Ashman Hamill, married Jane Chamberlain in May, 1847, moved to Martinsburg, W. Va., where he practised medicine until his death, November 16, 1870; they had a daughter, Bell, born in 1862.

II. William Cromwell Hamill, born in 1821, died June 2, 1843.

III. Elizabeth, married Thomas E. Orbison, January 22, 1845; (see Orbison Record); she died April 20, 1864.

IV. Eleanor, married September 3, 1851, to Richard Benson Wigton, of Rock Hill Furnace, Huntingdon county, Pa.; he was then engaged in the iron business, afterwards went into the coal business at Huntingdon, and from there moved to Philadelphia, where he resided, his son being engaged with him in mining and shipping coal. He died in 1895; their children are: i. William Hamill Wigton, born November 20, 1854, lives at Bryn Mawr,

Pa.; married May 24, 1881, to Anna Nutting; their children are: Jeannette, Richard Benson, Nutting, Elizabeth, Katharine; ii. Frank Hiner Wigton, born March 17, 1857, married Mary Louise Wilson, October 31, 1888, and lives in Germantown, Pa.; their children are: Robert Wilson, born July 27, 1890; Edward Newton, born February 16, 1893; iii. Charles Benson Wigton, born July 2, 1859, at Huntingdon, Pa., married Anna McCann, of Philadelphia, May 13, 1884; their children are: Charles Benson, born September, 1885; Theodora Bell, born October, 1886; iv. Eleanor Rebecca Wigton, born in Huntingdon, Pa., married Dr. Hoch, of Philadelphia in 1894.

V. Edward Bird Hamill, a physician in Martinsburg, W. Va., died May 22, 1882. He was twice married; his first wife was Irene Hughes, of Mercersburg, Pa.; their children are: i. Mary Elizabeth Hamill, born December 15, 1854; ii. Irene Hughes Hamill, born March 2, 1856, married Henry Bechtel, of Hagerstown, Md.; iii. Elizabeth Hamill, married William Bullen, March 9, 1875, and live in Washington, D. C. The second wife of Edward Bird Hamill was Kate Hooper; their child is: i. George Ashman Hamill, married Lillie Benton, of Hagerstown, Md., March 10, 1883; he is a physician and resides in Martinsburg, W. Va.

VI. Florence Rebecca Hamill, died at Orbisonia, September 24, 1850.

11. Eleanor Ashman (1. George; 2. John; 3. George; 4. George); was born at Bedford Furnace, Pa., October 15, 1792, died March 9, 1867. She was married June 4, 1824, to James McGirk, a merchant in Philipsburg, Pa., son of Stephen McGirk. He was born March 26, 1789, died June 16, 1855. Their children were:

I. Henrietta McGirk, born April 15, 1831, married Dr. Foster, of Philipsburg. They had one daughter, Helen; she was married to George Zeigler, formerly of Huntingdon, who was a merchant in Philipsburg. Their children were: Henrietta Zeigler and Helen Zeigler, married to Fred. Todd, of Philipsburg.

II. Cromwell McGirk, born October 6, 1829, died April 7, 1830.

III. John Davis McGirk, born October 21, 1834, married Mary Hand, born May 11, 1836, daughter of Aaron and Eliza Foster Hand.

He is a physician in Philipsburg. Their children are: i. Loretta McGirk, born October 14, 1857; ii. Annie Foster McGirk; iii. Charles E. McGirk, born September 17, 1869, he is a physician and resides in Philipsburg.

IV. James McGirk, born December 25, 1826, died March 17, 1830.

There is in the possession of Herbert Ashman, great-grandson of Col. George Ashman, at Three Springs, Huntingdon county, Pa., a looking-glass said to be over two hundred years old, on the frame of which is a double coat of arms, indicating the union of two families; one of these is the Ashman arms, and corresponds with the following description taken from Burke's *Armorial Bearings and Heraldry*: "Ashman (Lyminster, Co. Wilts.) Or. on a bend, gules, between two talbots, heads erased, sable, three fleur-de-lis argent. Crest, a hantboy in pale." The motto is "Watch Weel." It is probable that the original Ashmans belonged to the Church of England, as all who came from Maryland to Pennsylvania were members of the Episcopal church. Col. George Ashman was a Federalist, and most of his descendants became Whigs, and afterwards Republicans.

THE ALLISON RECORD.

William Allison was born June 17, 1696, in the north of Ireland, and was of Scotch ancestry; came to America about 1730, and settled in that part of the Cumberland valley, Penna., where the town of Greencastle, Franklin county, is now situated, and died there December 14, 1778, aged eighty-two years. He was one of the first justices of Cumberland county, and on May 28, 1750, with other justices, met Richard Peters, Provincial Secretary of Pennsylvania, at Shippensburg, for the purpose of removing trespassers, who were mostly Scotch-Irish, from the unpurchased lands belonging to the Indians. He married Catharine Craig, about 1737. He left a will, which was proved February 23, 1779, and recorded in the Register's Office at Carlisle, in Will Book "C," page 144. He had the following brothers and sisters born in Ireland: James, born November 12, 1693; Patrick, born February 21, 1699; Jean, born June 22, 1701; John, born January 18, 1704, had land adjoining his brother William in Cumberland county, and had a son named John; Robert,

born December 21, 1707; Margaret, born June 24, 1709. The children of William and Catharine Allison were: I. John, born December 23, 1738; II. Patrick, born November 7, 1740, died August 21, 1802, at Baltimore, Md.; graduated at the University of Pennsylvania in 1760; was appointed professor in the academy at Newark, Del., in 1761; was licensed to preach by the Second Presbytery of Philadelphia in March, 1763. In August, 1763, was invited to a church in Baltimore, Md., and in 1765 was ordained its pastor, in which relation he continued till his death. He was a prominent man in the Presbyterian church, and was a D. D.; III. Agnes, born February 26, 1743, married Robert McCrea, had a son, William; IV. Robert, born February 4, 1745; V. William, born November 15, 1749; VI. Catharine, born in 1751, married James Hendricks.

2. John Allison (1. William), born December 23, 1738, near Greencastle, then Lancaster county, afterwards Cumberland county, now Franklin county. He received a thorough English and classical education under the care of the Scotch-Irish Presbyterian ministers of the locality. In October, 1764, he was appointed one of the provincial magistrates for Cumberland county, and was re-appointed in 1769. At a meeting of the citizens of that county held at Carlisle, July 12, 1774, he was appointed on the Committee of Observation for Cumberland and became quite active in the struggle for independence. He was a member of the Provincial Conference held at Carpenter's Hall, Philadelphia, June 18, 1776, and was appointed by that body one of the judges of the election of members to the first Constitutional Convention for the second division of the county at Chambersburg. He was colonel of the Second Battalion of Cumberland county Associates during the Jersey campaign of 1776 and 1777, and a member of the General Assembly in 1778, 1780 and 1781. In 1782 he laid out the town of Greencastle. In 1787 he was chosen a delegate from Franklin county to the Pennsylvania Convention to ratify the Federal Constitution, and in that body seconded the motion made by Thomas McKean, November 24, 1787, to assent to and ratify it. At the first Federal Conference held at Lancaster in 1788, he was nominated for Congress, but was defeated at the election that year. He took a bold stand

for the ratification of the Federal Constitution while his colleague and almost his entire constituency were opposed to it. He was a ruling elder in the Presbyterian church and of great prominence during the Revolutionary era. He married, November 3, 1768, Elizabeth Wilkin, who was born in Ireland, November 11, 1748, and came to America in 1764; she died November 19, 1815, aged sixty-seven years. John Allison died June 14, 1795, aged fifty-seven years, and his remains rest in Moss Spring Presbyterian Church graveyard, one half mile east of Greencastle. His children were: I. Mary, born September 6, 1769; II. Catharine, born April 22, 1771; III. William, born July 14, 1773; IV. Margaret, born April 24, 1775; V. Robert, born March 10, 1777; VI. Patrick, born February 14, 1779; VII. Nancy, born December 14, 1780; VIII. Elizabeth, born June 5, 1784; IX. Lydia, born September 19, 1786, died November 4, 1828; X. Rebecca, born April 1, 1789; XI. John Craig, born August 8, 1791; XII. Wilkin, born October 4, 1793, was a student at Dickinson College, Carlisle, died August 11, 1810.

3. William Allison (1. William), born November 15, 1749, died September 4, 1825. He married Mary McLanahan, sister of Samuel McLanahan, of Franklin county. Their children were: I. William; II. Isabella Craig, born June 14, 1794; III. John; IV. James; V. Robert; VI. Samuel; VII. Joseph; VIII. Mary.

4. Mary Allison (1. William; 2. John), born September 6, 1769, married about 1791 to Andrew Henderson, of Chester county, who settled in Huntingdon, Pa.; he was born in 1762, and died June 26, 1812. She died March 21, 1823. Her husband was one of the early settlers in Huntingdon county, which was organized September 20, 1787, and was formed from part of Bedford county. He was an officer in the Revolutionary war at the age of seventeen, and belonged to the order of Cincinnati. He was appointed September 29, 1787, associate judge of Huntingdon county for a term of seven years. At the same time, he was also appointed recorder of deeds and register of wills, and on January 15, 1788, received a commission as justice-elect for the town of Huntingdon. On December 13, 1788, he was appointed prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas. He was a member of the convention which framed the Penn-

sylvania Constitution of 1790. After the adoption of that constitution he was re-appointed by Governor Mifflin on July 11, 1791, prothonotary and clerk of the Quarter Sessions, Oyer and Terminer and Orphans' Courts; and on January 13, 1800, Governor McKean re-appointed him to all these offices, which he continued to hold until February 28, 1809. He was elected chief Burgess of the borough of Huntingdon for five successive years, from 1803 to 1807 inclusive, and again in 1809 and 1810. He erected the large three-story brick house at the southeast corner of Third and Allegheny streets, in the borough of Huntingdon, about 1810, which was occupied as the Pennsylvania Railroad depot for a number of years, and which has recently been torn down (1893). They had a son: i. John Allison Henderson, born 1793, graduated at Dickinson College, read law and was commissioned prothonotary February 9, 1821; he died September 15, 1824, aged thirty-one years.

5. Margaret Allison (1. William; 2. John), born April 24, 1775, married December 30, 1806, to Samuel McLanahan, brother of Mary who had married her uncle, William Allison; she lived at Locust Hill farm near Greencastle; she died November 17, 1856, aged eighty-one years. He was born September 11, 1775, and died November 20, 1847, aged seventy-two years. Their children were: I. John Allison McLanahan, born August 28, 1807, married Mary Davidson, of Greencastle, December 23, 1836; he died January 16, 1837, she died March 8, 1885.

II. Robert McLanahan, born September 19, 1809, died October 30, 1857.

III. James Craig McLanahan, born September 12, 1816, married Sarah Kennedy April 9, 1850, and lived in Greencastle; was president of First National Bank for a number of years; he died in 1893, aged seventy-seven years. They had one child: i. Samuel, born February 12, 1853, married October 17, 1877, to Maud Imbrie; she died February 14, 1884. He is a Presbyterian minister, and preached in Baltimore for a number of years; he is married a second time. By his first wife he had one child, J. Craig, born April 28, 1881.

IV. Margaret A. McLanahan, born March 22, 1814, married John McLanahan McDowell, of Chambersburg, October 22, 1833, he

died September 20, 1882, she died about 1889. Their children are: i. Allison McDowell; ii. Teneb, married Eliza Gehr, of Chambersburg, June 22, 1865; their issue: Wilkin Brewer; and Percy, died January 31, 1882; iii. Samuel McLanahan, killed at battle of Kenesaw Mountain, June 27, 1864; iv. Mary Ann; v. John Van Lear, died October 15, 1854; vi. William Craig, lives in Montana; vii. George Davidson, lawyer in Chambersburg.

6. Robert Allison (1. William; 2. John), born March 10, 1777, near Greencastle, Pa., in 1795. When a young man, he went to Huntingdon, Pa., where he was clerk in the public offices held by his brother-in-law, Andrew Henderson. Here he read law with Richard Smith, and was admitted to the Huntingdon bar at April Term, 1798. He was married September 21, 1802, by Rev. John Johnston, to Mary Elliott, daughter of Benjamin Elliott, by his first wife, Mary Carpenter (see Elliott Record). He was captain of the "Huntingdon Light Infantry," a volunteer company which on May 4, 1812, voted to tender its services to the President in the then impending war with Great Britain, a formal declaration of the war not being issued until June 18. The tender was accepted, and the company marched from Huntingdon on September 7, and reached Buffalo, N. Y., October 2. His diary, kept during their march, has recently been found by R. A. Orbison. In 1830 he was elected to Congress, his opponent being John Scott. He was elected chief Burgess of the borough of Huntingdon in 1815, again in 1817, 1819, and from 1821 to 1824 inclusive, and again in 1826 and in 1830. He and his brother-in-law, Andrew Henderson, erected Allegheny Furnace, near Altoona, in 1811. He had a stroke of paralysis in the fall of 1830, which affected his speech to a great extent. He died December 2, 1840, aged sixty-three years. His children were:

I. Mary Henderson, born December 13, 1803.

II. Elizabeth Wilkin, born November 19, 1805.

III. Catharine M., born February 9, 1810.

IV. John C., born January 4, 1814, died July 1, 1815.

V. Lydia Rebecca, born August 2, 1816, married September 16, 1841, to William B.

Orlison (see Orlison Record); she died April 1, 1891, aged seventy-four years.

VI. Robert Wilkin, born October 6, 1819, died July 25, 1820.

VII. William Elliott, born March 28, 1822, died September 3, 1828.

VIII. Nancy Davidson, born August 29, 1825, married December 8, 1852, to Rev. W. R. Bingham, D. D., of Oxford, Pa.; she died in 1865. Their issue: i. Edward D. Bingham, born February 10, 1854, admitted to the bar in November, 1878, and now practices at West Chester, Pa.; has been district attorney of Chester county; he married M. G. Johnston, of Pittsburg, September 20, 1888; ii. Mary Bingham, born July 1, 1855, died November 3, 1883.

7. Nancy Allison (1. William; 2. John), born December 14, 1780, married Elias Davidson, of Greencastle; she died December 25, 1818. Their children are:

I. John Allison Davidson, born July 4, 1812, died March 28, 1841.

II. Elias Wilkin Davidson, born July 17, 1814, died May 7, 1865, at Pittsburg, Pa.

III. Elizabeth Lydia, born October 1, 1818, married January 30, 1850, to William Dorris, Esq., of Huntingdon; she died September 3, 1860. Their issue: i. William Wilkin Dorris, born March 1, 1852, admitted to the bar April 12, 1876, lives in Rochester, N. Y.; ii. John Davidson Dorris, born October 14, 1858, admitted to the bar September 27, 1880, married Eva Emily Shedd, at Boston, Mass., June 19, 1895, she died July 13, 1896.

8. Elizabeth Allison (1. William; 2. John), born June 5, 1784, married April 18, 1811, at Huntingdon, Pa., by Rev. John Johnston, to Dr. John Henderson, of Franklin county, who settled in Huntingdon. Their children are:

I. Matthew Allison Henderson, married Margaret Shedd, lived in Huntingdon, afterwards moved to San Francisco, Cal., with his family. Their issue: i. A. Boyd, connected with one of the large newspapers of San Francisco; ii. Anna; iii. Mary; iv. Margaret.

II. Andrew Allison Henderson, married Virginia Pekoe, was a surgeon in U. S. Navy; their children are: i. Augustus; ii. George; iii. Virginia.

III. J. Kearsley Henderson, born 1817, died 1850.

IV. Robert Henderson.

V. William Henderson, married Mary Church, daughter of Robert R. Church, who after the death of Mr. Henderson, married Gov. George W. Geary. They had one son: i. William, died in Texas.

9. Rebecca Allison (1. William; 2. John), born April 1, 1789. After the death of her sister Nancy, married her brother-in-law, Elias Davidson.

10. Isabella Craig Allison (1. William; 3. William), born June 14, 1794, married March 25, 1819, to Dr. John Boggs, son of John Boggs. Dr. Boggs practised medicine in Greencastle, Pa., and was for many years an elder in the Presbyterian church of that place; he died July 12, 1847. Their children are:

I. Mary McLanahan Boggs, born January 31, 1820, at Greencastle, married January 18, 1842, Charles Wharton, son of Charles Wharton, of Philadelphia, she died July 10, 1886. He was born February 26, 1816, died December 29, 1888. Their issue: i. Charles Wharton, a physician in Philadelphia; ii. Anne H. Wharton; iii. Mary Wharton.

II. Francis Johnston Boggs, born November 18, 1825, married Nannie Irvine Pattison, of Virginia. He is a Methodist minister and lives in Ashland, Va.

III. William Allison Boggs, born October 1, 1823, died unmarried.

IV. John Craig Boggs, born October 18, 1825, married.

V. James Buchanan Spencer Boggs, born October 20, 1828, married Susan Weeks, of Galesburg, Ill.

VI. Charles Henry Beatty Boggs, born December 27, 1830, married Octavia Campbell, of Virginia. He is a Methodist minister, and lives in Virginia.

VII. Elizabeth Johnston Boggs, born March 29, 1833, died unmarried.

VIII. Isabel Allison Boggs, born February 26, 1838, married October 18, 1868, Edmund de Schweinitz, D. D., S. T. D., bishop of the Moravian church, they had a daughter, Isabel, who died July 10, 1890, unmarried.

11. James Allison (1. William; 3. William), born January 5, 1798, married Susan Brown,

both died January 29, 1861, near Greencastle. Their children were:

I. William.

II. James.

12. Mary Henderson Allison (1. William; 2. John; 6. Robert), born December 18, 1803, married Dr. Jonathan H. Dorsey, of Huntingdon, Pa., January 6, 1824, he died in 1865, and in 1868 she moved to St. Paul, Minn., where she died October 22, 1884, aged eighty-one years. Their children were:

I. Robert Allison Dorsey, born November 7, 1826.

II. Henry Augustus Dorsey, born September 30, 1830, died May 25, 1858.

III. William Elliott Dorsey, born March 19, 1832, died at St. Paul, Minn., February 25, 1878.

IV. Edward Greenbury Dorsey, born November 13, 1833, died in the U. S. military service at Camp Harvee, Ore., June 8, 1869.

13. Elizabeth Wilkin Allison (1. William; 2. John; 6. Robert), born November 19, 1805; married Benjamin Miller, of Huntingdon, December 28, 1826; he died January 10, 1839; she died May 11, 1887. Benjamin Miller was the son of Henry and Rebecca Graffius Miller, who moved from York, Pa., to Huntingdon, in April, 1791; his mother, Rebecca, was born at York, April 18, 1751, and was the daughter of Martin Nicholas Graffius, who was born May 2, 1722, and lived at York. Their children are:

I. Mary M. Miller, born September 22, 1827.

II. Robert Allison Miller, born September 17, 1829.

III. Henry Edwin Miller, born August 31, 1834, married Mary Miller, daughter of Henry W. Miller, of Huntingdon (see Ashman Record); he died July 14, 1892. Their children are: i. Clyde; ii. Elizabeth; iii. Edwin, dead; iv. Mary, dead; v. Robert Allison.

14. Catharine M. Allison (1. William; 2. John; 6. Robert), born February 9, 1810, married Alexander Gwin, of Huntingdon, August 2, 1832; she died June 29, 1857. Their children are:

I. Charles Allison Gwin, born March 9, 1834, died December 4, 1887, in Nebraska.

II. Mary Allison Gwin, born September 9, 1837, married J. Irvin Steele, May 15, 1860, he now resides in Ashland, Pa.; she

died in November, 1890; their children are: i. Charles E. Steele, born March 29, 1861; ii. William A. Steele, born August 27, 1862, now in Seattle, Wash.; iii. J. Irvin Steele, born January 1, 1865; iv. Stewart Steele, born November 29, 1866; v. Harry G. Steele, born December 6, 1868.

III. Annie Gwin, born October 21, 1841, died April 8, 1858.

IV. Nanny A. Gwin, born December 24, 1845, died May 26, 1866.

V. Alexander Dallas Gwin, born February 15, 1848, married Alinda Thorne, June 29, 1878, in Minnesota, where he lived for a number of years; now resides in Kentucky or Tennessee.

15. Robert Allison Dorsey (1. William; 2. John; 6. Robert; 12. Mary Henderson), born November 7, 1824, lived in Huntingdon county, Pa., until 1868, when he moved to St. Paul, Minn., where he died December 28, 1877; his first wife was Annie Dorris, daughter of William Dorris, of Huntingdon. Their children are:

I. Mary Dorsey, born February 23, 1857, married Joseph McKibben, of St. Paul, February 23, 1887; their child is: i. Annie McKibben, born April 1, 1888.

II. Annie Dorsey, born May 4, 1859, married Joseph McKibben November 4, 1889; she died June 9, 1884. Their children are: i. Allison, born September 14, 1881; ii. William Campbell, born February 8, 1884, died July 11, 1884.

III. Henry Augustus Dorsey, born September 24, 1860.

Robert A. Dorsey married his second wife, Annie Walker, of Alexandria, Pa., March 5, 1864. Their children are:

I. William Allison, born April 6, 1865.

II. Ellen Dorris, born January 5, 1868.

III. Bertha May, born May 4, 1869, married B. W. Scriber, Esq., of St. Paul, Minn., have a daughter, Ruth.

IV. Robert Allison, born February 23, 1872.

V. Edward Bartholomew, born June 19, 1874.

VI. Louise Walker, born February 22, 1876.

16. Mary M. Miller (1. William; 2. John; 6. Robert; 13. Elizabeth Wilkin), born September 27, 1827, married in 1849 to Dr. H. K. Neff, of Huntingdon, who was a surgeon

in the army during the war; he died at Huntingdon. Their children are:

I. Elizabeth Neff, born January 7, 1856, married June 6, 1878, to Lawrence L. Brown, of Huntingdon; they now reside in Cambria county. Their child is: i. Elizabeth Allison Brown, born in 1887.

II. Mary M. Neff, born September 7, 1858, married Frank Hall, of Huntingdon, November 21, 1882; he is stenographer in the Department of Internal Affairs at Harrisburg.

III. Julian A. Neff, born in May, 1854, married Martha Morrison, January, 1872, now resides in Altoona. Their children are: i. Mary Miller; ii. Margaretta Dobyne; iii. Martha Cecilia.

17. Robert Allison Miller (1. William; 2. John; 6. Robert; 13. Elizabeth Wilkin), born September 17, 1829, married May 17, 1853, Mary Lyon Fisher, daughter of Thomas Fisher, of Huntingdon, practised dentistry for a number of years. At present is engaged in insurance, milling and real estate business at Huntingdon. Their children are:

I. Thomas Fisher Miller, born June 6, 1854, married November 30, 1882, Mary E. Welch, now resides in Fullerton county, Neb. Their issue: i. Robert Allison; ii. Charles Welch; iii. Thomas Fisher.

II. Elwood Andrew Miller, born August 4, 1858, married April 17, 1884, Fannie Gage, daughter of George F. Gage, superintendent of Huntingdon and Broad Top R. R.; he is engaged in the milling business at Huntingdon; they have a daughter, Helen, born February 10, 1885.

III. Robert Allison Miller, born January 4, 1861, died February 26, 1864.

IV. Elizabeth Wilkin Miller, born November 1, 1863, died December 1, 1863.

V. Louis J. Miller, born May 27, 1865, married December 20, 1892, to Fanny Bland; he is engaged in the life insurance business at Huntingdon. They have issue: i. Jack Allison, born September 6, 1893, died November 30, 1896; ii. Charles Houtz, born 1895.

VI. Charles Herbert Miller, born August 31, 1867, married June 25, 1896, to Mary H. Dorris, daughter of William Dorris, Esq.

VII. Mary Fisher Miller.

VIII. Rachel Jackson Miller.

The original Allison's were Scotch-Irish

Presbyterians, and their descendants have continued in the same faith. Col. John Allison was a staunch Federalist, and his descendants have been Whigs and Republicans.

THE ORBISON RECORD.

1. Thomas Orbison was born near Lurgan, Ireland, about 1715; came to America about 1740, and purchased a farm near Welsh Run, now Franklin county, Pa., then in Peters township, Cumberland county, where he resided until his death, in March, 1779. He was married October 19, 1744, to Elizabeth, daughter of James Miller, of New Castle county, Del.; she died March 3, 1763; he afterwards, on August 12, 1765, married Mary Kyle. He left a will, which was proved March 10, 1779, and is recorded in the Register's Office at Carlisle in Will Book "C," page 145. His children by his first wife, Elizabeth, were:

I. William, born August 2, 1745, was a commissioned officer in the military service of the United States during the Revolutionary war, and died in the campaign called the "Flying Camp."

II. Thomas, born September 23, 1747.

III. John, born March 27, 1750, died 1827.

IV. Susanna, born September 20, 1752.

V. Bethiah, born November 2, 1755.

VI. James, born December 21, 1757.

By his second wife, Mary, he had one child: I. Jean, born July 5, 1766.

2. Thomas (1. Thomas), born September 23, 1747, near Welsh Run, now in Franklin county, Pa., married Elizabeth Bailey, April 5, 1774; her father, Benjamin, with his wife, had come from Ireland some time before her birth, which was in December 23, 1752. He purchased a farm near Willalloways-Creek, in York county, now Adams county, where his family resided during the Revolutionary war; he was in the military service of the United States, and was commissioned captain, July 5, 1777. About the close of the war, he moved to Millerstown (now Fairfield), Adams county, where he engaged in mercantile business until October 2, 1784, when he died of scarlet fever, aged 37 years. His widow, Elizabeth, in May, 1787, was married to William Agnew, with whom she moved to Butler county, Pa., in 1805; she died there April 7, 1826, aged seventy-five years. His children were:

I. Isabella, born January 31, 1775, married

John Stemmions, of Butler county, their child, Elizabeth R., married John Hogg, of Butler county; they had the following children: i. Mary Jane, born July 21, 1838; ii. Caroline Harriett, born December 20, 1840, died December 19, 1846; iii. Orblson S., born May 25, 1843; iv. Alice Rachel, born March 31, 1846, died in December, 1853; v. Norman Doak, born February 24, 1849, died June 14, 1852; vi. Isabel Elizabeth, born June 29, 1852.

II. William, born June 27, 1777.

III. Elizabeth Miller, born October 27, 1779, married Samuel Porter.

3. John (1. Thomas), born March 27, 1750, in Cumberland county, Pa., now Franklin county, married Elizabeth Lloyd, February 6, 1781. He held a commission during the Revolutionary war as first lieutenant, dated July 31, 1777, and some time after the war moved to Maryland, thence to Rockbridge county, Virginia, whence about 1806 he with his family moved to a farm near Piqua, Ohio, and seven years later to near Troy, Ohio, where he died, November 22, 1827, aged seventy-seven years; his wife died in 1833; their children were:

I. Thomas, born February 3, 1782.

II. Henry, born September 22, 1783.

III. David, born December 21, 1785, died October 15, 1820.

IV. Elizabeth, born November 24, 1787, married W. McCampbell, of Rockbridge county, Va., and afterwards moved to Ohio; she died September 1, 1821.

V. James, born October 27, 1789, died September 5, 1791.

VI. Julia L., born April 24, 1791, married John Gilmore, of Rockbridge county, Va., afterwards moved to Ohio; she died in 1830.

VII. John, born December 3, 1793, died August 31, 1820.

VIII. Nancy, born October 6, 1797, died March 15, 1799.

4. James (1. Thomas), born December 21, 1759, in Cumberland county, Pa., now Franklin county, married by Rev. John Johnston at Huntingdon, Pa., May 21, 1803, to Mrs. Patterson. When quite young, he entered the military service during the Revolutionary war, and held a commission. He afterwards read law, and was admitted to the bar of Franklin county at Chambersburg, at March

term, 1791; he died March 13, 1812, aged 53 years, without leaving any children.

5. William (1. Thomas; 2. Thomas), born June 27, 1777, in York county, now Adams county, married October 6, 1808, at Huntingdon, Pa., by Rev. John Johnston, to Eleanor Elliott, daughter of Benjamin Elliott by his second wife, Sarah Ashman. (See Elliott Record). He attended the school of Rev. Alexander Dobbins near Gettysburg from 1794 to 1797, when he studied "the languages;" in April, 1799, he commenced reading law with his uncle, James Orbison, at Chambersburg, and was admitted to the bar of Franklin county, August 6, 1801; on the 26th of August, 1801, he was admitted to the bar of Huntingdon county, at Huntingdon, Pa., where he continued to practise until about 1830, after which he devoted most of his time to literary pursuits. He was president of the Huntingdon Bank, which was chartered in 1814. Having purchased large tracts of land in Cromwell twp., he laid out part of this property in town lots, about 1832, and named the town Orbisonia. He died at Huntingdon, August 23, 1857, aged eighty years. His children were:

I. Sarah Harriett, born July 11, 1807, married her cousin, Dr. Benjamin McMurtrie (see Elliott Record), January 28, 1830; she died November 25, 1832; they had one child, Harriett Orbison, born November 25, 1832, married Richard Rush Bryan in 1855; she died June 7, 1893, in Philadelphia.

II. Caroline Elizabeth, born March 16, 1811, died September 9, 1829.

III. Thomas Elliott, born November 26, 1812.

IV. William Penn, born November 4, 1814.

V. Ellen Matilda, born July 19, 1816, married May 2, 1837, to Dr. John Harris, of Bellefonte, Pa., who afterwards removed to Philadelphia. During the war of the Rebellion, she was secretary of the Ladies' Aid Society of Philadelphia, and in that capacity spent much of her time ministering to the soldiers in the hospitals. Her husband having been appointed consul to Venice in 1870, she went there and remained until his death in 1881; she now resides in Florence, Italy.

VI. Henrietta Ashman, born December 12, 1817, married September 16, 1841, to Hugh Nelson McAllister, of Bellefonte, Pa.; she

died April 12, 1857; their children are: i. Mary Allison McAllister, married Gen. James A. Beaver, ex-Governor of Pennsylvania, now one of the judges of the Superior Court of Pennsylvania. Their children are: Gilbert N. Beaver, married Anne Simonton, of Harrisburg, in 1896; Hugh McA. Beaver; Thomas Beaver; ii. Ellen Elliott, born April 8, 1846, died August 18, 1866; iii. Sarah, married Dr. Thomas R. Hayes, of Bellefonte, Pa.

VII. Martha Ann, born December 1, 1819, died September 1, 1824.

VIII. Louisa Augusta, born October 2, 1821, married April 4, 1850, to Samuel Colhoun, lived in Philadelphia until 1868, when they moved to St. Paul, Minn.; he died in Colorado in August, 1883; they had one child, Emma C., married to Dr. Francis Atwood, of St. Paul, in 1876; he died in August, 1882; they had a son, Francis, born January, 1883.

IX. Edmund Burke, born April 20, 1823, lived in Philadelphia for a number of years, and since 1873 has been residing at Orbisonia, Pa.

X. James Henry, born March 23, 1826.

XI. Isabella Slemmons, born November 18, 1831, drowned September 14, 1833.

XII. Charles Carroll, born December 1, 1835, died November 20, 1836.

6. Henry (1. Thomas; 3. John), born September 22, 1783, in Cumberland county, Pa., now Franklin county, moved with his father to Maryland, and thence to Rockbridge county, Va., whence in 1806 he moved to near Piqua, Ohio, and in 1813 to near Troy, Ohio; he married Mary Ann Telford, of Kentucky, November 24, 1809; he died September 14, 1866, aged eighty-three years; his wife died April 19, 1868. He was one of the organizers of the Presbyterian church in Troy, September 13, 1813, and was elected an elder February 19, 1839; their children were:

I. James, born September 18, 1810; married to Elizabeth Adams, of Troy, in 1843; he died in 1881, aged seventy-one years; their children were: i. Mary Ellen, married Crew Robb, their issue, George; ii. Julia E., married Ring Meley, their issue, Robert and Frederick; iii. James, married Eva VanKirk; iv. Alice.

II. John Gilmore, born December 29, 1811; married Elizabeth Marshall, March 10,

1836; he died 1885, aged seventy-four years; their children were: i. Charles Telford; ii. William Henry, married Mary Myers, and lives in Indianapolis, Ind.; their issue, Ruby, John, Charles, Edna, Marshall Watson, and Elizabeth; iii. Mary Jane, lives in Troy.

III. Julia, born March 6, 1813; married Edward Marshall, of Pennsylvania, in 1856, resides in Sidney, Ohio; their children are: i. Henry; ii. Nancy; iii. Thomas; iv. Laura.

IV. Thomas Jefferson, born February 22, 1815; moved to near Sidney, Ohio, in 1873; has been married three times; his first wife was Nancy Stuart, of Pennsylvania, September 9, 1845; their children are: i. Andrew S. born October 7, 1846, died October 12, 1886; ii. John F., born October 10, 1847, married Margaret Love; iii. Charles B., born October 27, 1848, married Anna Fulton; iv. Hattie, born July 27, 1850, died December 25, 1881; married Asa Keifer. He was married to his second wife, Elizabeth Burns, of Cincinnati, Ohio, September 25, 1853; their child is: i. David R., born 1859; is assistant cashier in bank at Sidney; married Emma Ewing. He was married to his third wife, Mrs. Mary Jane Smith, November 10, 1883.

V. Alexander, born November 20, 1816, married Mary Ayres, of Troy, Ohio, and moved to Fort Wayne, Ind., thence to Sturgis, Mich. Their children are: i. John Telford, married; ii. Henry, married; iii. Mary Miller, married; iv. Lucy, married; v. Charles; vi. Caroline, dead.

VI. David, born January 29, 1819, married Hannah Jones; he died 1845. Their children are: i. Edwin, dead; ii. Ora D.; iii. Louisa, dead; iv. David, married Amanda Stith. Their issue, Ray.

VII. William, born October 30, 1822, married Mary J. Johnston in 1844; he died at Washington in the military service of the United States in 1864.

VIII. Nancy, born October 30, 1822, married Albert G. Evans, of Troy, their children: i. John Rush Evans, M. D., married Julia Denise, and lives in Troy; their issue: Albert, George, Edwin and Henry; ii. Henry Orbison Evans, married Jennie Jefferson; their issue: Nannie.

IX. Martha Jane, born June 9, 1827, married Elias Skinner, who was born in 1825, and lived in Troy. He died 1873. Their children are: i. Mary, dead; ii. Joseph





J. Simpson Africa



Henry Skinner, married Elizabeth Leaf, their issue, Sue, Ralph, George M., Fred, dead, and Nellie; iii. William, dead; iv. George C. Skinner, married Mace Moore; their issue, Lucretia, Ruth, and Della; v. Frank, dead; vi. Kate Edna Skinner, married Horace Allen; their issue, Amy; vii. Charles Skinner; viii. James Edward Skinner.

X. Mary Ann, born September 29, 1829, died December 14, 1832.

7. Thomas Elliott (1. Thomas; 2. Thomas; 5. William), born November 26, 1812, at Huntingdon, Pa., where he resided until about twenty years of age, when he went to the village of Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, laid out by his father. He there engaged in mercantile business, milling and over-seeing a number of farms in the neighborhood. He was married three times, and died April 19, 1891, aged seventy-eight years; married Ann Wiestling August 18, 1835, afterwards Elizabeth Hamill January 22, 1845 (see Ashman Record), and again Arabella Erwin, by whom he had one son, William Erwin, born in January, 1872. His wife, Arabella, died two weeks after he did.

8. William Penn (1. Thomas; 2. Thomas; 5. William), born November 4, 1814, at Huntingdon, Pa.; married Lydia Rebecca Allison September 16, 1841 (see Allison Record); graduated at Jefferson College in 1832, read law with John G. Miles, Esq., at Huntingdon, graduated at Carlisle Law School in November, 1835, was admitted to the bar at Huntingdon, November 12, 1835. In the spring of 1836, entered into partnership with James M. Bell, Esq., and continued a ruling elder in the Presbyterian church, October 31, 1855; was president of the First National Bank of Huntingdon from 1871 to 1878; at present (1897) is practising law with his son, Robert A. The house located at Third and Penn streets, Huntingdon, in which he now lives, was built by his father in 1815. Their children are:

I. William Allison, born August 29, 1842; married Mary W. Hurd, daughter of Seth F. Hurd, Esq., of Brownsville, Pa., November 24, 1864; was engaged in the coal business at Huntingdon; in 1873 he, with Charles G. Welch and his brother Robert A., built the Huntingdon Car Works; in 1872 he removed

to Philadelphia, where he resided until his death on June 26, 1893. Their children are: i. Mary Hurd, born May 6, 1866, married William G. Ridgway, of Philadelphia, October 8, 1889; their issue, Mary Elizabeth Ridgway, born in August, 1890; Eleanor Orbison Ridgway; Edith Cornwall Ridgway, Richard Barzillai Ridgway, born in February, 1897; ii. Jane Hurd, married Arthur L. Holmes, of Philadelphia, June 12, 1895, now resides at Wayne; their issue, Mary Hurd Hohner, born June, 1896; iii. Lydia Allison; iv. Nancy Bingham; v. Henrietta McAllister.

II. Mary Elliott.

III. Ellen Harris.

IV. Robert Allison, born January 31, 1849; graduated at Washington and Jefferson College in 1868; read law with his father for two years; graduated at Albany Law School in 1871, admitted to the bar of Huntingdon county, Pa., May 25, 1871, was a member of the bar of St. Paul, Minn., from September, 1877, to September, 1878, when he returned to Huntingdon. In July, 1880, went to Washington, D. C., having been appointed assistant to the Assistant Attorney General, who had charge of defending claims against the United States in the Court of Claims; in August, 1882, returned to Huntingdon; in January, 1887, received an appointment in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth at Harrisburg; on June 1, 1887, was appointed chief clerk in the Attorney General's office, where he remained four years, and on June 1, 1891, entered the Auditor General's office, remaining one year; is now (1897) practising law at Huntingdon with his father. He married J. Estella Gregory, of Hancock, Md., June 14, 1894. She is the daughter of Richmond Gregory and Ann Lewis Snively, and was born October 19, 1862. He was elected chief burgess of Huntingdon February 16, 1897; the same position having been held by his great-grandfather Benjamin Elliott, in 1796, and his grandfather, Robert Allison, in 1815.

9. James Henry (1. Thomas; 2. Thomas; 5. William), born March 23, 1826. After graduating at Jefferson College, attended the Theological Seminary at Princeton, N. J., was ordained a minister in the Presbyterian church, and in 1850 went as a missionary to India; married Agnes Kay, of Scotland, September 28, 1853, who died without issue. On

November 22, 1858, when on a visit to this country, he married Nancy J. Harris, of Bellefonte, who returned with him to India. In 1869 they returned to this country on a visit, and on April 19, about a month after their return, he died at Bellefonte, Pa. Their children, who were all born in India, are:

I. James Harris, married Lilly Campbell, of Germantown, Pa., September 26, 1886. He graduated at Princeton College, also at Princeton Theological Seminary, and entering the Presbyterian ministry went as a missionary to India in October, 1886. Their issue: i. James Archibald, born September 3, 1887; ii. Eleanor Elizabeth, born February 11, 1889; iii. Douglas Campbell, born December 20, 1890; iv. Lillian Valentine, born September 25, 1892.

II. Eleanor Tamison, married Rev. Sylvester W. Beach, of Baltimore, Md., August 2, 1882. He now (1897) has charge of a Presbyterian church in Bridgeton, N. J.; their children are: i. Mary Hollingsworth Morris, born July 17, 1885; ii. Nancy Woodbridge, born March 14, 1887; iii. Eleanor Elliott, born April, 1891.

III. Agnes, went as a missionary to India in 1890, but has since returned.

IV. Thomas James, is studying medicine at the University of Pennsylvania.

The early Orbisons were Scotch-Irish Presbyterians, and those of the Pennsylvania branch continue in the same faith. The Ohio branch have become Methodists. In politics they were first Federalists, and their descendants became Whigs and Republicans.

J. SIMPSON AFRICA, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Huntingdon, September 15, 1832, son of Daniel Africa. His great-grandfather, Christopher Africa, was a native of Hanover, Germany, whence he emigrated to America, settled first at Germantown, near Philadelphia, and afterwards removed to Hanover, York county, Pa. He had two sons: Michael and Jacob. Michael Africa married Catherine Gratius, of York, Pa., and removed in 1791 to Huntingdon. There he became one of the founders of the Lutheran congregation, in which he was made an elder. His son, Daniel Africa, was born in 1794. He became a prominent and influential man; was deputy surveyor for Huntingdon county from 1821 to 1830, and justice of the peace for

twenty-two years. He was noted for the extent and accuracy of his legal knowledge. He married a daughter of John Simpson, a native of Bucks county, and a Revolutionary veteran. The father-in-law of John Simpson, and maternal great-grandfather of J. Simpson Africa, was James Murray, who also took part in the Revolutionary war, as captain of a Lancaster company. He was born in Scotland, and coming to this country in 1739, while still very young, he resided in Paxton, now in Dauphin county.

J. Simpson Africa was educated in the Huntingdon public schools and academy, and was instructed in surveying and civil engineering by his father and his uncle, James Simpson, especially the latter. His first work is his chosen profession was done under Samuel W. Mifflin, chief engineer on the Huntingdon and Broad Top railroad, in 1853. His close and conscientious attention to all matters pertaining to his profession, his studious habits and retentive memory, coupled with his long experience, gained throughout the length and breadth of Pennsylvania, have made him not only one of the foremost surveyors of the State, but an almost unerring authority on its land titles. He has shown himself a public-spirited and serviceable citizen of the borough of Huntingdon, taking a pride and pleasure in promoting its business enterprises and improvements. He has served as councilman and chief Burgess, and as cashier of the First National Bank. In 1882, he became one of the incorporators of the Union Trust Company of Philadelphia, and has been president of the company since October, 1887.

In 1853 Mr. Africa was elected county surveyor, having then barely attained his majority. In 1858-59 he was a clerk in the State Senate, and in the latter year was elected to represent Huntingdon county in the Legislature. He served on important committees, and soon made his influence felt, as one of the ablest members of that body. His political successes have been the more remarkable that they have been attained in districts ordinarily giving large Republican majorities. He has rendered his most distinguished service to Pennsylvania as Secretary of the Department of Internal Affairs. Selected by Gen. McCandless as deputy secretary at the time of the organization of the department, it

has been justly said that its present efficiency is due to the thorough and practical manner in which he accomplished that work. Although defeated for the office of secretary in 1878, the vote given him made the very defeat a triumph. In 1882 he received the unanimous nomination of the Democratic party, and was elected.

Mr. Africa has been a member of the Masonic fraternity for more than thirty years. He served as Secretary and Worshipful Master of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 300, and as Secretary and M. E. High Priest of Standing Stone Chapter, No. 201. He was R. W. Grand Master of Masons of Pennsylvania during the years 1894 and 1892 and is now chairman of the Committee on Temple and member of the Committee on Correspondence of the Grand Chapter. He has been active in the work of the fraternity, rendering important services. He is a fluent writer, and is master of a pure and correct style. For two years—1853-54—he published and edited the *Standing Stone*, issued at Huntingdon. He has written and edited much local historical matter, his most extended and important work of this nature being his "History of Huntingdon and Blair Counties," to which the publishers of this work take pleasure in acknowledging themselves greatly indebted.

J. Simpson Africa was married, January 1, 1856, to Dorothea C., daughter of Joshua Greenland, at that time sheriff of Huntingdon county. Their surviving children are: B. Franklin; James Murray; and Walter G. Mr. Africa belongs to the Presbyterian church at Huntingdon; he has served the congregation as trustee, and as treasurer.

HENRY CLAY CHISOLM, M. D., physician and surgeon, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Kemper county, Miss., October 23, 1859. He is a son of Judge William W. and Emily S. (Mann) Chisolm.

William Wallace Chisolm, the Doctor's father, was born in Morgan county, Ga., December 6, 1830. At the age of sixteen with his parents he removed to Kemper county, Miss. It was then, as it is now, infested by lawless men, whose bloody deeds are still fresh in the memory of many of Kemper's oldest citizens. So pronounced was the spirit of violence, and so light the regard for human

life, that the growth and improvement of the community was very slow, and the same conditions have worked their ill effects upon the fortunes of that region even to the present time. The accession of sober, industrious and trustworthy families to a community like that of Kemper, in these days, was hailed with delight by all good people far and near, and the Chisolm family were not long in establishing their claim to such welcome, and in taking that right rank among the worthy residents of the county which they ever after maintained.

Judge Chisolm's great-grandfather came from the vicinity of Inverness, Scotland, where the Chisolms have lived a large and wealthy clan for hundreds of years. In the final armed effort of Charles Stuart to wrest the crown of the allied kingdoms of Scotland and England from the House of Hanover, the *Clann Siòsail*, or The Chisholms, espoused his cause. At the battle of Culloden the chief of the clan was slain. The wild charges of poorly armed and undisciplined highlanders could not overthrow the solid columns of the English and Hessian troops. Charles was compelled to fly the field to escape capture. His safety he had to trust to the honor and devotion of his followers. Three poor members of the Clan Chisholm concealed him in a cave, and supported him there until they were able to convey him to the coast of Arisaig, resisting the temptation of a reward of £30,000 offered by the English crown for his apprehension. One of these, Hugh Chisholm, on shaking hands with the Prince at parting, vowed he never would offer his right hand to another; a vow he religiously kept.

Many members of this clan fought under Wallace and Bruce. A claymore used by one of them at Bannockburn is still preserved, a precious ancestral relic. After the battle of Culloden the great-grandfather of Judge Chisolm, at the age of twenty-three, with other Scotchmen who had been adherents of Charles, emigrated to America, landing at Charleston, South Carolina. The name in Scotland is spelled *Chisholm*, but the grandfather of Judge Chisolm hoping to correct its frequent mispronunciation, dropped the second *h*, an act regretted by all his descendants.

Judge Chisolm's father was William J. M.

Chisolm, whose wife was Dorothy L. Swanson, the daughter of a cultured family in Georgia. She was born in 1802, living until 1882, a woman of great force of character, and during the Rebellion outspoken in her loyal sentiments.

In March, 1851, the head of the family died, leaving William, then a boy of nineteen, to be its guardian and protector. Three of the children were younger sisters, and on his deathbed the father exacted of the son a promise that he would not only discharge the obligations of the estate, which amounted to a large sum, but also educate his three sisters and provide for them comfortably. Young Chisolm at once set himself about the faithful performance of these duties. How well he carried out his pledge, the creditors or their heirs, and two of the sisters in good homes and surrounded by happy families, are still living to attest.

On October 29, 1856, William Wallace Chisolm was married to Emily S. Mann, an accomplished young lady, a daughter of John W. Mann; he was a native of Amelia Island, Florida, a prominent lawyer, and a gentleman of high literary and social culture. The career of the Manns, during the period of the early settlement of Florida, was somewhat remarkable. The grandfather of Emily S. Mann, who owned a large tract of land under a Spanish grant, was the first settler and built the first house where the city of Fernandina now stands. In the dispute between the early American settlers in Florida and the Spanish authorities, in which the former endeavored to hold certain lands against the claims of Spain, the Manns took a leading part, by virtue of superior intelligence, skill and bravery. Many of the settlers were driven from their homes, while others were put to death or carried off and compelled to drag out a life of refined torture as captives in Moro Castle, Cuba. Whether the theory be correct or not, it is natural to believe that the strong characteristics which distinguish the conduct of individuals do not, at least to a degree, the minds and fortunes of their posterity. If this be true, perhaps the bold and venturesome spirit so constantly displayed by this family in the days when the iron rule of Spain bore so heavily upon the pioneer settlers, had its influence in shaping the remarkable character and life of Emily Mann Chisolm. The grand-

father of Emily S. Mann, Thomas Mann, a soldier of the Revolution, born in Virginia, was the third generation from the first settler of that name, who was a Scotchman and merchant from Edinburgh, and who owned the ships transporting his goods. Thomas Mann volunteered early in the struggle for liberty and served till the close of the war pronounced liberty gained. Mr. Mann was shot through the knee at the battle of the Cowpens in South Carolina, and was again wounded, by a party of Tories, and left for dead, the ball entering the left side of the chest and passing through into the shoulder, where it remained until his death at the age of eighty-four years. Mr. Mann was in the battle of Brandywine, and was for some time a captive on a British prison ship.

Mrs. Chisolm's mother was also one of a family of whom many were patriot soldiers of the Revolution. She was a daughter of Wheeler Gresham, a Methodist minister, who was ordained by Bishops Asbury and Coke, Wesley's first two bishops.

The education acquired by young Chisolm, up to the date of his marriage, was only such as could be gained at odd times in the common schools of the country, then very poor; but with the assistance of a fond and faithful wife, his intellectual acquisitions soon began to be more nearly commensurate with his enterprising and nobly emulative spirit. From that happy marriage dates the beginning of an eventful and prosperous life. Full of manly vigor, young Chisolm first entered upon the business of farming, almost the only legitimate pursuit then open to the young men of that country, most of whom preferred a life of idleness and debauch to one of persevering toil. On the 30th of January, 1858, at a special election for magistrate, W. W. Chisolm was chosen to fill that important and honorable position in the township in which he lived. During his term as magistrate he read law and was admitted to the Bar. It was on the 11th of February, 1858, that Cornelia Josephine, the first child of William Wallace Chisolm and Emily S. Mann, was born. The sublime character of this pure girl, who nineteen years after fell a victim of savage outlawry, and died while defending her father against the assault of a bloodthirsty mob, is worthy the emulation of America's most exalted womanhood. Her young life, yielded

up on the altar of filial love and devotion to those principles of justice and right which ever inspired the hearts alike of the parent and of the child, cannot have been sacrificed in vain. The lesson taught by her example will live on after the generation and spirit that prompted those inhuman acts shall have been forgotten, or numbered with the things of the past. In the historic record of the proud names of our country's noble women that of Cornelia Chisolm will be written in golden letters on the brightest page.

TO THE MEMORY OF CORNELIA J. CHISOLM.

BY STEPHEN S. HARDING.

Written on the First Anniversary of her Death.

Brave, murdered, martyred maid;
I've listened long in silence—listened long
To hear some matchless poet's song,
Great soul to thee and thine,
Thou matchless heroine,
To soothe thy wandering shade,
But all in vain.

Why sleeps the silent lyre,
With its wild, sobbing strain?
Why hushed the poet's words of fire,
That rouse brave hearts with manly ire,
'Gainst lawless deeds of blood,
And wrongs of helpless womanhood,
In cowardice so mean, in infamy so vast,
That hell gives in and devils stand aghast.

Oh, peerless heroine, what tho' thy name
May lack in euphony and rhythm:
What boots the name
When deeds of thine shall burn a deathless flame
In hearts of valiant men;
And thy pure soul, from mortal dross refined,
Shall glow with magic light, as when
A dewdrop is enshrined
In bosom of tribedral prism?

Cornelia Chisolm!
Hadst thou but died in classic Rome,
Where thy great namesake died,
Thou wouldst have lived in Parian stone,
Supreme in excellence alone:
Through the long ages dim,
Thy very name the poet's synonym
For filial love and courage, defied.

Why should Columbia's daughters weep
For Jephtha's virgin daughter?
Victim to vow—dread vow to keep—
For Ammonitish slaughter,
Why wander forth in fancy's dreams,
Along the mountain paths and streams,
With misty eyes, where Mizpah's maiden trod,
Doomed sacrifice to Judah's God,
And have no tears, brave Kemper girl, for thee,
Thou more than virgin maid of Galilee.

From this slight digression we return to the narrations of events in the order of their occurrence. In October, 1858, at a general

election, young Chisolm was again chosen magistrate by the voters of his district. He served his term of two years with honor to himself, and to the entire satisfaction of his constituency; so, at least, we may infer from the fact that in November, 1860, he was made probate judge of the county, a place which he held almost uninterruptedly until 1867, when he resigned in favor of John McRea, the appointee of the provisional governor of the State. During his long tenure of this office, Judge Chisolm was elected three times in succession against Judge Gill, an older man, said to have been, next to Judge Chisolm, the most popular official ever elected in the county. In all these years, while enjoying to so high a degree the confidence of his countrymen, Judge Chisolm was a pronounced Union man, of Whig proclivities, and an uncompromising enemy of the party which had precipitated the Rebellion, with all its terrible consequences. There being no Lincoln ticket in Mississippi, he voted for Bell and Everett, nominated by Southern Unionists in opposition to the seceding Democratic ticket, Bell being a Whig and a Tennessee Unionist.

As a civil officer and citizen, he was steadily opposed to the parricidal contest, unalterably refusing to lend to it any personal aid. He never bore arms except in the thirty days' militia, and then under protest; meanwhile the popular voice of the country was for the vigorous prosecution of the war, even unto the "last ditch." Yet, Whig and Unionist as he was, from term to term Judge Chisolm was continued in office. Young and inexperienced in politics as he was, some qualities inherent to his character must have won him the hearts of his fellows and insured for him this phenomenal success. At the close of the great struggle, he was among the few Southern men needing no "reconstruction," in whom the pure flame of enthusiastic patriotism burned with pure and steady light. Such were the leading characteristics of Judge Chisolm in early manhood, which, gathering strength as time advanced, marked his whole public and private career.

Besides Cornelia J., already mentioned, Judge Chisolm had five younger children: Dr. Henry Clay; Julia Augusta, born October 13, 1861, died November 21, 1861; John Mann, born October 5, 1862, shared the fate of his father and eldest sister;

Ida May, born October 16, 1865, died January 11, 1866; and William Wallace, born October 19, 1866, is a member of the Huntingdon county bar. After resigning his judicial position, Judge Chisolm filled other offices in Kemper county until 1875. In 1876 he was elected to Congress on the Republican ticket. The news of his atrocious murder by the notorious "Ku Klux Klan," with those of his two children, Cornelia and John Mann, a brave boy of fourteen, sent a thrill of horror to all right-minded people North and South. It took place April 29, 1877, and was one of the last of those outbursts in the lawless neighborhoods of the South which showed the fire of secession to be still smouldering among the ashes of the "lost cause." It was one of those deeds in which the perpetrators overshoot their mark; even those in political sympathy with them could not but repudiate such brutality.

The boyhood of Dr. H. C. Chisolm was passed in DeKalb, Miss. His primary education was carried on by private tutors and in common schools; he subsequently entered Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., but was compelled to leave that institution on account of the death of his father. From March, 1878, to September 8 of the same year, he held a position in the office of the Surgeon General, Washington, D. C. Resigning this place, he became a student at the Williamsport, Pa., Commercial College, and was graduated in 1879. From that date until January, 1883, he was in Harrisburg, a clerk in the office of Governor Hoyt throughout the Governor's administration. In 1883 he went West, spending a few months in Idaho; in the same year, and during part of the year 1884, was a student at Columbia College, Washington, D. C. In 1885 he returned to Hahnemann Medical College, Philadelphia, Pa., in order to finish a course in medicine which he had begun earlier. His first year of practice, 1888-89, was spent in Harrisburg, Pa.; in 1889 Dr. Chisolm removed to Huntingdon, where he now ranks among the well established practitioners.

Dr. Chisolm is a member of the Homoeopathic State Medical Society, and of the Alumni Association of Hahnemann Medical College. He is a Mason and Knight Templar, and is affiliated with a number of other organizations.

Henry Clay Chisolm was married in Harrisburg, April 28, 1883, to Lillian, daughter of John and Katherine Gross. They have four children: Cornelia, born February 13, 1886, died February 8, 1887; Anna, born in Harrisburg, December 31, 1887; Emilie, in Huntingdon, February 28, 1892; and William Wallace, May 8, 1894. Dr. Chisolm has always taken the liveliest interest in matters political. He is a Republican of the strictest sect. In 1896 he was nominated by his party for State Senator in the Thirty-third (Huntingdon-Franklin) District, and elected by a majority larger than that ever before given a candidate in that district. He is a member of a number of important Senate committees, and has taken an active part in legislative matters since he entered the Senate.

SAMUEL E. FLEMING, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Huntingdon county, January 31, 1845, son of James and Harriet (Silkmitter) Fleming, both natives of the same county. His paternal ancestors were Irish, while those of his mother were German. James Fleming was a lifelong resident of Huntingdon county; he was for many years a shoemaker, and was afterwards in the hotel business successively at Manor Hill, McAlexy's Fort, Saultsburg and in Huntingdon borough, where he resided from April 1, 1866, until his death, in April, 1874. His children are: Mary, deceased; an infant, who died unnamed; Samuel E.; Dr. J. C., practicing in Burlington, Iowa; Louisa, of Huntingdon, and James, of Huntingdon.

Samuel E. Fleming has resided in Huntingdon for thirty-one years. He was educated at Tusconora Academy, and for some years taught in the common schools, ending with a nine months' term in Huntingdon. He began reading law with Hon. R. M. Speer in 1866, and was admitted to the bar August 10, 1868. He soon after became a member of the law firm of Speer, McMurtrie & Fleming, from which he retired in 1874 to become the political editor of *The Monitor*. In March, 1887, he received from President Cleveland his commission as postmaster of Huntingdon, and filled the office at that time for four years. His candidacy for re-appointment was endorsed not only by Democratic organizations and leaders, but by at least three-fourths of the business men of Huntingdon, irrespective

of party. Mr. Fleming is a sterling Democrat, having taken an active part in politics for over twenty years. His appointment to a second term in the post-office gave universal satisfaction. He is still on the editorial staff of *The Monitor*, in which he owns an interest.

Mr. Fleming is affiliated with Juniata Lodge, No. 117, I. O. O. F. He is a member of the Presbyterian church.

HUGH LINDSAY, editor of the *Local News*, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Philadelphia, May 26, 1845. He is of Scotch-Irish ancestry, and is the only surviving child of the late Hugh and Margaret (Smiley) Lindsay.

Mr. Lindsay received his elementary education in the Philadelphia common schools; it was supplemented by a six years' course at Girard College, from which he was graduated in September, 1860. On November 4, 1860, he came to Huntingdon, where he learned printing in the *Globe* office, with William Lewis. Mr. Lindsay was afterwards associated with Mr. Lewis in the editorship of the *Globe*. The connection continued until the paper was sold in 1873. In March, 1874, Mr. Lindsay began the publication of the *Local News*, as a weekly paper; six months later he changed it to a semi-weekly, which it has continued to be; but the paper is now twice as large as it was twenty years ago. On March 12, 1886, Mr. Lindsay began publishing the daily *Local News*, the first regular daily ever issued in Huntingdon. It is a five-column folio, devoted to the best interests of the town and county; independent in its views, honest and straightforward in expressing them, but "setting down naught in malice," and dealing fairly with all. Mr. Lindsay is independent in politics, and such is the tone of his paper. He is a live, progressive man, and not only editorially, but personally, actively supports all measures tending to advance borough and county interests. Mr. Lindsay is a Past Noble Grand of Juniata Lodge, No. 117, I. O. O. F.; Past Archon of Standing Stone Conclave, No. 134, I. O. of Heptasophs, and Past Commander of George Simpson Post, No. 44, G. A. R. He is one of the managers of the Orphans' Home.

Hugh Lindsay was married in Huntingdon, September 6, 1870, to Clara E., daughter of William and Eliza Hildebrand. They have no children. Mr. and Mrs. Hildebrand are

both now deceased. Mr. Lindsay and his wife are consistent members of the Presbyterian church.

HOWARD E. BUTZ, Huntingdon, Pa., was born near Allentown, Pa., November 30, 1859. After finishing the course of studies pursued in the public schools, he became a student at the Central Pennsylvania College, where he spent upwards of three years in completing his classical education. He entered the law office of Jones & Schmehl, Reading, Pa., in 1880, completed his legal studies with Pettrikin & McNeil, of Huntingdon, and was admitted to the bar April 12, 1882. In the summer of the same year Mr. Butz became the editor of the *Huntingdon Globe*; he afterwards purchased the paper, and is now its editor and proprietor. He has been an active Republican since attaining his majority. He has been a delegate to State and county conventions; has frequently served friends as congressional, senatorial and judicial conferee, and has been since 1893 chairman of the Republican county committee.

MILTON SCOTT LYTLE, Huntingdon, Pa., was born October 19, 1842, in Franklin township, Huntingdon county, Pa., a mile north of the village of Spruce Creek. He is a grandson of William Lytle, an Irishman, who came to America before the Revolution and served as a soldier in New York regiments during the whole of that war; and a great-grandson, on his mother's side, of Adam Stonebraker, who also was a Revolutionary soldier, enlisted at Hagerstown, Md., in Captain Hevser's company of the German regiment. His father, Nathaniel Lytle, a saddler by occupation, and, when a young man, a charcoal maker at iron works in Franklin township, removed with the family in April, 1843, to Spruce Creek, Pa., where he followed his trade, and almost continuously for more than forty years filled the offices of school director, justice of the peace and postmaster.

The son, Milton, began attending public schools when five years old, and went every term in the district in which he lived, with but one interruption, until over sixteen. In April, 1856, he obtained employment in the store of Irvin, Green & Watson, at Mill Creek furnace, where he remained until November,

1857, but while there attended school during the winter term. In March, 1859, he entered the Farmers' High School, now the Pennsylvania State College, as a student, and graduated in December, 1861. The degree of Master of Science has since been conferred upon him by the institution. Immediately after the news of the firing upon Fort Sumter was received, a company, of which he was elected first lieutenant, was organized by the students. He resigned his office in the company to permit a member of the faculty to be chosen in his place, but the professor refused to accept, and Lytle was re-elected. This company spent much time in drilling during the remaining part of the session of that year, so that its members might be prepared to take part in the war. Many of them afterward entered the service and were much benefited as soldiers by their experience in the company.

Soon after graduating, Lytle enlisted in the Anderson Troop, a company organized as a bodyguard to General Anderson, then commanding in Kentucky, but, on presenting himself to be mustered in, was refused, because he was a minor and had not the necessary parental consent. In August, 1862, he again enlisted, in Company C, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers. On reaching Harrisburg with the company his muster in was again delayed for want of the necessary consent, but this was afterwards obtained. He served in the ranks until after the battle of Antietam, in which the regiment was hotly engaged and met with heavy losses. In November, 1862, he was ordered to the headquarters of Gen. Thomas L. Kane, commanding the brigade, for duty, and in February, 1863, was ordered to the headquarters of Gen. H. W. Slocum, commanding the Twelfth Army Corps. He was with the latter officer on the fields of Chancellorville and Gettysburg. At the expiration of his term of service it was his intention to re-enlist, but he was dissuaded from doing so by Colonel Hopkins, of General Slocum's staff, who requested him to remain at headquarters. After the battle of Chickamauga, Lytle went with the corps to Tennessee, to which part of the theatre of war the Eleventh and Twelfth Corps were transferred. The next spring, on the consolidation of these corps, he was assigned to the Fourth Corps, with which he served in the Atlanta campaign and at the bat-

ties of Franklin and Nashville. The latter engagement ending the war in the west, he went to Chattanooga as chief clerk in the department of military railroads, which had charge of the supplies for roads centering at that place and paid the employees, disbursing hundreds of thousands of dollars of government funds every month.

Mr. Lytle had begun the study of law before his enlistment, reading during the first six months of 1862. He resumed it on coming home after the war, and in August, 1866, was admitted to the bar at Huntingdon, Pa., where he has since resided and practised. In 1869 he was elected district attorney of Huntingdon county and filled the office during the term of three years. Immediately after assuming its duties, there was a number of very important homicide trials, among them that of Bohner and Bodenburg, the murderers of the Peightal family, who were convicted and executed.

On November 27, 1867, he was married to Elizabeth J. Steel, of Huntingdon, Pa., daughter of George A. and Elizabeth Steel, and has had eleven children, as follows: Marion Steel, deceased; Florence Ashton, John Warren, Fannie Blair, Ella Lucille, Mary, Alma, Martha, deceased; Walter Channing, George Nathaniel, Sallie and Bessie.

He has been active as a member of the Republican party, serving at various times a delegate to State conventions, chairman of the county committee, secretary of the State committee and speaker in political campaigns, and has, for a score of years or more, written the platforms for the Republican conventions of Huntingdon county, embodying in them his own views on the political questions of the times.

The oration at the memorial services held at Huntingdon on the day of the funeral of General Grant was delivered by Mr. Lytle, and he has been a frequent speaker at regimental reunions, Grand Army of the Republic celebrations and on Memorial Days. He was elected president of the Juniata Valley Veteran Association at Lewistown in 1895.

He has been a contributor to newspapers since 1860. While in the army he was a correspondent for the Philadelphia *Press*. From 1878 to 1896 he was the editorial writer for the Huntingdon *Journal*, and for the last two or three years of that period had practically

sole charge and control of the paper, on account of the illness of its proprietor. In 1876 he wrote and published a history of Huntingdon county, and has since collected a large amount of material relating to the subject, with a view to preparing a revised edition.

Mr. Lytle has always taken great interest in the welfare of the lower and more helpless classes, laboring for their elevation and improvement. He was the originator of the movement for government aid to education in the South, advocating it in the public press and bringing it before Republican conventions, State and national, and had the gratification of seeing it endorsed by both. In 1883 he was appointed by Governor Pattison as the representative of Pennsylvania in the convention at Louisville, Ky., to advance this measure. He believes that the vast industrial changes that have characterized the nineteenth century and that are still going on with accelerated rapidity, are destined to bring about corresponding social and political changes, to the amelioration of our civilization, the eradication of its vices, the mitigation of poverty and want and the ultimate removal of temptations to crime; that the whole race will share in the beneficent results the forces of nature confer, and that the products of those forces will finally be recognized as belonging to all humanity.

JOHN A. NASH, former editor and publisher of the *Huntingdon Journal*, was born in Huntingdon November 15, 1827. He learned the printing business in that place and founded the *Huntingdon American* in 1855, which he continued to publish until 1859. The *American* and the *Journal* were then consolidated under the name of the *Journal and American* and Mr. Nash and Samuel G. Whittaker formed a partnership, which continued until December 13, 1865, when Mr. Whittaker sold his interest to Robert McDivitt. The latter remained in the firm until May 1, 1867, when Mr. Nash became the sole proprietor and continued as such until January 1, 1871. He formed on that date a partnership with Joseph R. Durbarrow, of Bedford, who remained until May 24, 1878. Mr. Nash was sole proprietor of the *Journal* from that time until July 31, 1896, when he sold the office to Dr. Z. B. Taylor, and retired from business because of declining health.

Mr. Nash began his career as a poor boy, the devil of a country printing office. By his extreme love and aptitude for the profession, he gradually rose to higher positions in the office, and at the age of twenty-eight years founded the *Huntingdon American* as its editor. He would sometimes, when resting from his editorial labors, take his place at the case and distance his employees in type setting.

Mr. Nash was elected treasurer of Huntingdon county in 1860, and was postmaster of the borough from 1890 to 1894. He was a member of the town council, but public office was not his aim. He allowed no position to interfere with his editorial work; his unflinching ambition was to make his paper and his printing office rank among the best. His wish as expressed to his friends was to die in the harness, and the retirement forced upon him by ill-health was a most severe trial.

Mr. Nash was a thorough Republican and assiduously advocated the principles of the party. In his editorial capacity during forty-one years of exciting political campaigns, he commanded the respect of his opponents and the esteem of his friends. He was of a kindly disposition, and it was foreign to his nature to wound the feelings of any person.

John A. Nash died December 1, 1896, leaving a wife and the following children: Mrs. John McCahan, of Smithfield township; Mrs. John L. Rohland, Mrs. Charles DeWalt and Mrs. Thomas R. Walton, all of Huntingdon, Pa.

FRANK W. STEWART, editor of the *Huntingdon Journal*, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Huntingdon, March 29, 1847, son of the late J. Sewell and Lucy P. (Royer) Stewart. The ancestors of the Stewart family were Irish; the Royer progenitors were German. J. Sewell Stewart was born at Marseysburg, Huntingdon county, in 1820. He was a graduate of the class of 1841, at Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa., afterwards a student at law under James Steel, Esq., and clerk in the probonotary's office, held by Mr. Steel. Mr. Steel was admitted to the bar April 17, 1843, and was thereafter in active practice. He was appointed deputy attorney general for Huntingdon county in 1848, elected to the same office, under its changed title of district attorney, in 1850 and 1853, and continued in

the same until November, 1856. For a year he was editor and proprietor of the *Journal*, but sold the establishment in 1852, to give his exclusive attention to legal business. In 1865 he was appointed assessor of internal revenue in the Seventeenth District, and held that office during the remainder of his life. From 1866 to 1867 he was associated in his practice with Adin W. Benedict; in 1867 P. M. Lytle became a member of the firm, then styled Benedict, Stewart & Lytle; but in the same year the connection was dissolved by the death of Mr. Benedict. Mr. Stewart's death occurred at his residence in Huntingdon, February 6, 1871. His reputation as a lawyer was curiously high, as regards both legal acumen and honorable character; he was also painstaking and faithful in the discharge of his various duties. He possessed fine literary taste and ability as a writer, in verse as well as in prose.

After receiving his education in the common schools of Huntingdon, Frank W. Stewart began business life as a clerk in a store. Later he became engaged in the hardware business, to which he devoted his attention for thirteen years. During that time he was appointed deputy collector of internal revenues, receiving the appointment in 1871, and holding it for a period of fourteen years. In 1885 he engaged in the lumber business, in which he still has an interest. In October, 1896, he became manager and editor of the *Huntingdon Journal*, which he still continues to conduct with spirit and ability. He has served one term as member of the borough council. Mr. Stewart is a Republican. He is a member of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 309, F. & A. M., and of Huntingdon Lodge, No. 259, A. O. U. A. M.

Frank W. Stewart was married at Tipton, Blair county, Pa., September 30, 1874, to Kate B., daughter of William P. and Elizabeth B. (Bell) Dysart. They have two children: Nellie D., and J. Sewell, both residing at home. The family attend the Baptist church.

HON. GEORGE BOAL ORLADY, Huntingdon, Pa., son of Henry Orlady, M. D., was born at Petersburg, Huntingdon county, February 22, 1850. His ancestry was Irish, Welsh and Dutch. He received his education in the Huntingdon public schools,

at Pennsylvania State College, Bellwood Academy, and Washington and Jefferson College, taking the diploma of the last named institution in 1869. After reading medicine with his father, and graduating with high honors from the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia, he practiced medicine for four years at Petersburg. Turning his attention to the study of law, he read at Hollidaysburg with Hon. Samuel S. Blair, and was first admitted to the bar of Blair county. He did not, however, remain there, but settled in his native county, where he was three times elected district attorney, in 1878, 1881 and 1884, his majority increasing at each re-election. He prosecuted the pleas of the county with vigor and ability; he was considered one of the most skillful lawyers who had filled the office.

At the creation of the Superior Court of Pennsylvania, Mr. Orlady was appointed to its bench by Gov. Hastings, receiving afterwards the unanimous nomination of the Republican State convention, and being elected by a full majority, November 5, 1895.

He has taken a leading part in the affairs of the Republican party, both in the state and the county, having been active in campaigns and done efficient service to his party by his oratorical powers. He has several times been delegated to county conventions, and three times to state conventions. In the convention of 1890, he presented the name of Gen. Hastings as candidate for governor, and in that of 1894, nominated Hon. Galusha A. Grow for congressman-at-large.

Judge Orlady is married to Miss Mary Irvin Thompson, of Curwensville, Pa. They have three children. Their home is situated on Oneida Heights, Huntingdon. The Judge belongs to the Masonic fraternity. He is a member of the Methodist church.

HON. JOHN M. BAILEY, president judge of the Twentieth Judicial District of Pennsylvania, was born at Dillsburg, York county, Pa., July 11, 1839. His parents were Col. Samuel N. and Margaret (Mumper) Bailey. Col. Bailey was of English and Irish extraction; his wife's ancestry was German. He was by profession a surveyor; during his early manhood he was for several years in the Auditor General's office, Harrisburg, Pa., under Auditors General Banks and Frye. He served in defense of the Union during the

Rebellion, as lieutenant colonel, Twelfth Pennsylvania Reserves. Col. and Mrs. Bailey had three sons, of whom the Judge was the second, and is the only survivor. The eldest, William D., born January 3, 1837, was a physician, in practice at Dillsburg, York county; he served as a surgeon in the army during the Rebellion, and died February 17, 1892, at Dillsburg, where his widow and his daughter Martha still reside. Mrs. William D. Bailey was the daughter of Col. Henry Logan, once M. C. from York county, to whom Gen. William B. Franklin owed his appointment to West Point Military Academy. Col. Bailey's third son was D. B. Bigler, born August 20, 1850; he was an attorney-at-law of York, Pa.; he died in March, 1884; his widow has since remarried, her second husband being Dr. Harry Tomlinson, in charge of St. Peter's Hospital, near St. Paul, Minn. Col. Bailey died February 15, 1872, and Mrs. Bailey January 16, 1894.

John M. Bailey passed from the common schools of Dillsburg, where his elementary education had been received, to Tuscarora Academy, Juniata county, Pa., then under the care of the late Dr. John H. Shumaker. Like many enterprising young men, he defrayed at least part of the expenses of his education by teaching, having charge of schools during four winter terms in Walker, Porter and Franklin townships, Huntingdon county. His summer vacations he employed in reading law. In 1859 he became a student in the law office of Scott & Brown, Huntingdon, Pa.; was admitted to the Huntingdon county bar in 1862; became shortly after a partner in the firm with which he had studied, and within three years was admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. In 1869 Hon. John Scott, now general counsel for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, was elected to the United States Senate; the firm of Scott, Brown & Bailey then became Brown & Bailey; on the admission of Charles G. Brown, in 1832, the firm name was again changed, and became Brown, Bailey & Brown.

Judge Bailey represented his district in the Constitutional Convention of Pennsylvania, 1872-73; he took an active and influential part in the business of that body, serving on several important committees. He also served the borough of Huntingdon for one term as

councilman, and the county as president of the Bar Association. With the exception of these public services, no business engagements, political or otherwise, have interrupted Judge Bailey's practice of his profession, which has extended over a period of more than thirty years, and been characterized by marked ability and conscientious regard for the interests of his clients. These traits, combined with his long experience, his legal acumen and sound common sense, have won for him the confidence of the community best qualified to form an opinion—the one in which he has lived and worked—and led to his election to his present distinguished position. He was elected president judge of the Huntingdon-Mifflin District on the Democratic ticket, November 5, 1895; his term of office began in January, 1896.

Judge Bailey is an active member of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 300, F. and A. M., and Past High Priest of the chapter of that fraternity in Huntingdon.

John M. Bailey was married May 25, 1869, to Letitia, daughter of Thomas and Rachel Jackson Fisher. Of their three children, two died in childhood; the only one living is Thomas F., attorney-at-law in Huntingdon. The family belong to the Presbyterian church, of which the Judge has been a member since 1864. He takes a warm interest in the welfare and enterprises of the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fisher, Mrs. Bailey's parents, were natives and life-long residents of Huntingdon county; Mr. Fisher was for more than fifty years in mercantile business. He served as county treasurer, and as burgess of the borough of Huntingdon. Three daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Fisher are living: Mary (Mrs. R. A. Miller), of Huntingdon; Mrs. Bailey, and Kate, wife of J. C. Blair, manufacturer, Huntingdon. Of their sons, Thomas died in 1884; Horatio G., State Senator and M. C. for this district, died May 8, 1890. Both were partners in their father's business. H. G. was extensively engaged in the business of the Berwind White Coal Mining Company, in Clearfield and Jefferson counties.

HON. WILLIAM McKNIGHT WILLIAMSON, president judge of the Twentieth Judicial District of Pennsylvania, Huntingdon, Pa., was born at Acadenia, Juniata county, Pa., June 29, 1840. He is the son

of Rev. McKnight and Jane (Woods) Williamson. The Williamson family are of Scotch and the Woods family of Scotch-Irish descent. Both of Judge Williamson's parents were natives of Cumberland county. His father devoted his whole life to the Christian ministry. He is remembered as having founded the Tuscarora Academy, over sixty years ago. Four of his brothers were also Presbyterian ministers; and Mrs. Williamson was a sister of Rev. James S. Woods, D. D., the late lamented pastor of the Presbyterian church at Lewistown, Pa. They had five children, three of whom are now living, Judge Williamson and two sisters; Frances, wife of W. H. Woods, Esq., of Huntingdon, and Mary J., wife of S. A. Walker, of Hillsboro, Ohio. Their mother died at New Athens, Ohio, in 1849. By a subsequent marriage, Rev. Mr. Williamson had two children, one of whom is deceased; the other is Martha B., wife of Howard Work, of Altoona, Pa. The father died in Huntingdon, March 27, 1893, aged over ninety-three years.

Until he was six years old, William M. Williamson lived in Juniata county; at that time his parents removed to Ohio, and resided successively in Belmont, Muskingum and Athens counties. His primary education was accordingly carried on in the common schools of Ohio; he also attended for some time the college at New Athens, O. At about sixteen years of age he became a pupil at Milwood Academy, Shade Gap, Pa. He took an extended course of studies, excelling in the classics, and still more in mathematics. He afterwards taught for some time; was for three years principal of Milwood Academy, at the same time finding leisure for the study of the law. On January 17, 1865, he was admitted to the bar. His first practice was as the partner of his brother-in-law, W. H. Woods, Esq., under the firm name of Woods & Williamson. Their practice was extensive and their professional reputation high.

Mr. Williamson received from Gov. Hartman, November 24, 1877, the appointment of prothonotary of Huntingdon county; was elected to the office at the election following, and again in 1881. He was efficient and diligent in the performance of his duties. He originated the custom, perpetuated by his successors, of refusing fees for the execution of the papers of soldiers. At the close of his

term as prothonotary, he resumed the practice of law, without a partner, in which he was again interrupted by his election to the State Senate as representative of the Thirty-third District, in 1888. As a Senator, he was always alive to all that concerned the interests of his constituents, and diligent in promoting them. He, with his cousin, Hon. Joseph M. Woods, of Lewistown, drafted the bridge bill, which, although vetoed after its passage in the legislature at that time, was recently taken up, somewhat modified, passed both houses, and received the approval of Gov. Hastings. To him the Judicial Apportionment Bill also is due, not only as its originator, but because it owed its passage in great measure to his persevering efforts. Those best acquainted with Judge Williamson both in public and private life, speak most unequivocally of his intellectual ability and equipment, his integrity, consistency, and genuine kindness of disposition. It need scarcely be mentioned that the Judge adheres to the Republican party.

The marriage of Judge Williamson to Rachel, daughter of George and Rachel Sipes, took place at Shade Gap, October 7, 1862. They had six children: George McKnight, lieutenant in the Eighth United States Cavalry; William W., mining stock broker, of Colorado Springs, Col.; Frances (Mrs. J. H. Laughlin) of Philadelphia; Richard W., partner in his father's law business; Mary L., died aged thirteen; and John S., died in infancy. The family attend the Presbyterian church; Judge Williamson has been a member of the congregation at Huntingdon since 1876.

HON. P. M. LYTLE was born in the village of Spruce Creek, Franklin township, Huntingdon county, Pa., February 6, 1840. His grandfather, William Lytle, was a soldier of the Revolution, having served as sergeant and as ensign for seven years. His father, Nathaniel Lytle, was an influential citizen, who for about thirty-five years rendered good service to the community in which he lived, as postmaster, justice of the peace, and school director.

P. M. Lytle was educated in the common schools of his own and adjoining townships, with a higher and more extended course at Tuscarora Academy, Academia, Pa., under the capable and conscientious instructions of the late Dr. John H. Shumaker, then princi-

pal. Mr. Lytle began teaching when about seventeen, doing double work by reading law at the same time. When he was about twenty he entered the law office of Messrs. Wilson & Petrikin, as a student. He was admitted to practice at the bar of Huntingdon county, August 11, 1862. He has been in almost uninterrupted practice since that time, and is well known as an eloquent and skillful lawyer. He performed militia duty during the war of the Rebellion, in 1862; during the later years of the war, he held an important place in the Department of Military Railroads, at Chattanooga, Tenn.

Without prominence as a politician, or experience as an office seeker or bearer, he was elected to the legislature in 1888, as the representative of Huntingdon county. He at once became influential as a debater and leader, and won a widely extended reputation; was renominated and re-elected in 1890, '92 and '94, by exceptionally large majorities. He has shown himself not only able, but trustworthy, and enjoys the well-earned respect and confidence of his constituents.

GENERAL HORACE PORTER, appointed ambassador to France by President McKinley, March 16, 1897, was born in Huntingdon, Pa., April 15, 1837. His father, David R. Porter, was then State Senator, and afterwards served two terms as governor of Pennsylvania, being elected first in 1839. Horace Porter was educated first at the Harrisburg Academy, afterwards at Harvard University, entering the scientific department in 1854, with a view to a military career. In July, 1855, he became a cadet at West Point, and graduated July 1, 1860. His first active military service was performed as first lieutenant in the expedition against Port Royal, under General Sherman, in October, 1861. During the ensuing winter, he was chief of ordnance, in charge of the erection of batteries for the reduction of Fort Pulaski; after the engagement at that point, he was promoted to the rank of captain. He was next made chief of ordnance and artillery for the armies of the Potomac, of Ohio, and of the Cumberland. His first meeting with Gen. Grant was at the battle of Chattanooga, while he was on the staff of Gen. Thomas. When Gen. Grant was made lieutenant-general, he appointed Porter his chief of staff, with the

rank of lieutenant-colonel. In February, 1865, he was promoted to brigadier-general of volunteers, and on March 13, of the same year, was brevetted brigadier-general of the army.

While Gen. Grant was Secretary of War, Gen. Porter served as Assistant Secretary of War, and during Grant's first administration, acted as his private secretary. Their friendly intimacy was close and enduring. Gen. Porter's last service in connection with the army was as military secretary under Gen. Grant, at the close of which he resigned his commission, and retired from the army. The Grant Monument at New York, dedicated April 27, 1897, was erected through his personal efforts in obtaining subscriptions to the amount of \$500,000, four-fifths of which he raised within sixty days. Since 1873, Gen. Porter has been vice-president of the Pullman Palace Car Co. He is vice-president of the Chamber of Commerce, and occupies prominent positions in various patriotic organizations.

WILLIAM H. WOODS, attorney-at-law, was born in Lewis run, Mifflin county, Pa., May 17, 1829. He is a son of Rev. James S. and Marion (Witherspoon) Woods. Rev. Mr. Woods was born in Cumberland county, and descended from a Scotch-Irish family. Mrs. Woods was a native of Princeton, N. J., her father having been the distinguished president of Princeton College. Rev. John Witherspoon, D. D., who was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. A clock in Mr. Woods' possession was brought from Scotland by Dr. John Witherspoon in 1768, and is still in good order. This valued heirloom belonged to John Knox, and is over three hundred years old. The first charge of Rev. James S. Woods included the congregations of Lewistown and McVeytown, which he held jointly for several years; afterwards a call was handed to him for all his time by the Lewistown congregation, which he accepted, and labored there zealously for forty years. His death occurred June 29, 1862. Rev. Mr. Woods was highly honored by the citizens of Lewistown for his many sterling qualities; on the day of his funeral, as a mark of respect to his memory, all places of business in the town were closed. Mrs. Woods died July 10, 1846. Their children were nine in number; those now living are: David W., practitioner at law,

Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa.; William H.; Rev. A. M. and Annie, wife of John Cochran, Chester, Pa., are twins; Miss Margaret J., resides in Philadelphia.

William H. Woods passed his early life in his native town, and was a pupil in its academy. At the age of seventeen he entered Jefferson College, where he spent one year. He then became a student at Princeton College, and graduated with the class of 1848. For several years after, Mr. Woods was occupied in studying law and in teaching. His legal preceptor was his brother, Samuel S. Woods, Esq., afterward president judge of the Twentieth Judicial District of Pennsylvania. During the year 1849 Mr. Woods taught school in Monmouth county, N. J. In 1850, he was principal of the Lewistown Academy, and from 1851 to 1855, he and his brother, Alexander M. Woods, were in charge of the preparatory department of Lafayette College, Easton, Pa. Leaving Easton in the spring of 1855, Mr. Woods took charge of Milwood Academy, Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, where he taught until 1862. Meanwhile, his legal preparation being completed, he was admitted to practice at the bar in both Mifflin and Huntingdon counties in 1858. In 1862, he again took charge of Lewistown Academy, but a year later, in August, 1863, removed to Huntingdon, where he has ever since resided, giving his whole time to the practice of law. He is one of the oldest lawyers of Huntingdon, and one of the most highly esteemed residents of the county. He is a staunch Republican.

William H. Woods was married at New Athens, Ohio, to Frances T., daughter of Rev. McKnight and Jane (Woods) Williamson. They have one son, George M. Woods, who was married to Lillian, only daughter of J. F. Thompson, M. D., of Liverpool, Pa. They have one daughter, Jennie Frances Thompson Woods. Mr. Woods and his family are consistent members of the Presbyterian church.

JAMES MURRAY AFRICA, civil engineer, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in the borough of Huntingdon, April 11, 1863, and is a son of J. Simpson and Dorothea C. (Greenland) Africa. J. Simpson Africa was born in the town of Huntingdon, September 15, 1822; his wife was a daughter of the late Joshua and Elizabeth (Wright) Greenland,

and was born in Cassville, Huntingdon county, September 29, 1834. Mrs. Africa died in November, 1886. J. Simpson Africa, Esq., now resides in Philadelphia.

During the childhood of James Murray Africa, his parents removed to Philadelphia, and afterwards to Atsion, Burlington county, N. J., where he attended a private school for a short time. In 1870 the family returned to Huntingdon, where James Murray pursued his studies in the public schools, and at Juniata College. His education was finished at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y., where he took a thorough course in civil engineering, was graduated June 13, 1888, and at once entered upon the practice of his profession, making the town of Huntingdon his headquarters. Mr. Africa's first professional enterprise of any magnitude was the designing and construction of the water-works plant at Palmyra and Riverton, N. J., where the water is brought from a well having natural filtration. This work has given general satisfaction. Mr. Africa's record as an engineer, from its beginning, is as follows:

In 1875 he entered an engineer's office as student; in 1881, was appointed member of the commission to determine the lines of Jackson, Miller and Barree townships, Huntingdon county, Pa.; in 1882-3, was in charge of topographical and boundary surveys of coal and ore lands of R. H. Powell & Co., in Huntingdon and Clearfield counties, Pa.; also lands of Huntingdon & Broad Top R. R.; in 1884 and 1896, was elected city engineer of Huntingdon, Pa., and designed and constructed the sewerage system of the borough of Huntingdon; in 1887, designed the Huntingdon water works; in June, 1888, graduated at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y.; in the same year, he designed the water works already mentioned for Palmyra and Riverton, N. J., and was consulting engineer for the Union Trust Co., of Philadelphia, Pa., furnishing funds for the Westmoreland county water works; October 20, 1888, was elected a member of the Engineers' Club, of Philadelphia; in December, 1888, became assistant engineer of the Chautauqua Lake R. R., Jamestown, N. Y., of which he was made chief engineer in January, 1889; in July of that year, the office of general manager of the Chautauqua Lake R. R. was added to that of chief engi-

neer, and he also became general manager of the Chautauqua Steam Boat Co.; in 1890, he was chief engineer and general manager of the Etowah Iron Co., Cartersville, Ga., and constructed twelve miles of railroad; also designed and erected a mill for the concentration of manganese ore; this office, in February, 1891, he was obliged to resign on account of ill health, and was until June of that year at the University Hospital, in Philadelphia. From July to December of that year, he was in charge of the survey of the lands pertaining to the Rockhill Iron and Coal Co., of Huntingdon county; 1892-3 were passed in designing and superintending the street improvements of the borough of Huntingdon; and in 1894, he was elected chief engineer of the Pennsylvania Midland R. R., at the general office, at Huntingdon, Pa. During the past twelve years, Mr. Africa has designed and erected six Howe truss bridges, not included in the above enumeration of his engagements, and has been employed on important surveys by Eckley B. Cox, Drifton, Pa.; William Thaw, Pittsburg, Pa.; the Lehigh Valley Coal Co., Pa.; the Pa. R. R. Co.; the Pa. Canal Co., Cresson Springs Co., of Cresson, Pa., and the Tyrone Mining and Mfg. Co., Tyrone, Pa. He holds at present the position of chief engineer Pa. Midland R. R., and of city engineer of Huntingdon, Pa. On October 2, 1896, he was elected a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

At this writing, Mr. Africa is Master of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 300, F. and A. M., of which he has always been an active member; also of Standing Stone Chapter, No. 301, R. A. M., and Huntingdon Commandery, No. 65, K. T.; of Standing Stone Conclave, No. 134, and of the Improved Order of Heptasophs. Mr. Africa's political opinions are Democratic.

J. Murray Africa was married at Reading, Pa., June 1, 1893, to Eleanor, daughter of Charles B. and Elizabeth McKnight, of that city, both now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Africa have two children: J. Murray, Jr., born May 21, 1895, and Charles McKnight, born October 3, 1896. The family attend the Presbyterian church.

R. ALLISON MILLER, D. D. S., retired, Huntingdon, Huntingdon county, Pa., was

born in the borough which is still his home, September 17, 1829. He is a son of the late Benjamin and Elizabeth (Wilken) Miller. Dr. Miller received his education in the select schools of Huntingdon, and after finishing his course of study, was for about a year engaged in teaching school. He afterwards studied dentistry in the office of H. K. Neff, of Huntingdon, and completed his professional preparation in the College of Dentistry in Philadelphia. He commenced practice in Huntingdon about 1850, and continued the same with success for twenty-six years. Relinquishing dentistry in 1876, Dr. Miller became interested in real estate and insurance business, to which since that time he has devoted his exclusive attention. He is now general agent of the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Philadelphia, of which company he is also a trustee. His jurisdiction for the company extends over Huntingdon, Mifflin, Blair, Cambria, Clearfield and Indiana counties. Dr. Miller also owns an interest in a flour milling business, established in 1829 by Thomas Fisher and David McMyrtre. It afterwards passed into the hands of Thomas Fisher alone, and at his death, into those of his son, Hon. Horatio G. Fisher. Subsequently, Dr. Miller purchased a half interest in the establishment, which was then conducted under the firm name of Fisher & Miller. After the death of Mr. Fisher, Elwood A. Miller, son of the Doctor, became interested in the business, which now belongs to the father and son.

R. Allison Miller was married May 17, 1853, to Mary Lyon, daughter of Thomas and Rachel (Jackson) Fisher. Their children are: Thomas, born June 6, 1854, married Mary E. Walsh, Huntingdon, resides in Nebraska; Ellwood Andrew, born August 4, 1858, married Fannie, daughter of George F. and Helen Gage, resides in Huntingdon; Robert Allison, jr., born January 4, 1861, died February 26, 1864; Elizabeth Wilken, born November 1, 1863, died December 1, 1863; Louis J., born May 27, 1865, married December 20, 1893, to Frances Blandy, resides in Huntingdon, engaged in the insurance business with his father; Charles Herbert, born August 31, 1867, hardware merchant of Huntingdon; Mary, born July 13, 1871, and Rachel Jackson, born July 8, 1874. A native and lifelong resident of Huntingdon, Dr. Miller is, it

is safe to say, one of the best known citizens of the borough; he is also one of the most highly respected and esteemed, he and his family enjoying the regards of a large circle of friends.

THOMAS W. MYTON, attorney-at-law, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in West township, Huntingdon county, February 13, 1842. He is a son of Samuel and Eleanor (Montgomery) Myton, and is of English, Scotch-Irish and Quaker extraction. The Myton family came from Sherman's Valley to Huntingdon county at the time of its early settlement. Thomas W. Myton's grandfather having become a resident of what is now West township in 1792. Samuel and Eleanor Myton were the parents of ten children; John, born February 14, 1828; spent most of his life in farming in West township, Huntingdon county, and died leaving a widow and five children; Martha and Alexander, twins, born October 29, 1830, Alexander is a farmer of Miller township, Huntingdon county, and Martha, widow of Noble Gregory, resides in Nebraska; Isaac, born May 9, 1832, was a teacher and salesman, and died December 18, 1882; Mary Ann, born May 13, 1834, is the wife of David Forecy, of Phillipsburg, Centre county; Jane Eliza, born February 5, 1836, is the wife of Henry Lightner, of West township; David B., born January 21, 1839, died in childhood; Thomas W.; Samuel H., born July 18, 1844, is a hardware merchant of Winfield, Kas.; Caroline V., born May 28, 1849, wife of John Lane, of Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, Pa.

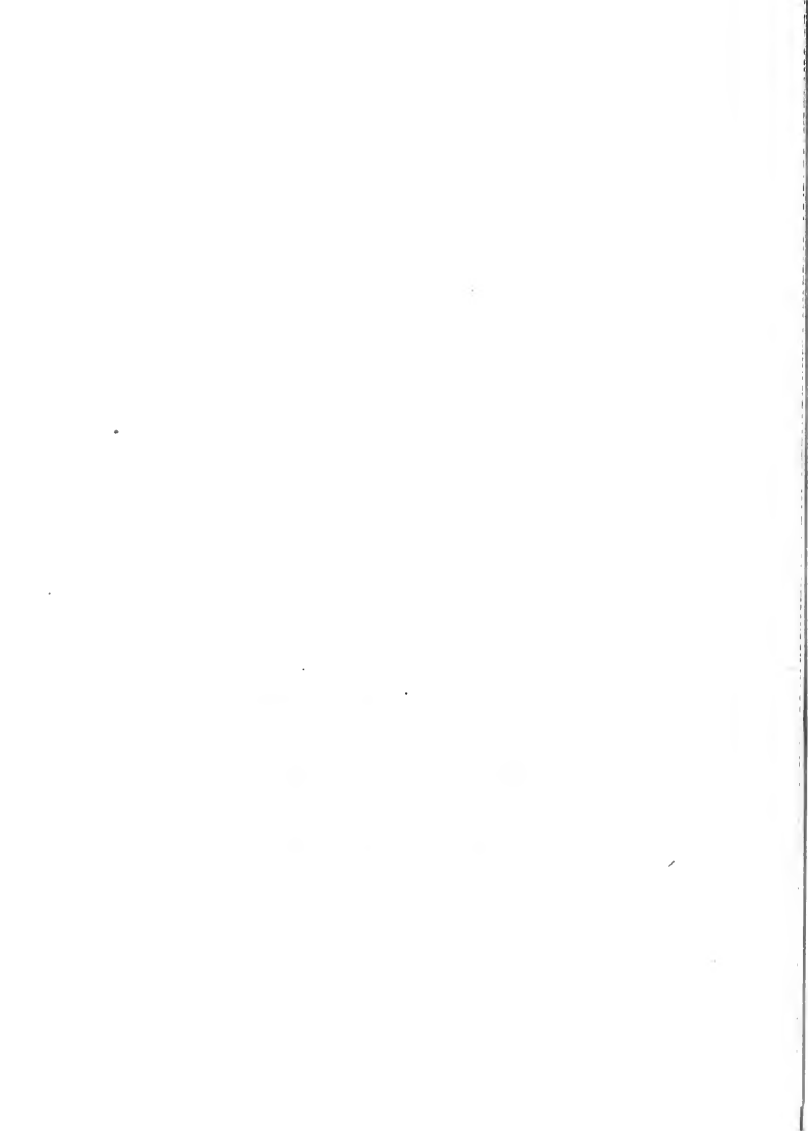
Thomas W. Myton passed his earliest years at the homestead in West township. He was educated in the public schools of the county, and at Mooresville Academy, residing at home until he reached his eighteenth year. At about this time he began teaching, and had charge of schools in both Huntingdon and Centre counties. In the summer of 1862, he determined to render his country a more active and perilous, if not more useful, service. On August 8, he enlisted in Company H, One Hundred and Forty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers. At the battle of Chambersville, May 3, 1863, his left arm was shot through and afterwards amputated, and he was wounded in the right shoulder and in the face. In consequence of the loss of his

arm, Mr. Myton received his discharge from the army, July 21, 1863, and returned home. There he once more engaged in teaching until 1865, when he was elected county treasurer. In 1866, Mr. Myton began reading law in the office of the late Hon. J. Sewell Stewart, and was admitted to practice in Huntingdon county at the August term, 1868. He then spent two years in the West, and began legal practice in 1870. In 1872, he was elected prothonotary and clerk of the criminal courts, and fulfilled the duties of his office efficiently for three years, afterwards returning to the practice of his profession. During the session of 1883, Mr. Myton represented his district in the Pennsylvania Legislature. He has ever since been actively occupied with the business of his profession in Huntingdon, except during three years, 1887-1890, which he spent in Kansas, engaged in various duties. Mr. Myton is serving his second term as a school director, and is now president of the board. He holds pronounced Republican views in politics. He is a member of George Simpson Post, No. 44, G. A. R.

Thomas W. Myton was married in Oneida township, Huntingdon county, December 27, 1870, to Ella E., daughter of John C. and Eleanor Davis. She was born in Huntingdon county, and is of Scotch-Irish ancestry. Of their eight children, five died in infancy. The survivors are; Walter R., an architect, and a graduate of Cornell University; John B. and Eleanor. Mr. Myton and his family attend the Methodist Episcopal church.

SAMUEL I. SPYKER, attorney-at-law, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Alexandria, Huntingdon county, October 10, 1867. He is a son of Alfred W. and Caroline (Piper) Spyker, both natives and life-long residents of Alexandria. He passed the first eighteen years of his life in his native town, and was educated in its common schools. In April, 1886, he went to Philadelphia, and for six years and a half was in the employ of the P. R. R. Co. In September, 1892, Mr. Spyker came to Huntingdon, where he began the study of law in the office of George B. Orlady, Esq., now judge of the Superior Court, and was admitted to the bar January 9, 1895. Mr. Spyker adheres to the Republican party. He is not married.

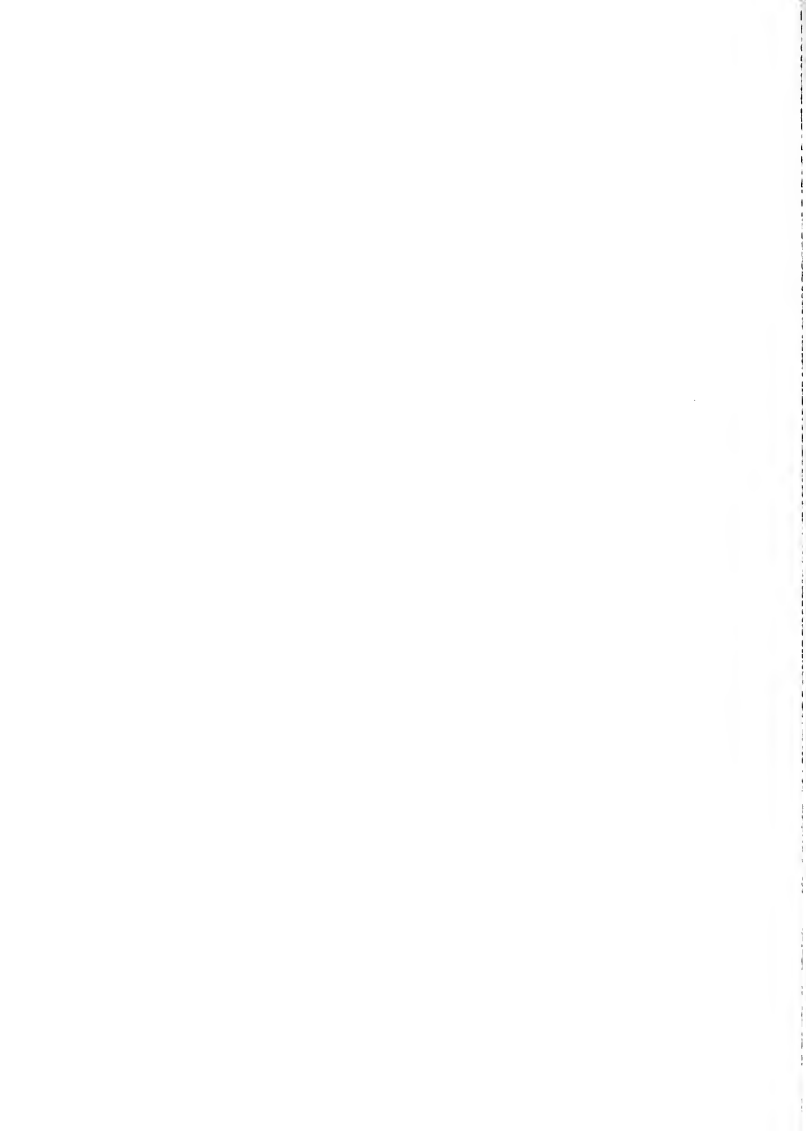






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BENJAMIN F. AFRICA, secretary and treasurer and general superintendent of the Huntingdon Electric Light Company, and lessee of the Huntingdon gas works, was born in Huntingdon, Pa., August 15, 1858. He is a son of J. Simpson and Dorothea C. (Greenland) Africa.

The first years of Benjamin F. Africa were passed in his native town; his education was received in a private school of Philadelphia, a district school of New Jersey, and later in the public schools, academy and Normal School of Huntingdon. His course of study completed, so far as regarded school education, he applied himself, in the office of his father, to civil engineering and draughting. About 1878, Mr. Africa was elected secretary and treasurer of the Huntingdon Gas Company, and efficiently fulfilled the duties of those offices until 1882. At the same time, he acted on various occasions as chief draughtsman in the Department of Internal Affairs, Harrisburg, Pa., and in 1883 was regularly appointed to that position, which he filled with credit for four years. Returning in 1887 to Huntingdon, Mr. Africa became the lessee of the Huntingdon gas works, and was also re-elected secretary and treasurer of the company. When the electric light plant was established in Huntingdon he superintended its construction, and was made secretary and treasurer of that company also. In 1892 he was elected to the borough council, but declined to serve, on account of his connection with companies having contracts with the borough. In 1894, he was the nominee of his party, the Democratic, for the legislature, but was defeated.

Mr. Africa is an active member of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 300, F. and A. M.; Standing Stone Chapter, No. 201, R. A. M.; and Huntingdon Commandery, No. 65, K. T.

On November 5, 1885, Benjamin F. Africa was married in Harrisburg, Pa., to Susan L., daughter of Hon. Benjamin F. and Susan C. (Kuntz) Meyers, of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Africa have two sons, named in baptism J. Simpson and Benjamin Meyers; the former born September 18, 1886, and the latter July 11, 1888. The family belong to the Presbyterian church.

JAMES R. PATTON, justice of the peace, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Amity,

Washington county, Pa., May 30, 1835, son of Joseph and Mary (Cunningham) Patton, the former a native of Chambersburg, Franklin county, Pa., the latter of Washington county, Pa., and both of Scotch-Irish extraction. Joseph Patton spent his early life in Chambersburg, but removed to Pittsburg, Pa., about 1801. He afterwards resided for some years in Washington county, Pa., but finally returned to Pittsburg, where he died in 1851. He was twice married; by his first union he had seven children, of whom the only survivor is Mrs. Esther Graham, a widow, residing at Carnegie, Pa. The only surviving issue of Mr. Patton's later marriage is James R., of Huntingdon.

James R. Patton's elementary education was received in the common schools of Washington county, where his boyhood was spent; but removing as a youth with his parents to Pittsburg, he attended the public schools there also. A few years later, he returned to Washington county, where he became a student of pharmacy; at the same time, he attended the borough high school, completing his curriculum and graduating from that institution. After this, he continued in the drug business, and took up in addition the study of medicine. At the breaking out of the Rebellion, just as Mr. Patton had begun the practice of medicine, he suddenly abandoned it, and in 1861 enlisted in Company D, Tenth Pennsylvania Reserves, as a private. Shortly after, he was appointed hospital steward of the regiment, and served in this capacity until April, 1863. He was then assigned as assistant surgeon to the One Hundred and Thirty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers. In this position he served until he was discharged with the regiment at Pittsburg, Pa., near the end of June, 1865, after four years of constant devotion to his country's cause. From the close of the war until 1870, Dr. Patton practiced medicine in Clarksville, Green county, Pa. He at last relinquished practice, on account of disabilities resulting from his service in the army. In the fall of 1870, he removed to Huntingdon, where he has ever since resided. Mr. Patton has been since 1878 secretary of the borough council, and since 1885, justice of the peace. He has served the borough efficiently on the school board. He is a Past Master and an active member of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 300, F.

A. M., of Huntingdon, and belongs also to Washington Chapter, No. 150, Washington, Pa., and to Huntingdon Commandery, No. 65, K. T., Huntingdon. He is a Past Commander of George Simpson Post, No. 44, G. A. R., Huntingdon, Pa. His political opinions are Democratic.

James R. Patton was married at Cannonsburg, Washington county, Pa., in 1864, to Mary B., daughter of Robert Donaldson. They have two daughters: May; and Minnie A. Mr. Patton and his family attend the Presbyterian church.

LEMUEL E. EDWARDS, justice of the peace, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Union township, Huntingdon county, July 17, 1844. He is a son of Allen and Diadema (Horton) Edwards, natives and life-long residents of Huntingdon county; the former born in Tod township, December 8, 1812, and the latter on Broad Top, September 14, 1814. Mr. Allen Edwards was engaged in farming and in the manufacture of woolen goods in Union and in Tod townships. He was twice married; his first wife, Diadema Horton, died July 2, 1854. She had been the mother of nine children: Elizabeth (Mrs. Joseph Sullivan), of Denver, Col.; Enoch W., born in Trough Creek Valley, Huntingdon county, January 3, 1838, enlisted September 9, 1861, in Company B, One Hundred and Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteers; re-enlisted December 13, 1863, and in May, 1864, was made first sergeant of his company, commissioned first lieutenant March 2, 1865, mustered out June 28, 1865, after a long and honorable career, having with his regiment participated in nearly all the battles fought by the army of the Potomac; received in the third day's fighting at Gettysburg a gun-shot wound in the head, in consequence of which he was for five weeks in the hospital, his only separation from his command during the war; died at Three Springs, Huntingdon county, October 5, 1895; Hiram G., died at Georgetown, D. C., from disease contracted while serving in defense of his country during the war of the Rebellion, having been a private in Company F, Eighth Pennsylvania Reserves; Allison H., died at Seward, Neb., in August, 1890, served throughout the war of the Rebellion as a private in Company F, Eighth Pennsylvania Reserves; Lemuel E.; Mary C. (Mrs. William

States), of McConnellstown, Huntingdon county; Philip, who died in childhood; Nathan G., a constable of the borough of Huntingdon; and Isaac H., contractor and builder, Huntingdon. By his second marriage Allen Edwards had five children. These were: Curtis H., died in infancy; Lucretia Alice, wife of Bertram Lord, residing in New Jersey; Decker, of Tod township, Huntingdon county; Sherman, of Colorado; and Ammie (Mrs. Charles H. Westbrook), of Huntingdon. After a useful life, Mr. Edwards died in April, 1881.

Lemuel E. Edwards spent most of his early life in Tod township, Huntingdon county, Pa. He attended the common schools of the township, and the Cassville Seminary. He learned civil engineering and also taught school in Huntingdon county. In the spring of 1868 Mr. Edwards became a resident of the town of Huntingdon. He was for some time a hotel clerk there, and was later appointed constable, and served three terms as such. He was also for parts of two terms a special deputy sheriff. For seven years he was engaged in the sale of pianos, organs and musical merchandise. In 1894, he was elected to his present position. Mr. Edwards is a Republican. He is a charter member of Broad Top City Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 579, and is active in its affairs. He is also connected with Mount Hor Encampment, No. 180, I. O. O. F., of Huntingdon, and with Washington Camp, No. 321, P. O. S. of A.; he has three times represented Washington Camp, P. O. S. of A., in the State Camp, and was for one term District President of Huntingdon Northern District.

Lemuel E. Edwards was married in Huntingdon, December 24, 1869, to Mary C., daughter of Charles McCartney. They had no children. Mrs. Edwards died January 5, 1896. Mr. Edwards attends the Methodist Episcopal church.

NATHAN B. CORBIN, fire and life insurance, Huntingdon, Pa., was born at Cave-town, near Hagerstown, Md., June 4, 1833. He is a son of Abraham and Sarah (Corbin) Corbin, both natives of Maryland; but the parents of Abraham Corbin were English by birth, while those of his wife were Irish. Abraham Corbin was born about 1794, and was a soldier in the war of 1812; he died in

Huntingdon county in September, 1847; Mrs. Corbin died in Altoona, February 9, 1864, aged seventy-six. They had a family of six: Ellen, widow of Samuel Hagey, residing in Huntingdon, Ind.; Eliza, married to Samuel Pollet, of Altoona, Pa., both deceased, Mrs. Pollet at the age of sixty-four; John G., died in Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., August 18, 1875, aged fifty-one, he served during the war of the Rebellion as a corporal in Company F, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, having enlisted August 12, 1862, and being mustered out May 18, 1863; Jackson A., died in Huntingdon at the age of eleven; Nathan B., and Ellen, died in childhood.

Nathan B. Corbin passed most of his youth in Huntingdon county and borough, his parents having removed to this county when he was eight years old. His education was for the most part carried on in the public schools of this borough. After it was completed, he learned carpentry, and worked at that trade until 1864. In that year, he engaged in mercantile business, and conducted a store in the borough for thirty successive years. In 1893 he sold the store, and has since been occupied with fire and life insurance business. He represents some of the most prominent and solid companies.

Mr. Corbin is a Republican. In 1876 he was elected Burgess of Huntingdon, and served three years. He was elected to the council of the borough in 1889, and served for three years. He is also a member of the board of directors of the Orphans' Home. Mr. Corbin is an active member of Lodge No. 117, I. O. O. F.; he is Past Noble Grand of that lodge, and has been for two years District Deputy Grand Master of this county; he is also a past officer of Mount Hor Encampment, I. O. O. F., and a charter member, and Noble Grand of Della Rebecca Lodge, No. 78, Daughters of Rebecca; all Huntingdon organizations.

Nathan B. Corbin was married in Huntingdon, December 31, 1851, to Catherine, daughter of David and Sarah (Miller) Hazard, born in Huntingdon, June 26, 1831. Mr. and Mrs. Corbin have six children: Mary Virginia, born December 20, 1852, married Jonathan E. Cree, died in 1878; Sarah Melissa, born May 18, 1855; Sarah Ellen, January 13, 1857, and Annie, September 9, 1858,

all died in early childhood. Their surviving children are: Ida Belle, born March 18, 1861, wife of James Pollock, of Ogdensburg, N. Y.; and Harry Ulysses Grant, born August 16, 1864, married Miss Annie Hankey, of Huntingdon, and has one child, named Ruth. Mr. Corbin and his family attend the Baptist church.

WARREN M. HENDERSON, attorney-at-law, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Spruce Creek township, Huntingdon county, July 3, 1869. He is a son of David P. and Esther J. (Stover) Henderson, both natives and lifelong residents of Huntingdon county. His grandfather, David Henderson, a representative of a Scotch-Irish family, came from Chester county, and settled in the northern part of this county when it was still a wilderness. Here, in Franklin township, on the 8th of April, 1838, David P. Henderson was born. From his youth he has devoted his attention to farming, in which he is still engaged. He is a useful and influential man, and has served the township in various public capacities. His wife, Esther J. Stover, is of German descent, and was born in Warriors' Mark township. Their family of eight children are living. They are as follows: Mary B., widow of O. L. Borst, Spruce Creek, Huntingdon county; Charles M.; Warren M.; Elizabeth (Mrs. Rush A. Horrell); John S.; Ella; Esther (Mrs. W. L. Shultz); and William W., all residing in Spruce Creek.

Warren M. Henderson passed his early days on the homestead farm, and began his education in the neighboring common schools. He afterwards became a student of Juniata College, Huntingdon, and of the State Normal School, Westchester, Pa. At seventeen years of age he began teaching. For four winters he taught in Franklin and Warriors' Mark townships. He was employed by the P. R. R. Co. early in 1890, as a clerk in their ticket office in Pittsburg, Pa. In 1891, he resigned his clerkship in order to study law. Mr. Henderson prepared himself for his profession at the Law School of Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., under the preceptorship of John W. Wetzel, Esq., of the bar of that county seat. On June 4, 1894, Mr. Henderson was graduated from the Law School; on the next day he was admitted to the Cumberland county bar, and on July 2, 1894, to the

bar of Huntingdon county; in August of the same year he began practise at Huntingdon. During the first two years of his practise Mr. Henderson was engaged in at least two notable cases. The former case, September, 1894, was that of Commonwealth vs. Edward Couch, in which he was one of the counsel for the defendant, who was tried for murder and acquitted. In the latter case, Commonwealth vs. W. W. Ehner and Joseph McCracken, indicted for the murder of George Hawn, he was again defendants' counsel. This case was tried in 1895, December term, and occupied seven days, with five evening sessions; the verdict was acquittal. Mr. Henderson has efficiently served the borough for the past two years as borough attorney; on January 13, 1896, he was appointed sheriff's attorney. He has been since September 15, 1895, chairman of the Democratic county committee. He is an active member of Juniata Lodge, No. 117, I. O. O. F., of Huntingdon, and of the German Reformed church. Mr. Henderson is unmarried. The remaining portion of the family are members of the Methodist church at Spruce Creek.

FRANK L. SCHUM, M. D., Huntingdon, Pa., a physician enjoying an extensive general practice, and making a specialty of the treatment of diseases of the eye, ear and throat, was born in Altoona, Pa., March 11, 1865. He is a son of Henry and Lucretia (Wooden) Schum. Henry Schum is a native of Berks county, Pa., born July 7, 1832; he was a blacksmith, but has for some years lived a retired life. His wife, Lucretia Wooden, was born in Wales, G. B., July 3, 1833. Mr. and Mrs. Schum settled in Altoona in 1857, and are still among the most highly honored "old residents" of that place. They had seven children. Two are deceased, one an infant, the other, Catherine E., wife of John H. Young, a hardware merchant of Annville, Pa., who died May 7, 1881. The surviving children are: William Henry, a draughtsman; Emma, wife of George W. Worley, a conductor on the P. R. R.; Harry S., a machinist; and George W.; all residing in Altoona; and Dr. Frank L. Schum.

The Doctor's early life was passed in Altoona, as a schoolboy in its public schools. In 1880, he entered Lebanon Valley College, Annville, Pa., and graduated in June, 1883. He then commenced the study of medicine in

the office of Dr. John Fay, of Altoona. In the fall of 1883, he matriculated at the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania. He received the diploma of that institution after a three years' course, May 1, 1886. A week later he began practising at Shirleysburg, Huntingdon county, where he remained until March, 1894. Since that date he has been in continuous practise at Huntingdon, where he is held in high regard both as a physician and as a citizen, and has a large circle of patients.

During the year 1888, the Doctor efficiently performed the duties of coroner. He is a member of Standing Stone Conclave, Heptasophis, and of the Royal Arcanum.

Dr. Frank L. Schum was married in Altoona, April 28, 1887, to Marie Eva, daughter of John and Sarah Jane Zimmerman. Mr. Zimmerman is deceased, but his wife survives, and resides in Altoona. Dr. and Mrs. Schum have one daughter, born in Shirleysburg, February 21, 1893, and named in baptism Sarah Lucretia.

B. F. ISENBERG, Huntingdon, Huntingdon county, Pa., youngest child of Abraham and Nancy Isenberg, was born at Spruce Creek, Huntingdon county, June 24, 1844. He had six brothers: Thomas; Solomon; Miller; Joseph; John; and Samuel, all living at this writing except Thomas and John. He had three sisters: Susan (Mrs. Metz), of Williamsburg, Pa., deceased; Catharine (Mrs. Johnston), of Altoona, Pa.; and Dorothy (Mrs. Walls), of Frankstown, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Isenberg are both of German extraction, their forefathers having originally come from Frankfort-on-the-Main, or its vicinity.

Mr. B. F. Isenberg is what is called a "self-made" man. He received but a limited education in the public schools of Spruce Creek, attending for one term what was then called a high school, taught during his school days by D. W. Womelsdorf, Esq., now of Huntingdon. At the age of fifteen he began business life as a clerk for John Q. Adams, who kept a small country store on Spruce Creek. Mr. Adams also had a forge, in which he burned charcoal, instead of coke, the fuel generally used at the present time. Mr. Isenberg's engagement with him was for three months, or until Mr. Adams could get his collieries fairly

started; but it was extended to six months. This time having expired, the young clerk took charge of a full set of double entry books, and of the store, of Messrs. J. F. Steiner & Co., at Philipsburg, Centre county, Pa. Steiner & Co. were extensive lumber dealers, on Moshannon Creek, one mile from Philipsburg. Mr. Isenberg had full charge of their books and their store, and kept the time for the men employed at the saw-mill, the timber jobs, the lumber-yards, etc. He served in this capacity for three years, receiving each year unsolicited promotion. For the purpose of learning the milling business, he then entered his brother Solomon's mill, at Frankstown, Blair county, Pa.; it was at that time a merchant and custom burr mill, the best in the county. Here Mr. Isenberg served a full apprenticeship, working full time. In those days the mill ran night and day; a "trick" meant one-half of the night and the whole day; in other words, eighteen hours was a day's work.

Notwithstanding the fact that Mr. Isenberg found milling congenial employment, he was warmed with the patriotic devotion that inspired the young blood of his time, so that he made three attempts to enlist in the Union army during the war of the Rebellion, all of which were unsuccessful, because of his youth and the close surveillance of his friends. But the opportunity came at last, and on August 19, 1864, he laid down the mill pick and enlisted in the cause of the Union, joining the Ninth Pennsylvania Veteran Volunteer Cavalry; he has the honor and proud distinction of having marched with Gen. Kilpatrick in Sherman's army from Atlanta to the sea, and up through the Carolina states, until the close of the war. Mr. Isenberg was in every engagement in which his regiment took part during his term of enlistment, and has a record as a brave and patriotic soldier, which will always be the pleasure and pride of his posterity. Much interest is added to the history of this time of service by the fact of his having kept a diary of the time, complete from the beginning to the end. At the close of the war he resumed his place in Mr. Solomon Isenberg's mill, but shortly after, at the earnest solicitation of the president of the First National Bank of Huntingdon, and of his friends, he again laid down the mill pick to enter the employ of that bank. In those

days a clerk in the bank was entry clerk, discount clerk, book-keeper, paying teller, receiving teller, etc., anything and everything, from fire builder to acting cashier. After an engagement of three years, and having received many unsolicited promotions, Mr. Isenberg retired from the bank, and bought an interest in the firm of Henry & Co., forwarding and commission merchants and dealers in general merchandise, lumber, coal, etc. Messrs. Henry & Co. had commenced operations in 1862, and did the largest business of the kind in the county; they ran a line of boats carrying iron ore, soft and gas coal and lumber eastward, and hard coal to the west, employing in some seasons as many as twenty-five boats. In 1870, Mr. Isenberg's milling experience became available, the firm buying what was then known as the Warrior's Ridge flouring mill, situated in Portstown, a suburb of the borough of Huntingdon. Thanks to his practical knowledge of the business, this enterprise gradually developed from a 40-bbl. mill to the present mill of 250-bbl. capacity; the firm also gradually giving more attention to the mill and less to their store, until 1892, when, after thirty years of activity, the old firm dissolved, Mr. Henry, the senior partner, retiring from business. Mr. Isenberg now organized a stock company, capitalized at \$75,000, and known as the B. F. Isenberg Milling Co., to continue the milling business, and to conduct a coal and lumber yard. Mr. Isenberg is president and general manager of this company, and his eldest son, Frank McCahan Isenberg, is the secretary and treasurer. B. F. Isenberg has always taken a great interest in the milling business, not only locally, but throughout the State. He served for three years as secretary and treasurer of the Pennsylvania Millers' State Association, eight years as its president, and many years as a member of its executive committee. He was the leading spirit in the organization of the Pennsylvania Millers' Mutual Fire Insurance Co., in 1889, which has proved a grand success. Of this association, he was at the outset elected president, member of the board of directors, and a member of the executive committee, and has been unanimously re-elected every succeeding year. He served several terms as vice-president of the Millers' National Association of the United States. The history of Mr. Isenberg's business life is

of the most honorable nature. The firm to which he belongs, the same for some thirty-five years, although under different designations, may boast of having conducted business during all that time without ever having had its books brought into court—never having either sued or been sued. Mr. Isenberg has a host of friends, and necessarily, after so long a business life, some enemies. He has always taken chances in business liberally, but legitimately, sometimes with success, sometimes at a loss. But he can claim with truth that he has never invested one dollar in speculation in stocks or in grain, and that in all his transactions, his word has been as good as his bond.

He has always been actively interested in the local affairs of his own town and county. He is a charter member of the Huntingdon Improvement Co., the Huntingdon Fire Co., the Huntingdon Club, and other organizations. He has acted in every capacity in the chairs of the Blue Lodge and Chapter; is a charter member and the treasurer of the commandery; being identified with Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 300, F. and A. M., Standing Stone Chapter, No. 201, R. A. M., and Huntingdon Commandery, No. 65, K. T. He is also a member of George Simpson Post, No. 44, G. A. R. Mr. Isenberg is a Republican; he has never held any political office, although he has frequently been importuned to do so.

B. F. Isenberg was married in Huntingdon in 1869, to Jennie, youngest daughter of John Kinney McCahan, who is of Irish descent. They have had three sons: Frank M.; Cloyd, who died when six months old; and Jesse M. Mr. Isenberg is a gentleman of domestic habits. He is of the Presbyterian faith, and has for years served the congregation at Huntingdon as trustee and treasurer.

PHILIP BROWN, retired furniture dealer, was born in Odensachsen, Hesse-Cassel, Germany, August 10, 1835, son of Conrad and Katrina (Ruppel) Brann, both natives of Germany, and both now deceased.

Philip Brown was educated in the public schools of his native country, and afterwards, when a little over thirteen, was for three years an apprentice at cabinet making. His apprenticeship over, he traveled through Prussia, according to the custom of journeymen in that country, working at his trade in various places for three years. He at last settled down in

his native place, where he continued to work for two years, and then, in March, 1857, emigrated to America. After a tempestuous voyage of seven weeks, he landed in Baltimore, May 1, 1857, and remained there until November, when he went to Annapolis, Md. A year and a half later, he returned to Baltimore, and engaged in the grocery business. In December, 1860, on account of the breaking out of the war, Mr. Brown sold out his store. In December, 1861, he removed to Huntingdon, where he worked as a journeyman cabinetmaker for three years with James Higgins, now deceased. In the spring of 1865, Mr. Brown began the business of cabinetmaking on his own account, and in 1870 entered into partnership with Thomas W. Myton, Barton Armitage and John E. Schmucker, under the firm name of Schmucker, Brown & Co. About a year later, Mr. Myton and Mr. Armitage withdrew from the partnership, leaving the business to be conducted under the same firm name by Messrs. Schmucker and Brown. In the spring of 1873, Mr. Brown purchased Mr. Schmucker's interest at public sale, and continued the business on his own account until the spring of 1889. He then retired, selling out the business to his sons, Louis R., Harry, John A. and Edward S. Brown, who have since conducted it as Philip Brown's Sons.

Being thus relieved of business cares, Mr. Brown embarked for Germany in the latter part of April, 1889, with his wife and daughters, for the purpose of visiting his native place. After spending several months very agreeably in Europe, he returned to his adopted country. Mr. Brown is one of the oldest merchants of the borough of Huntingdon. He has for the past thirty-four years voted with the Democratic party. From 1878 to 1883 he efficiently filled the office of burgess; he also served the borough faithfully during one term as school director. He has been a member of Imitata Lodge, No. 117, I. O. O. F., of Huntingdon, since 1867.

Philip Brown was married in the city of Baltimore January 8, 1860, to Hermina Paulina Richter, daughter of Ludwig and Hanna Richter, born in Saxony, Germany, June 8, 1843, and a resident of this country since 1852. Their family numbers ten children, four of whom are deceased. The survivors are: Louis R., born February 2, 1862;

Harry, December 9, 1864; John A., July 28, 1868; Edward S., July 3, 1873; Margaret Lizzie, October 14, 1877, wife of Albert Kauffman, of Huntingdon, and Mary J., born August 22, 1879, wife of Harry Hoffman, of Huntingdon. The family attend the Lutheran church.

Louis R. Brown, of the firm of Philip Brown's Sons, furniture dealers and undertakers, was educated in the public schools, and learned cabinetmaking with his father. He worked at the trade as a journeyman until 1889, when he became a partner in the present firm. Mr. Louis Brown is a staunch Democrat. He served out the unexpired term of his father on the school board of the borough of Huntingdon. He has been for twelve years, and is still secretary, of the Huntingdon Borough Fire Company. He is a member of Juniata Lodge, No. 117, I. O. O. F., and of Mount Hor Encampment, No. 180, I. O. O. F., of Huntingdon; he has passed all chairs in both branches.

Louis Brown was married in Huntingdon, May 24, 1883, to Laura, daughter of William A. Grove. They have had four children. Of these, Alexander Philip died at the age of three years, two months and twenty-five days, and Adam Paul, aged six years. The surviving children are Alice Paulina and Adeline Phyllis.

Harry Brown, also of Philip Brown's Sons, was educated in the public schools, and afterwards worked in the finishing department of his father's cabinetmaking establishment. On September 20, 1886, he was appointed a railway mail clerk. He began his duties in this capacity a few weeks later, and was engaged in the R. R. mail service until May 1, 1891. Since that date he has devoted his entire attention to his present business. He is a Democrat, and a member of the Huntingdon Band.

Harry Brown was married in Johnstown, Pa., December 29, 1887, to Rosanna Katrina Elizabeth, daughter of John and Rosanna K. Bloch, natives of Germany, and both deceased. Mrs. Bloch and four of her daughters were drowned in the Johnstown Flood, May 30, 1889. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brown have had four children: Florence Rosanna Herminia, born April 6, 1889; Freda Clara, born September 28, 1890, died April 12, 1891; Paulina H., born May 15, 1893; and Carl Frederick, born March 5, 1895.

The firm of Philip Brown's Sons, composed of the four sons of Philip Brown, conducts the largest and best stocked furniture establishment in Huntingdon. Their business relations extend throughout Huntingdon and the adjoining counties. The furniture business was established in 1865, and the undertaking branch added by Smucker & Brown in 1870.

JOHN A. BROWN, of the firm of Philip Brown's Sons, Huntingdon, Pa., was born July 28, 1868, and educated in the public schools. At the early age of ten years he displayed his enterprise and business ability as a newsboy, and has the distinction of having been the first to introduce into the borough the New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburg and Harrisburg papers. At the same time he learned printing in the office of the *Local News*, and afterwards worked as a journeyman in the different newspaper offices of Huntingdon. In 1887, he sold out his newspaper business, and went to Des Moines, Iowa, where he resided about three months, working on the *Des Moines State Register*. He then returned to Huntingdon and continued to work as a journeyman compositor until 1889, when he became a partner in the present business.

During the year 1890, Mr. Brown was engaged in the Huntingdon post-office. At present he represents Speyer Bros., of New York, in cabinet hardware. He is a member of Juniata Lodge, No. 117, I. O. O. F., and of Standing Stone Lodge, No. 176, K. of G. E., Huntingdon; also of General Gordon Lodge, No. 96, K. of P., borough of Luzerne, Pa. His political views are Democratic.

John A. Brown was married in Hollidaysburg, Pa., January 1, 1890, to Idella, daughter of David Miles and Phoebe (Powell) Corbett. They have had one child, Hermia Paulina, born April 14, 1891, died May 4, 1893.

FRANK FRITCHEY, senior member of the firm of Fritchey Bros., proprietors of the Huntingdon Planing Mill, was born near Everett, Bedford county, Pa., March 29, 1858. He is a son of E. C. and Adolphina (Richter) Fritchey. Mr. E. C. Fritchey was born in the province of Saxony, Germany, August 25, 1834; his wife, Adolphina Richter, is a native of the same province, and was

born August 9, 1836. Both spent their early life in their native country, and were educated in its common schools, and Mr. Fritchey there learned cabinetmaking. Both came to America in 1857, and they were united in marriage soon after their arrival. They resided in Bedford county until 1863, when they removed to Huntingdon county, where they still reside, having their home in Smithfield township. Mr. Fritchey is a master carpenter in the employ of the Huntingdon and Broad Top R. R.

Frank Fritchey was educated in the public schools of Huntingdon and Bedford counties. He then learned carpentry and bridge building in the service of the Huntingdon and Broad Top R. R. He was in the employ of this company until, in March, 1891, he and his brothers, Edward A., Charles C. and William H., engaged in their present business. Mr. Fritchey is an active member of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 300; of Standing Stone Chapter, No. 201, and of Huntingdon Commandery, No. 65, F. and A. M., of Huntingdon; of Juniata Lodge, No. 117, and Mount Hor Encampment, No. 180, I. O. O. F., of Huntingdon; of Arrapahoe Tribe, No. 68, I. O. of R. M., Huntingdon; of Washington Camp, No. 321, P. O. S. of A., Huntingdon, and of Royal Arcanum, No. 1372, Huntingdon. He is a staunch Republican.

Frank Fritchey was married in Huntingdon, December 19, 1879, to Linnie A., daughter of William and Jane Bice, of Huntingdon. They have had seven children, one of whom died in infancy. The surviving children are: Annie B.; William B.; May; Florence; Laura and Grace. Mr. Fritchey attends the Lutheran church.

EDWARD A. FRITCHEY, of the firm of Fritchey Bros., proprietors of the Huntingdon Planing Mill, was born in Tatesville, Bedford county, July 4, 1862, a son of E. C. and Adolphina (Richter) Fritchey. The family of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Fritchey included eleven children. Five of these, Charles C., Julius, Anna, David and Richard A., are deceased. The surviving children are: Frank, Samuel B., born in Bedford county April 29, 1859, educated in the Huntingdon public schools, was engaged in farming in Huntingdon county, but now resides in Los Angeles, Cal., where he is a carpenter;

Edward A.; Charles C.; William H.; and Mary Jane, wife of Andrew Heffner, of Smithfield township, Huntingdon county.

Edward A. Fritchey, after receiving his education in the common schools of Butler county, Pa., learned carpentry and building in Huntingdon. He was employed at this trade by the Huntingdon and Broad Top R. R. Co. until 1889; for two years longer he served the same company as fireman; in 1891, he engaged with his brothers in their present enterprise. Mr. Fritchey is a member of Washington Camp, P. O. S. of A., and of the Royal Arcanum. His political views are Republican.

Edward A. Fritchey was married in Huntingdon in 1887, to Louisa Geneva, daughter of Jacob and Mary Sharrer. Of their five children, one, Adolphina, died in childhood; the others are: Edward Jackson; Maggie Rosie; David Black; and George Washington Barrick. Mr. Fritchey attends the Lutheran church.

WILLIAM H. FRITCHEY, of the firm of Fritchey Bros., proprietors of the Huntingdon Planing Mill, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Huntingdon, July 27, 1870, a son of E. C. and Adolphina (Richter) Fritchey. Mr. W. H. Fritchey was educated in the public schools of his native borough. After leaving school, he worked for some time on his father's farm, and then learned wood turning. At this trade and other occupations he was employed until 1892, when the firm of Fritchey Bros. was organized, and the present flourishing business begun. Mr. Fritchey is a Republican, and an active member of the National Guard.

On the 11th of August, 1891, in Huntingdon, William H. Fritchey was married to Effie, daughter of Franklin and Annis De Forest. Mr. DeForest is a resident of Smithfield, Huntingdon county, Pa.; Mrs. DeForest is deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Fritchey have three children: Harry Franklin, born April 20, 1892; Elsie Catherine, October 30, 1894, and Ernest C. Mr. Fritchey attends the Lutheran church.

EDWARD GERLOCK, senior member of the firm of Gerlock Bros., iron foundry and machinists, was born in Huntingdon, Pa., August 27, 1866. He is a son of Franz G.

and Elizabeth (Stany) Gerlock; the former born in Landershausen, Germany, November 12, 1826, the latter in Freundewalt, Hesse-Cassel, Germany, March 9, 1830. Mr. Franz G. Gerlock was a blacksmith, and settled in Huntingdon about 1840, where he resided until his death, April 26, 1869. Mrs. Gerlock died in Huntingdon January 11, 1897. Their children were eight in number: Louis, who died at the age of twenty-four; Frank G., residing in Harrisburg, Pa.; Louisa, wife of R. L. Lutz, of Harrisburg; Philip and Charles, who died in childhood; Andrew, accidentally drowned in Huntingdon at the age of twelve; Edward and Harry W., a partner in the foundry business.

Edward Gerlock was educated in the public schools of Huntingdon. He then learned the business of a machinist, which he still carries on. In 1890 the foundry of Gerlock Bros. was established, the members of the firm being Edward and Harry W. Gerlock. Mr. Gerlock's political views are liberal.

The marriage of Edward Gerlock took place in Huntingdon, on October 10, 1894. His wife is Mollie B., daughter of David Megahan, of Petersburg, Huntingdon county. Mr. and Mrs. Gerlock have one son, Frank G., born September 15, 1895.

HENRY W. GERLOCK, junior partner in the firm of Gerlock Bros., was born in Huntingdon, Pa., July 18, 1869, son of Franz G. and Elizabeth (Stany) Gerlock. He was educated in the public schools of Huntingdon, and after leaving school, learned the trade of a machinist. He held the position of machinist at the Pennsylvania Reformatory at Huntingdon, from February 12, 1890, until April 18, 1896; in 1890, he also became a partner with his brother Edward in the present business, to which he now devotes his entire attention.

Mr. Gerlock is an active member of Juniata Lodge, No. 117, I. O. O. F. He is not married. He attends the Reformed church.

WALTER S. HERNCANE, of the firm of Herncane Bros., manufacturers of brooms, brushes and whisks, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Huntingdon, April 4, 1866, and is a son of Benjamin F. and Elizabeth (Piper)

Herncane, now residents of Huntingdon, but both born in Alexandria, Huntingdon county. Mr. Benjamin F. Herncane was a farmer, and was so occupied in his native township until 1863, when he removed to Huntingdon, and began the manufacture of brooms. Their family consisted of nine children: John H., of Altoona, Pa.; Emma A.; George B.; Walter S.; Clarence S.; Annie M.; Lillian; Louisa and Delilah, residing in Huntingdon. Benjamin F. Herncane died in Huntingdon, October 11, 1896. Walter S. Herncane was educated in the public schools. His first business engagement was as deputy prothonotary, in which capacity he served for two years. He then traveled for several years as a musician, but in 1892 abandoned that changeful life for the more settled occupation of a manufacturer. The firm of Herncane Bros., still carrying on a flourishing business, was then organized, the partners being George B. and Walter S. Herncane. His musical talent still finds expression in the service of the Huntingdon Band, in which he plays the cornet.

GEORGE B. HERNCANE, of the firm of Herncane Bros., was born in Mount Union, Huntingdon county, Pa., March 8, 1864, and came to Huntingdon when but a few weeks old. He was educated in the public schools, and since the date of leaving school, has been engaged in the manufacture of brooms and brushes. The output of the factory of Herncane Bros. is twenty-five dozens per day. They ship to all parts of Pennsylvania and adjoining States. They furnish all the brooms used by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and employ three salesmen on the road and fourteen hands in the factory. Their goods are all of a high grade, made under the personal supervision of the proprietors. The factory is extensive, lying along Fourteenth street, Huntingdon, Pa., from No. 1416 to 1422.

Mr. George Herncane is, like his brother and partner, a member of the Huntingdon Band.

His marriage took place in Huntingdon, May 11, 1886. His wife is Emma Jane, daughter of Ezekiah and Mary Miller, of Huntingdon. They have four children, Walter, Earl, Margaret and Louisa. The family attend the Reformed church.

ORLANDO GIBSON, foreman of Pennsylvania Railroad car shops, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Dumansville, Blair county, July 18, 1852. He is a son of Abraham and Sarah (Hamor) Gibson, natives of Blair county. Abraham Gibson was born in 1827; he now resides in Altoona. His wife was born in 1839, and died February 2, 1874. He was a mechanical engineer, and was employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Altoona for about twenty years. He had six children: Mary, wife of Charles C. Allen, of Huntingdon; Orlando; Harry, residing in Altoona; George, in Sacramento, Cal.; Orpha, wife of George Shoemaker, of Sacramento, and Elizabeth, wife of George Clark, also of Sacramento.

Orlando Gibson was educated in the schools of Altoona. When only fourteen years of age he entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company as engine cleaner in the round house at Altoona. On November 1, 1867, he was placed in charge of the locomotive boiler washing department, and on June 12, 1868, entered the machine shop, to learn the business of a machinist. He was transferred from this department to the Altoona yards, in which he became a fireman, June 1, 1869. Six months later, in January, 1870, he drew the premium offered to firemen for economy in using the company's fuel and stores in the discharge of his duties. On the erection of the new car shops at Altoona, Mr. Gibson was placed in charge of the steam heat department, January 4, 1870. On April 2, of the same year, he was sent on the road as fireman, and filled this position until September 1, 1872, when he was promoted to engineer. On August 1, 1887, he was once more promoted to his present position as foreman of the car department and master mechanic of the machinery department of the shops at Huntingdon. When Mr. Gibson first took charge of the shops only thirty-three men were employed in them. He has made numerous extensions and improvements, so that seventy-five employees are now required, work being executed of character and extent similar to that done in the car shops at Harrisburg and Altoona. Mr. Gibson's thirty years of service, rendered steadily in one line of business, with its honorable record of increasing usefulness and consequent promotion, is a fair illustration of the value of dili-

gent and untiring performance of duty. Besides his business services, he has made his influence felt in a very wholesome way by taking part in the organization of the P. R. R. department of the Y. M. C. A. in Huntingdon; for one year he served the branch efficiently as its president. Mr. Gibson was the organizer of the Veteran Employees' Association, Middle Division Pennsylvania Railroad, and now holds the office of vice-president of this association. He is an active member and Past Chief of Standing Stone Castle, No. 176, K. of G. E., and of Juniata Commandery, No. 66, of the same fraternity. In political views, Mr. Gibson is independent.

Orlando Gibson was married in Altoona, July 18, 1872, to Annie C., daughter of Joseph and Charity Marshall, both deceased. Mrs. Gibson was born in Bloomfield, Perry county, Pa., July 8, 1854. They have six children: Hattie Flora Belle (Mrs. John Kaylor), of Pittsburg, Pa.; William A., born December 24, 1874; James Marshall, born October 21, 1879; Mary H., born February 16, 1883; Blanche C., born February 2, 1887, and Oliver Elder, born June 25, 1889. Mr. Gibson and his family attend the M. E. church.

WILLIAM H. REIGH, assistant foreman of the Pennsylvania Railroad car shops, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Altoona, Pa., June 20, 1858. He is a son of Frederick and Annie Reigh, who resided at Altoona until 1880. Mr. Frederick Reigh was employed as a blacksmith at that point by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. In 1880 he removed to Huntingdon, where he was in the employ of the Huntingdon City Car Works until 1885. He then went to Pullman, Ill., and remained there until 1887. He was killed by falling from a passenger train while on his way home to his family in Huntingdon. During the war of the Rebellion, he served his country faithfully in the army for over three years. Mrs. Reigh still resides in Huntingdon. They had six children: William H., James D., of Punxsutawney, Jefferson county, Pa.; Frederick, who died in childhood; Ida, wife of Elmer Friedley, of Altoona; Emma, who died in childhood, and Sadie, wife of William Rung, of Huntingdon.

William H. Reigh received his education in the public schools of Altoona. At the age of fourteen he left school to enter the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company as messenger boy in the master mechanic's office. After filling this position for three years, he became apprentice, in 1875, in the car-building shops of the company at Altoona. His term of apprenticeship completed, he took a trip to the west, visiting Ohio, West Virginia and Kansas. During the year 1881 Mr. Reigh was employed by the Texas Pacific Railroad, at Columbus, Ohio, as inspector. He took up his residence at Huntingdon, Pa., in 1882, and soon after re-entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. He was appointed to his present position in 1889. Mr. Reigh is an active member and Past Chief of Standing Stone Castle, No. 176, K. of G. E.; also of Juniata Commandery, No. 66, of the same fraternity. He belongs to the Voluntary Relief Department, Pennsylvania Railroad Company. He is a Democrat in political views.

William H. Reigh was married in Huntingdon, March 8, 1883, to Margaret Bell, daughter of Philip and Matilda Pheasant, of Trough Creek, Huntingdon county. Their children are Harry L., born January 30, 1885; Philip Carlton, born October 14, 1888, and Charles Thomas, born January 10, 1896. Mr. Reigh attends the Methodist Episcopal church. Mrs. Reigh's father, Mr. Pheasant, was killed by being thrown out of a wagon near Mill Creek; Mrs. Pheasant resides in Huntingdon.

PHILIP H. SHUSS, proprietor of the saw and planing mill, Huntingdon, Pa., was born near Everett, Bedford county, November 6, 1854. He is a son of Adam and Elizabeth (Clingerman) Shuss, both natives of Bedford county. Adam Shuss was born in 1828, and died February 10, 1897; his wife was born in 1829, and died February 24, 1897. Up to the time of their death they resided in Bedford county, where Mr. Shuss for more than forty years gave his attention to farming. They had the following children: William S., of Huntingdon; Philip H., Sarah A. (Mrs. M. J. Dickson), of the vicinity of Gapsville, Bedford county; Nelson F., of Beecaria, Clearfield county, Pa.; Susan M., deceased; Emma (Mrs. Frank Dornier), resid-

ing on the homestead farm, and Clarence M., of Beecaria.

Philip H. Shuss passed his boyhood on the farm, receiving his education in the common schools, and supplementing his elementary instruction by a course at the Normal School. In early manhood he went into the lumber business, which has received his attention ever since. He owns and operates a mill at Beecaria, Clearfield county, besides the one in Huntingdon. Mr. Shuss became a permanent resident of Huntingdon September 27, 1887, but has been for more than fifteen years in business in the county of Huntingdon. He is a member of the P. O. S. of A., and of the Royal Arcanum. He is a Republican.

Philip H. Shuss was married near Huntingdon, December 27, 1882, to Margaret Ellen, daughter of Andrew and Temperance Decker, now residing in Huntingdon. They have had six children: Blair E.; Cloyd Ambrose; Charles; May Aerietta; Roy Conwell; and Alice E. Mr. and Mrs. Shuss are members of the Baptist church.

HARRY WILLIAM PETRIKIN, attorney-at-law, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Huntingdon, July 18, 1863. He is a son of R. Bruce and Mary (Pohl) Petrikin. Robert Bruce Petrikin was born in Muncy, Lycoming county, Pa., September 25, 1827; he died in Philadelphia, although at the time a resident of Huntingdon, on April 15, 1895. Mrs. Petrikin was born in Philadelphia, October 12, 1844, and died in Huntingdon, June 14, 1884. Their children are: Robert Bruce, died aged two years; Donald, died aged nineteen, April 7, 1887; Harry William; Margaret M., wife of Joseph H. Rhodes, Burlington, N. J.; Miss Mary E.; and Malcolm.

The boyhood of Mr. H. W. Petrikin was passed in Huntingdon. He attended the academy, and afterwards the Brethren's Normal School, now styled Juniata College. He prepared for college at Shortledge's Academy, Media, Delaware county, Pa., and then went to Yale, from which institution he was graduated in 1885. After this thorough and liberal preparation, Mr. Petrikin entered upon the business of his chosen calling by being registered as a student of law in the office of his father in January, 1885. He was admitted to the Huntingdon county bar in June, 1886, and to that of the Supreme Court in 1888.

He has since practised continually in Huntingdon, except that for one year (1889-90), he was assistant to the counsel of the corporation of New York City. Mr. Petrikin is a member of the State Bar Association. His political views are Democratic.

Mr. Petrikin is not married. His family are connected with the Presbyterian church.

BENJAMIN F. FINK, hardware merchant, Huntingdon, Pa., was born at Colfax, Union township, Huntingdon county, Pa., April 2, 1858. He is a son of Daniel W. and Catherine E. (Toole) Fink. Daniel W. Fink was born in Penn township, Huntingdon county, February 10, 1823, and now resides in Huntingdon; Mrs. Fink was born in Blair county, June 16, 1820, and died August 24, 1892. Mr. Fink has spent his entire life in Huntingdon county, and has been until within a few years actively engaged in farming; he has now relinquished business, and resides in the borough of Huntingdon. Of six children born to these parents, two died in childhood. The survivors are: Sarah J., wife of Henry Mosser, of Huntingdon; Miss Susan C., residing with her father; Benjamin F., and Harriet A., wife of J. M. Laird, of Huntingdon.

Benjamin F. Fink passed his boyhood on his father's farm, acquiring his education in the common schools of the township, supplemented by a normal course at Cassville, Huntingdon county. From 1878 until 1885 he taught during the winter terms in Huntingdon county, spending the summer vacations on the farm. From the latter date until the spring of 1889 he remained at home. In 1889 he came to Huntingdon, in order to learn tinning, roofing and the working of sheet iron, and continued there until his removal in 1892 to Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, where he went into the business of roofing, spouting and the sale of hardware. In 1895, having been burned out at Orbisonia, Mr. Fink returned to Huntingdon, and continued to work at roofing and spouting, adding the hardware business in November of the same year.

Mr. Fink is unmarried, and a member of the Presbyterian church.

THOMAS GRIMISON, Huntingdon, Pa., son of William and Isabella (Sprint) Grimison, is of Scotch-Irish ancestry. He was born

in County Armagh, Ireland, December 16, 1857. When he was but little more than a year old his parents came to the United States and settled in Delaware county, Pa. His early education was received in the schools of that county, but he subsequently attended the schools of New Albany, Ind., to which place the family removed in the year 1868. After a residence of over four years in New Albany, the family returned to Delaware county. Thomas Grimison continued to reside in Delaware county until he reached maturity, having in the meantime learned the baking business at Media, same county. In January, 1880, he engaged in that business at Lewistown, Mifflin county. In April, 1882, he opened a bakery at Huntingdon, which he continued to operate. During the year 1889 he entered into the wholesale business, and began the manufacturing and jobbing of crackers and confectionery, and to this in the year 1890 he added that of tobacco and cigars. A stock company was formed during the year 1894, known as the Thomas Grimison Company, of which Mr. Grimison is president. The business of the company is confined to Pennsylvania. They handle all kinds of crackers, cakes, confectionery, cigars and tobacco. Mr. Grimison is a Republican.

Thomas Grimison was married in Huntingdon, April 8, 1895, to Ada, daughter of John and Sarah (McCartney) Irvin, both deceased. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Grimison are: Thomas Irvin, born June 9, 1887; Richard James, born January 8, 1889; Gerald, born April 7, 1891, but killed by a fall when nearly four years old, February 25, 1895; Adah Isobel, born August 3, 1894, and John Stanley, born March 23, 1896. The family attend the Presbyterian church.

THOMAS WESTBROOK, yardmaster of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Huntingdon, was born in what is now called Walker township, Huntingdon county, January 17, 1825. His parents, Alexander and Nancy (White) Westbrook, were both natives of Huntingdon county, and of English descent; but the family record having been lost it is impossible to give dates and places of birth. They were life-long residents of Huntingdon county; Mr. Westbrook was a farmer; he died in 1854, and Mrs. Westbrook on December 6, 1842. Of their family of nine children, the only

ones now living are Thomas and a sister, Martha, widow of Saxton Barry, who now resides in Colorado.

Thomas Westbrook received a rather limited education in the common schools of Huntingdon. Early in life he began work for his own support, first as a farm "hand" and afterwards on the Pennsylvania canal. Later he became captain of a canal boat, and continued in that occupation until May 1, 1857, when he entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company as car inspector, at Huntingdon. After three years' service Mr. Westbrook was appointed night train dispatcher, in 1860, and on December 1, 1877, was promoted to his present position. His alertness and faithfulness as a railroad official have won for him the respect and confidence of his employers. Mr. Westbrook's political preferences are Democratic.

On February 11, 1847, Thomas Westbrook was married near Petersburg, Huntingdon county, to Mary E., daughter of Henry and Mary Hefreight, natives of Germany, but for many years residents of Huntingdon county. Of their nine children, four are deceased: William Lewis; Frank; Annie; Kate; and Clara. The survivors are: John H. and George B., of Huntingdon; James R., of Pottsville, Pa.; Mary E. (Mrs. John Conrad), of Fort Wayne, Ind., and Margaret (Mrs. Robert Sampson), residing in Colorado. The family attend the Methodist Episcopal church.

D. STERRETT DRAKE, manager of the Bell Telephone Company, and of the Drake Cycle and Electric Company, of Huntingdon, was born near Drake's Ferry, Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., September 6, 1854, and is a son of the late Thomas I. and Katharine (Wharton) Drake, a grandson of James Drake and a great-grandson of Samuel Drake, Sr., of Drake's Ferry, in Jack's Narrows, Cumberland, now Huntingdon county.

The present Drake family are of Scotch-Irish descent and trace their probable lineage back to the family of Sir Francis Drake, the celebrated English admiral. Three of his nephews, Francis, James and William Drake, came to America about the year 1700, and sailed into the mouth of the James river, Francis settling in the Carolinas, James in Virginia and William in New Jersey, from

whence the Drakes came to this section and were among the early settlers.

Samuel Drake, Sr., great-grandfather of D. S. Drake, served in the Revolutionary war, after which he established Drake's ferry in the year 1783, and took up his residence there. Little is now known of the early history of Samuel Drake, who was born in the State of New Jersey about the year 1754. He was endowed with rare native energy and unflinching perseverance, but his opportunities for educational improvement were meager; he was, indeed, a self-educated man. The establishment of the ferry was a notable enterprise; it has since been a prominent landmark, and was then the only crossing place over the Juniata river provided for the traveling public on the great thoroughfare from Standing Stone (now Huntingdon, Pa.) to Chambersburg, Hagerstown, Harper's Ferry and Baltimore, the principal route of traffic during the first quarter of the present century. That route was originally an Indian trail, and was afterwards used by the traders and wagoners. Drake's ferry and tavern or inn was a noted stopping place for travelers, who generally arrived in the evenings and departed in the mornings, thus enjoying a night's lodging and rest. The tavern and stables were on the north side of the river, just west of the present county bridge. It was at this house that the dispute occurred in 1791 concerning the boundary line of the counties, which resulted in the arrest of the sheriff of Huntingdon county and his being lodged in the Mifflin county jail. The ferry was operated for many years, and not until the building of the canal, about the year 1830, was it abandoned. As a token of respect for its day and generation a reference is made to it in Fuller's poem on Jack's Narrows, of which we here quote some lines:

And here a century old to-day—
 Drake's Ferry lives in name!—
 How bright the story of its years!
 How far its patrons came!
 What bustling life, what moving wealth
 Confided in the skill
 Of one tradition praises well,
 And loves his memory still.

In 1783 Samuel Drake came into possession of 50 acres of land known as the Ferry tract; in 1790 he took up 150 acres additional, now

known as the Matibla Furnace farm. This furnace was built in 1836 and named in honor of a daughter of Samuel Drake, afterwards married to Captain Caldwell, who died in the Mexican war from a wound received in the attack on the City of Mexico.

In 1795 Samuel Drake also came into possession of 95 acres in Wayne township, just east of the Furnace property. The latter tract was later known as his son James Drake's homestead farm. In all, he owned upwards of 300 acres of land in the vicinity of Mt. Union, Pa., much of which was cleared and put under a state of cultivation. He continued to run the ferry until his two sons, James and Samuel, were old enough to take charge of it. They managed it for a number of years, until Samuel Drake, Jr., moved to the Furnace farm. He died about 1827, aged about seventy-three years. He was a Whig, and was a member of the Baptist church, services being held in his house.

In 1782 he married Nancy Hamilton, of Holland or low Dutch descent, who was born in 1762, and died in 1833, aged seventy-one. Their children were: Mary, born 1783, died 1814, wife of Thomas I. Postlethwaite; James, born 1787, died 1844, who married Elizabeth Postlethwaite, a sister of Thomas Postlethwaite; Samuel, born in 1801 and died in 1867, who married Catharine Baird; Katy (Mrs. James Baird); Sallie (Mrs. Mathew Glasgoc); Rebecca (Mrs. Abram Vandevander); Jane (Mrs. Joseph Colter); Elizabeth (Mrs. Peter Cornelius); and a child drowned when about eight years old. The descendants of most of these families still reside in this section of the State.

James Drake, eldest son of Samuel Drake, Sr., was born in 1787 at Drake's ferry, where he resided until the abandonment of the ferry. He received a fairly good education in the subscription schools of his neighborhood. Assisting with the work of the ferry until he was old enough to take charge of the same, he continued to run it until about 1830, when the construction of the canal through the Narrows took place, of which he was the first foreman. He then moved to the farm with his family, and built the log house which stands to this day at the forks of the road at the mouth of Long Hollow, just east of the Furnace property, known as the James Drake

homestead. Here he lived until his death in 1844, at the age of fifty-seven years. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, and a man of very industrious habits; strictly honest in all his dealings with his fellow-men. He was of a delicate constitution, and a great sufferer from rheumatism all his life. In politics he was a Whig. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas I. Postlethwaite, of Wayne township, Milfin county, who was born in 1790 and died in 1854, in her sixty-fifth year. To this union twelve children were born, four sons and eight daughters, nearly all of whom died early in life. Their names were: Jane Matibla, wife of Captain Caldwell, born in 1810 and died in 1842; Mary Rebecca (Mrs. James Fields), born in 1811, died in 1837; and Samuel, born in 1813, died in 1844, married Mary McDowell; Thomas Irvin, born in 1827, died in 1863, married Catharine Wharton; James, born in 1832, died about 1877, married Mary Hinds, who now resides with her family in Iowa. The other members of the family died single; their names were: John; Nancy; Elizabeth; Arabella; and Josephine; all lived to early manhood and womanhood.

Thomas I. Drake, father of D. S. Drake, born at Drake's Ferry, September 7, 1827, was a son of James and Elizabeth (Postlethwaite) Drake. After receiving a good common school education, he began life on his father's farm, where he spent his boyhood. At the age of twenty-one he enlisted in the United States service under Captain Caldwell with a company of Wayne guards, and took an active part in the Mexican war of 1848; while there he contracted lung trouble, was discharged, and returned home in very poor health. In 1853 he married Catharine, daughter of James Wharton, Esq., of Wayne township; she was born September 6, 1834. They began house-keeping on the homestead farm, residing there two years. They bought the farm of Robert Corbett in Wayne township, residing there until his death. As Mr. Drake's health was so impaired during his war service as to unfit him for work on the farm, he took no part in farming, but turned his attention to fruit growing and gardening. His orchards were of the choicest fruits and his garden always displayed great attractions. He possessed many qualities of mind and heart that endeared him to his fellow-men; was genial

and hospitable and ever willing to help those in need. He was passionately fond of music and a sweet singer, and was a consistent member of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Drake was a Republican, and filled the offices of road supervisor, tax collector and school director of his township. He died in 1863, aged thirty-six years. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Drake had four children: D. S., of Huntingdon, Pa., born in 1854; Mary E., born in 1855, married to Samuel Gailey, a prominent oil dealer of Pittsburg, Pa.; James W., born in 1857, died in infancy; Frank L., born in 1863, married to Miss Bella Schaffer, of Middletown, Pa., resides in Jewell City, Kas., where he is engaged in the mercantile business.

D. Sterrett Drake received a good common school education and resided with his parents until after the death of his father. At the age of eleven years he made his home with his grandfather, James Wharton, and resided with him until, at the age of seventeen, he took up telegraphy as a business. He began business life in 1871, working first at Mt. Union for two years, and later at various important offices on the line of the Pennsylvania Railroad, including Harrisburg, Mifflintown, Lewistown, Huntingdon, Tyrone and Altoona. At the last-named place he served two years in the general superintendent's office. In 1880 Mr. Drake moved to Ligonier, Westmoreland county, and had charge of the Ligonier Valley Railroad for one year. On the formation of a company to operate the newly invented telephone business, he was selected to establish exchanges in Huntingdon and Lewistown. Since 1881 he has been connected with the Central Pennsylvania Telephone and Supply Company as manager of their business in the counties of Huntingdon, Bedford, Mifflin and Juniata.

It deserves to be noted here that at the time of the formation of the telephone company, no one but electrical men had faith in the newly invented machine, which was considered by many only a toy, and the organization had to be effected largely from telegraph men of the country. In 1881 D. S. Drake assumed a position in the Union Bank of Huntingdon, Pa., which he held until the new business established had grown to such an extent as to require all of his time. During this year he started the bicycle and electrical business also, which had not yet been introduced

into the county; he was the first person in Huntingdon county to purchase a bicycle. By constant attention to the lines established, he has built up a trade which has become so extensive that in 1891 a new building was necessary to accommodate the growing business, when the three-story iron front building at the corner of Sixth and Penn streets was erected for the telephone, cycle and electrical business.

D. Sterrett Drake was married, May 21, 1878, to Elizabeth, daughter of the late William K. Rahm; he was a grandson of Conrad Rahm, who came from near Metz, Germany, with the Mullenbergers, and a son of Melchior Rahm, of Harrisburg, who was sheriff of Dauphin county in 1804, and a member of the legislature that met in Philadelphia. There is to this day preserved by friends a letter written by George Washington to Melchior Rahm on some official business. William K. Rahm was one of the oldest residents of Huntingdon. He was born in Harrisburg in 1804, and was a merchant tailor in Bellefonte, Blairsville and Huntingdon, Pa., for a number of years. He became a resident of Huntingdon in the year 1829. In 1831 he married Jennima, daughter of David Newingham, an early settler of this place. Elizabeth Rahm (Mrs. D. S. Drake) was next to the youngest of eleven children. Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Drake have two children: Walter C., born in 1879; Gretta M., born in 1881; both members now of the high school classes. Walter, being active and energetic, assists during his spare time in his father's newly established business.

Mr. Drake has always voted the Republican ticket, is a member of the Presbyterian church and belongs to the P. O. S. of A. and the Masonic fraternities.

JOHN W. KAUFFMAN, assistant yardmaster of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Huntingdon, Pa., was born near New Bloomfield, Perry county, Pa., November 1, 1845. He is a son of Daniel and Hannah (Shoenmaker) Kauffman. Daniel Kauffman was born March 13, 1812, in Schuylkill county, where he passed the first twenty years of his life. He then removed with his parents to Perry county. About 1854 he took up his residence in Mifflin county, and subsequently removed to Huntingdon county, where he spent the remainder of his life. His wife,

Hannah Shoemaker, was born in Perry county, November 23, 1813. Mr. Kauffman learned the trade of shoemaking, but has passed the greater part of his life in farming. He died in June, 1871. This couple had twelve children; five of their family died in childhood, four reached maturity, and are now deceased, and three still survive: Benjamin J., residing near Newport, Perry county, and Daniel J., near Huntingdon, both farmers; also John W.

The boyhood of John W. Kauffman was passed under the paternal roof, first in Perry county, afterwards in Mifflin county, whither his parents removed when he was seven years old. In the schools of Bratton and of Wayne townships, in the latter county, he received his education. His first work after finishing his school course was farming; but when nearly sixteen, on February 27, 1861, he was employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in the maintenance of way department, and continued in that service until August 4, 1864. On that date he enlisted in the Sixth Union League, One Hundred and Ninety-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Col. H. G. Sickles. Mr. Kauffman participated in eight engagements with his regiment, which was attached to the Army of the Potomac. To that regiment was assigned an important part in the surrender of General Lee at Appomattox Court House, Va.; it was detailed to receive the arms from the Confederate infantry. Mr. Kauffman was mustered out at Arlington Heights, and finally discharged at Camp Cadwalader, Philadelphia, June 13, 1865, after eleven months of faithful service in defense of the Union. Ten days later he returned to his home in Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, and on July 1, of the same year, 1865, re-entered the service of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in the construction department; after eighteen months in this department he was transferred to the maintenance of way department. On August 1, 1870, Mr. Kauffman was promoted to the position of floating gang foreman, and on April 1, 1871, to that of conductor of work train. This position he held until August 1, 1877, when he was appointed to his present place at Huntingdon, and given charge of the wrecking crew.

Mr. Kauffman served the borough of Huntingdon efficiently for three years as councilman. He is a Democrat. He is an active

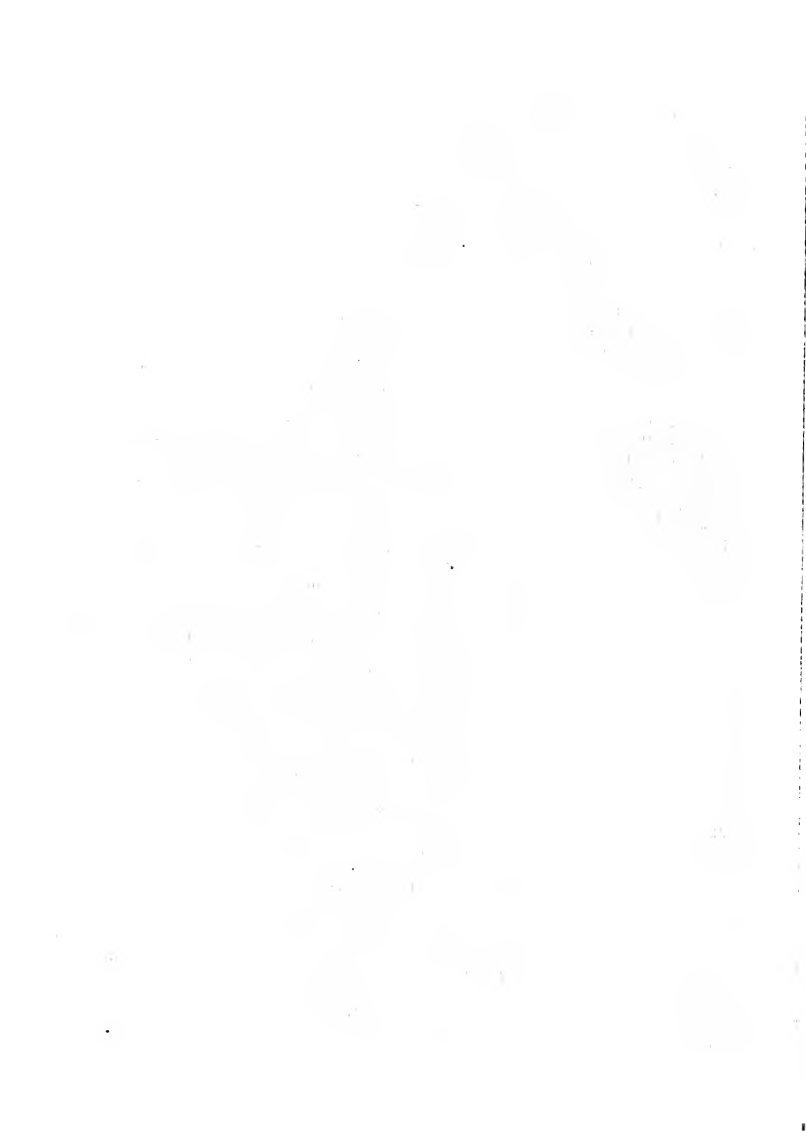
member of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 300, F. and A. M., and of Robert Simpson Post, No. 44, G. A. R.

John W. Kauffman was married at McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pa., March 21, 1867, to Elizabeth, daughter of John F. Cottrell, of Shirley township, Huntingdon county; she was born June 20, 1847. They have three children: John F., born at Mapleton, Huntingdon county, June 11, 1869, residing in Altoona, Pa.; L. Gertrude, born at Mapleton, March 2, 1871, wife of Rev. C. P. Tiffany, a Methodist preacher in the Wyoming District, Susquehanna county, Pa.; and Albert W., born in Huntingdon, July 27, 1873. The family are members of the Presbyterian church.

ALEXANDER ELLIOTT, freight agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Indiana county, Pa., November 25, 1835. He is a son of Benjamin and Jane (Smith) Elliott. His ancestors came from England during the eighteenth century, his paternal grandfather settling in Huntingdon county, where Benjamin Elliott was born in 1790. Benjamin Elliott was a tanner, and carried on the business of tanning, as well as that of agriculture, in Indiana county, Pa., where he spent the greater part of his life. His wife, Jane Smith, was born in Indiana county in 1800. They had a family of eleven children, nine of whom are living: Daniel S., of Philadelphia; James B., of Rochester, Indiana; Alexander R. Stewart, of New Florence, Pa.; Benjamin, of Washington, D. C.; Elizabeth, wife of John G. Ferguson, residing in Kansas; Rebecca, widow of Ephraim Wallace, of Peru, Ind.; Amanda M., wife of Robert H. Beatty, of Philadelphia; and Mary, wife of Dr. Andrew Lewis, a practising dentist of Newcastle, Pa. Benjamin Elliott died in Westmoreland county in 1858, and Mrs. Elliott at East Liberty, near Pittsburg, Pa., in 1885.

The early years of Alexander Elliott were spent in Indiana county, Pa., where he was educated in the common schools. He was afterwards a pupil at the academy of Newcastle, Pa. After spending two years as salesman in a general store, Mr. Elliott became, in 1856, by appointment of the late Col. Thomas A. Scott, assistant in the freight office of the P. R. R. at Indiana station. In 1859, he was







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transferred to Manor station as passenger and freight agent, and to Huntingdon, June 1, 1865, as freight agent. Since the latter date, he has been a continuous resident of the borough, efficiently performing the duties of his office. He has always taken an active and influential part in local affairs, working for the welfare and improvement of the borough, in which he is deeply interested, as one of its most extensive property owners. He has acted as treasurer of a number of organizations especially designed to promote local improvement. Mr. Elliott is a Past Master of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 300, F. and A. M.; Past High Priest of Standing Stone Chapter, No. 201, R. A. M.; Past Eminent Commander of Huntingdon Commandery, No. 65, K. T., and at present District Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania for the counties of Huntingdon and Bedford and part of Blair. He is a Republican, and has served the borough in the offices of school director and Burgess.

Alexander Elliott was first married in Indiana, Pa., to Mary E., daughter of Ephraim and Elizabeth Carpenter, old settlers of Indiana, where Mr. Carpenter was a prominent member of the bar. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott had three children: Leonard C., now chief clerk in the freight department, P. R. R., at Huntingdon; Gertrude E. (Mrs. A. L. Schreiber), of Oakland, Cal.; and Bessie C. (Mrs. B. Frank Royer), residing in Philadelphia, where Mr. Royer is largely engaged in the iron business. Mr. Elliott was married the second time in Philadelphia to Mrs. Emma (Desha) Coolidge, of Philadelphia, a daughter of the late General Desha, of Alabama. Mr. Elliott is a member of the Presbyterian church at Huntingdon.

JOHN M. LAIRD, manufacturer of malleable iron, Huntingdon, Pa., was born at Spruce Creek, Huntingdon county, December 9, 1862. He is a son of Osborne and Rosa (Leffard) Laird, natives of Alexandria, Huntingdon county; the father is deceased, but the mother still survives.

John M. Laird was educated in the common schools of his native township, and learned at Spruce Creek the trade of a tinsmith. He came to Huntingdon at the age of fourteen, and followed that calling for three years in the employ of his brother. At the end of

that time, he engaged in the business for himself, and was rewarded with success. In 1894 Mr. Laird sold out his business to Mr. B. F. Fink. Since that time he has been occupied with the manufacture of iron articles, patented horse shoes, snow irons, etc., and is the inventor of a new process for manufacturing malleable iron to be used in the manufacture of this merchandise. Mr. Laird is liberal in his political views.

In April, 1886, John M. Laird was married at Trough Creek, Huntingdon county, to Hattie A., daughter of Daniel Fink. They have two children, Frank and Ray Milton. The family attend the Baptist church.

MARTIN GRUBE, JR., Huntingdon, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Donegal township, Lancaster county, Pa., August 22, 1861. He is a son of Martin and Sarah (Lyttell) Grube, both natives of Lancaster county, where the former was born August 5, 1837, and the latter August 31, 1837. They were united in marriage November 22, 1859, removed to Huntingdon county in 1866, and resided at Mount Union, where Mrs. Grube died January 19, 1871. Martin Grube, Sr., died Huntingdon, January 2, 1884.

The building now in use by Martin Grube, Jr., for his business as a wholesale dealer in whiskeys, in bond, and tax paid, is situated in Huntingdon, and was built by Richard Langdon in 1874, and used by him as a distillery for about a year. In 1875 it was leased by Martin Grube, Sr., who carried on the distillery business there during the rest of his life. From January 2, 1884, until May 1, 1888, the business was conducted by Martin Grube, Jr., who was on the latter date refused a renewal of his license. Three years later, in 1891, finding it impossible to prevent the importation of liquors into the county, the authorities again granted a license to Mr. Grube, April 1, 1891, since which date he has continuously carried on the business. The premises are well ordered and complete in every department, the proprietor exercising close personal supervision over every detail; they are equipped with every appliance and facility for the accommodation and preservation of his choice and valuable stock, which is unrivalled for quality, purity, flavor and general excellence. The whiskeys of this popu-

lar and responsible house are noted for their pure and even quality, possessing a natural flavor and fine tonic properties, and are sold under a guarantee to give perfect satisfaction. These splendid whiskeys are sold free and in bond, large quantities being allowed to remain and mature until required for the demands of the trade. All orders receive immediate attention, customers being assured of finding an excellent article and satisfactory treatment. Mr. Grube is a thoroughly practical and experienced business man, enterprising, progressive and entirely reliable in all his business transactions.

HENRY D. REINERS, wholesale dealer, bottler and carbonator, was born in New York City, February 26, 1858. He is a son of Robert and Wubke (Seekamp) Reiners, natives of Hanover, Germany. Robert Reiners was born July 12, 1819. They had five children, of whom three are now living: John R. and Martha G., residing in Brooklyn; and Henry D., of Huntingdon. The father still resides in Brooklyn, N. Y., where he has for years lived a retired life.

Henry D. Reiners, during his boyhood, lived in New York and Brooklyn; he was educated in the public and private schools of Brooklyn, and at Packard's College, New York City. His school course ended, he was engaged as a receiving clerk in a wholesale grocery house in New York City; he served in this capacity for five years, and afterwards five years more as salesman. At the end of this time, Mr. Reiners spent six months in Europe. On his return, in January, 1885, he became a resident of Huntingdon, and commenced here the business which he still carries on. In politics he is not bound to any party, but is independent.

Henry D. Reiners was married in Paulding, Paulding county, Ohio, October 12, 1887, to Grace E., daughter of Charles E. and Emma (Holcombe) Cooke, of that place. They have one son, Charles Robert, born February 8, 1890. The family attend the Presbyterian church.

GEORGE D. BERT, assistant superintendent of the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, was born in Allegheny City, April 4, 1852, the only child of John and Mina (Whipka) Bert, both natives of Germany,

who settled in Allegheny City in 1848, and spent there the remainder of their lives. John Bert was a staunch Republican, and active in political matters. He was for fourteen years a school director in the Seventh ward, Allegheny City, and was president of the board when his death occurred, June 6, 1881. Mrs. Bert died February 22, 1895.

George D. Bert was educated in the common schools of Allegheny City. After leaving school, he was employed as errand boy in a merchant tailor's establishment. He next learned cigarmaking with his father, and was in that business for eight years. For four years, beginning with 1877, Mr. Bert was employed as a keeper in the Allegheny county workhouse; he was then promoted to deputy superintendent, and held that place until 1892, during which year he was in the employ of the P. R. R. Co. He has been connected with the Reformatory at Huntingdon since August, 1893.

Mr. Bert is a Republican. He served one term as justice of the peace of O'Hara township, Allegheny county, and during the same time served also as deputy coroner. He is a member of Granite Lodge, No. 652, I. O. O. F., Allegheny City, Pa.

George D. Bert was married in Allegheny City, June 6, 1872, to Louisa, daughter of James and Elizabeth Bulk. They have had seven children; one died in infancy. They were as follows: Augusta; Louisa; Alvina; Elizabeth; Jennie; Isabella; and John. The family attend the Lutheran church.

WALTER COFFIN ODIORNE, chief clerk and secretary, Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Boston, Mass., December 30, 1842. He is a son of George and Clementina F. (Coffin) Odiorne. George Odiorne was born at Nantucket, Mass., July 31, 1814. He was well-known in public life, having been for many years a councilman of the city of Boston, and having also sat in the State Senate. He was extensively engaged in contracting and in land operations; he held the contract for the filling in of Back Bay, and was thus entitled to the gratitude of Bostonians for his efficient assistance in rendering that locality one of the most attractive places of residence in their city. Mrs. George Odiorne was born at Cape Ann, Mass., December 23, 1816; like her hus-

band, she spent her entire life in the vicinity of her birthplace. They had ten children, of whom two died in infancy, and the remaining eight attained mature age, and married, as follows: Mary Louisa, born January 23, 1841, is the widow of Horace Stebbins, and resides in South Orange, N. J.; Walter Coffin, John Fisher, born December 6, 1845, resides in Elizabeth, N. J., and is a partner with Worman, Simons & Co., umbrella manufacturers; Annie C., born September 30, 1848, is the widow of Horace Homer, resides in Boston; George F., born April 6, 1851, manager Plainfield *Courier*, residence Plainfield, N. J.; Howard Langdon, born August 18, 1853, resides at Florence, S. C., is president of a cotton-seed oil establishment; Frank H., born August 11, 1855, died February 15, 1895, his widow resides at Elizabeth, N. J.; Mabel, born September 1, 1857, is the wife of Franklin Rolfe, and resides at Winchester, Mass., Mr. Rolfe being engaged in the wholesale fruit business in Boston. Mrs. George Odiorne died in Boston, December 12, 1890, and her husband in the same city, November 18, 1892.

The life of Walter Coffin Odiorne has been largely one of travel and vicissitude, involving many and varied experiences. After the completion of his education in the excellent public schools of his native city, Boston, he was for a short time a salesman with Edward Nichols & Richards, wholesale dry goods and notions; but in his seventeenth year, on March 17, 1859, he sailed from the old historic city on the ship *Manchuke*, for the then still new land of California; the vessel was bound "around the Horn." Arriving at San Francisco, he first went with a messmate to the southern gold mines to visit some relatives of the latter. After a stay of about three months in California, the young traveler went to Washington Territory, and on his return to San Francisco, took passage for Liverpool, England. Two months were passed in England, and then, on a sailing vessel, he returned to his native land, reaching New York just after Fort Sumter had been fired upon. Two years of travel had not lessened his predilection for the sea, and he promptly decided to volunteer in the U. S. Naval Service. An application to the Secretary of the Navy brought him the appointment of master's mate, with orders to join the U. S. steamship *Cambridge*

at Charlestown Navy Yard, bound for service in the North Atlantic squadron. With this squadron he was connected until April 21, 1863. In November, 1862, Mr. Odiorne was captured and confined in Libby Prison for four weeks; he was then exchanged. His promotion to acting ensign followed, and his transfer to the United States steamship *Wisahickon*, of the South Atlantic squadron; this vessel lay off the harbor of Charleston, S. C., during most of the time, until that city was captured. Before that time, on May 24, 1864, Mr. Odiorne was appointed to the mortar schooner *T. A. Ward*, of which vessel he had command for the greater part of the time that he was aboard of her. After peace was declared, he brought this schooner to the Navy Yard at Kittery, Me., and was granted leave of absence. He was afterwards ordered to Norfolk, Va.; and there Mr. Odiorne resigned his commission, after a service of four years, seven months and eight days.

From that time until 1869, Mr. Odiorne was in Cincinnati, O., in charge of an extensive wholesale notion house. At that date he engaged in the same business in Baltimore, Md., but continued there only until 1870, when he sold out and went to Philadelphia. One year he spent in that city, in the manufacture of brush blocks and brushes; in 1871, he went to Boston, and became a partner in a mercantile enterprise with his brother George. In the following year, without giving up his interest in this business, he went Muirkirk, Md., and engaged in a branch of the iron business; during his absence from Boston, his stock and business there were swept away by the disastrous fire of 1873. He continued in the iron business for thirteen years, and was secretary and treasurer of the company. In 1885, Mr. Odiorne sold out his interest in that concern, and in the following year, in connection with others, took a contract for brushes to be made in the New Jersey State Prison; this business he conducted with success for three years. In 1889, however, he was unsuccessful in renewing the contract, and came to the Huntingdon Reformatory. There being at that place no buildings of the capacity requisite for carrying on the brush manufacture, Mr. Odiorne was obliged to store his plant until such time as the necessary additions could be made. He went to Philadelphia, and remained there until early in 1890, when he was appointed by

Major McClaughry to his present position. Mr. Odiorne is a member of George Simpson Post, No. 44, G. A. R., of Huntingdon; of Washington Council, P. O. S. of A.; of the Loyal Legion of U. S. A.; Philadelphia Commandery, No. 3818, of Philadelphia; of this organization his son also is a member. He is a Republican.

Walter C. Odiorne was married in Cincinnati, January 23, 1867, to Hannah W., daughter of Joseph and Martha W. Jones, of Philadelphia, Pa. They have had ten children, of whom two died in childhood. They are as follows: Walter Jones; Marie Louise; Ethel Maude (Mrs. William H. Sears), of Huntingdon; Clement Coffin, died August 29, 1878, and Clementina Foster, twins; Langdon Coffin; Annette Rumford; Hannah Walker, died January 4, 1884; George Bigelow; and Alfred Joseph. Mr. and Mrs. Odiorne and their family are connected with the First Baptist church, Huntingdon.

REV. SOLOMON F. FORGEUS, D. D., chaplain Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in South Coventry township, Chester county, Pa., August 19, 1844. He was the son of Christian and Rebecca L. (Lindeman) Forgens, natives of Chester county. The ancestry of both parents was German; the father of Christian Forgens was a Hessian soldier who deserted during the Revolution to the American side, and afterwards settled in Chester county; his wife's family had already settled in Montgomery county before the war began. Christian Forgens was engaged in mercantile business in Chester county, and in that county and in Berks, the worthy couple spent their entire lives. Their only child was Solomon F. The father died in Berks county, in 1855, and the mother in South Coventry township, Chester county, in September, 1881.

The earliest years of Solomon F. Forgens were spent in South Coventry township. After the removal of the family to Berks county, he attended the public schools of Reading for some time. After the death of his father, he returned with his mother to Chester county, where they resided in West Vincent township, and his education in elementary branches was carried on in the common schools of their neighborhood. In 1861 he entered Conoquenessing Academy, at Zellenople,

Butler county, and remained there until August 7, 1862, when he enlisted as a private in Company C, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers. He served until May 27, 1863, when his term of enlistment expired, and he returned home; but on January 4, 1864, he re-enlisted, in Battery C, Third Pennsylvania Heavy Artillery, and served until June 5, 1865. He was on that day commissioned second lieutenant in the Ninth U. S. Col'd Troops, was subsequently promoted to first lieutenant and to adjutant, and finally received his discharge at Baltimore, Md., December 19, 1866.

In the autumn of 1867, Mr. Forgens entered the preparatory department of the University at Lewisburg, now Bucknell, from which he was graduated June 25, 1872. His education was further completed by certain semesters passed at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y. He now entered Crozer Theological Seminary, at Chester, Delaware county, Pa., in September, 1872, and graduated, after a full three years' course, in May, 1875. Having been called to the pastorate of the Baptist church at Tunkhannock, Wyoming county, Pa., Mr. Forgens was ordained to the ministry of that denomination in Tunkhannock, August 12, 1875. In June, 1878, he left that place to take charge of the Clark's Green and Bethel churches, having his residence at Clark's Green, Lackawanna county, Pa. Nine months later he exchanged the pastorate of the Bethel church for that of the church at Dunning's, Pa., to which place he removed May 1, 1881. On October 1, 1881, Rev. Mr. Forgens became pastor of Logan's Valley church, Bellwood, Blair county, Pa., where he remained until he entered upon his present duties, July 1, 1892.

At Bellwood, Mr. Forgens served four years as school director. He is a member of Sanford F. Byers Post, No. 462, G. A. R., of Bellwood; of Washington Camp, No. 321, P. O. S. of A.; and of Altoona Conclave, No. 132, I. O. H., of Altoona. During his ministerial life, he has served as secretary of numerous church organizations; he is still secretary of the State Ministerial Union, clerk of the Centre Baptist Association, and vice president of the Baptist State Missionary Society; this last position he has filled for a number of years.

Rev. Solomon F. Forgens was married at Lewisburg, Pa., October 28, 1875, to Ida,

daughter of Andrew and Catharine Kennedy, of Lancaster county, Pa. They have five children: Susan, born May 16, 1877; Royal, May 3, 1880; Margaret R., January 2, 1882; Elizabeth, March 31, 1885; and Helen, March 3, 1894. In June, 1896, Mr. Forgeus received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from his Alma Mater.

JOHN H. LIKENS, moral instructor, Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Middletown, Dauphin county, Pa., December 18, 1843. He is a son of Isaac and Mary (Heister) Likens. Isaac Likens was born in Berks county, Pa., he was a master miner, and spent a great part of his life in Blair county. Mrs. Likens is a native of Dauphin county, born February 24, 1824. They had fifteen children; six died in childhood. Those surviving are: John H., of Huntingdon, Pa.; Adeline (Mrs. Charles Boone), of Altoona, Pa., deceased; Eliza Jane, wife of Thomas Bookhammer, of Huston township; Harry H., of Martinsburg, Blair county; Archibald M., of Newry, Blair county; Robert D., of Martinsburg, Blair county; Sallie C. (Mrs. Eli D. Smith), of Huston township; Blair C., of Frankstown, Blair county. Mr. Isaac Likens died near Martinsburg, June 21, 1881; Mrs. Likens is in excellent health at the age of seventy-two, and resides at Morrell, Blair county.

John H. Likens was but two years old when his parents removed to Blair county. He was educated in the public schools of Huston township, studying afterwards at Martinsburg Collegiate Institute. At the time of leaving school he had already acquired some experience as a teacher, during the last three years of his course of study. It was then not altogether as a novice that he entered upon the duties of his chosen profession, that of teaching, in the Blair county schools. His ability, diligence and faithfulness are fully attested by his re-election, year after year, for nearly a quarter of a century, and his election at length, in 1884, to the responsible post of county superintendent of schools. After six years of efficient service in that position, he received, in 1890, his appointment as moral instructor in the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory. Mr. Likens also rendered good service as a justice of the peace in Blair county. He is a Republican. The fraternities

that claim him as a member are: Portage Lodge, No. 351, F. and A. M., of Hollidaysburg, Blair county; Orphans, Home Lodge, No. 315, I. O. O. F., of Williamsburg, Pa.; the Ancient Order of United Workmen; G. W. Weaver Castle, K. of G. E., and the Good Templars.

John H. Likens was married in Martinsburg, Blair county, May 20, 1869, to Lucinda, daughter of Thomas and Jane London, now residents of Williamsburg, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Likens have seven children: Alva G.; Jennie P.; Mary B. (Mrs. Joseph S. Miller), of Pittsburg, Pa.; Homer B.; Edna May; Hattie Grace; and John London. Mr. Likens and his family attend the Lutheran church.

HOWARD CLINTON FRONTZ, M. D., physician at Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, Huntingdon, Pa., was born at Hughesville, Lycoming county, Pa., September 8, 1871. He is a son of George Clinton and Sarah Emma (Kistner) Frontz, both natives of Lycoming county, Pa. George C. Frontz was born December 7, 1841, and died July 22, 1889; he was in business as a merchant in Hughesville, where the greater part of his life was passed. Mrs. Frontz was born September 15, 1845, and died July 17, 1883. Their family consists of five sons, all of whom are living: Harry Kistner, a practicing dentist of Montgomery, Lycoming county; Cyrus Benjamin, also practicing dentistry at Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Dr. Howard Clinton, Chalmers Eugene, a student for the ministry of the Lutheran church; Jacob Arthur, at present attending business college at Scranton, Pa.

Dr. Howard Clinton Frontz received his early education in the public schools of his native town. In 1887, he entered the preparatory department of Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, Pa. A year later he entered the college, where he studied until December, 1889. From that date until the fall of 1891, he was in the employ of the Williamsport & North Branch R. R. Co. He entered the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa., from which he graduated in June, 1894. Soon after that date, he became resident physician of the city hospital at Williamsport, Pa., where he remained until elected, January 1, 1895, to his present position. The Doctor belongs to the college fraternity known as Alpha Tau

Omega. His political opinions are Republican.

Dr. Howard C. Frontz was married at Hughesville, December 5, 1895, to Agnes Montgomery, daughter of Christian and Sarah (Zarr) Springer, of that place. He attends the Lutheran church.

JOSEPH H. LANG, steward at the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, at Huntingdon, was born near Williamsburg, Blair county, Pa., March 8, 1863, and is the eldest son of Washington and Martha (Snyder) Lang. Washington Lang was born in Huntingdon county, December 23, 1833, and his wife in Walker township, in the same county, January 20, 1839; she died April 30, 1882. Washington Lang was in business as a butcher in McConnellstown, Huntingdon county, where he still resides. He was also for some time in the hotel business in same place. Of the twelve children of these parents, nine are living: Annie (Mrs. Abner S. Lloyd), Huntingdon; Joseph H., employed as steward at the Reformatory; Harry; Gring; Naomi (Mrs. John Ward); Whitmore; Margaret (Mrs. Thomas Heffner); Stewart; and Galbraith; all except Mrs. Lloyd and Joseph H. residing at McConnellstown, Pa.

Joseph H. Lang was brought by his parents to McConnellstown when a child, and there received his education in the common schools. For some years after leaving school he engaged with his father in butchering. After his marriage he was associated with R. A. Ramsey as one of the proprietors of the Washington House, and later of the Hotel Brunswick. Mr. Lang has been connected with the Reformatory since May 10, 1889, at which time he was engaged as turnkey, but in April, 1891, he was promoted to chief steward, which position he continues to hold. In point of service he is among the oldest officers connected with the institution. He is an active member of the K. G. E., of Huntingdon. Politically he is a Republican.

Joseph H. Lang was married in Huntingdon, September 15, 1887, to Gertrude Wallace, daughter of Robert A. and Elizabeth S. Ramsey. Both he and his wife are members of the Reformed church. They have no children.

ROBERT A. RAMSEY, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Manor Hill, Huntingdon county, Pa., September 11, 1833. He is the second son of David and Elizabeth (Hennen) Ramsey. David Ramsey was born in Franklin county, Pa., June 9, 1801, and died at Manor Hill May 25, 1882. Elizabeth (Hennen) Ramsey was born in Barree township, Huntingdon county, June 29, 1806, and died in West township, of the same county, September 17, 1855. Their children were: William; Robert A.; James; Elizabeth E.; Mary L.; and a daughter who died in infancy.

Robert A. Ramsey attended the common schools of Manor Hill, and later, Mooresville Collegiate Institute and the State Normal School at Millersville, Lancaster county, Pa. He commenced teaching in 1850 in Barree township, and is at present engaged at Cedar Grove, Logan township. In point of years, he is the oldest teacher in actual service in Huntingdon county.

He was married to Elizabeth Smith Logan of Barree township, on December 24, 1861. Of the five children of these parents, three are living: Mary Florence (Mrs. R. M. Peightal); Gertrude Wallace (Mrs. J. H. Lang, of Huntingdon); Cora Carmon (Mrs. Howard W. Africa); Patty H., died May 25, 1884; and Ada S., died May 26, 1884. Mrs. Ramsey, the mother of these children, died October 25, 1890.

In partnership with Mr. J. H. Lang, Mr. Ramsey conducted the Washington House in Huntingdon from the first of April, 1888, until the 1st of April, 1891, and the Hotel Brunswick from the latter date until the 1st of April, 1892. Robert A. Ramsey is a past chief in Standing Stone Castle, No. 176, of Huntingdon, and a member of Juniata Commandery, a branch of the same organization.

CHARLES W. COLONY, master mechanic, Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Janesville, Rock county, Wisconsin, December 31, 1848. He is a son of George and Charlotte (Noble) Colony. George Colony was a native of Albany, N. Y., born in 1811. He was a contracting mason. His wife was born in Erie county, Pa., from which county they went to Wisconsin in 1848. Of their thirteen children, only four survive: Charles W.; Oliver, C., in the tobacco business in Evansville,

Wis.; Frederick E., a practising physician of Evansville; and John Lowry, supposed to be residing in Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. George Colony both died in Janesville, Wis.; the former January 1, 1883, the latter in April 1868.

Charles W. Colony was brought up in Janesville, Wis., and received his education in the public schools of that place. For a few years after he left school he was employed in his father's business. He afterwards learned the trade of a machinist. He is thoroughly grounded in this business, and has much practical experience, having served both as a steamboat and stationary engineer for the U. S. Government at Baltimore, Md. For one year he had charge of the boys, of their quarters and of the steam heating department in the Indian Training School at Carlisle, Pa. He has efficiently filled his present position since April 20, 1890. Mr. Colony is a member of Juniata Lodge, No. 177, I. O. O. F., Huntingdon, and of Goodwill Council, No. 42, Jr. O. U. A. M., at Tyrone. He is a Republican.

Charles W. Colony was married in Baltimore, Md., in April, 1869, to Mary Josephine, daughter of Julius and Catherine Marcelette. They have two children: Guy Henry, born in 1870, and Fay Elmer, born in 1880. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

CAPTAIN JOHN BLAIN, JR., military instructor and chief of Bureau of Identification, Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in North Sydney, Australia, February 23, 1845. He is a son of John and Isabella (Young) Blain, the former a native of Belfast, Ireland, the latter of Ayrshire, Scotland. Mrs. Blain died in Philadelphia, in 1859. Her husband, John Blain, Sr., resides in Norfolk, Va. While their son, John Blain, Jr., was still a child, they removed from Australia to Belfast, Ireland, and about 1852 emigrated to America. They took up their residence in Philadelphia, Pa., where the Captain was educated; he is a graduate of the Philadelphia High School. His first business engagement was as salesman in a grocery store, where for seven years he acquired practical knowledge of both branches of the business, wholesale and retail. On May 30, 1861, he enlisted in Company F, First Regiment, P. R. V. C., as a pri-

vate; he was afterwards promoted to first sergeant. He served in this regiment until 1864; re-enlisted the same year and was transferred to the One Hundred and Ninetieth Pennsylvania Volunteer Veterans as first sergeant of Company H. He served in this regiment until August, 1864, when he was taken prisoner, and sent to Salisbury, N. C.; he was confined there until March 2, 1865, the date of his release. He returned to his regiment, and served until the close of the war; was mustered out and finally discharged at Harrisburg, in May, 1865, after four years of faithful service. During this time, Captain Blain took part with his regiment in almost all of the most important engagements of the Rebellion; he was three times wounded.

Broken in health by the fatigues and sufferings of war, but most by the hardships of captivity, Captain Blain went to Europe to recruit his exhausted system. After a residence of two years abroad, he returned to America, and in 1873 was appointed teacher in the Reform School at Washington, D. C. He filled that position efficiently for about two years and a half, and was then appointed teacher and family officer at the Reform School, Jamesburg, N. J., where he remained over four years. Then, his health failing, Captain Blain resigned his position, and was for a year engaged in farming in northern New York. In 1878 he was appointed officer and teacher at the Morganza Reform School, Morganza, Pa. He was there until May 1, 1889, and two weeks later, May 15, entered upon his present duties.

Captain Blain is a Republican. He is a member of George Simpson Post, No. 44, G. A. R., of Huntingdon; of the A. O. U. W.; and of Chartier's Lodge, No. 297, F. and A. M., of Canonsburg, Pa.; he is also an active member and past master of Standing Stone Chapter, No. 201, R. A. M.

Capt. John Blain, Jr., was married in Washington, D. C., May 25, 1875, to Ella A. Field, who was a teacher in the public schools of Washington, D. C., and after her marriage taught in the Reform School of Jamesburg, N. J., and the Morganza Reform School, of Morganza, Pa. She is a daughter of F. F. and K. K. Field, of Camden, N. J. Captain and Mrs. Blain have had eight children, of whom three died young: Howard C.; Elizabeth, and Isabella. Those surviving are: John

F.; Ira Bruce; West Elliot; Ella F.; and Elizabeth. The family attend the Presbyterian church.

SAMUEL J. MILLER, officer in charge of the Brush department, Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Miller township, Huntingdon county, April 26, 1861. He is a son of Samuel, a farmer, and Elizabeth (Cunningham) Miller, both also natives of Miller township, and among its life-long residents. The parents had three children: David G., born April 25, 1857, is a surveyor in government service, and resides in Denver, Col.; Samantha A.; and Samuel J. The father of the family died March 15, 1861, about a month before the birth of his younger son; his wife survives him, and, with her daughter, has her home in Huntingdon.

Samuel J. Miller spent his boyhood and received his education in his native township, a pupil in its common schools. There, too, he was actively engaged in tilling the ground until, in his twenty-fifth year, he acted on the memorable advice of Horace Greeley, and "went west." For four years he was in the gentlemen's furnishing business, in Dodge City, Kan. In 1889 Mr. Miller returned to Huntingdon county, and has ever since held his present important position, in charge of the leading industry of a most humane and serviceable institution. He is one of the oldest officers of the Reformatory. Mr. Miller is a Democrat. He has for three years been secretary of the Smithfield township school board.

Samuel J. Miller was married in Philadelphia, January 4, 1884, to Louisa H. E., daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth Gibbs Harvey. Their children are: Elizabeth Gibbs; Dorothea; Charles Seely; Alice; and Frances Margaret. Mr. Miller attends the Methodist Episcopal church.

FRANK H. McGRAW, electrician, Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, was born in Hollidaysburg, Blair county, Pa., July 25, 1871. He is a son of John G. and Henrietta P. (Hart) McGraw. John G. McGraw was born at East Freedom, Blair county, June 11, 1839, and his wife at Montrose, Susquehanna county, Pa., November 7, 1837. They now

reside at Kladder's Station, Blair county. Mr. John G. McGraw having been for twenty years agent of the George W. Smith estate. Twelve children constituted their family. Of these, five died in childhood. Besides Frank H., the survivors are as follows: William D., farms the old Shonberger Furnace farm, Blair county; James Ray, assistant supervisor, P. R. R., Pittsburg, Pa.; Linda J., resides with her parents; Catherine P., wife of L. E. Shaeffer, farmer, of King, Bedford county, Pa.; Charles A.; and Sarah A., at home.

Frank H. McGraw was brought up as a farmer's boy, and educated in the common schools of his native county. He afterwards attended the Business College of Elmira, N. Y., graduating from the same in March, 1889. He then became chairman and rodman of the Engineer Corps, West Penna. Div., P. R. R. For six months, during the year 1890, he was clerk in the P. R. R. machine shops, Altoona, Pa. He then applied himself to the thorough mastering of the study of electricity and its practical applications. Mr. McGraw was the first superintendent of the Hollidaysburg Electric Light plant, which he conducted for a year. He was appointed to his present position, January 1, 1894. He is a Republican.

Frank H. McGraw was married in Hollidaysburg, December 7, 1893, to Alice May, daughter of John D. and Anna M. Frank, of that place. They have one child, John M., born April 20, 1896. They attend the Presbyterian church.

MATTHEW McATEER, officer in Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in West township, Huntingdon county, January 12, 1836. He is a son of Jonathan and Mary (Noble) McAtcer. His grandfather, Patrick McAtcer, came to Huntingdon county and settled within the present limits of West township in 1795. Later, he removed to Cambria county. His occupations were agriculture and lumbering; in connection with Michael McGuire, he built the first saw mill in West township. He died in Cambria county, after a useful and successful life. When Patrick McAtcer came to Huntingdon county, his son Jonathan, father of Matthew, was but two years of age. Jonathan McAtcer, like his father, was a farmer; he was born in Emmitsburg, Md., in

1793, but after the removal to Pennsylvania, resided in Huntingdon county until 1860, at that date he relinquished farming, and removed to Altoona, Pa., where he lived a retired life. His wife, Mary Noble, was a native of Porter township, Huntingdon county, born in 1799. They had nine children; five died in childhood; Patrick H., who served in the Union army during the late war, in Company C, Twelfth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and was promoted to a captaincy, died in 1869; and Samuel A., a farmer up to 1865, and after removing to Altoona, an employee of the P. R. R. Co., died at his post as conductor of a train, January 17, 1886. The survivors are: Matthew; and Henry J., deputy surveyor of the Port of Philadelphia. The father of the family died in Altoona, January 16, 1868.

The maternal great-grandfather of Matthew McAteer was John Spencer, born in Ireland, and a settler within the present limits of Porter township, Huntingdon county, before the Revolution. He was a major in the Continental army. He resided near Alexandria, where he died about 1820. Two of his sons, John and William, were twins. John Spencer, Jr., went to Ohio in 1805, and in the war of 1812 was captain of a company. William removed to Ohio in 1816, and a third brother, Robert, in 1824. The daughters were: Mrs. Samuel Noble, grandmother of Mr. McAteer, who lived where the city of Altoona now stands; Mrs. John Agle, of Alexandria, removed to Ohio; Mrs. William McElroy, of the vicinity of Barree Forge; and Martha (Mrs. Jeremiah Cunningham), of Shaver's Creek Valley, had children: David, born in 1801, and Mrs. George Wilson, of Alexandria.

Matthew McAteer was educated in the public schools of West township, Huntingdon county, where he lived to the age of seventeen with his parents. The winter of 1853-54 he passed in Altoona, and in the spring of 1854, entered the service of the P. R. R. Co. for the purpose of learning the blacksmith's trade. He continued in that occupation until August 1, 1856, when he became a brakeman in the same employ; he was afterwards promoted to freight conductor, and served as such until 1861. In November of that year, leaving the P. R. R., Mr. McAteer went to Baltimore, and was employed as conductor on trains con-

veying troops to the front, by the Northern Central R. R., then controlled by the U. S. Government. In March, 1862, he was transferred to Sunbury, Pa., and appointed train dispatcher for the same company. In the fall of 1864, he was transferred to York, Pa., and was for a year conductor of a train. Leaving York in February, 1865, Mr. McAteer re-entered the service of the P. R. R. Co., as freight conductor; in June of the same year, he was promoted to passenger conductor, which position he filled efficiently for eight years. During 1874, Mr. McAteer was in the hotel business in Harrisburg; in the fall of 1875, he removed to Houtzdale, Clearfield county, Pa., where he resided until 1879, in charge of the estate of Dr. Houtz. In 1879, he was employed by the P. R. R. Co. at Pittsburg as train dispatcher, ticket agent, baggage agent, etc., in various places, including Pittsburg, Long Branch, N. J., and Cape May, N. J. In 1888, he resigned this employment, and entered the U. S. Mint at Philadelphia. In January, 1892, he assumed his present position, the duties of which he has from that date faithfully and efficiently performed.

Mr. McAteer is a Past Master of Sunbury Lodge, No. 22, F. and A. M., Sunbury, Pa.; a member of Northumberland Chapter, No. 174, R. A. M. of Sunbury; of Vallerchamp Council, No. 25, R. and S. M., Sunbury, and of Crusade Commandery, No. 12, K. T., Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Pa. His political views are Democratic.

Matthew McAteer was married in Huntingdon, July 14, 1859, to Johanna B., daughter of John and Catherine Simpson, residents, when Mrs. McAteer was born, on March 16, 1838, of Littlestown, Adams county, Pa. They had five children: Henry F., born May 5, 1860, now chief clerk in the advertising department of P. R. R., for lines west of Pittsburg, and resides in Pittsburg; Laura, born December 19, 1861, wife of George D. McCloskey, of Wilmerding, Allegheny county, Pa.; Mary L., born June 10, 1863, wife of Maurice Owens, of Harrisburg, Pa.; Charles Young, born December 19, 1865, engineer on the P., C. & St. L. R. R., residing in Pittsburg; and Josie, born in June, 1868, wife of Sydney T. Isett, of Bellwood, Blair county. Mrs. Johanna McAteer died at Oil City, Venango county, Pa., January 12, 1880.

Mr. McAtcer was again married in Philadelphia, May 12, 1881, to Clara B., daughter of Jacob and Margaret Leutz, of Franklin county, Pa. The family attend the Roman Catholic church.

LEMUEL H. BEERS, attorney-at-law, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, August 25, 1854, and is a son of Bergmann and Nancy (Roberts) Beers. His parents spent the greater part of their lives in Huntingdon county, Mr. Beers being a farmer. They had eight children, of whom three are deceased; the survivors, besides Lemuel H., are Henry, residing in Cromwell township; Joseph and John J., residents of Coahont, Huntingdon county; and Rebecca, wife of Joseph Heck, of Mississippi.

Lemuel H. Beers passed his earliest years at home, acquiring the rudiments of his education in the common schools; he afterwards studied at Millwood Academy, Shade Gap, Pa., at Allegheny Seminary, Bedford county, Pa., and at Dickinson Seminary, Williamsport, Pa. He began the study of law in the office of Brown & Bailey, Huntingdon, Pa., and was admitted to practice in the courts of Huntingdon county. He has been ever since in continuous practice. Mr. Beers is a Republican. He is not married.

HARRY S. MEILY, assistant supervisor, P. R. R., at Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Middletown, Dauphin county, Pa., February 21, 1862. He is a son of Henry J. and Annie (Smuller) Meily. Henry J. Meily was born in Jonestown, Lebanon county, Pa., in 1842, but spent the greater part of his life in Middletown, of which place he became a well-known and respected citizen. He was the owner of the Meily Furnaces. His wife, Miss Annie Smuller, was born in Middletown, in 1845. One of their three children died in infancy, and besides Harry S., there is a daughter, Miss Caroline, who still resides on the Middletown homestead. There both parents died, Mrs. Meily in December, 1891, and her husband in March, 1893.

There, too, Harry S. Meily grew up a schoolboy in the public schools of his native place. After leaving school, he served an apprenticeship to the trade of a machinist, and

then entered Lehigh University; from that institution he was graduated in 1887, taking the degree of C. E. From 1887 to 1891 he was employed by the P. R. R. Co. in the construction department, at Lancaster, Pa. In the latter year, he was transferred to the maintenance of way department, and on January 11, 1894, was appointed to his present position. He is a member of the Engineers' Club of Philadelphia. His political preferences are Republican.

Harry S. Meily was married in Middletown June 9, 1892, to Mary C., daughter of Daniel and Susan Peters, of that place. Their children are: Robert P., born June 9, 1893, and Harry S., Jr., April 18, 1896. Mr. and Mrs. Meily attend the Presbyterian church.

WILLIAM H. BARRICK, senior member of the firm of Barrick Bros., manufacturers of brick, Huntingdon, Pa., is the eldest son of Jacob and Isabella (Hicks) Barrick, natives of Smithfield township, Huntingdon county, where Mr. Barrick was born. With the exception of three years spent in the defence of his country in the army, during the war of the Rebellion, Jacob Barrick passed his entire life in Huntingdon, and from early until late in life, was a manufacturer of brick. He was, however, not merely a reliable artisan, and a steady and persevering business man, but was also devoted to the interests of the community in which he lived, taking an active part in promoting the welfare of the borough and county. He served two terms as councilman. His children were: Mary Ida, widow of J. W. Hoop, of Huntingdon; Ann Etta (Mrs. Or lady Isenberg), died January 22, 1896; William Henry; James Madison; John Howard, born January 27, 1871; Ada Belle; Charles Edgar, born July 17, 1872; Warren Knight; Ethel Clare; and Lena Kate, all except Mrs. Hoop, residing in Huntingdon. One child, Herbert, died in early childhood. Jacob Barrick died January 27, 1892; Mrs. Barrick is still a resident of Huntingdon.

William Henry Barrick is a life-long resident of Huntingdon. He was educated in the public schools, and has been a manufacturer of brick during all of his business life. He is a Republican. William H. Barrick was married in Huntingdon, August 30, 1885, to Mary, daughter of Andrew and Mary Gaus-

rood, Germans by birth, but residents of Huntingdon, where Mrs. Barrick was born. Mr. and Mrs. Barrick have two children: Jacob Chester, born May 30, 1888; and an infant, at this writing unnamed. They attend the M. E. church.

JAMES MADISON BARRICK, brick manufacturer, of the firm of Barrick Bros., Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Huntingdon, July 22, 1869. He is a son of Jacob and Isabella Barrick, of whom some account is given in the sketch of their eldest son, William H. Barrick, in this work. James M. Barrick was educated in the public schools of his native town, and from his schoolboy days to the present time, has been engaged in the manufacture of brick. Mr. Barrick's politics are Republican.

On November 1, 1894, in the town of Huntingdon, James M. Barrick was married to Mabel, daughter of James and Elizabeth Fort, natives of that place. Mrs. Barrick's father is deceased, but her mother is still a resident of Huntingdon. Mr. and Mrs. Barrick have one daughter, Sarah, born March 31, 1895. They attend the Methodist Episcopal church.

JOHN E. McILROY, brick manufacturer, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Clemensville, Jackson township, Huntingdon county, October 24, 1862, son of Joseph and Sarah (Miller) McIlroy, natives of Huntingdon county. Mr. McIlroy's parents spent their entire lives in Huntingdon county, and in 1872 removed to Huntingdon. Joseph McIlroy was for many years a grocer at Cumminsville, Huntingdon county; during the later years of his life, he was incapacitated for business by ill health. He died January 11, 1893; his wife survives, and still resides in Huntingdon.

John E. McIlroy was a pupil in the common schools of Huntingdon. Since 1872 he has been engaged in manufacturing brick. His political opinions are those of the Republican party. Mr. McIlroy is not married. He attends the Presbyterian church.

WILLIAM ANDREW LEONARD, Huntingdon, Pa., one of the oldest engineers, if not the oldest, on the Pennsylvania Railroad, was born in Walker township, near

Mexico, Juniata county, June 22, 1836. He is a son of Andrew and Sarah (Scandrett) Leonard. Andrew Leonard, a native of Juniata county, was an active and well-known farmer of that region. His wife was born in Perry county; both are now deceased. Their children are: Mary Adeline, wife of J. B. M. Todd, of Patterson, Juniata county; William A.; Martin Charles, an engineer on the P. R. R., died in Harrisburg, Pa., in December, 1894; Sarah C., wife of John P. Fazett, of Altoona, Pa.

William A. Leonard was brought up and educated in his native county, receiving his first training in the public schools; this was supplemented by a course in the Tuscarora Academy. In his boyhood he drove a team on the Penna. Canal. During the laying of the Pennsylvania Railroad he drove a cart for the contractors. About 1850, he entered the service of the P. R. R. Co.; and since October 1, 1864, he has been continuously in their employ in the capacity of engineer; he has thus served the company faithfully and efficiently for more than forty years. During the Rebellion, Mr. Leonard enlisted as a private in Company E, Two Hundred and First Pennsylvania Volunteers, was promoted to corporal and served nine months. He is a member of George Simpson Post, G. A. R. He also belongs to the I. O. of R. M.; is an active member of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 300, and of Standing Stone Chapter, No. 201, F. and A. M., and of Huntingdon Commandery, No. 65, K. T., of Huntingdon. He is a Democrat.

William Andrew Leonard was married in Harrisburg in 1865 to Caroline, daughter of Alexander and Jane Nelson Campbell, natives of Birmingham, Huntingdon county. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard had one daughter, Myra C. Mrs. Leonard died September 22, 1893. Mr. Leonard has been for twenty-six years a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

JOHN BARRICK, brick manufacturer, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Walker township, Huntingdon county, August 25, 1834, and is a son of John and Jane (Kaylor) Barrick. Mr. and Mrs. John Barrick had eight children, of whom one died in infancy, and three, James, Jacob and William, after coming to mature years. The four surviving are: Re-

becca, wife of Henry Decker; John; Martha, wife of Thomas White; and Ellen, wife of James Hicks. The father, John Barrick, Sr., is deceased; his wife, aged eighty-five, died in Huntingdon, July 3, 1896.

John Barrick, Jr., has been all his life a resident of Huntingdon county, and of the borough for fifty years. His school days were ended by the time he attained his thirteenth year; and from the age of twelve to the present he has been engaged in the manufacture of bricks. For forty years of that time, Mr. Barrick has conducted the business on his own account. Though not uninterested in public affairs, his political views are liberal.

John Barrick, Jr., was married in Huntingdon, June 3, 1860, to Sarah J., daughter of Adam and Catherine Hoffman, residents of Smithfield, Huntingdon county. Two of their children, George and Annie, died after reaching adult age. The living children are: Mary (Mrs. Frank Montgomery); Esther (Mrs. Henry Rhoades); Cecilia (Mrs. Henry Jacobs); Bessie; and Mordecai M. The family attend the Methodist Episcopal church.

LOUIS BENKERT, victualler, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Wurzburg, Germany, July 8, 1839. He is a son of George and Francisca Benkert, both Germans by birth, who died in their native land; Frau Benkert in March, 1868, and her husband in January, 1890.

Louis Benkert was educated in the excellent public schools of Germany. At the age of sixteen he became an apprentice to the butcher's trade, at which he afterwards worked as journeyman in several large cities of Germany. On November 22, 1868, Mr. Benkert emigrated to America, and arrived at New York December 6 of that year. He spent a few months in New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, and finally became a resident of Huntingdon in May, 1869. Mr. Benkert votes with the Democratic party.

In Huntingdon, October 22, 1874, Louis Benkert was married to Bridget, daughter of Frederick and Elizabeth Snyder, of that borough. Mr. and Mrs. Benkert have three children, George V., Louis O., and Mary Francisca. Mr. Benkert and his family attend the Roman Catholic church. Mrs. Benkert

died suddenly at Huntingdon, December 12, 1896.

RUDOLPH MYERS, M. D., Huntingdon, Pa., was born near Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., August 2, 1840, son of Michael and Catherine (Holtzapple) Myers, natives of Juniata county. Michael Myers was born January 8, 1803. When but twenty years old, he was united in marriage to Catherine Holtzapple, an aunt of Henry Holtzapple, of Birmingham. He was a farmer, and in 1842 removed to Hill valley, Huntingdon county, Pa., where he purchased a farm, on which he resided up to the time of his death. Michael Myers had enjoyed few educational advantages; but native refinement of taste and wholesome ambition led him to make up for that deficiency by his own exertions, and he became well grounded in different branches of study, especially in mathematics and in the Scriptures. Early in life, he became a Bible student, and all through life, the Bible was his dearest book. When still a young man, he felt that he should look to God for guidance; in response to this feeling, he united with the Brethren church, and was ever after a follower of his Lord and Master. Michael Myers and his wife had thirteen children, nine boys and four girls, of whom eleven are still living. They are: Jeremiah, deceased; Clara Belle (Mrs. Ephraim White), of Dudley, Huntingdon county, deceased; Mary (Mrs. Benjamin Rhodes), of McVeytown, Pa.; Enoch N., of Huntingdon; Ephraim, resides near Shirleysburg, Huntingdon county; Reuben, of Shirleysburg; Sarah (Mrs. Joseph Allen), of Iowa; David H., employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, at Harrisburg, Pa.; Dr. Rudolph; Rev. Seth, of Altoona, Pa.; Catherine, widow of William Lukens, residing at Atkinson's Mill, Mifflin county, Pa.; Dr. John G. Z., a medical practitioner at Osceola Mills, Centre county, Pa.; and Michael H., residing near Marklesburg, Huntingdon county. Michael Myers died January 20, 1886, at the age of eighty-three years. He was laid to rest by the side of his wife in the cemetery in German valley. A remarkable fact in the history of this patriarch is the number of his descendants, their being thirteen children, eighty-one

grandchildren, and thirty-five great-grandchildren.

Rudolph Myers was but two years old when the family removed to Huntingdon county. He spent his boyhood days on the farm, and as a pupil in the country schools, those of Cromwell township. He afterwards studied at Shirleysburg Academy, under the tuition of Prof. J. B. Kidder. His academic course ended, he began to read medicine with Robert Baird, M. D., of Shirleysburg, matriculated at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, in 1860, and at the Bellevue Medical College, New York, in 1862; he was graduated from the latter institution March 2, 1863. In the following month, Dr. Myers began the practice of medicine at Three Springs, Huntingdon county; he removed in December, 1864, to Burlington, Ind.; in 1868, to Keedysville, Md.; in 1872, to Grafton, Huntingdon county; continued to practice during his residence at each of these places. For seventeen years, since 1879, he has been continuously in practice in Huntingdon. He is a member of the Huntingdon County Medical Society, and for one year officiated as its president. The Doctor's political principles have always been Republican. He served for one term as a school director.

Dr. Rudolph Myers was married in Shirleysburg, Huntingdon county, September 22, 1864, to Mary A., daughter of Amon and Wealthy Lovell, born in Trough Creek Valley, April 19, 1843. Their children are: Ethelda Alleyne, born July 5, 1865, died September 12, 1865; Ida May, born September 20, 1866, died in infancy; Alice Gertrude (Mrs. E. P. Jones), of Gunnison, Col., born January 20, 1869; Lena Lovell, a graduate nurse, of Jefferson College Hospital, born May 14, 1872; and Ernest Roland, a student in Bucknell University, born September 1, 1875. The Doctor and his family are consistent members of the Baptist church.

ORLANDO C. SNYDER, engineer of the pumping station, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Indiana, Indiana county, Pa., October 28, 1846. He is a son of John D. and Ann Eliza (Shearer) Snyder. His paternal ancestors were German, though his father, as well as his mother, was a native of this country. Three of their children are deceased, two hav-

ing died early; the living children are: Mary Jane, Mrs. William Greg, of Saltsburg, Westmoreland county; Ann Eliza, Mrs. John Hoffman, of Ellsworth, Pierce county, Wis., deceased; John D., of Braddock, Allegheny county, Pa.; Belmina, widow of James Ganey, residing in Indiana, Indiana county; Elizabeth (Mrs. James Smith), of Indiana county, Pa.; James, residing in Illinois; Lucinda, of Ellsworth, Wis.; Orlando C.; and William, of Philadelphia. The mother, Mrs. John D. Snyder, died in Westmoreland county, in 1868; three years later, in June, 1871, Mr. Snyder was accidentally killed by a stationary engine, in Allegheny City, Pa.

Up to the age of twenty-five, Orlando C. Snyder passed his life in the town of Indiana, receiving his education in the public schools of that place, and there learning the business which has been his vocation throughout life—that of a machinist and stationary engineer. For two years, the defense of the Union called him from his business pursuits. He enlisted in 1863, in Battery G, First Pennsylvania Light Artillery, and served until mustered out in Philadelphia in July, 1865. In 1871 he removed from Indiana to Latrobe, Westmoreland county, and from that place, two years later, to Black Lick, Indiana county, which was his home for fourteen years. Since 1887, Mr. Snyder has been a resident of Huntingdon, and for the past six years has been chief engineer of the Huntingdon Water Department. Mr. Snyder's political preferences are Republican.

On July 23, 1866, Orlando C. Snyder was married in Indiana, Indiana county, to Mary M., daughter of John and Deborah (Sebring) Caldwell; she was born June 17, 1849. Their children are: Minnie Belle (Mrs. Harry Sinclair), born September 26, 1869; John T., born December 25, 1874, died February 1, 1876; Annie D. (Mrs. Floyd Miller), born June 25, 1875; Cora Agnes, born September 24, 1877; Frank H., born March 24, 1879; and Vaughn C., born September 13, 1886. Mr. Snyder and his family attend the Methodist Episcopal church.

REV. DAVID J. WALSH, Huntingdon, Pa., was born May 10, 1867, in Blarney, County Cork, Ireland. He is a son of Edmund and Elizabeth (Murphy) Walsh. All

the ancestors and relatives of Father Walsh were born in Ireland; there his father and all his brothers and sisters still reside. The family included eleven children, of whom nine are living. The mother died September 15, 1889, at the age of fifty-two.

The education of David J. Walsh was begun in the schools of his native town, further carried on, for three years and a half, at Saint Colman's College, Fermoy, County Cork, and completed at the Irish College, Paris, France. At the last-named institution, on the feast of Corpus Christi, 1892, he was ordained to the priesthood. Soon after his ordination, Father Walsh sailed for America, and immediately after his arrival, was appointed assistant pastor of St. Bridget's church, Pittsburg, Pa. On the 12th of February, 1896, he took charge of his present parish, the Church of the Most Holy Trinity, Huntingdon, Pa. This church, of which Rev. Father Walsh is rector, was built in 1828, and is one of the oldest in the Juniata Valley. The Reverend Father is a faithful pastor, beloved by his flock, and highly esteemed by the citizens of Huntingdon.

THEODORE H. CREMER, deceased, was a son of Abraham and Maria Magdalena (Haller) Cremer; he was born at York, Pa., March 16, 1817. The Cremer family—originally Krenmer—is traditionally said to be of Huguenot origin, and were among the many exiles from France in those days of religious persecution to which America owes so much of her best blood. They were a wealthy family, but more devoted to their faith than to their possessions. Adam Krenmer and his wife, Elizabeth, emigrated from the province of Alsace to America, crossing the sea in the merchant ship *Philadelphia*, and arriving at the port of Philadelphia, September 10, 1731. They settled first in Lancaster county and afterwards in Krentz Creek Valley, York county, Pa., where they spent the remainder of their lives. They are buried in the Krentz Creek Valley churchyard, where a tombstone said to be that of Hans Adam Krenmer may still be seen. Among original lists of passengers now on file in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, at Harrisburg, according to the act of 1727, Col.

Rec. III, are found the names of Hans Adam Krenmer, his wife Elizabeth, and their children, Elizabeth, Eve, Maria, Christina, Adam and Catherine, and the husband of Catherine Krenmer, Hans Martin Shultz. Under the same act, all males above the age of sixteen were required to take the oath of allegiance, and on the list of those who had complied with this requirement are found the names of Hans Adam Krenmer and Hans Martin Shultz.

Brought up in York, Pa., before the establishment of common schools, Theodore H. Cremer enjoyed the intellectual training afforded by the best private schools of the town, and by the York County Academy, then under the charge of Rev. Stephen Boyer. He then read law, first in the office of Robert J. Fisher, Esq., York, Pa., in 1837; and afterwards, in 1838-39, at Williamsport, Pa., under James Armstrong, Esq. In December, 1839, Mr. Cremer became clerk in the prothonotary's office at Huntingdon, Pa., under James Steel, Esq., with whom he continued to study law until he was admitted, in the fall of 1840, to the law school at Carlisle, Pa., where he graduated with the class of 1841. On the 3d of August, in the same year, he was admitted to the York county bar, and on the 10th of the same month, to that of Huntingdon county. From that time until his death, October 25, 1893, Theodore H. Cremer was a resident of Huntingdon.

In addition to his legal record, Mr. Cremer has also a literary history. Thrown even in boyhood upon his own resources, he acquired the art of printing at the Sherman printing house, in Philadelphia. In Williamsport he was editor of the *West Branch Republican*, of that town; he afterwards edited the *Huntingdon County Republican*, published at Huntingdon. In 1885 he wrote a series of sketches, entitled "Huntingdon as it was Fifty Years Ago," which were published in the *Huntingdon Local News*, and attracted much attention. Mr. Cremer was twice prothonotary, being elected in 1848 and 1851. In 1855 he was chief burgess. In 1856 he was elected district attorney, without opposition. He has also served in the Huntingdon school board.

Theodore H. Cremer was twice married. The first marriage, June 15, 1843, was with Mary Jane, daughter of Robert and Eliza

(McFarland) Graham, of Cumberland county. Their only child of this union was George, born June 25, 1845; he married Tamzon Massey Franklin, October 10, 1877, and now resides in Philadelphia. The second wife of Mr. Cremer was Margaretta, daughter of Isaac and Jane Dorland; they were married September 17, 1850. Of their eight children, four are living: Franklin, of Huntingdon; Edgar S., of Saxton, Pa.; Miss Mary H., of Huntingdon; and John D., of Washington, D. C. Mrs. Theodore H. Cremer was born May 25, 1820. She survives her husband, and resides in Huntingdon.

FRANCIS W. BALDWIN, Huntingdon, Pa., was born near Mifflin, Juniata county, Pa., September 29, 1867, son of Robert P. and Martha (Warner) Baldwin. Robert P. Baldwin is a native of Delaware county, Pa., and his wife of Juniata county. Their children were: James K., who died in Philadelphia, June 6, 1896, on his way home from Florida; George M., residing at West Chester, Pa.; and Francis W. Mrs. Robert P. Baldwin died in 1872; Mr. Baldwin is living and resides on the homestead farm in Delaware county.

When Francis W. Baldwin was a child, his parents resided in Patterson, Pa., where he attended the public schools until he was eleven years old. The family then resided for two years at Lewistown Junction, after which they removed to the home farm, in Thornbury township, Delaware county, while Francis was still a schoolboy. When his school course was completed, he went to West Chester and learned tailoring; which trade being acquired, he worked at it for a year in Lewistown, as a journeyman, then for a short time in Williamsport, Pa. In 1890, he went into business for himself, and in 1891, removed to Huntingdon, where he is doing a successful business as a merchant tailor. Mr. Baldwin is a member of P. O. S. of A., and of the Royal Arcanum; has been treasurer of the latter organization for three years.

Francis W. Baldwin was married in Williamsport, Pa., February 9, 1889, to Bertha Alva, daughter of Jacob and Anna Taylor, old and honored residents of West Chester. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin are: Edith M., died in infancy; Edna May; Anna;

and Frank W. They attend the Episcopal church.

TIMOTHY H. AKERS, Huntingdon, Pa., was born at the foot of Ray's Hill, in East Providence township, Bedford county, Pa., October 21, 1837. He is a son of Jesse and Rachel (Hixon) Akers, natives of Bedford county, and of American ancestry. Uriah Akers, the father of Jesse Akers, removed with his wife from Loudon county, Va., to Bedford county; they were among the seven members who established Methodism in the latter locality, where the first Methodist meetings were held in 1793, in an old mill. The maternal grandmother of Mr. T. H. Akers, Leah Hanks, was a sister of the grandmother of President Lincoln. His parents had seven children; their four daughters died, two in early infancy, and two after arriving at womanhood. The sons are: Jabez H., of Junction City, Ore.; Timothy, of Huntingdon; and Jesse R., of Carlisle, Pa.

Mr. T. H. Akers received his education in an old log school house in his native place. He was clerk for his father, after leaving school, in a store kept by the elder Akers in what is now Fulton county. Having held this position for fifteen years, he went to Everett, Bedford county, and remained one year; then to Bellefonte, where he was engaged in the wholesale tobacco and cigar business until 1878. In this year he removed to Huntingdon, and was for two years superintendent of the tobacco and cigar factory of his brother, Jesse R. From 1880 to 1885, he was traveling salesman for Artman & Treichler, 713 Market st., Philadelphia. In 1885, having made a contract with the Union Central Life Insurance Co., of Cincinnati, Ohio, he resigned his former position as salesman to become their general agent for Central Pennsylvania, and has had this agency continuously for eleven years. He has been a resident of the borough of Huntingdon since 1878. He is a member of Centre Lodge, No. 73, I. O. O. F., Centre county, Pa.; and of P. O. S. of A., No. 123, of Huntingdon. Mr. Akers is a director in the proposed street railway company. He is a sound money Democrat.

Timothy H. Akers was married June 5, 1862, in Chaneyville, Bedford county, to Martha A., daughter of Jacob C. and Mahala Mills, of Bedford county. They have

four daughters: Philena B. (Mrs. Oliver C. Mordorf), of Trenton, N. J.; Oneta C. (Mrs. E. C. Wells), of Philadelphia; Jessie R.; and Martha T., residing at home. The family are all members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

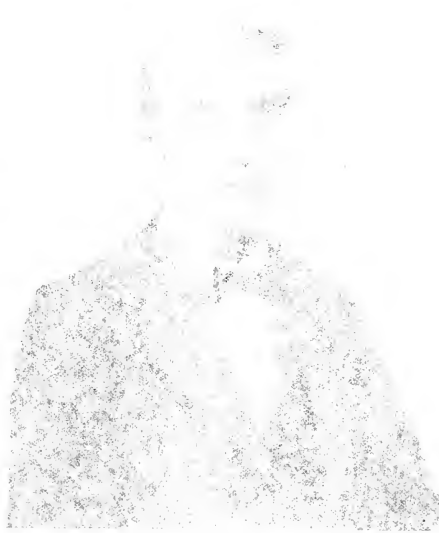
THOMAS M. BLACK, D. D. S., Huntingdon, Pa., was born June 12, 1837, at McAlevy's Fort, Huntingdon county, Pa.; he is a son of the late William and Ann Mitchell Black, both natives of Huntingdon county; the former born at Shaver's Creek, April 7, 1808, the latter at McAlevy's Fort, January 8, 1809. William Black early learned and carried on the trade of carpentry; later in life, he was engaged in lumbering and farming. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Black were: John, a merchant of Pontiac, Ill., died November 5, 1884; Thomas M.; Elizabeth (Mrs. David Walker), of Huntingdon, died July 14, 1877; James T., a prominent physician of Huntingdon, died October 5, 1878. The father's life of industry and usefulness ended June 24, 1852, on his farm near McAlevy's Fort. The mother also departed, February 7, 1877, in Huntingdon. Dr. Black is thus the only surviving member of his family.

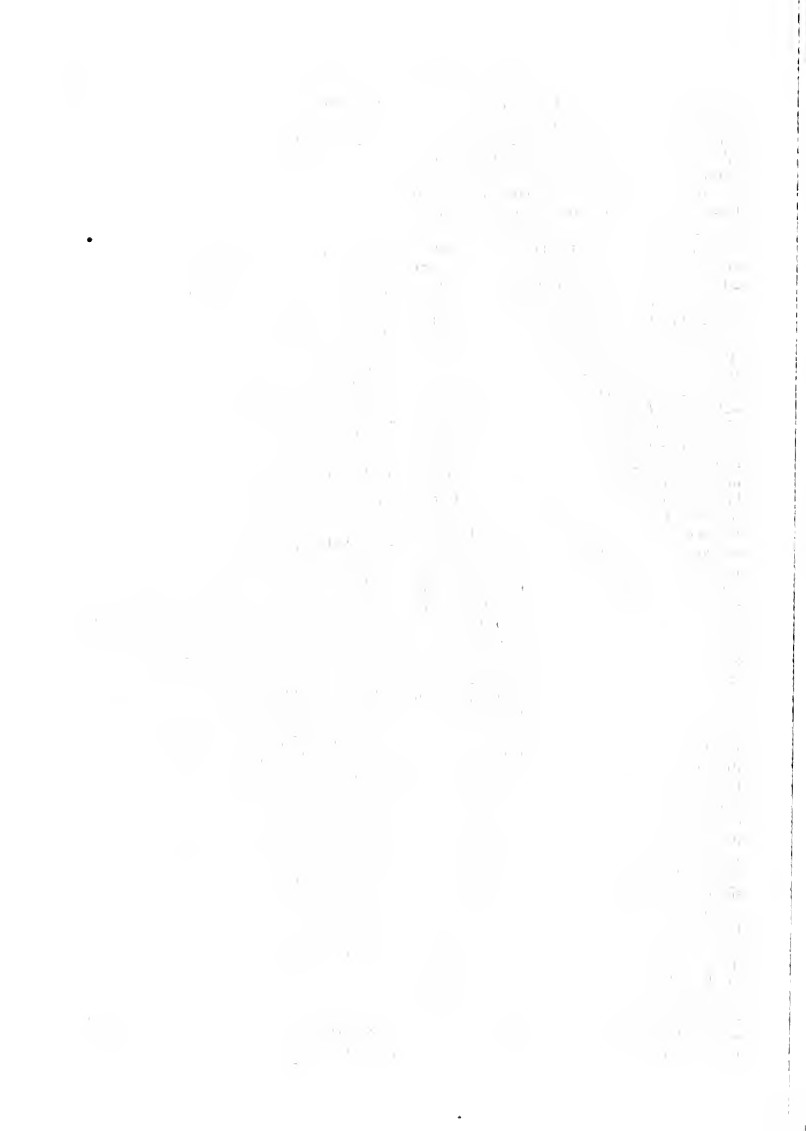
His early education was received in his native town; after leaving school, he learned the trade of millwright, which he carried on for ten years. In 1872 he began the study of dentistry with Dr. J. H. Hazlett, of Indiana, Pa.; in the following year he began practice for himself in the same town. For one year Dr. Black practiced in Illinois; in 1870, he removed to Huntingdon, and has been for twenty years an honored citizen and a successful worker in that town. Dr. Black has served the borough of Indiana two terms as school director, and one term as councilman. He is a Democrat. Thomas M. Black was married at Altoona, January 21, 1881, to Catherine E., daughter of Abraham and Elizabeth Stevenson, of Petersburg, Huntingdon county. One of their three children died in infancy. The others are: Roy E.; and Warren O. The family attend the Baptist church.

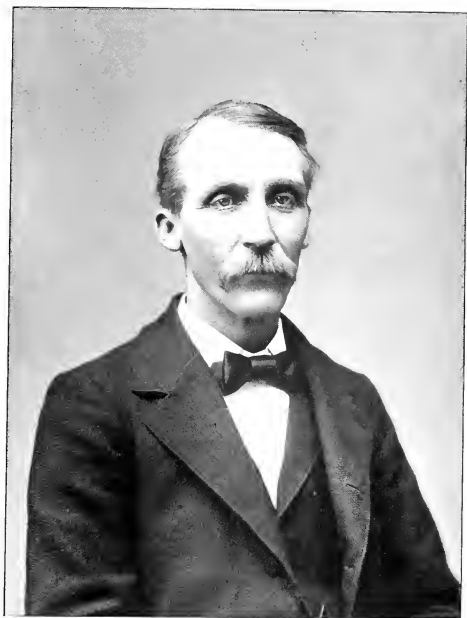
OLIVER L. STEWART, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Oneida township, Huntingdon county, Pa., December 8, 1846. He is a

son of John P. and Lucy A. (Foster) Stewart, and is of Irish extraction, both of his grandfathers having been among the early settlers of central Pennsylvania, emigrants from the mother country. John Stewart, the paternal grandfather, took up his residence in Oneida township among its first settlers, and passed the rest of his life there. The maternal grandfather, Mr. Foster, first spent some time in Dauphin county, but soon also came to Oneida township. His business there was lumbering and contracting; he was the contractor for the building of the county jail, in Huntingdon. John P. Stewart, father of Oliver L., was born in Oneida township. He was twice married. His first wife was Miss Green, of what is now Miller township. They had eight children, six of whom survive: Miss Vienna; Miss Mary Etta; and Miss Alvernon, all residing in Huntingdon; Palmer, a prosperous farmer of Juniata township, Huntingdon county; Eveline, widow of Jacob Eckley, residing in Porter township, Huntingdon county; and Asbury J., of Pittsburg. The second wife of Mr. J. P. Stewart was Miss Foster. One of their children died in infancy. The others are: Anna M. (Mrs. William H. Linton), of Huntingdon; Oliver L.; John F., of Huntingdon; William B., of Muscatine, Iowa; Thompson C., a prosperous farmer of Miller township, Huntingdon county; Delila (Mrs. Jacob Longenecker), of Logan township, Huntingdon county; Adeline, of Huntingdon; Walter Scott, of Oregon, and David M., merchant, of Hanover, York county.

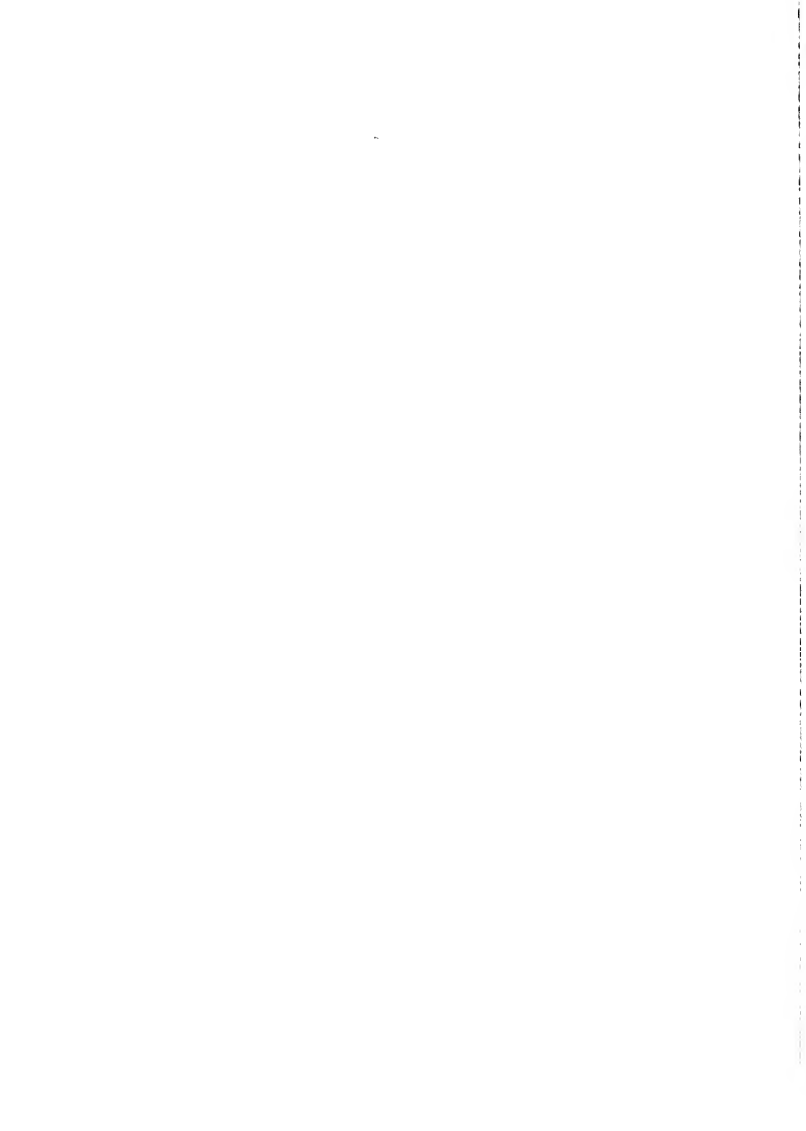
In the comfortable farm house of his father, amid pleasant surroundings, Oliver Stewart lived until he reached his nineteenth year. In the early part of 1865, he enlisted in Company D, Ninety-first Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until the close of the war; he was discharged at Philadelphia in July, 1865. After returning home he went to Pittsburg and took a course at the Iron City Commercial College. From the close of his studies there until 1871, Mr. Stewart taught school during the winter terms, and attended school in the summer. Since 1871, he has been engaged as a traveling salesman. In 1886 he formed a partnership with J. G. Isenberg in the retail clothing and gentlemen's furnishing business; the partnership was dissolved in February, 1893, when Mr. Isenberg purchased Mr. Stewart's interest, and







O. L. Stewart



Mr. Stewart commenced business on his own account at his present stand, Sixth and Washington streets. He is a member of the Hep-tasophs, and of the P. O. S. of A. Mr. Stewart is a Republican; has served two years as councilman and one as burgess of Huntingdon. He was one of those who assisted in carrying out the plan for raising the funds to pave the streets of Huntingdon.

Oliver L. Stewart was married at Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, in December, 1879, to Martha M., daughter of Adam and Margaret Heffner, of Shirleysburg, Pa. Of their three children, one died in its infancy; two daughters, Maud H. and Mary B., survive. The family attend the Reformed church, of which Mrs. Stewart and the elder daughter are members.

GEORGE W. BUNN, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Rockville, Chester county, Pa., March 29, 1849, son of John G. and Ann (Higgins) Bunn, natives of Chester county. They were respectively of German and of Irish descent. They had five children, all of whom are living: George W.; Hannah (Mrs. Lewis E. Wurtz); William H.; James H.; and Margaret A. (Mrs. James Kennedy). The family removed to Huntingdon in 1862, and here John G. Bunn spent the remainder of his life. His wife survives him, and resides with her son, George W.

Being about fourteen years old at the time of the removal, George W. Bunn had nearly finished his course of study at school in his native place. After its close, he learned cabinet-making with his grandfather, Mr. Higgins, and has ever since followed the same calling. He has been in business for himself since October 20, 1883. Mr. Bunn combines upholstery and picture framing with cabinetmaking. His skill and long experience make him very successful. In addition to his other enterprises, he is also in the auctioneering and commission business. Mr. Bunn is a member of Standing Stone Castle, No. 176, K. G. E.; of Washington Camp, No. 321, P. O. S. of A.; of Conclave 134, Improved Order of Hep-tasophs, and of Ladies' Temple, No. 34, K. G. E. He adheres to the Democratic party.

George W. Bunn was married in Huntingdon March 3, 1870, to Martha A., daughter of Samuel T. and Annie Moore, of Huntingdon county. Their children are: Samuel H.;

Francis M.; James W.; Anna M.; Margaret A.; Walter A.; and George W., jr. Mr. and Mrs. Bunn are members of the Baptist church.

LUTHER SANGREE GEISSINGER, Huntingdon, Pa., was born February 15, 1851, on a farm in Juniata township, Huntingdon county, Pa. He is a son of William and Eliza (Johnston) Geissinger, springing from one of the oldest families of eastern Pennsylvania. His grandfather, John Geissinger, was born in Sacon township, Northampton county, Pa., in 1770. At the age of thirteen he served, with his father, John Geissinger, Jr., in the Revolutionary war. In 1800 he married Hannah Sellers, of the same township, of Northampton county. She was the daughter of Philip Sellers, was born in 1783, and died in Juniata township, Huntingdon county, in 1878, at the age of ninety-five years, six months and eighteen days. Her husband died in 1846, at the same place. William Geissinger, the father of Luther S., was born near Patterson, Juniata county, in 1812. With his parents he removed to McConnellstown, Huntingdon county, and in 1819, to the farm in Juniata township, where he remained until his death, in 1889. His widow, Eliza Geissinger, who was the daughter of James and Hannah (Kennedy) Johnston, still survives him. She was born in 1814, near McConnellstown.

Luther S. Geissinger was educated in the public schools of Juniata township, at Rainsburg Academy, Bedford county; Millersville State Normal School, Lancaster county, and at Mercersburg College, Franklin county. January 1, 1872, he entered the law office of Messrs. Scott, Brown & Bailey as a student, and was admitted to the Huntingdon bar January 13, 1873. After his admission to practice, Mr. Geissinger remained with said firm for a period of one year, the senior member being at that time a United States Senator, and the junior a member of the State Constitutional Convention. In 1874, Mr. Geissinger opened an office for himself, and has continued in active practice ever since in Huntingdon, with the exception of the years 1891-2 and '93, which he spent in Chicago, Ill., returning to his native town in November, 1893, and resuming the practice of law. In connection with this business, he is somewhat interested in farming. He was associated with and had charge of the practice of

the late Mr. Speer during the last year of that gentleman's life. Mr. Geissinger has always been recognized as a safe counselor and a successful practitioner. Mr. Geissinger is a Republican, and has figured conspicuously in the politics of Huntingdon county for many years. He never held an elective office, and on but two occasions sought that honor. In 1875, he was defeated by Judge Orlady for the nomination for district attorney, and in 1876, when nominated for Assembly, was defeated by reason of dissensions in the party. In 1876 Governor Hartranft appointed him notary public, and in January of the same year he was elected county solicitor for a term of three years. In 1879 he was again appointed notary public by Governor Hoyt. For many years he has been United States District Commissioner for the western district of Pennsylvania.

On April 29, 1886, Luther Sangree Geissinger was married to Henrietta Clement, only daughter of the late Francis B. Wallace, of Huntingdon, Pa. They have four children: Amelia; William; Wallace; and Charles Francis.

T. FRANKLIN BAYER, Huntingdon, Pa., is a native of Franklin county, Pa., born in Auriun township, April 1, 1863. His parents were John N. and Mary E. (Miller) Bayer, both natives of Washington county, Md., and both deceased. The family is of German descent. It was about 1863 that Mr. John N. Bayer, who was a miller, removed to Franklin county. He was quiet and unassuming in manner, but he was a good man, and a useful citizen. The children of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Bayer are: Sarah; Catherine, who died at the age of sixteen; John, died when four years old; David B., of Bloom Centre, Logan county, Ohio; Joseph M., of Baltimore, Md.; Adam M., of Gretna, Logan county, Ohio; Henry, of Gutuan, Auglaize county, Ohio; Margaret Jane, residing with her brother, T. Franklin; and T. Franklin.

Until he was seventeen years old, T. F. Bayer remained at home, and attended the public schools of his native county. His first business engagement after leaving school was as salesman in the grocery store of his brother, Joseph M. Bayer, at Hagerstown, Md., with whom, four years later, he became a partner. At the end of two years, T. Franklin pur-

chased his brother's interest and conducted the business by himself until 1890. He then sold the establishment to its former proprietor, his brother, Joseph M., and removed to Cumberland, Md. There, in partnership with D. F. Greenawalt, under the firm name of Greenawalt & Bayer, he embarked in the wholesale notion business, and continued in this connection for two years. In 1892 he sold his interest in this business, returned to Hagerstown, and purchased the interest of A. B. Barnhart, of the firm of Barnhart & Sons, general merchants. The firm name was now changed to Barnhart & Bayer, which partnership lasted two years. In 1894 Mr. Bayer sold his interest to Frank E. Elliott, removed to Huntingdon, and engaged in the wholesale grocery business, the first enterprise of this kind in Huntingdon. His partner was Lloyd M. Kepler, and the firm name Bayer & Kepler. On October 1, 1895, Mr. Kepler sold his interest to John G. Beaver, and the name of the firm has since been Bayer & Beaver. Mr. Bayer is a member of the Royal Arcanum and of the Mystic Circle. His political views are Republican. Mr. Bayer ranks among the leading business men of the borough.

T. Franklin Bayer has been twice married. His first wife, to whom he was united at Hagerstown, December 4, 1885, was Elizabeth M., daughter of Abraham B. and Hannah M. Barnhart. They had a son and a daughter, Fred. B. and M. Elizabeth. Mrs. Bayer died April 14, 1889. Mr. Bayer's second marriage took place at Cumberland, November 30, 1892, to Mary E., daughter of John W. and Isabella Shaffer, of Cumberland, Md. They have no children. Mr. and Mrs. Bayer are members of the Reformed church.

SAMUEL G. RUDY, Huntingdon, Pa., was born at Pine Grove Mills, Centre county, Pa., April 9, 1855. He is a son of Henry and Margaret (Gilliland) Rudy, now residents of Logan township. During the infancy of Samuel G. Rudy, his parents removed to Huntingdon county, and he received his elementary education in West and Logan townships. Entering afterwards the Juniata College, he graduated from that institution in 1882. For fifteen years he taught in the public schools of Huntingdon county, and for one year in Mifflin county. Immediately after his

graduation from Juniata College, he was elected principal of the Alexandria public schools, and afterwards successively of those of Mount Union and Orbisonia. In 1890 he was elected county superintendent of schools, and being re-elected in 1893 and in 1896, is now serving his third term in that important office. He is a member of Mount Union Lodge, No. 677, I. O. O. F., of Mount Union, and of Washington Camp, P. O. S. of A. His political opinions are Republican.

Samuel G. Rudy was married in Huntingdon by Rev. D. K. Freeman, D. D., August 28, 1884, to Margaret, daughter of Christian and Barbara (Summers) Fouse, residents of Penn township, now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Rudy have had five children; one, an infant, is deceased. Those who survive are: Mary Viola; Alvin Walter; Raymond Bruce; and Edwin Hayes. Mr. and Mrs. Rudy are members of the Presbyterian church.

DAVID McCAHAN, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in the Licking Creek Valley, about six miles from Mifflintown, Juniata county, Pa., January 27, 1830. He is a son of John and Sarah (Reynolds) McCahan. His grandfather, Patrick McCahan, came from his native country, Ireland, early in life, and settled in Juniata county; his wife was of a Quaker family. Mr. McCahan's maternal grandfather, Stephen Reynolds, was of English ancestry. The remotest ancestor in this country was Henry Reynolds, a preacher of the Society of Friends, who came from Nottingham, England, at an early period of our colonial history; he settled in Cecil county, Md. His brother William settled in New York, and his brother John somewhere in the Carolinas. Henry Reynolds' first wife, an English lady, having died, he married in America a widow, Mrs. Haines. He had two daughters and twelve sons, some of whom served in the Continental army during the Revolution. It seems probable that Gen. John F. Reynolds, of Lancaster, who was killed at Gettysburg, was descended from some one of these twelve sons. One of them, who was named Benjamin, married Mary Job. They had six sons, as follows: Stephen, married Deborah Sidewell, after her death Elizabeth Ricketts, who also died, and he married a widow, Elizabeth (Hartman) Kreider; David, married Polly Purdy, and afterwards

Mrs. Elizabeth Moore; Isaac, married Polly Cole; John, married Annie Knight; Levi, married Mrs. Nancy (Wilson) Purdy, and Jesse, married Mary Guinna. The eldest son of David Reynolds, Dr. John Reynolds, was one of the heroes who perished in the memorable defense of the Alamo, March 6, 1836. Stephen Reynolds, eldest son of Benjamin, had sixteen children. Those by his first marriage were: Polly (Mrs. James Cummings); Henry; Benjamin, married Sarah Burdge; and Stephen. Those of the second marriage, with Elizabeth Ricketts, are: David, married Amelia Major, of Lewistown, Pa.; Stephen, married Mary Black; Isaac, married first to Fanny Guinna, afterwards to Nauey Rothrock; Azzar; Sarah (Mrs. John McCahan); and John. The children of the third marriage are: Jefferson, married Kate Graybill; Levi, married Hannah Vanormer; Deborah (Mrs. Thomas Berryman); Eliza (Mrs. Jacob Boehl); Jesse, died young; and Susan, died young. Both Mr. and Mrs. John McCahan were born in Juniata county, where they resided until 1836. They then removed to Huntingdon county, and there spent the remainder of their days. Mr. McCahan was all his life a farmer, and followed this vocation both in Juniata and Huntingdon counties. They had eight children: Jacob S., a farmer and resident of Juniata county, deceased; Stephen R., farmer, and later freight conductor on the Huntingdon and Broad Top Railroad, was killed in a collision; Jane A., wife of E. B. McCrum, ex-editor of the *Altoona Tribune*, died in Altoona; Elizabeth R., wife of Rev. Samuel W. Sears, died in Bloomsburg, Pa.; Mary, second wife of E. B. McCrum, of Altoona, died in Mifflintown; J. Fletcher, died while serving in defense of his country, at Vicksburg, Miss.; Deborah, wife of George A. Black, of Huntingdon, died in Altoona; and David, who is the only surviving member of his family, his father having died March 29, 1859, and his mother July 15, 1887.

Mr. McCahan's early associations and education were those of a farmer's boy. But although his opportunities were limited to such as were afforded by a common school, kept in an old log house during the winter season, yet when his course was over, he was found to be qualified for an instructor, and taught school for one term at Licking Creek, and one at

Mifflintown. In the following year he was clerk for James North, in his store at Mifflin Station. Mr. North was then agent for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and while in his employ Mr. McCahan learned telegraphy. In the spring of 1856 he was appointed telegraph operator for the Pennsylvania Railroad at Paoli, Chester county, Pa.; in 1858 he received the additional appointment of agent. He filled this position for nine years. In 1867 he became passenger agent and operator at Huntingdon, Pa., but since 1873 his duties have been confined to those of passenger agent. He is a faithful and competent official. Mr. McCahan is a "gold Democrat."

David McCahan was married at the place now called Malvern, in Chester county, Pa., October 31, 1861, to Rebecca A., daughter of Albert B. and Mary A. Johnson, residents of what was then called West Chester Intercession, Chester county. Their children are: Charles M., supervisor's clerk of the Norfolk and Western Railroad, at Richlands, Va.; Albert J., teller in the First National Bank of Huntingdon; John F., a carpenter, of Huntingdon; Clara E. and Lily M., both daughters residing at home. The family attend the Methodist Episcopal and Baptist churches.

EDWARD S. BROWN, Huntingdon, Pa., born in Huntingdon, July 3, 1873, is a son of Philip and Meana Brown. His father was the senior partner in the firm of Philip Brown & Sons, now Philip Brown's Sons, in which Edward S. has an interest, and which is among the most substantial and reliable business houses of the borough.

After finishing his course of studies in the common schools of Huntingdon, E. S. Brown learned cabinet making with his father. He became a partner in his father's business April 1, 1889, and has entire charge of the factory. Mr. Brown is a member of Fire Company No. 1, and of the City Band. His political views are Democratic.

Edward S. Brown was married in Huntingdon, April 23, 1895, to Jennie, daughter of Luke Hammum, a resident of Houtzdale, Clearfield county. They have one child, Helen M. Mr. Brown attends the Lutheran church.

JOHN M. STARR, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in the borough of Huntingdon, January 18, 1861. He is a son of Amos and Ellen (Hight) Starr, natives of Huntingdon county. Amos Starr was for a long time engaged in butchering, but some years ago retired from business. Mr. and Mrs. Amos Starr have four children: Ada E. (Mrs. Alexander Mills), of Huntingdon; John M.; Ella (Mrs. Moses Hamer), of Birmingham, Huntingdon county; and Asahel James, of Huntingdon.

Excepting only a few years ago, John M. Starr has passed his whole life in the town of Huntingdon. After his course in the public schools was finished, he learned the art of baking, in which occupation he continued for four years; during one of these years he was in business for himself. He was then for three years a cigar manufacturer. Since 1892 he has been continuously engaged in the grocery business. Mr. Starr is a successful and reliable business man, and is in the foremost rank in his line. He is a member of Washington Camp, No. 321, P. O. S. of A. Mr. Starr is a Republican, and is at present representing the Second ward in the borough council.

He has been twice married; his first wife, whom he married in Harrisburg, was Miss Priscilla J. Weakley, of Carlisle, Pa. They had no children. On March 17, 1892, John M. Starr was again married in Huntingdon to Lydia May, daughter of Augustus and Catherine Letterman. Of this marriage there is one child, Eleanor Gertrude. Mr. Starr attends the Baptist church; his wife is a member of the Lutheran church.

MICAH R. EVANS, M. D., Huntingdon, Pa., was born in what is now Henderson township of this county, April 5, 1843, son of Abraham and Mary (Corbin) Evans. Both parents were natives and lifelong residents of Huntingdon county, where Mr. Evans was a farmer. Only three of their family of nine children are now living: Jane Elizabeth (Mrs. John Cornelius), of Mount Union, Pa.; Dr. Micah R.; and Mary Ann (Mrs. George A. Cline), of Philadelphia. The father died July 31, 1878, and the mother in 1851.

Dr. Evans spent his boyhood on the homestead farm, and was educated in the common schools of his township. His school training

ended, he devoted himself alternately to teaching and to farming, until 1876, interrupted only by service in behalf of the Union during the war of the Rebellion. Three times he enlisted; first, in August, 1861, in Company C, Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, for three years, or during the war; served over eight months, and was discharged on account of sickness; next in June, 1863, in Company A, Pennsylvania Cavalry, serving again for over eight months; and once more, in September, 1864, in Company G, Two Hundred and Fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, in which regiment he served until the close of the war, and was mustered out near Alexandria, Va., in June, 1865. The claims of patriotism thus satisfied, he returned home, and attended school several sessions at Cassville Seminary and Milnwood Academy, afterward adding to his labors as teacher, the study of medicine. In 1876 he matriculated at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, and graduated in the spring of 1878. On May 6, 1878, Dr. Evans began practice in Oneida township, Huntingdon county, and continued three and a half years; then practiced with success for eight years in Saxon, Bedford county, Pa., and since October 29, 1889, has been numbered among the trusted physicians of Huntingdon. The Doctor is a member of the Huntingdon County Medical Society and of the State Medical Society of Pennsylvania.

The Doctor's political convictions are Republican.

Dr. Micajah R. Evans was married in Philadelphia, March 16, 1876, to Sarah Alice, daughter of Henry and Sarah (Garner) Peightel, of Walker township, Huntingdon county. They have three children: Ernest Newton; Mary Bertha; and Lillian May. The family are members of the Reformed church, of which body the Doctor is a deacon.

MARTIN GROVE BRUMBAUGH, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Penn township, Huntingdon county, April 14, 1862, son of George B. and Martha P. Brumbaugh, who now reside in Marklesburg. Mr. Brumbaugh has also two brothers, Frank G., of Huntingdon, and Irvin G., of Marklesburg. The Brumbaugh family are among the oldest and most widely spread connections in the region including Pennsylvania and Maryland. A re-

mote ancestor of Mr. M. G. Brumbaugh's, Hans Heinrich Brumbaugh, came with his family from Germany some time in the first half of the eighteenth century, and settled at Conococheague, near Hagerstown, Md.; and several branches of the family were among original settlers in Huntingdon and neighboring counties. They have been noted for intelligence and activity, and have held prominent social and church positions.

Martin G. Brumbaugh attended the common schools and Juniata College, graduating in 1881; taught country schools in 1877 and '78, and after studying in the scientific course at Millersville State Normal School in '82, taught in his Alma Mater until 1884. He was then elected county superintendent of schools, and re-elected in 1887, serving six years. In 1885 Mr. Brumbaugh took his degree in the scientific course; in 1890, entered Howard University as a post-graduate student; after a year's study, removed to the University of Pennsylvania, taking the degree of A. M. *in cursu* in '92, and Ph. D. *in cursu* in '94. In 1894 he was elected president of Juniata College and professor of pedagogy in the University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia; both of these positions he fills at the present time. He spent the summer of 1895 in Europe, studying the educational systems of Italy, France, Germany, Switzerland and England. Mr. Brumbaugh has twice been a member of the town council of Huntingdon; is a life member of the Pennsylvania State Teachers' Association; a life member of the Pennsylvania Historical Society; a member of the New York Schoolmasters' Club; has been a lecturer in teachers' institutes for ten years, in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Ohio, Kentucky and Louisiana; is a member of the faculty of the Pennsylvania Summer School of Methods and of Martha's Vineyard School of Methods, Ocean City, Mass.

Martin Grove Brumbaugh was married in 1884 to Anna Konigsmacher, of Ephrata, Pa., a graduate of Juniata College. Their children are: Mabel, born in 1887; and Edwin, born in 1890.

ANDREW BOELUS BRUMBAUGH, M. D., Huntingdon, Pa., third son of Jacob and Rachel (Boyer) Brumbaugh, was born on the old Brumbaugh homestead in Penn township,

Huntingdon county, August 9, 1836. Among the earliest settlers in Blair and Huntingdon counties were the Brumbaugh family. Dr. Brumbaugh's great-grandfather, Hans Heinrich Brumbaugh, settled at Conococheague, near Hagerstown, Md., about the middle of the eighteenth century. His eldest and youngest sons, Jacob and George, both born in Germany, settled in Morrison's Cove, Blair county, but on account of Indian depredations, returned to Maryland, until after the Revolutionary war. They then went back to Blair county, with a sister, afterwards the wife of Bishop Conrad Martin, of the Brethren church. Several years later Jacob Brumbaugh, who was the great-grandfather of the Doctor, bought land in Woodcock valley, Huntingdon county, to which he removed, and made his home there for the remainder of his life. He died in the closing years of the century. His son, George Brumbaugh, was born March 12, 1780. In 1800 he married Maria Bowers; their children are: Isaac; Jacob; and John. George Brumbaugh died August 6, 1849; his wife died December 15, 1857. He was a bishop in the church of the Brethren, and was succeeded in his office by his eldest son, Isaac, now deceased; John Brumbaugh also is a minister of the gospel. The second son, Jacob Brumbaugh, was born on the homestead in Penn township, July 4, 1806. In 1831 he married Rachel Boyer; their children are: Henry, a farmer; George B., a pastor; Andrew Boelus, M. D.; Abraham W., died November 26, 1869; Rebecca (Mrs. R. Mason); Mary (Mrs. John Foust); Catherine (Mrs. John Rodgers); Rachel (Mrs. R. A. Zook); Prof. Jacob H., a noted Pennsylvania teacher; and David, deceased during his boyhood. Andrew B. Brumbaugh was engaged in farm work, and attended the district school near his father's residence, but disliking rural employments, he spent his early manhood in house carpentry and cabinet-making. During these years of labor, he advanced his education by private study, mastering the branches of a higher English education, including the physical sciences, and adding German, Latin and Greek. He attained a prominent place as a teacher, and in 1854 was a member of the second annual county teachers' institute held in his native county; he continued teaching in the public and other schools of the county for the ensuing nine years. He began the study

of medicine in 1862, under Dr. John H. Wintrole, of Marklesburg (now deceased), and entered the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania in 1863, graduating with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1866. On April 5 of the same year, he became a resident of Huntingdon, where he has since continued in the successful practice of medicine and surgery, and is held in high esteem by the prominent members of the profession throughout the country. He is surgeon of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and has met with marked success in his work. He is a member of the board of United States examining surgeons for the Pension Bureau; a member of the Huntingdon County Medical Society, was one of its organizers in 1872, and has been almost continuously its secretary; a member of the Pennsylvania State Medical Society; of the American Medical Association; of the National Association of Railway Surgeons, and of the American Academy of Railway Surgeons. In the midst of a very busy life he finds time to keep abreast of the rapid progress of the nineteenth century in medical science, and has on more than one occasion read papers of great interest and practical usefulness before the medical societies of Pennsylvania and the National Association of Railway Surgeons. Dr. Brumbaugh was one of the founders of the Juniata College at Huntingdon, and has been since its establishment lecturer on Hygiene, and secretary of the board of trustees; was one of the founders of the Home for Orphan and Friendless Children, and has been continuously a member of the board of trustees. He is county inspector of the State Board of Health, and a member of the local board. Dr. Brumbaugh is public-spirited, decided in his opinions, carrying out his convictions against all obstacles and without regard to the opinions of others. He is fond of literary pursuits, and has accumulated a great and valuable store of books, literary matter and scientific specimens. He is editor of the *Juniata Echo*, and a member of the Juniata Valley and Pennsylvania Editorial Associations.

Dr. Andrew B. Brumbaugh was married, October 11, 1859, to Maria B., daughter of Jacob Frank, Esq., of Huntingdon county. Their two children, Gains Marcus Brumbaugh, M. D., and Mrs. Cora A. B. Silver-

thorn, are living to bless that union. Dr. Brumbaugh is a member of the Brethren (German Baptist) church, and has been secretary of the congregation in Huntingdon since its organization in 1873.

JOSEPH P. WINGATE, of the Pennsylvania Railroad car shop yards, was born on the line between Cambria and Blair counties, Pa., March 30, 1850, and is a son of Franklin and Margaret (Bell) Wingate. Franklin Wingate was born September 6, 1822; Margaret Bell in the same year, on November 13. Franklin Wingate was a carpenter; but during his residence in Cambria county, and afterwards in Huntingdon, he kept a hotel. These parents had twelve children, as follows: Alexander B., born March 5, 1843, married to Annie Altz, December 29, 1868, killed in a wreck on the Pennsylvania Railroad, March 12, 1885; Jesse B., born November 20, 1844, died from the effects of a wound received in the service of the Union, during the Rebellion, November 15, 1867; William B., born August 3, 1846, married to Sarah Burley, December 30, 1871, accidentally shot at Tyrone, Pa., July 4, 1872; Jennie T., born July 9, 1848, married to Jeremiah Thomas, July 2, 1868, died August 17, 1869; Joseph P.; Franklin P., born September 5, 1852, died August 30, 1882; Rebecca Mary, born August 9, 1854, married to Hugh A. Miller, June 26, 1872, resides in Harrisburg, Pa.; John L., born November 23, 1857, resides in Brockawayville, Jefferson county, Pa., is an engineer on the Philadelphia and Erie Low Grade Railroad; James C., born December 28, 1858, killed in a train wreck September 5, 1884; Annie M., born October 4, 1862; Ada Russell, wife of Samuel Altz, born March 25, 1865, died March 13, 1890; and Wilhelmina Adela, born April 2, 1868, wife of Allie Hamer, of Reedsville, Pa. Franklin Wingate, the father of the family, died in Salsburg, Huntingdon county, May 1, 1868; his wife died in Huntingdon, May 2, 1882.

Joseph P. Wingate came with his parents to Huntingdon county when a child, and from that time has always been a resident of the county, and, during most of the time, of the borough. His education having been obtained in the common schools of Salsburg, he went to Tyrone, and, after an apprenticeship at carpentry in that place, removed to Huntingdon,

and worked for a short time at his newly acquired trade. Since July 7, 1872, he has been an efficient and faithful employee of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company; as a token of the esteem in which he was held by the company, he was appointed, in 1894, to his present responsible position. Mr. Wingate is an active member of Juniata Lodge, No. 117, and of Mount Hor Encampment, No. 189, I. O. O. F.; he is a past noble grand of his lodge, and past chief patriarch of his chapter. Both he and his wife are charter members of Della Lodge, No. 78, Daughters of Rebecca. Mr. Wingate is also a member of Standing Stone Castle, No. 176, K. G. E., and a past officer. All these fraternities are of Huntingdon. In politics, he is an independent thinker and voter.

Joseph P. Wingate was married in Huntingdon, January 30, 1873, to Martha A., daughter of Philip and Matilda Pheasant, residents of Trough Creek township, Huntingdon county, where Mrs. Wingate was born. They have no children. Mr. and Mrs. Wingate are consistent members of the Second M. E. church, of which Mr. Wingate has been a steward for twenty-five years. He is a worthy and honored citizen.

DAVID GROVE, Huntingdon, Pa., was born about nine miles from Meadville, Crawford county, Pa., April 2, 1825. He is a son of John and Mary (Rupert) Grove. They removed, when he was but eight years of age, to Cumberland county, where they resided between Shippensburg and Newville; their next removal, in 1839, was to Henderson township, Huntingdon county; the next, to Union township, in the same county, to a residence near Mill Creek. Here Mr. John Grove died; his wife died afterwards, at the home of her son in Henderson township. They had a family of five children; only one, besides David Grove, is now living, Samuel, a retired farmer of Brady township, Huntingdon county.

David Grove, who was the youngest member of the family, was educated in subscription schools in Cumberland and Huntingdon counties. Soon after the family settled in Huntingdon county, he engaged in boating on the canal, in which employment he continued for seventeen seasons. He was next engaged in mercantile business in Huntingdon for five

years. At the end of that time he purchased a farm in Henderson township, and cultivated it for thirty-two years. In April, 1855, Mr. Grove removed to Huntingdon, and lived at leisure until January 8, 1896, when he purchased the grocery establishment to which he is now giving his attention. Mr. Grove has also a war record. He enlisted, September 1, 1864, in Company K, Two Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served throughout the war in the same company and regiment; he was mustered out at Harrisburg, August 20, 1865, and returned to his home in Henderson township. He has served that township as register and as assessor. He is a staunch Republican. Mr. Grove is a citizen of excellent repute, influential and highly respected.

David Grove was married to his present wife, Mary Ann, widow of Penn Smith, and daughter of Peter and Mary Markle, of Walker township, Centre county, Pa., on February 13, 1891, in Henderson township. They have no children; but by previous marriages Mr. Grove had thirteen children, six of whom are living: Samuel, residing on Mason & Dixon's line; William, of Huntingdon; Margaret (Mrs. Andrew Schilling), of Wichita, Kan.; Edwin Stanton, residing near North End, O. T.; Wellington G., a physician, residing near Buffalo, N. Y.; and Mollie (Mrs. Miles Enders), of Henderson township. Mr. Grove is a member of the Baptist church; his wife adheres to the Lutheran denomination.

JOHN G. BEAVER, Huntingdon, Pa., is a son of the late Anthony and Sarah (Barrick) Beaver, and was born in Marklesburg, Huntingdon county, June 25, 1854. Anthony Beaver and his wife were natives of Woodcock Valley; he was a carpenter, and was one of the founders of Marklesburg; he built the third house in the village, and resided there over forty years. He was an influential citizen, always zealous in promoting the welfare of the community in which he lived. He was for many years justice of the peace, and was a strong supporter of the free school system. One of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Beaver, Albert, died in infancy; the others are: Melinda, widow of James Dingle, residing at South Forks, Cambria county, Pa.; Margaret, widow of Allison Heffner, residing near

Huntingdon; Martha (Mrs. William Spang), of Marklesburg, Huntingdon county; Oliver, of Fairmont, W. Va.; Laura (Mrs. Jacob Stone), of Marklesburg; John G.; and Benjamin F., of Philadelphia, Pa. The parents are both deceased, Mr. Beaver having been killed in trying to stop a runaway team; Mrs. Beaver died in 1876.

The education of John G. Beaver was begun at home, in the common schools of Marklesburg, and further carried on at the State Normal Schools of Shippensburg and Indiana, Pa. He was for some time after a teacher in the common schools, in his native township, at Huntingdon, and at Millersburg, Northumberland county. Later, Mr. Beaver was for some time in the retail grocery trade in Marklesburg, and on October 1, 1895, entered into partnership with T. Franklin Bayer, firm name Bayer & Beaver, in the wholesale branch of the business. The firm occupies a leading position. Mr. Beaver has served three terms on the school board of Marklesburg, besides holding some minor offices. He is a member of Atlas Castle, No. 322, K. of G. E., Marklesburg.

John G. Beaver was married at Marklesburg, February 20, 1882, to Ada E., daughter of Rev. C. H. and Nancy Reiter. Their children are: Mabel N.; Edwin E.; Annie L.; May; and Ada. Mr. and Mrs. Beaver are members of the M. E. church.

RODGERS K. FOSTER, Esq., Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Phillipsburg, Pa., March 8, 1866. He is a son of the Rev. Milton K. Foster, D. D., and Martha Hueston (Rodgers) Foster, who now reside in Williamsport, Pa. Rev. Dr. Foster is of Scotch-Irish descent, and was born in Lewisberry, York county, Pa. He has been for thirty-five years a clergyman of the M. E. church. Mrs. Foster's ancestors were English and Irish; her birthplace was Philadelphia. Of their five children, two died in childhood, and two, besides Mr. S. K. Foster, survive, and reside with their parents in Williamsport; Mary Lydia and Milton Hugh.

First a schoolboy in the public schools of Altoona, Pa., then for two years a student at Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pa., and for four years at Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., and a graduate of the latter institution in 1886—such was, in brief, the scholastic training of Rodgers K. Foster. He took up the

study of law under the preceptorship of Hon. George B. Orlady, and was admitted to the Huntingdon county bar in October, 1888. Mr. Foster adheres to the Republican party.

Rodgers K. Foster was married in Huntingdon January 1, 1890, to Alice B., daughter of S. B. and Mary Chaney, of Huntingdon. They have two children: Hugh B. and Donald R. Mr. and Mrs. Foster are members of the M. E. church.

EDGAR M. SLONAKER, D. D. S., was born in Jersey Shore, Lycoming county, Pa., April 19, 1870, and is a son of John and Matilda (Geiger) Slouaker. John Slouaker was born in Jersey Shore, January 1, 1821; he passed his life in the same county, and was a lumber dealer. Mrs. John Slouaker was born in Millersburg, Dauphin county, Pa., in 1830. Their family consisted of nine children; two died in childhood, and Martha A., wife of Thomas H. Burch, of New York City, died November 2, 1892. The remaining children are: Josephine, wife of John G. Calvert, of Jersey Shore; Willard, residing in Jersey Shore; Menetta; John, Jr.; Andrew, a dentist, residing at present in Italy; and Edgar M. The father of the family died in Jersey Shore, May 10, 1892, and his wife in the same year, on the 27th of December.

Edgar M. Slouaker was educated in the common schools of Jersey Shore, and lived in that town until 1892. In that year he graduated from the Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery, Philadelphia, Pa., after two years' study at that institution. Since his graduation he has practiced dentistry uninterruptedly in Huntingdon.

Dr. Slouaker is an active member of the lodge of I. O. O. F. at Jersey Shore, and of P. O. S. of A., Huntingdon. His politics are Republican. Dr. Slouaker is unmarried.

GEORGE D. HARMAN, M. D., physician and surgeon, Huntingdon, Pa., was born near Belleville, Union township, Mifflin county, Pa., May 16, 1854, son of Lewis and Mary Jane (Gable) Harman. Lewis Harman was born in Union township, Mifflin county, January 24, 1826; his parents were Jacob and Polly (Wian) Harman, for many years residents of that county. Mrs. Lewis Harman was born January 30, 1828, daughter of George Gable, a resident of Brady township,

Huntingdon county, and his wife Elizabeth (Weaver) Gable, both natives of Lancaster county. Mr. Gable died at the age of thirty-three. The Doctor's parents spent their lives in Union township, Mifflin county, Mr. Harman being a farmer. Their children are: Melissa E., born December 7, 1850, widow of James M. Harman, residing at Belleville, Union township; William M., born February 25, 1852, also residing at Belleville; George G.; Jacob Edward, born September 27, 1856, resides at Vira, Mifflin county; Martha J., born November 2, 1858, died February 6, 1859; Philip M., born September 14, 1860, resides in Union township, near Belleville; Martha Catherine, born December 4, 1864, resides in Huntingdon; John Lewis, born April 4, 1866, resides at McKeesport, Pa.; Mary Jane, born July 14, 1868, wife of Frank Haflly, of Union township; and Thomas L., born May 24, 1870, a resident of Belleville. The mother, Mrs. Lewis Harman, died August 4, 1880; her husband survived her for fifteen years, dying at Belleville, December 23, 1895.

Dr. George G. Harman passed his early boyhood at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. Elizabeth Gable, in Allensville, Mifflin county, but when about twelve years old he returned to his father's house. His scholastic education was begun in the common schools of Allensville, and further carried on at Kishacoquillas Seminary, Kishacoquillas, Mifflin county, and at Susquehanna University, Selin's Grove, Snyder county, Pa. During his recent years, he taught school for four winter terms in Huntingdon and Mifflin counties.

Dr. Harman began the study of medicine in the office of M. F. Hudson, M. D., at Belleville; entered Jefferson Medical College, at Philadelphia, in 1878, and graduated March 13, 1880. He at once opened an office in Allensville, where he practised until 1882; from that time until the spring of 1887 he practised in Reedsville, Mifflin county, and since the latter date, in Huntingdon. He is assistant surgeon of the Fifth Regiment, National Guard, and is connected with the Association of Military Surgeons, as well as with the county, state and national medical societies.

The Doctor is an active member of Lewis-town Lodge, No. 203, Lewis-town, Pa.; of Standing Stone Chapter, No. 201, Hunting-

don; of Huntingdon Commandery, No. 65, K. T., and of Standing Stone Conclave, No. 134, I. O. H. He is a Republican, and has served the county as coroner for six years. He is a director in the Provident Building and Loan Association. He was recently elected Burgess of Huntingdon.

Dr. George G. Harman was married at Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, October 25, 1882, to Eva M., daughter of Amos and Elizabeth Snueker; Mr. Snueker was born in Mifflin county, and now resides at Ardenheim, Huntingdon county; his wife, a native of Wurtemberg, Germany, died May 9, 1893. Mrs. Harman's native place was Brady township, Huntingdon county, where she was born January 29, 1858. Dr. and Mrs. Harman have four sons: Earle S., born March 20, 1884; Paul, born February 7, 1886, died July 1, of the same year; Jay L., born August 14, 1888; and George Blair, born September 24, 1895. The Doctor and his wife are active members of St. James' Lutheran church, he having been in the church council ever since he became a resident of Huntingdon; for four years he was superintendent of the Sunday-school. He is president of the Huntingdon branch, Y. M. C. A.

J. RANDOLPH SIMPSON, attorney-at-law, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in this borough December 13, 1841. He is a son of S. and Elizabeth (Ridenour) Simpson. The Simpson family is of Scotch descent. Mr. J. R. Simpson's grandfather settled immediately after the Revolution within the present limits of Huntingdon borough, and thus is to be remembered as one of the earliest residents here. His youngest child, born June 21, 1798, was the father of J. Randolph.

In his early life on the farm, and his education in the borough schools, J. Randolph Simpson belongs entirely to Huntingdon. His school training finished, he became for a time clerk in a store. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company C, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, but being severely wounded at the battle of Antietam, September 17, 1862, he was discharged from the service. Returning to Huntingdon, he taught school for two years. In 1864 he began the study of law, his preceptor being Hon. A. W. Benedict, and was admitted to the bar

in 1866. Mr. Simpson has done good service to his county as prothonotary, which office he filled for four years, and declined a renomination. For nine successive years he has been a school director. His political convictions are Republican.

J. Randolph Simpson was married in Huntingdon to Jennie M., daughter of John and Jane Brown. Of their eight children, three died in childhood; those remaining are: George E., of New York City; Warren B., partner in his father's law business; Barton L., clerk in Union National Bank of Huntingdon; Helen M. and Charles R. Mr. Simpson attends the Presbyterian church.

FRANCIS O. BEAVER, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Weinsberg, Germany, November 18, 1835. He was educated in the excellent schools of his native land, and there began to learn his trade, that of monumental marble working. In 1832 Mr. Beaver emigrated to America, and first resided in York, Pa., but later removed to Frederick City, Md. At the latter place he perfected himself in his chosen handiwork. In 1861 he went to Emmetsburg, Md., resided there until 1864, and then removed to Huntingdon, of which borough he has ever since been a resident, carrying on the business of marble working on his own account. Over thirty years of residence, with the record of an upright and useful citizen, have given Mr. Beaver the standing of a much respected member of the community. He is a member of Juniata Lodge, No. 117, I. O. O. F., also of Mount Hor Encampment, No. 170, of the same order. He has always adhered to the Democratic party.

Francis O. Beaver was married in Huntingdon, in December, 1864, to Elizabeth, daughter of the late Daniel and Catherine Flemmer, of McConnellstown, Huntingdon county. Three of their five children died in infancy. The survivors are: Ida (Mrs. Ard Baker); and George D., both residing in Huntingdon. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, but Mr. Beaver still holds his membership in the Lutheran denomination.

JOSEPH C. JACKSON, Huntingdon, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of George and Fanny A. (Henry) Jackson, was born in Jackson township, Huntingdon county, November 11, 1847. The township received its name in

honor of his grandfather, Joseph Jackson. Mr. and Mrs. George Jackson were both of Scotch-Irish descent, and both born in what was called Barree township, the former June 17, 1807, the latter November 15, 1823. Both were of the families of early settlers of the region. Mr. Jackson was a farmer. Their children are: Joseph C.; and Fannie, born August 9, 1851, died September 6, 1877. By a former marriage Mr. Jackson had four children; two now survive: Hugh, of Barree township; and William, of Jackson township, Huntingdon county. Mrs. Fanny A. Jackson died February 16, 1882, and Mr. George Jackson July 20, 1884.

Joseph C. Jackson, brought up in the comfortable farm house of his father, attended first the common schools of Jackson township. He afterwards became a student at Washington and Jefferson College, and having completed his course there, read law with Messrs. Petrikin & Massey, of Huntingdon. In 1872 he was admitted to practice at the Huntingdon county bar; was elected district attorney in 1875, and filled the office acceptably for one term. For the past three years he has acted as clerk for county auditors. In 1897 he was appointed borough attorney and deputy county treasurer. He is a Democrat.

Mr. Jackson was married in Barree township, January 27, 1874, to Fannie C., daughter of Joseph and Margaret Forrest, now both deceased. Their children are: Margaretta F., Henry C., died aged sixteen years; Catherine; Francis M. and Charlotte. Mr. Jackson and his family attend the Presbyterian church.

THEODORE BLAIR PATTON, superintendent of State Reformatory, Huntingdon, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Blair Furnace, Blair county, Pa., May 6, 1847, son of George W. and Mary (Burket) Patton. George W. Patton was born in Woodcock valley, Huntingdon county, September 6, 1817; he was a son of John and Rebecca Patton, and resided in Huntingdon county until about 1846. From 1852 to 1876 he was a resident of Altoona, Blair county, Pa. He was engaged in mercantile business. In 1861 he was appointed postmaster of Altoona, and re-appointed in 1865, serving two terms. He subsequently received the appointment of associate judge of Blair county, and served one term. Mr. Patton took an active part in pub-

lic affairs in Altoona, serving as chief Burgess and as school director, and being a member of the board of managers of the Altoona Gas Company, and a director of the Altoona Iron Company. In 1876 he removed to Philadelphia, where he was employed in the freight department, Pennsylvania Railroad, until the date of his death, March 7, 1882. Mr. Patton was prominent in Masonic circles; was also active in politics as an adherent of the Republican party. George W. Patton was first married in Sinking Valley, Blair county, June 10, 1845, to Mary, daughter of Peter and Barbara (Neff) Burkhart, who was born in Sinking valley, November 1, 1825. The children of this marriage are: Theodore Blair; William Augustus, of Philadelphia, born at Union Furnace, October 21, 1849; and John Howard, of Greensburg, Pa., born at Union Furnace, July 29, 1851. Mrs. Mary (Burkhart) Patton died at Altoona, March 28, 1856. Mr. Patton's second marriage took place at Altoona, December 19, 1861, to Emma J., daughter of John and Susan Hawksworth, of that town. The children of this second union are: Mary Virginia (Mrs. Harold A. Freeman), of Philadelphia, born at Altoona, November 3, 1865; and Maggie Murray, born at Altoona, July 3, 1870, died in Philadelphia, December 15, 1889.

Living throughout his earliest years with his parents in Altoona, Theodore Blair Patton received his education in the public schools of that borough. His first experience of business was as a news agent; the next, as mail carrier between the post-office and the railroad trains, after which he became clerk in the post-office, and, in 1865, postal clerk. He next entered the banking house of W. M. Lloyd & Co., of Altoona, and was in banking business until 1873. In that year he resigned, and was employed by the Keystone Hotel Company to act as clerk at Cresson, Pa., during the summer, and at Altoona in the winter season. In 1876 he entered the office of the superintendent of transportation, Pennsylvania Railroad, and remained until March, 1877, when he was appointed postmaster at Altoona; he was appointed for four successive terms, serving continuously until May 1, 1891, when he resigned to assume his present position. Mr. Patton was, previous to his appointment, a member of the board of management of the institution; the appointment was conferred soon after the

Reformatory was opened. For a number of terms he served as secretary of the council of Altoona.

Theodore Blair Patton was married in Altoona, March 9, 1871, to Susan L., daughter of David Ramey, a native of Williamsport, Pa. They have two sons: David Ramey, born in Altoona, November 10, 1872; and Frank Blair, born in Altoona July 31, 1879. The family are members in good standing of the Lutheran church.

JACOB H. BLACK, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Huntingdon, December 7, 1848, son of William H. and Susan (Hoffman) Black. From his ancestors, both paternal and maternal, Mr. Black inherits the German blood which has imparted to the Pennsylvania community some of its best and most enduring qualities. The Schwartz (Black) and Hoffman families both came at an early date to this country. George Schwartz, grandfather of J. H. Black, came to Huntingdon from Lancaster county in 1796, a little more than a century ago. He was a cooper, and was already able, at the time of his marriage to Catherine Zimmerman, in 1804, to purchase the home in which the young couple kept house, and in which he lived until the time of his death, when he was eighty-three years old. He was a faithful and influential member of the Methodist church. His children were eight in number, all sons. The seventh son, William H., married Susan, daughter of Dr. Jacob and Anna (Funk) Hoffman. Their children are: William A., of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Laura G. (Mrs. T. T. Morgan), of Kansas City, Mo.; and Jacob H. William H. Black was a carpenter; he spent his whole life in Huntingdon, and died at the age of twenty-nine.

Like his father, Jacob H. Black has dwelt all his life, excepting only a few years, in the same borough. After his education, begun in the Huntingdon common schools, had been completed at Millersville State Normal School and he had graduated there with the class of '69, he taught school in Huntingdon, and was for two terms principal of the borough high school. In 1876-77, he was superintendent of the public schools of Sunbury and Northumberland, Pa. During the time intervening between his teaching engagements, Mr. Black studied the drug business in Lock Haven and Sunbury, Pa. In 1887 he engaged in that

business on his own account in Huntingdon, and has continued in the same ever since. His political views are liberal.

Jacob H. Black was married in Sunbury, December 20, 1875, to Emma C., daughter of John W. and Margaret Fryling, of that town. Mr. Fryling is deceased, but his wife survives him. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Black are: John T.; Elsie D.; Ross E.; Edward F.; Rachel; Joel H.; and Laura. Mr. and Mrs. Black are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

L. RICHTER BROWN, Huntingdon, Pa., eldest son of Philip and Mina Brown, was born in Huntingdon, February 2, 1861. He was educated in the common schools of his native town. At the age of nine years he began to learn cabinet making, which calling he followed until 1895. On April 1, 1889, he became a partner in the firm of Philip Brown's Sons, and on April 1, 1895, also became proprietor of the Hallman House, Huntingdon, Pa. He is a member and P. N. G. of Juniata Lodge, No. 117, I. O. O. F.; also a past chief patriarch of Mount Hor Encampment, No. 180, Huntingdon. He is secretary of the Huntingdon Fire Co. No. 1. Mr. Brown is a Democrat.

May 24, 1883, L. Richter Brown was married in Huntingdon to Laura Virginia, daughter of Alexander and Maria Grove, of Bedford county, now residing at Waterside, that county. The children of this marriage are: Alexander Philip, died aged three years; Alice Paulina; Adam Paul, died aged six years; and Adeline Phyllis.

HORACE B. DUNN, district attorney, Huntingdon, Pa., was born in Huntingdon, January 7, 1858. He is the only son of the late David and Annie (Ferguson) Dunn.

David Dunn was born in Morris township, Huntingdon county, July 4, 1820. His father, John Dunn, was a native of Ireland, and served valiantly in the United States army in the war of 1812. His mother was Catherine, daughter of Christian Harnish, one of the pioneers of Canoe valley. He had one brother, John Dunn, and one sister, Mary A. Dunn, both now deceased. His father dying when he was only eight years of age, and his mother being poor, he was early thrown upon his own resources. For a few years he taught school in different parts of the county, after which he

was clerk in the store of Major William Moore at Manor Hill. Following this he was for a number of years connected with the management of Colerain Forges, Rock Hill Furnace and Actna Furnace. While at Rock Hill he became acquainted with Miss Annie Ferguson, youngest daughter of David Ferguson, a pioneer settler of Path valley, Franklin county. She became his wife on the 25th day of September, 1849. They had two children: Horace B., born January 7, 1858; Cora, born August 26, 1859, and died March 31, 1864. About 1853, Mr. Dunn removed to Huntingdon, and engaged in the general mercantile business at the old Cornpropt stand on the Pennsylvania Canal. He had for his partner at different times George Conch, Abraham Harnish and Alexander B. Cunningham. In 1862, he associated himself with Col. J. J. Lawrence, under the firm name of Dunn & Lawrence, in the business of mining and shipping Broad Top coal from their leased mines at Broad Top and Fair Play, continuing in this business until 1866. He next plunged into the wilderness of Clearfield county, manufacturing and shipping staves for the Cuban trade, which was his last active business venture. The last days of his life were chiefly spent in managing his farm in Walker township. For many years he was a ruling elder and Sabbath-school superintendent in the Reformed church of Huntingdon. He was an "Old Line Whig," and later an ardent Republican. His manner was aggressive and social and his character above reproach, and when he died on the 13th day of January, 1885, in his 65th year, the borough of Huntingdon lost one of its best citizens.

Horace B. Dunn attended the public schools of Huntingdon and the Huntingdon Academy. In 1880 he began the study of law in the office of K. Allen Lovell, Esq., and was admitted to the Huntingdon county bar December 18, 1882, since which time he has been actively engaged in the practice of his profession. Mr. Dunn was chairman of the Republican county committee in 1887, '90 and '91, and secretary of the committee in 1884, '86 and '89. In 1889 he was elected a member of the borough council of Huntingdon, and was re-elected in 1892, serving six years. In January, 1894, he was appointed county solicitor by the county commissioners, and served in this capacity until January 4, 1897, when he entered upon his

duties as district attorney of Huntingdon county, having been elected to that office on the Republican ticket at the preceding November election. He is resident attorney for the Mercantile Agency of R. G. Dun & Company, and the Washington National Building and Loan Association.

On May 30, 1888, Horace B. Dunn was married to Miss Clara A. Williams, of Portland, Mich. They have two sons: David and Robert W. He has been a member of the Reformed church since the year 1874.

THE MCCARTHY FAMILY.

HENRY MCCARTHY, of whom the McCarthys of Huntingdon county are the descendants, was of Scotch-Irish lineage, and came to this country from County Down, Ireland, just before the Revolutionary war. He at once enlisted to fight for the liberties of his adopted country. He was in many battles, and several times narrowly escaped death. "He frequently entertained us," says Judge C. R. McCarthy, "with thrilling stories of the war. At one time, when the colonial forces were overpowered and compelled to flee, an English officer pursuing called to a comrade of McCarthy to halt. Upon looking back, the latter saw his comrade fall under the officer's sword, and in the next moment, the officer, who was mounted, would have been upon McCarthy, had he not bounded over a ditch which the officer's horse refused to cross." He said that he saw General Washington but once during the war. Shortly after the war, Henry McCarthy married Miss Margaret McDowell, of Franklin county, and to them were born three children, a son and two daughters. From Franklin county he removed to Huntingdon, when that town consisted of only a few log houses.

"We frequently heard him speak," says Judge McCarthy, "of William Smith, the founder of Huntingdon. He said Smith was kind and obliging, if one knew how to approach him, but was very eccentric, as may be seen from the following incident: McCarthy, wishing stones to build a chimney, loaded his wagon from Smith's land. Smith, arriving at this juncture, said, 'Who gave thee orders to tak' these stanes?' 'No one,' said McCarthy, 'I thought I was doing you a kindness.' 'Dear mon,' said he, 'you have a queer way of showing your kindness; these are my stanes;

throw them out, every one of them.' McCarthy obeyed. A few days later, however, a man named Smiley was found by Smith loading upon his wagon the same stones which McCarthy had been compelled to unload. 'Who gave these orders to tak' these stanes?' he said. 'No one,' said Smiley. 'Throw them out, every one of them; these are Henry McCarthy's stanes.' McCarthy, hearing this, hauled away the stones, and Smith was entirely satisfied that he should have them."

After living in Huntingdon about six or eight years, Henry McCarthy removed to Mifflin county, near Newton Hamilton, and about twelve years later to West Kishaequillas valley, Huntingdon county, where he spent the remainder of his life, dying at the age of eighty-nine years. His wife, a good Christian woman, had preceded him to the grave by about twelve years. Henry McCarthy was a man of unusual intelligence. His remarkable store of information and fine sense of humor made him welcome in every intelligent circle. He was a consistent Christian, and served for some years as elder in the Presbyterian church.

John McCarthy, only son of Henry McCarthy, married Miss Amelia Roberts, of Maryland. They had six children, a daughter and five sons. They began their married life in Mifflin county, but soon removed to West Kishaequillas valley, where they passed the rest of their lives. They were Presbyterians, and before buggies or carriages were known in that valley, they frequently walked eight miles to the nearest Presbyterian church, making a walk of sixteen miles. This they did with less complaint than many modern Christians would walk one-tenth the distance. Such examples of Christian zeal were quite common in those days, but denominational prejudices seem to have been stronger then than now, as may be seen by an instance in the life of John McCarthy. The Christian people of West Kishaequillas had organized a Sabbath-school, and as the members were about equally divided between the Methodist and Presbyterian denominations, it was decided that there should be a superintendent from each, who should serve on alternate Sabbaths. John McCarthy was selected from the Presbyterian, and John Given from the Methodists. One Sabbath, Mr. McCarthy, in the course of some remarks, said that it is our duty to love God

and keep His commandments. "True," he said, "it is not possible in this life to keep the commandments perfectly, but it is our duty to do so as nearly as possible." At this point, the other superintendent interrupted him in a very excited manner, saying that he did not believe in teaching children any such doctrine, as it is not true; that God has enjoined upon all to keep His commandments, and that He does not require what is impossible; a perfect life is possible, etc. The discussion became general and animated, the result being that the union Sabbath-school was dismissed that day, not to meet again.

John McCarthy was a good citizen and a devout Christian, and enjoyed the highest esteem of all who knew him. He died in 1849, at the age of seventy-three. His wife, an intelligent and pious woman, of remarkably strong character, survived her husband about ten years. The sons and daughters mentioned above were: Henry L.; John R.; Winchester; William A.; Charles R.; and Margaret E. The four sons first named were all teachers in select and public schools, and so successful were they that they having once taught in a place, any of them could hold the position as long as he might desire. All the members of this family are now dead, except ex-Judge C. R. McCarthy, now of Philadelphia. Henry L., John R. and Winchester each died in the seventy-third year of his age; Margaret E. at the age of about sixty-five years, and William A., aged about fifty-five.

Henry L. McCarthy, who married Mrs. Margaret Scott, lived many years in West Kishaequillas valley, and afterwards removed to Huntingdon, where he died, February 19, 1879. He served one term as county commissioner, and many years as justice of the peace, and was well known as a careful and competent surveyor. He had not enjoyed the advantages of a liberal education, and yet the accuracy of his knowledge of literature and of a number of the sciences was something remarkable. As a Christian, he was consistent and faithful, a member of the Presbyterian church, in which he served as an elder. As a citizen he was patriotic and loyal, as is evidenced by the fact that his three sons and two stepsons were all in the Union army during the civil war. His eldest son, Miles McCarthy, after having passed safe through almost three years of active service in the army of the Po-

tomac, was killed in a skirmish. The second son, Dr. A. R. McCarthy, now of Mount Union, Pa., was at the front during most of the Civil war, seeing much hard service. After the war he taught in the public schools, then read medicine, and has for a number of years practiced his profession successfully at his present home. Seely B. McCarthy, the third son, who was a postal clerk on the P. R. R. for a number of years, is now living in California.

John Roberts McCarthy, second son of John McCarthy, married Eleanor Lane in 1837. They lived for more than thirty years in West Kishacoquillas valley, where they reared a family of ten children, seven sons and three daughters. Of these children all are now living except two: Mary, who died at the age of three years, and John S., who was killed in the battle of Antietam, September 17, 1862, while yet a mere youth. He was a young man of excellent talent, manly physique, dauntless courage, and unspotted Christian character. John Roberts McCarthy was a teacher in district and private schools for more than thirty years. Many of his pupils are still living, and will remember him as one of the best teachers they ever knew, being far in advance of most teachers of that day in scholarship and administrative ability. He excelled especially as a disciplinarian, being able to preserve with apparent ease the best of discipline in schools that were unmanageable to the average teacher, and such schools were not uncommon in those days. He read much, and, having a retentive memory, he illustrated the saying that "Much reading maketh a full man." To his children and pupils he was a good substitute for Webster's Unabridged. Though a self-made man, he was able to converse intelligently upon almost any subject. A life-long Christian and member of the Presbyterian church, his pure life left its impress upon all who knew him. During an intimate acquaintance of twenty-five years, the writer never heard him utter a harsh sentence or express an ignoble thought. He died on his farm at Atkinson's Mills, Mifflin county, Pa., November 14, 1881, in the seventy-third year of his age. His wife, Eleanor Lane McCarthy, has now attained the advanced age of eighty-one years, still vigorous in mind and body. The evening of her life is like the evening of a beautiful June day, all whose hours have scattered sun-

shine and warmth and fragrant flowers. Thus the sunshine of her smile, the warmth of her sympathy, and the beautiful flowers of her kindly acts, have cheered many hearts, and shall linger as a lovely memory with those who have long known her.

As stated above, eight of the children of John R. and Eleanor L. McCarthy are still living: James W.; Edwin S.; C. Rufus; also Mrs. L. A. Pollock, are now living in Huntingdon, Pa. Drs. H. C. McCarthy and Samuel L. McCarthy live in Altoona, Pa., and Mrs. Samuel Ebert at Loysville, Perry county, Pa. James W. McCarthy, the eldest son, taught for a number of years. He was afterwards a farmer and stock dealer in Mifflin county, and is now engaged in the livery business at Huntingdon.

Dr. H. C. McCarthy assisted on his father's farm, and taught for some years; then he graduated in medicine from Jefferson Medical College, and has practised his profession successfully for about twenty-five years, chiefly at Petersburg and Altoona, Pa. At the latter place he has practiced for about seven years, and enjoys the esteem and confidence not only of a constantly growing patronage, but also of his fellow physicians, who recently elected him president of the Medical Academy of Altoona and Blair county. Dr. McCarthy has always possessed the happy faculty of seeing the humorous side of everything, and if it be true that a good laugh lengthens life, his irresistible wit has done more in the interest of longevity than one physician could be expected to accomplish through the channels of materia medica. He is prosperous, and lives in a beautiful home on Eighth avenue, Altoona.

Dr. S. L. McCarthy began teaching at the early age of sixteen, graduated in medicine in 1870, entered at once upon a lucrative practice, and has met with marked success ever since. He is not only a practitioner of acknowledged skill and ability, but is well known as a successful business man. For the past fifteen years he has practiced medicine in Altoona, where he has accumulated considerable property. He is now president of the Blair County Medical Association. Being a self-made man, he is a good example of what may be accomplished by any young man who possesses integrity, pluck and perseverance.

Edwin Scott, fifth son of John McCarthy, received his education at Princeton College,

taught for some years, being at one time principal of the Huntingdon schools, and has since been engaged chiefly in the insurance business.

Charles Rufus McCarthy is the senior member of the well-known firm of C. R. & W. B. McCarthy, Huntingdon, Pa. This firm began business in 1889, and by tact and enterprise have in eight years built up an excellent trade, and now have what many pronounce the finest furniture and carpet store in central Pennsylvania. William B., youngest son of John R. McCarthy, and junior member of the above-named firm, a graduate of Washington and Jefferson College, shortly after graduating he engaged in teaching, and was successful as an educator, but finding the close confinement wearing upon his health, he turned aside from teaching in 1888 and entered business, forming a partnership with his brother, C. Rufus McCarthy.

The entire family of John R. McCarthy, true to the teaching and example of three generations, are all staunch Presbyterians, one of them now serving as an elder in the Huntingdon Presbyterian church. Their ages now range from about forty to fifty-five years.

Mention has now been made of two sons of John McCarthy, Henry L. and John R., and of their families. Of the other descendants of John McCarthy, none are now living in the territory covered by this encyclopedia, and not to prolong this sketch beyond reasonable limits, we can mention the other families but very briefly. Winchester McCarthy married Caroline Crissman, and lived all his life in Huntingdon and Mifflin counties. He was a man of broad intelligence, excellent social qualities and strong Christian character; was for many years an elder in the Presbyterian church, and died April 6, 1885, in the seventy-third year of his age, honored and respected by all who knew him. Four sons survive him, two of them druggists and two machinists, all living in Pittsburg, Pa. One of them, W. E. McCarthy, aged now about forty years, has been remarkably successful in business, having in fifteen years built up a very fine drug business; he has accumulated considerable real estate in Pittsburg, and was recently elected president of one of the Pittsburg banks.

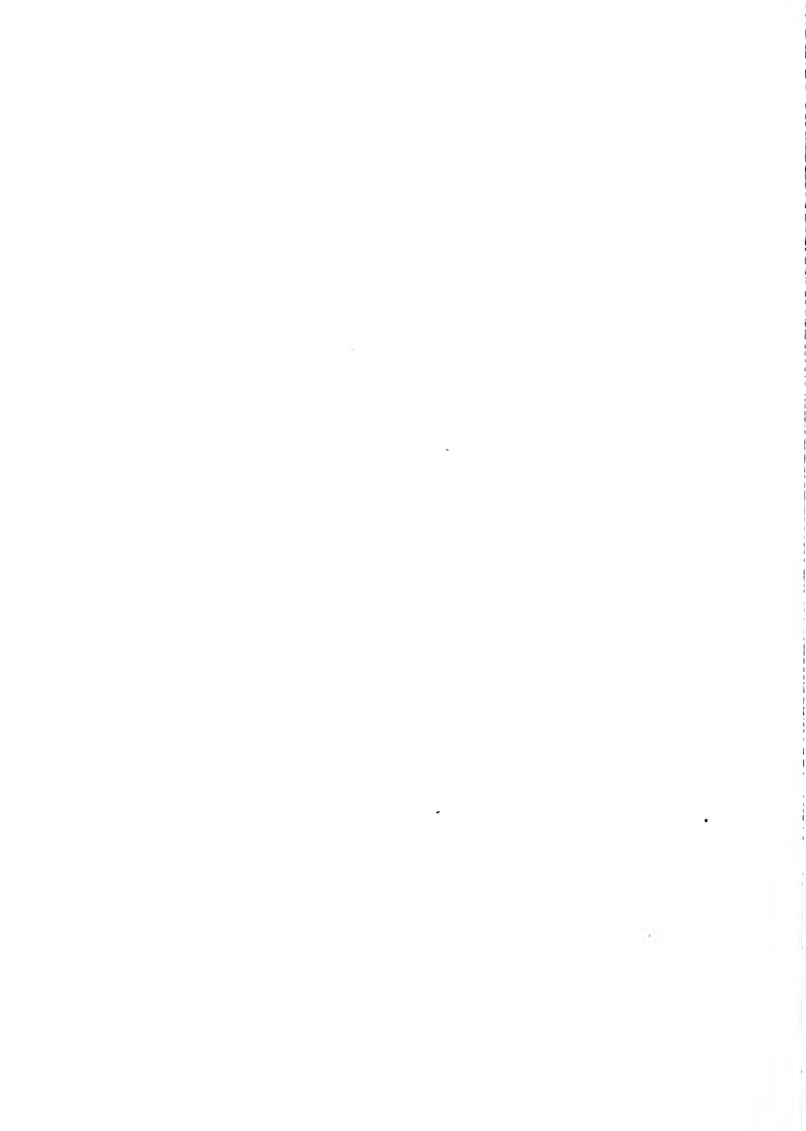
Margaret E. McCarthy never married. Few ministers of the Gospel have a better knowledge of the Scriptures than she had, and few

could give wiser counsel to inquirers after the truth, or those bowed down with sorrow. She died in December, 1878, aged about sixty-five years.

William A. McCarthy was a teacher, and died in 1871, aged about fifty-five years. He left but one child, a daughter, Estlier B., now the wife of Dr. Charles Filbert, of Pine Grove, Pa.

Ex-Judge C. R. McCarthy, now of Philadelphia, is the only surviving member of the third generation of the McCarthys of Huntingdon county. For more than thirty-five years he has been a contributor to the public press, under various *noms de plume*; possibly the most familiar being "Graybeard." Some of his writings have been printed in book form and in pamphlets. One of these, which has gained a pretty wide circulation, is entitled "Lost Children of the Alleghenies." He has written upon a great variety of subjects, and is always interesting, but seems most at home when defending the cause of temperance, or discussing some question of ethics. He served one term as associate judge in Huntingdon county, and not only succeeded in closing all licensed liquor houses in the county, but prevented the granting of such licenses during his term of five years, though opposed by the president judge, whose opinion against Judge McCarthy was reversed in the Supreme Court. Judge McCarthy is now past three score and ten, but is in vigorous health, and still uses his voice and pen effectively in the cause of temperance, morals and religion.—W. B. M.

WILLIAM BRAINARD MCCARTHY, A. M., who prepared the foregoing sketch, has said but little concerning himself. He was born in West Kishacoquillas Valley, May 9, 1853. He assisted on his father's farm and attended the public schools until he was about eighteen years of age, when he began teaching. Later, he prepared for college at the Kishacoquillas Academy, and graduated from Washington and Jefferson College, Washington, Pa., in 1880; from this institution he afterwards received the degree of Master of Arts. After graduating he engaged in teaching, acting in the capacity of principal in several schools, and teaching the higher branches, chiefly German, Latin and Greek. He was principal of the schools at Indiana, Pa.; of the





Eleanor L. McCarthy



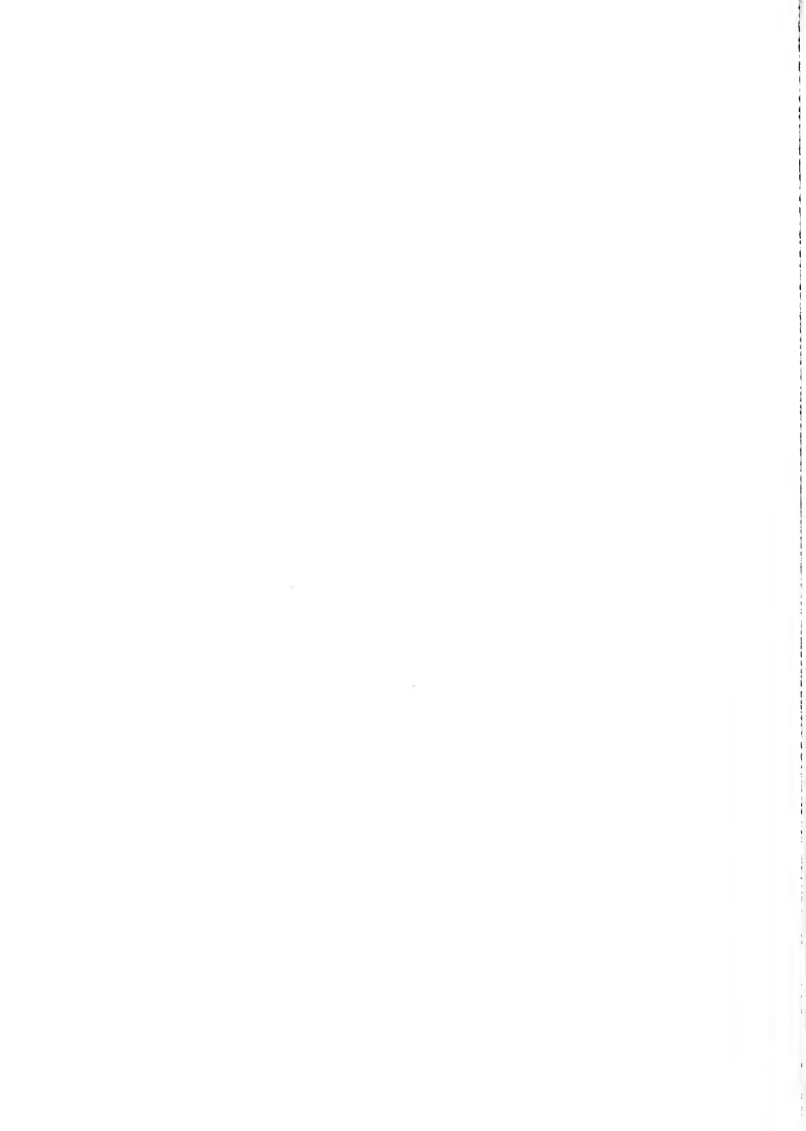
H. M. McCarthy m.s.



C. R. McCarthy Jr.



W. B. McCarthy



Wood street school, Youngstown, O.; and of Poland Union Seminary, of which President McKinley is a graduate.

In December, 1882, William B. McCarthy married Miss Mary A. Kiner, of Atkinson's Mills, Pa., who died September 18, 1884, at Poland, O., where Mr. McCarthy had just entered upon the duties of principal of Poland Union Seminary. He continued teaching in Ohio for four years. On July 8, 1886, he married Miss Alice Hine, of Youngstown, O., a graduate of Poland Union Seminary, and later a teacher in the same institution, as also in Oberlin and in Elyria, Ohio; in all of which places she is held in honored and grateful remembrance as a capable, thoroughly informed and conscientious instructor. The children of Mr. and Mrs. McCarthy are: Helen Mary, born at Poland, O., September 6, 1884; Veda Thalia, born at Poland, July 20, 1887; John Russell, born at Huntingdon, Pa., November 15, 1889; Alice Hine, born at Huntingdon, July 30, 1891; and William Vernon, born at Huntingdon, December 18, 1893. Mr. McCarthy takes a lively interest in educational matters, and is serving his second term as member of the Huntingdon school board. He is active also in church work, serving as superintendent of the Sabbath-school. He is a member of the session and of the board of trustees of the Huntingdon Presbyterian church. Mr. McCarthy was very successful as a teacher; but his health suffered from the lack of physical exercise incident to that employment, he formed a partnership with his brother, C. Rufus McCarthy, and the firm is now conducting a flourishing business.

CHARLES RUFUS McCARTHY, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in the Kishacoquillas valley, Huntingdon county, January 28, 1850. He is a son of John R. and Eleanor L. McCarthy. He received his education in the common schools, and has been for a large part of his life engaged in agricultural pursuits. In 1888, he turned his attention to mercantile business, and for the past eight years he has been a partner with his brother in the popular firm of McCarthy Brothers, furniture dealers. By reason of the integrity uniformly characterizing its transactions, this firm has advanced to a position of commanding importance in the trade. Their establishment is one of the finest of the kind in central Pennsylvania,

and is a credit to the intelligent enterprise of its managers. The warerooms are arranged in the most convenient and attractive manner for the storage and display of stock. The stock carried by this firm includes furniture of every imaginable character, illustrating every phase of production, and varying in value from the plainest article of every-day need to the most elaborate and beautiful specimens produced by the talent of the designer and the skill of the artisan. Much of the ware here displayed is really unsurpassed for elegance of design and tasteful composition. The McCarthy Brothers have a high reputation for liberal and honorable dealing, and are eminently popular with their host of patrons. Their success has been honestly won and is well merited.

Charles Rufus McCarthy was married at McConnellstown, Pa., to Elizabeth May, daughter of Joseph and Mary A. Isenberg. One of their two children died in infancy; the surviving son is named John Donald. Mr. and Mrs. McCarthy are members of the Presbyterian church. Mr. McCarthy is an active member of Washington Camp, No. 321, P. O. S. of A. His political views are those of the Republican party.

SAMUEL L. McCARTHY, M. D., Eighth avenue and Fourteenth street, Altoona, Blair county, Pa., was born in Brady township, Huntingdon county, Pa., March 28, 1844, and is a son of John R. and Eleanor (Lane) McCarthy. He was reared in Brady township, Huntingdon county, and attended the common schools of his neighborhood, where he laid a foundation on which he continued to build by his own unaided efforts, until he had acquired a good English education and a fair knowledge of Latin. He began reading medicine in 1867, in the office of Dr. George W. Thompson, then a prominent physician of Mill Creek, but now residing at Mount Union, Huntingdon county. Mr. McCarthy afterwards entered Jefferson Medical College, at Philadelphia, graduating with the class of 1870. He began practice the same year in Mill Creek, Huntingdon county; he was in continuous and successful practice in the same county for sixteen years, the greater part of which time he spent at Mill Creek. In 1884 he removed to Altoona, and for the past thirteen years has been in general practice in that

city. Dr. McCarthy has always been a diligent student, keeping abreast of the progress in medical science, and making himself familiar with all the new discoveries and theories of the day. He has been very successful in his treatment of patients, losing but few cases, and those of the most severe types of disease, throughout his experience of nearly thirty years. His success in cases of typhoid fever and membranous croup has been most noteworthy. The Doctor is a member of the Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and of the Altoona Academy of Medicine; he is president of the Blair County Medical Society, to which honorable position he was elected in January, 1897.

The political principles of Dr. McCarthy are Republican, but the exacting duties of his profession leave him but little time for pursuing other lines of thought or effort, and he has so far contented himself with performing the duties of good citizenship, leaving to others the turmoil attending practical politics.

Dr. Samuel L. McCarthy was married at McVestown, Mifflin county, Pa., June 28, 1867, to Lettie, daughter of Robert and Lucinda Way, both natives of Centre county, Pa., the latter still living, and residing in Altoona. Of the three children of Dr. and Mrs. McCarthy, one is deceased. The elder of the surviving children is Ida Blanche, wife of F. M. McCullough, Esq., a prominent lawyer of Altoona. Mrs. McCullough is a charming singer, and has delighted large audiences by her remarkable musical talent, and her rich, melodious voice. She is a graduate of the Altoona high school. S. Lloyd, her brother, appears also to be endowed with great talents. He is a student in high standing in the high school at Altoona, and a youth of more than ordinary promise. The Doctor and his family are valued members of the Presbyterian church; he is an active supporter of all its interests.

As has already been intimated, Dr. McCarthy ranks among the most successful men of central Pennsylvania. Much of that success he ascribes to the zeal, the honorable ambition, sympathetic courage, wise counsel and sustaining influence of his devoted wife. Through the trials and triumphs of a quarter of a century she has stood by his side, and alike in joy and in sorrow, has shared his ex-

periences, comprehended his purposes, and demonstrated the possibility of that ideal comradeship which rounds out life, and proves the truth of the Divine declaration that "it is not good for man to be alone."

JAMES W. MCCARTHY, Huntingdon, Pa., oldest son of John R. and Eleanor (Lane) McCarthy, was born in the Kishacoquillas valley, Huntingdon county, Pa., March 20, 1839. His boyhood and youth were spent under the paternal roof on the homestead farm, his education being obtained in the public schools of the Kishacoquillas valley, under the tuition of his father, who was a very superior teacher. After completing his education his time was occupied in agricultural pursuits, combined with dealing in live stock, during the summer, and for six winter terms, during his early life, he taught in the public schools of the Kishacoquillas valley. In 1854 he abandoned farming and stock dealing, and removed to Huntingdon, where from that date he has been engaged in the livery business.

James W. McCarthy has been twice married. His first marriage, which occurred in Henrietta, Blair county, Pa., in 1874, was with Anna Love, a native of Williamsburg, Pa. They had three children, of whom one died in infancy. The two surviving ones are: Mabel L. and Lillian E. Mrs. Anna McCarthy died in 1887. Mr. McCarthy again married in June, 1890, to Alma Z. Fleck, who was born in Sinking valley, Blair county, daughter of Major John and Belinda Fleck. Mr. McCarthy is a Republican. The family attend the Presbyterian church.

II. C. MCCARTHY, M. D., No. 813 Eighth avenue, Altoona, Blair county, Pa., son of John R. and Eleanor (Lane) McCarthy, was born in Brady township, Huntingdon county, Pa., February 5, 1841. His early education was received in the common schools, but elevated tastes and a creditable ambition incited to apply himself diligently to study, so that by his own efforts he was intellectually prepared for his life-work. Under the preceptorship of George W. Thompson, M. D., of Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, he pursued the course of study required as preliminary to entering a medical college. He then matriculated at Jefferson Medical College, of Philadelphia, received his diploma from that

institution in 1874, and in the same year began his professional career at Sausburg, Huntingdon county. After practising a short time in that town he removed to Petersburg, in the same county, and was in steady and successful practice there for fifteen years. In 1889, he removed to Altoona, and has won the confidence of many families and obtained an extensive and profitable practice in that city. Dr. McCarthy is a member of the Blair County Medical Society, and ex-president of the Altoona Academy of Medicine. He is also a member of Logan Lodge, No. 490, F. and A. M., of Altoona. Having been a teacher in the common schools when he was but seventeen, Dr. McCarthy has always felt a natural interest in the system, and kept pace with its advancement. In Petersburg, he was for several years a zealous and useful member of the board of school directors, serving as its secretary.

Dr. H. C. McCarthy was married in Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., June 14, 1870, to Myra H., daughter of Stephen A. and Matilda (Bell) Hinds. Dr. and Mrs. McCarthy have four children: Dora B.; Frank L.; Cloyd D. and Harry L. The Doctor and part of his family are members of the Presbyterian church. The Doctor is a man of notable qualities, being accorded a leading place in both social and professional circles. Possessed of a sound, clear and vigorous mind, well disciplined and polished by a thorough course of classical and professional studies; displaying great activity, and having a fine bearing and courteous manner which make his presence always welcome, it is but natural that he should stand high in his profession, and exert in every sphere a strong and wholesome influence.

[After the above was in type, Dr. H. C. McCarthy died of a paralytic stroke, June 6, 1897, at his home in Altoona. His death was very sudden, and was a painful shock to the community in which he lived.—Ers.]

JOHN K. DICK, undertaker and dealer in paints, wall paper, etc., was born in Brush Valley, Indiana county, Pa., March 14, 1840. He is a son of Alexander and Mary (Kelly) Dick, natives of Indiana county, where Mr. Dick was born in 1812. Mr. Dick's vocation, to which he gave all his business life, was farming. He has now retired from active pursuits

and, with his wife, is spending the evening of his days in the county where they have always lived and worked. Their children number twelve: Mary A., widow of Andrew Simpson, of Indiana county; Elizabeth, widow of John Hood, of Brush Valley township, Indiana county; James, a farmer of Buington township, Indiana county; Thompson, killed in a railroad accident; John K., Albert and Densmore, of Brush Valley; Harriet (Mrs. Joseph Alexander), of Center township, Indiana county; Sarah (Mrs. Robert Phillips), Blairsville, Indiana county; Robert Nelson, died aged eight years; Margaret and Annie, residing at home.

John K. Dick was brought up on the farm, and received his earliest scholastic training in the common schools of his native township, afterwards attending the high school in the town of Indiana. His education finished, he taught school for a few winter terms in the same county, doing farm duty during the summer. He was but eighteen years old when he enlisted in 1864 in Company G, Two Hundred and Sixth, Pennsylvania Volunteers. Having served his country well until the war was ended, he was mustered out at Camp Reynolds, July 1, 1865, and returned to the Indiana county home. After learning house painting and paper hanging in Johnstown, Pa., Mr. Dick removed in 1871 to Huntingdon, and carried on those branches of business there for about nineteen years. In 1890, he turned his attention to dealing in paints and wall paper, and in 1894, added undertaking as a branch of his business. Mr. Dick is a member of George Simpson Post, No. 44, G. A. R. He is a Republican.

In Johnstown, on January 4, 1871, John K. Dick was married to Susan, daughter of John and Lydia Pringle, residents of Johnstown, both now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Dick have had six children: Alexander K.; Creola; Charles; Clarence P.; Pollie; and one infant that died. The family attend the Presbyterian church.

ADAM RUSSEL LEFFARD, coach and wagon maker, Huntingdon Pa., was born in Porter township, Huntingdon county, Pa., October 18, 1848. He was a son of William Smith and Catherine (River) Leffard. William S. Leffard was a Philadelphian, born in that city July 7, 1797. In earlier life he was

a shoemaker, but later became a farmer. He died in 1874, and his wife in 1884, both at an advanced age. Their children were nine in number: Anna Mary, who married James Cornelius, of Porter township, Huntingdon county, both deceased; Joseph S., of McVeytown, Mifflin county, married to Emma Beigle; Rose E. (Mrs. Osborn Laird), of Spruce Creek; Anna Elizabeth (Mrs. John S. Laird), who died in 1889; Enoch I., married Caroline Wittaker, resides in Alexandria, Huntingdon county; John R., of Porter township, married Margaret Brenneman; William S., of Warren, Warren county, Pa., married Alice McClure, of Petersburg, Huntingdon county, who died in 1895; Adam Russel; Sarah C. (Mrs. Scott Beigle), of Spruce Creek. Three of the sons of this family were soldiers in the United States army during the war of the Rebellion; one of them, Joseph S. Lefard, was a cannoneer, having charge of one of the guns of Battery D, First Pennsylvania Reserves, Light Artillery, the battery from which the first shot was fired in the battle of Cedar Creek, Va.

Adam Russel Lefard received his entire education in the common schools of Porter township, Huntingdon county. He assisted his father in his business until he was twenty-four years of age, and then learned coach and wagon making with Thomas Pickett, of Adamsville, Mich., finishing his trade with David Mingle, in Huntingdon, Pa. He then went into business with James S. Baum, of Mifflinburg, Union county. They transacted business for three years under the firm name of Lefard & Baum, then they dissolved partnership, and the business was continued by Mr. Lefard at the old stand, the same place as at present, at the corner of Eighth and Penn streets, Huntingdon, Pa. Mr. Lefard has been a councilman for the borough and held other town and ward offices. He is a staunch Republican.

Adam Russel Lefard was married in 1873 to Martha, daughter of John H. and Elizabeth Hutchinson. Their children are: William Donald, Alice and Walter Scott, all at home. Mr. Lefard was born of Reformed stock and reared in that church, which he still attends.

THOMAS BARNES, turnkey at the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, Hunting-

don, Pa., was born in Lancashire, England. His father was a native of the same county, and a spinner in the woolen mills. He died in Philadelphia in 1889. The parents of Mr. Barnes emigrated to America in 1849. Thomas was their eldest child; the others were: David, now in Philadelphia, married to Miss Hill; Mary Ann, married to Wilbert Pickets, of Clearfield, Pa.; William, who died in 1890; John, residing in Philadelphia; and James, residing in Denver, Col.

Thomas Barnes was educated in a private school of Delaware county, Pa. His earliest employment in business was farming. In 1864 he enlisted for the defense of the country against rebellion in Company L, One Hundred and Ninety-second Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served for about nine months. In 1885, he was engaged as janitor of the Reformatory, and was afterwards promoted to his present position. Mr. Barnes is a member of the O. U. A. M., and of the G. A. R. He is a Republican.

Thomas Barnes married Elizabeth Haslam, of Philadelphia. Their children are: Mary Ellen, born in Roxborough, Philadelphia, Pa., July 2, 1873, died December 29, 1878; Bertha, born at Roxborough, March 29, 1879; Katie Sailor, born at Roxborough, September 11, 1888. All the family are members of the Methodist church.

JOHN L. BERGANTZ, Henderson township, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in the borough of Huntingdon December 6, 1852. He is a son of Louis and Christina R. (Shultz) Bergantz. Louis Bergantz was born near Strasburg, Province of Alsace, France, August 15, 1818. At ten years of age he came to this country, and for some time lived in Philadelphia. While in his teens he worked on the canal, and afterwards drove, first a packet boat, and then a stage. During this engagement he applied himself to learning the trade of a blacksmith, in Lewistown, Pa. In the same town, Louis Bergantz was married, April 22, 1849, to Christina R. Shultz, born in Juniata county, near Licking Creek, January 13, 1819. They removed to Huntingdon in 1849, where Mr. Bergantz pursued his calling as a blacksmith for twelve years. In 1861 he purchased a farm in Henderson township, and there continued work at his trade while cultivating the farm. The children of Mr. and Mrs.

Bergantz are: George W., born April 24, 1850; Joseph L.; Martha Elizabeth, born December 18, 1855, now the widow of John D. McElwain, residing in Henderson township; Mary Ann, widow of Matthew E. McCall, born March 19, 1858, resides in Henderson township; Samuel Louis, born April 5, 1861, died in childhood; Miss Sarah Ellen, born July 25, 1864. Mr. Bergantz died July 9, 1890; his wife still resides in Henderson township.

Mr. J. L. Bergantz was educated in the common schools of the town of Huntingdon. After leaving school, he varied his occupations by doing farm work during the summer months, while teaching school during the winter. In 1882 he removed to Union Church, to take charge of the post-office, to which he had been appointed May 22, 1878, and in connection with which he conducted a general store. Mr. Bergantz was postmaster until April 2, 1886, when the office was transferred to Mrs. Bergantz, he having been appointed justice of the peace in the spring of 1885, and the law not allowing him to hold both offices. He is still magistrate, as well as school teacher and farmer. Mr. Bergantz has also served the community as county auditor, township clerk, and clerk of elections. He is a Democrat.

Joseph L. Bergantz was married at Man's Choice, Bedford county, Pa., October 25, 1879, to Lettie M., daughter of Andrew and Temperance (Hutchinson) Decker, now residents of Huntingdon. Their children are: Louis A.; J. Oscar; E. Lloyd; Allan C.; Mattie E.; Louisa E.; Nettie F.; and Mary Margaret. Mr. Bergantz attends the Lutheran church, with which he united in 1875, and during his connection with this religious body, he has served as both deacon and elder.

HOWARD HETRICK, Henderson township, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born on the homestead where he now resides, August 4, 1826. He is a son of George F. and Catherine (Allison) Hetrick, the former a native of Blair county and the latter of Huntingdon county. George F. Hetrick was a stone mason, but devoted the greater part of his life to farming. Two of his children died at an early age. Those who survive are: Mary (Mrs. Andrew J. Hewie); George; Newton; Howard; and Lucilla. The father died March 19, 1890, but the mother is still residing in Huntingdon.

The whole life of Howard Hetrick has been spent upon the home farm. His school training was obtained in the common schools, and from boyhood to the present time, his occupation has been the cultivation of the soil. Mr. Hetrick's political views are Republican.

Howard Hetrick was married in Henderson township, December 24, 1891, to Lettie, daughter of John H. and Lydia A. (Goss) Rupert. One of their children died while an infant; those living are: Edna May, and Frederick W. Mr. Hetrick attends the Lutheran church.

WILLIAM MUNDORFF, Henderson township, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Chambersburg, Franklin county, Pa., March 6, 1826. He is a son of Henry and Eliza (Harrison) Mundorff. Henry Mundorff was a stone mason, a native of Adams county, who resided until 1842 near Chambersburg; his wife was born in Franklin county. In 1842 they removed to Blair county, near Williamsburg, where Mr. Mundorff spent the remainder of his life. Of their six children, William is the eldest. Besides him, the only ones now living are: John; and Anna Mary (Mrs. J. H. Rodney.)

William Mundorff was educated in private schools in Franklin county. He began life as a farmer. In September, 1864, he enlisted in Company K, Two Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until the close of the war; he was mustered out at Harrisburg in July, 1865. With the exception of that year of patriotic service and two years passed in boating on the canal, all Mr. Mundorff's years of activity were spent in tilling the soil. Since 1860 he has been a continuous resident of Henderson township, where for the past ten years he has enjoyed a life of leisure. He is a much respected citizen, held in high esteem for his upright character and honorable dealings. Mr. Mundorff has served the township for two terms in the school board and as supervisor for two terms. He is a Prohibitionist.

William Mundorff was married at Morrison's Cove, Blair county, Pa., in December, 1851, to Christina Sorrick, whose ancestors were among the very earliest settlers of Blair county. They have had five children, one died in infancy, and one, Levi, was killed in an explosion near Huntingdon. The sur-

vivors are: Sarah A. (Mrs. Watson Grove); Samuel M., and Joseph E. Mr. Mundorff is a member of the Lutheran church, which he has served both in the church council and in the Sunday-school.

JAMES B. McCARTNEY, Henderson township, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Huntingdon, August 28, 1836, son of John R. and Temperance (Hight) McCartney. John R. McCartney, the oldest living resident of Henderson township, was born in Centre county, Pa., January 29, 1810, son of John and Rosanna (Resides) McCartney, both of Irish parentage, and born in Ireland. At eight years of age, John R. came with his parents to Henderson township, was educated in its common schools, and afterwards learned the art of printing, and worked for about six years in a printing office in Huntingdon. The rest of his life has been spent on the farm. His marriage to Temperance, daughter of James and Nancy Hight, took place in June, 1833. They had thirteen children: Nancy E., deceased, was born February 8, 1835, married Robert Gregory; James B.; Hannah M. (Mrs. Calvin Walker), born January 17, 1839; Camelia E., widow of George Madara, was born May 17, 1841; Sarah Ann, widow of W. S. Decker, was born July 24, 1843; Mary Catherine (Mrs. Allison Abbott), born August 13, 1845; John Scott, born August 29, 1847; Martha A. (Mrs. Joseph Slack), born September 7, 1849; Asabel H., born January 14, 1852, deceased; Melissa T., born March 1, 1853, wife of John S. Slack, both deceased; Flora A., born August 5, 1855, deceased; William T., born June 3, 1858, deceased; and Cyrus G., born April 4, 1862. Mrs. McCartney died February 20, 1884. Mr. John R. McCartney is the great-grandfather of ninety-four great-grandchildren. His grandfather fought in the war of 1812, and his great grandfather in the Revolutionary war. He contributed two sons and five sons-in-law for the defence of the Union in the late Rebellion. He was a Democrat, although his father had belonged to the Whig party. He has held numerous township offices. He is well known throughout the county, and is an honored and esteemed citizen.

At eight years of age, James B. McCartney's parents removed to Huntingdon county, where he received most of his education in

the Henderson township schools. His principal occupation has been farming. In August, 1863, he enlisted in the Forty-sixth Pennsylvania Militia, and while in that regiment enlisted at Philadelphia in the Nineteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and served about two years. During this time he was on scout duty. For over a year he was in charge of the brigade saddlery shop of the First Brigade, Sixth Division, Sixteenth Corps, Army of the Southwest. He was mustered out at Baton Rouge, La., in July, 1865. After his discharge, Mr. McCartney returned to his home in Porter township, Huntingdon county. He has spent the greater part of his life in Henderson township, where he has served as constable. His political views are liberal. He is a member of George Simpson Post, No. 44, G. A. R.

James B. McCartney was married in Henderson township, January 5, 1857, to Nancy E., daughter of David and Margaret Hare, both deceased. Their family is as follows: Etta J. (Mrs. Gibson Hall), born April 25, 1858; Elmer E., born August 31, 1860; Clara A. (Mrs. John D. Rutherford), born November 30, 1862; Allan H., born June 10, 1866, died September 1, 1866; Margaret T. (Mrs. Samuel A. Hall), born December 8, 1867; May L., born June 23, 1870; Annie L. (Mrs. David Strait), born February 2, 1873; John D., born March 19, 1875, died March 11, 1877; Frank W., born December 31, 1877, and James G., born September 30, 1881. The family attend the Baptist and Lutheran churches.

Mrs. McCartney's father, David Hare, was born March 4, 1814; his wife, Margaret Kemp, who, like her husband, was of German descent, was born November 28, 1815. Both were natives of Huntingdon county. They were married by Rev. T. E. Thomas, September 8, 1836. They resided at Mount Gretna until 1854. Mr. Hare was a miller, but from the year 1846 until his death, was engaged in farming. From 1854 until 1861, the family resided in Henderson township, and from that date until Mr. Hare's death, October 20, 1882, they were residents of Porter township. Mr. Hare served two terms (1873-79) on the school board of that township, also one term as county commissioner. Mrs. Hare died April 25, 1887. Their children are: Nancy E., born June 7, 1837; Mary K., born Octo-

ber 14, 1839; William H., born October 9, 1842; Lydia A., born April 6, 1845; John K., born February 22, 1848, deceased; David II., born November 22, 1849; Joseph K., born December 12, 1852, and Calvin A., born February 19, 1854.

SAMUEL STEEL, Henderson township, Huntingdon county, Pa., is one of the oldest residents of the township, having been born on the farm upon which he still resides, August 16, 1834. He is a son of John and Elizabeth (Kimberland) Steel, natives of Huntingdon county, who were among the earliest settlers of Henderson township, about 1820. Samuel Steel is the only survivor of their family of eight. The others were: Henry, died in Brady township in 1894, aged seventy-one; William, died in Johnstown, Pa., May, 1895, aged sixty-seven; Jacob, was accidentally killed in a saw-mill at Newburg, Pa., aged fifty-six; Ludin, was a soldier in the Union army during the late Rebellion, and died in Salisbury prison; Christina (Mrs. Alfred Willmer), died in Miller township; Mary Jane (Mrs. Samuel Downey), died in Catherine township, Blair county, Pa., and Susan, died on the homestead in October, 1861. Mr. John Steel was all his life a farmer; he died in 1871, and his wife in 1857. The Steel family are of German descent. The grandfather of Samuel Steel was a soldier of the Revolution.

Samuel Steel has been all his life a Henderson township farmer. His education was received in the old West school house, which he attended for a few years. On September 5, 1864, although still in the first year of his married life, he heard and obeyed the call of the Union for defenders. He enlisted in Company K, Two Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served in that regiment until August, 1865, when he was mustered out at Harrisburg, Pa. His public services in time of peace have been rendered as school director for twelve years, and as supervisor for three terms, also as judge of elections. He is a Republican.

The marriage of Samuel Steel with Harriet G., daughter of James N. and Mary Kenyon, both now deceased, took place in Miller township, November 20, 1861. Their children are: Alfred G., born August 11, 1862; Mary Jeannette, died at the age of twelve years; Frank Sheridan, born May 22, 1866, and

Rebecca Priscilla, born August 7, 1868. The family attend the Lutheran church.

Alfred G. Steel, eldest son of Samuel Steel, was born on the homestead farm, August 11, 1862, educated in the schools of Henderson township, and learned carpentry. This trade, together with farming, has been his life-long occupation. His politics are Republican. Alfred G. Steel was married at Mill Creek, Brady township, February 17, 1890, to Elizabeth J., daughter of Joseph and Mary Enders. One of their children, Samuel Ellis, died very young. The others are: Almira Grace; Beulah Jeannette, and Thomas Clifford.

Frank S. Steel, second son of Samuel Steel, was born May 22, 1868, and educated in the public schools of Henderson township, and the high school at McAlveys Fort. He afterwards learned carpentry, at which he now works. He was married in Henderson township, March 25, 1890, to Mary M., daughter of Joseph and Nancy Garner, of that township. They have two children: Charles P. and Margaret Helen.

DANIEL J. KAUFFMAN, Henderson township, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born near Landisburg, Perry county, Pa., November 23, 1843, son of Daniel and Hannah (Shoemaker) Kauffman. Both the parents were of German descent. The grandparents on the paternal side were early settlers of Berks county, who afterwards resided in Perry county, and still later removed to Mifflin county, where they spent the remainder of their lives. The Shoemakers, Mr. Kauffman's maternal grandparents, settled early in Perry county, where their daughter, Mrs. Daniel Kauffman, was born. Daniel Kauffman, who was a native of Berks county, was a farmer; he resided in Perry, Mifflin and Huntingdon counties. His family consisted of twelve children: Henry D., born June 22, 1835, died August 3, 1884; Mary A., born January 27, 1837, died August 3, 1856; Sarah, born December 22, 1838, died February 1, 1839; Benjamin J., born February 11, 1840, resides near Marklesville, Perry county; Lucy A. (Mrs. John Robinson), born March 8, 1842, died June 22, 1884; Daniel J.; John W., born November 1, 1845, train dispatcher, P. R. R., Huntingdon; Hannah (Mrs. John Dean), born March 30, 1848, died July 5, 1881; Magdalena, born April 27, 1850, died in September, 1850; David C., born October 3, 1851, killed

in an accident on the P. R. R., August 15, 1878; Samuel, born June 2, 1854, died August 27, 1858; and Moses S., born December 14, 1856, died March 30, 1881. The mother died near Mapleton, January 1, 1883, in her seventy-first year, and the father at the residence of his son, Daniel J., September 13, 1885, in his seventy-fourth year.

It was when Daniel J. Kauffman was about ten years old that his parents removed from Perry county, where his earliest childhood was passed, to Mifflin county, where he received his education in the public schools. He entered the service of the P. R. R. Co. as trackman in 1860, and continued in the same employ until 1884. In August, 1862, Mr. Kauffman enlisted in Company I, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, for the nine months' service. In January, 1864, he re-enlisted in Company C, Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry, and served in that regiment until the close of the war. Since 1865 he has been a continuous resident of Huntingdon county. Mr. Kauffman is a member of Post No. 44, G. A. R. His political views are liberal. He has served on the school board.

Daniel H. Kauffman was married in Union township, Huntingdon county, Pa., August 23, 1866, to Mary E., daughter of David and Annie Clements. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Kauffman are: Henry L., born February 26, 1867, accidentally drowned June 22, 1888; Lucy A., born June 29, 1869, died in infancy; David D., born June 2, 1870, a clergyman in the M. E. church; John S., born September 2, 1883. Mr. and Mrs. Kauffman attend the Presbyterian church, and their sons the Methodist.

JOHN S. WARFEL, Henderson township, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Shavers Creek, Huntingdon county, October 13, 1822. He is a son of Emanuel and Sarah (Shade) Warfel, both natives of Huntingdon county, and both deceased. Their family consisted of twelve children, of whom eight are now living: Adam, John S., James, Isaac, Jesse, Thomas, Sarah and Selina.

This township has been the home of John S. Warfel since he was two years old; he is, therefore, one of its oldest residents. He was educated in the old West school house, and from the close of his school days, he has devoted his attention to farming. His intelli-

gent methods and long experience give him a prominent and influential position among agriculturists. He has filled all township offices with honor. His politics are Republican.

John S. Warfel was first married in 1846, to Mary Hutchinson. Their children are: Ellen (Mrs. Peter Isenberg), George, residing in Huntingdon; John E., of Upper Sandusky, Ohio; Jesse, of Kansas City, Mo.; William H., of Curwensville, Clearfield county, Pa.; Letitia (Mrs. John A. Port), of Huntingdon. Mrs. Mary Warfel died in 1868. Mr. Warfel was married, in 1869, to Ruth E., daughter of J. Nelson and Sarah (Sloan) Ball, of Huntingdon, now residing in Kansas City. The children of this marriage are: Bertha; Winifred (Mrs. Frank P. Simpson), of Huntingdon; and James Nelson, residing on the homestead. Mr. Warfel attends the Baptist church, of which all the family are members.

J. Nelson Ball, father of Mrs. John S. Warfel, was born in Lancaster county in February, 1822. While still a youth, he removed to Lewistown with his parents, and resided there until he had attained manhood, receiving his education in the public schools and afterwards learning carriage-making. He continued working at his trade for many years, but was also for many years engaged in the car shops of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Altoona and Huntingdon. In 1871 he and all the members of his family except Mrs. Warfel removed to Kansas City, where they have ever since resided. Mr. Ball was married in January, 1846, to Sarah Sloan. Of their ten children, one died in infancy, the surviving members of the family being: Ruth E. (Mrs. Warfel); James E.; John G.; Mary E., widow of the late M. M. Harris; Rebecca J. (Mrs. Jesse B. Warfel); Annie D. (Mrs. E. E. Venard); Laura E.; Alice M.; Hattie V. (Mrs. Alfred Barber).

GEORGE W. BALES, Henderson township, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born on the homestead farm in Henderson township, June 14, 1864, son of Simon P. and Naney (Warfel) Bales. Simon P. Bales was born in the Tuscarora Valley, in Perry county, Pa. He was a farmer, but catching the "gold fever," he went to California in 1850, with Frank Heffright, John Miller and another companion named Johnson. The trip occu-

ped ninety-six days; the locomotive power was equipped by eight oxen. Mr. Bales resided eight years in California, engaged in gold mining. Returning to Huntingdon county, he resided from 1858 to 1867 in Henderson township; then, until 1872, in the borough of Huntingdon. His last removal, made in that year, was back to Henderson township. Of this township, Mrs. Bales was a native; she was born May 14, 1818. Their children are: Ella (Mrs. Franklin T. Fee), of Altoona, Pa.; Marion J. (Mrs. George J. Albright), of Philadelphia; George W.; and John A., of Huntingdon. Simon P. Bales was known as a Democrat, decided in his opinions, but not an office-seeker. He died June 30, 1895. Mrs. Bales is still a resident of her native township.

Excepting five years spent in Huntingdon, George W. Bales has passed his life in the same township. He was educated in the common schools of the borough of Huntingdon and of Henderson township. He has been through all his active business life engaged in farming; for the past eight years he has held in addition an agency for the sale of agricultural implements. He is liberal in politics.

George W. Bales was married in Henderson township, April 24, 1884, to Phoebe M., daughter of Caleb C. and Susan Evans, natives of this township, but now residents of Petersburg, Pa. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Bales are: Marion E.; Frances J.; and Virginia E. Mr. Bales attends the Lutheran church.

ROBERT A. CROWNOVER, Manor Hill, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in that part of Barree township now included in Miller township, March 28, 1839, a son of Hezekiah and Elizabeth (Newman) Crownover. Hezekiah Crownover was born in Huntingdon county, educated there, in subscription schools, and there learned the business in which he was all his life engaged; he was a miller. He owned 500 acres, or more, in Miller township, upon which he built a flour mill at a cost of \$4,000, and made other improvements. Mr. Crownover was a Republican. He was married at Cromwells Mills, Huntingdon county, to Elizabeth Newman, of English descent. Their children are: Benjamin, deceased; Peter, deceased; Sarah, deceased; Elizabeth, deceased; Andrew, deceased; John, resides at Broad Top; George, farmer, of Armstrong county, Pa.; Charles,

of Saulsburg, Huntingdon county; Susan, widow of Rev. W. H. S. Keys, of Kansas; Ferguson, deceased; Hezekiah, merchant, of Huntingdon; Robert A.; and two that died in early infancy. Late in life, Hezekiah Crownover retired from active business, and lived at leisure on the homestead, until his death, in April, 1861. He was a regular attendant of the Methodist Episcopal church, and was much esteemed and respected. Mrs. Crownover died at Saulsburg in 1878.

Robert Crownover attended the common schools of his vicinity during the three winter months that then constituted a term, and in the long intervals worked for his father in the mill. At eighteen years of age he left home, and first worked in another Huntingdon county mill, then at the same business in Illinois, and after that in Indiana county, Pa. He then made a beginning in the hotel business in the borough of Indiana, Indiana county, where he spent two years. At the end of that time he sold out, bought a hotel in Somerset county and carried it on for two years. He then removed to Pittsburg, and was in the same business there for a year. Returning to Somerset county, Mr. Crownover managed a flour mill for two years, and then removed to Manor Hill, Huntingdon county, where, in 1875, he engaged in business in partnership with his brother Andrew. Eight years later Robert Crownover bought out Andrew's interest, and has ever since conducted the business, meeting with good success. He was appointed postmaster in 1875, and held the office for eleven years. Mr. Crownover has been the "architect of his own fortunes." He began life without capital, and has made his way in the face of difficulties and discouragements; among the latter was a loss by fire, heavy for a man just beginning in life; it took place in Somerset county, while Mr. Crownover was in Illinois, and involved a loss of \$4,000. With enterprise and business ability as the best of his capital, he has brought himself and family into the possession of a comfortable competence. His politics are Republican.

Robert Crownover was married in Barree township, in 1881, to Clara, daughter of Samuel Myton, farmer, of that township. Their children are: Lottie H.; Howard A.; and Anna B. Mrs. Crownover was born in Barree township, September 9, 1850. The family attend the Methodist Episcopal church.

WILLIAM EWING, Manor Hill, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Barree township, February 12, 1826, son of James and Elizabeth (Creswell) Ewing. The Ewing family is of English origin. The progenitors of its American branch were immigrants here during colonial times; some of them took an active part in the Revolution. Thomas Ewing, great-grandfather of William Ewing, was during that war a resident of West township, having removed to this vicinity from the southeastern part of the State. His descendants are found in different parts of Pennsylvania. In the fall of 1782 his daughter Catherine, with a Miss McCormick, daughter of a neighboring farmer, was captured by Indians and taken to Montreal. She was restored to her family, but it was several months before she reached her home. She was afterwards married to Mr. Hunton, of Centre county, Pa. The sons of Thomas Ewing were: Thomas; William; John; James; Alexander; and David. The father died in West township, about the year 1800. His second son, William, became a large land owner, farmer and stock-raiser in that township. He was a Democrat. He married Miss Anderson, of Scotch-Irish ancestry. Their children were: James Thomas; William; Mary; Margaret; Martha; and Elizabeth. William Ewing and his wife both died in Barree township. He was a member of the Presbyterian church. His eldest son, James Ewing, father of William Ewing (2) was educated in subscription schools, and grew up on the farm. He owned 160 acres in Barree township, which he partly cleared and improved, erecting dwelling, barn, etc. He was a farmer and stock raiser. James Ewing was a Democrat; he took an active interest in public affairs, and was elected to all township offices. He was one of those who, in 1840 promoted the establishment of the common school system. His wife, Elizabeth Creswell, whom he married in Barree township, was a daughter of Robert Creswell, farmer. The Creswell family, like the Ewings, were among the original settlers of this State. They are Scotch-Irish by descent, and belong to a class whose thrift, shrewd intelligence, laudable ambitions and steady perseverance have gone far to give character to this substantial and dignified Commonwealth. They further resemble the Ewings in having spread over various parts of the State. The children of Mr. and Mrs.

James Ewing are: Robert, who died in Ohio; William; Elizabeth (Mrs. James Smith), of Wayne county, Ohio; and Mary (Mrs. John Oaks), of Huntingdon. Mr. Ewing was a Presbyterian. He died on the homestead; his wife died later, at the home of her son William.

With no greater opportunities than those afforded by the subscription schools and the common schools, kept for three winter months, in the old-fashioned log school house, William Ewing, by his own exertions, acquired a good education and much practical knowledge. He learned farming on the homestead, of which he took entire charge after the death of his father, and which he has ever since cultivated. He works some 125 acres; has planted an orchard of three acres with all varieties of fruit. He also owns three farms containing over 500 acres in Livingston county, Ill., partly cleared, and 80 acres in Newton county, Mo.; in the latter State he owns some town lots. Mr. Ewing has expended \$4,000 in tiles, and has erected buildings to the same amount. He is a dealer in stock, as well as an experienced breeder. Mr. Ewing's politics are Democratic; he has been elected to the offices of assessor, supervisor and tax collector in his township, besides serving three terms on the school board. He belongs to Grange No. 353, P. of H. Mr. Ewing has always been a thorough and persevering worker, to which fact he owes his excellent standing in the business world and in the community, his competence and his opportunities for usefulness.

William Ewing was married in Jackson township, in 1852, to Mary A., daughter of Abraham Henry, a farmer, of Scotch-Irish family. She was born in West township. Their children are: James, farmer, of Illinois; Mary; Fannie; Elizabeth (Mrs. John Henning), of Altoona, Pa.; Caroline; Idalette (Mrs. Robert Johnson), of West township; Henrietta; and one pair of twins, who died in early infancy; Margaret, died in childhood; and a son, unnamed, died in infancy. Mr. Ewing adheres to the Presbyterian church.

LEVI GEARHART, Manor Hill, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born near Philipsburg, Clearfield county, Pa., October 30, 1843, son of David S. and Eliza (Fullerton) Gearhart. Jacob S. Gearhart, his grandfather, was born in Germany; he came to this coun-

try when he was a young man, and first resided in Clearfield county, where he farmed 400 acres, his own property, near Philipsburg. He also raised stock. His wife was Miss Flegel, daughter of David Flegel, who was a soldier in the Revolution. Their children were: Susan; John L.; David; Valentine; Eliza; Mary; Rachel; Cornelia; Asbury; Jacob; Alexander; and two that died in infancy. Mr. Gearhart was originally a Whig, and afterwards a Republican. He was an excellent man, a respected citizen, and a good member of the United Brethren church. He died on the homestead in 1864; his wife died at the same place in 1879. David Gearhart, their second son, was well educated, both in English and in German. He was a farmer and stock raiser, owning and farming 140 acres in Boggs township, Clearfield county. He was a Republican. His wife, Eliza Fullerton, was of English descent, and was a native of Clearfield county, born near the borough of Clearfield. Their children are: Levi; George, residing in California; Mary, deceased; Margaret, deceased; Adeline, deceased; Peter, residing in Clearfield county; James, of Clearfield, Pa.; one child died in infancy. David Gearhart died on the homestead in Clearfield county in 1861. He belonged to the Methodist Episcopal church; was a Sunday-school teacher, and always interested in the affairs of the church. Mrs. Gearhart was married again, to William Reese; both she and Mr. Reese died in 1880.

Having acquired the rudiments of an English education in the common schools, Levi Gearhart supplemented that beginning by reading and observation, so that he may be called self-educated. He grew up on the farm, and familiar with agricultural processes, so that when his father died he was well prepared to take full charge of the homestead, which he did for one year. He then engaged as mill hand and log cutter in a saw-mill, and some time later undertook contracting in timber, at which business he spent sixteen years. Mr. Gearhart then passed four years in trading in Clearfield and Huntingdon counties, after which he embarked in the business of a general merchant at Manor Hill, which he still carries on. He was postmaster for two terms, under President Cleveland. For twelve years he has conducted the Manor Hill House. Mr. Gearhart is an enterprising, intelligent and honorable business man, and has fairly

earned the success that crowns his efforts. He is a Democrat; was auditor of the township for one term.

Levi Gearhart was married at Osceola Mills, Clearfield county, to Jennie, daughter of Henry Kephart, a farmer, of German family; she is a native of Clearfield county. Their children are: Sylvester C., born February 29, 1868, educated in common schools of Clearfield county, at Houtzdale, Pa., at Mooresville, Huntingdon county, and at Stone Valley Academy; read medicine under Dr. George W. Lufker, studied two terms at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Md., graduated in the spring of 1895 at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, with honors, and since August of that year has been in successful practice at Glasgow, Cambria county, Pa., is a member of P. O. S. of A.; Nora (Mrs. Merritt Codwell), of Clearfield county; and Adeline, at home. Mr. Gearhart is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, of Manor Hill, and belongs to its board of trustees; he has been a class leader for twelve and a Sunday-school worker for twenty years, and has served as superintendent of the Sunday-school for several years.

WILLIAM GETTIS, Neffs Mills, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Barree township, January 20, 1834, a son of Patrick and Victoria (Montgomery) Gettis. Robert Gettis, his grandfather, was a tailor. He was born in Ireland, as was also his wife, Elizabeth Dougherty, who was of Scotch descent. They had several children. Robert Gettis enlisted for the war of 1812, and was in some engagements on Lake Erie; he never returned home, but died in Ohio. Their son, Patrick Gettis, received a common school education, and learned the trade of carpenter and joiner, which was his life-long vocation. He resided in West and in Barree townships. Mrs. Patrick Gettis was born in West township, daughter of Alexander and Elizabeth Montgomery. Their children are: Catherine, deceased; Eliza J., wife of H. A. Sisler, of Iowa; Martha, widow of Daniel Baker, of Scottsdale, Pa.; Alexander M., farmer, Barree township; William; Robert, deceased, a soldier in the war of the Rebellion; James, also a soldier, was killed on the railroad, at Altoona, Pa.; Mary A., deceased; Agnes, wife of F. L. Armstrong; Ann, wife of George W. Bell, of West town-

ship; and one that died in early childhood. Patrick Gettis was a Republican in his politics. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and was a good and honorable man, well regarded by those who knew him. Both he and his wife died in Barree township, Mr. Gettis at the age of ninety-two.

William Gettis enjoyed but slight educational advantages, attending school only three months of each year, in his early boyhood. At nine years of age he went to work on a farm for his board and clothing; four years later he engaged to do farm work at four dollars per month; this engagement continued for five years. At about eighteen years of age he began cultivating a farm of 175 acres for his father; after several years of work on wages, Mr. Gettis rented the farm from his father, for four years, or up to the time of his father's death; a year later he bought the farm, and has had it under cultivation ever since. He is a stock raiser. He has made some improvements on the property, and during 1896 built a handsome and convenient dwelling. His political views are Republican. Mr. Gettis is unmarried.

JOHN EVERTS, Massesburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Jackson township, September 22, 1832, son of Philip and Elizabeth (Rudy) Everts. Nicholas Everts, his grandfather, was a resident of Barree township, and there Philip Everts, father of John, was born. He was all his life occupied in farming. His politics were Democratic. The wife of Philip Everts, Elizabeth Rudy, was also a native of Huntingdon county. Their children are: Barbara, widow of Harvey Wilson; John, Nicholas, died during that period of enlistment in the United States army; George, blacksmith, of Altoona, Pa. Mr. Everts died in Barree township in 1837; his wife also died on the homestead, November 8, 1894. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

At the time of his father's death John Everts was but five years old. He had, in consequence, but a slender opportunity for education. As soon as he was able to do farm work, he worked for his grandfather for seven years; then he returned to his home, and cultivated the farm for his mother for twenty-two years. After that he was engaged in Clearfield county for three years, at the lum-

ber business; then he rented a farm in Barree township for seven years, and continued at farm labor and similar employments until he removed to Massesburg in 1868. Since that time he has combined farming with mercantile business, meeting with good success. Mr. Everts has worked industriously all his life. His politics are Democratic. He is connected with the Methodist church.

John Everts was married February 24, 1868, at Manor Hill, to Elizabeth, daughter of David and Jane (Bell) Jackson. She was born in Jackson township in 1838. Mrs. Everts, like her husband, belongs to the Methodist church. She is much attached to her church, and has taken part in the work of the Sunday-school. Mrs. Everts is well known and highly regarded by her neighbors and acquaintances. Like the excellent woman of the Proverbs, she not only looks to the affairs of the household, but is a woman of business, giving much attention to the store; she has been postmistress for three years.

Mrs. Everts' grandfather was Joseph Jackson, and her father, David Jackson, was born in Jackson township, which has its name from their family. They are of Scotch-Irish extraction. The children of David and Jane (Bell) Jackson are: Alexander, a resident of California; William, county treasurer, Shasta county, Cal.; Elizabeth (Mrs. Everts), and Jane, who died young. David Jackson died in his native township in 1839. His wife was again married, to James McManigal, of Scotch-Irish descent. They had eight children, of whom four died very young; the survivors are: Josiah, of Clinton county, Pa., was a soldier in the United States army, in the war of the Rebellion; James, resides in the west; Robert, of San Francisco, Cal.; George, of Renovo, Pa.

REUBEN DUFF, Saulsburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Barree township, September 9, 1822, son of John and Winifred (Couch) Duff. John Duff, the elder, grandfather of Reuben, was born in Ireland; coming to this county, he first settled in Philadelphia, and there exercised his calling, which was that of a stonecutter. He married Miss Zell in Philadelphia, by whom he had two children: John, deceased; and Samuel, deceased. The elder son, John, learned the trade of his father, and worked at it first in Philadel-

phia. His father died in that city, and John, leaving the city, went to Belleville, Mifflin county, Pa., and afterwards removed to Stone Valley, Huntingdon county; there he bought a farm and cultivated it for a year, and then sold out, and came to Barree township. Here he bought a second farm of 168 acres, improved it and continued to give his care and attention for the remainder of his active life. He was an industrious, hard-working man. The marriage of John Duff and Winifred Couch took place in Philadelphia. Their children are: William, deceased; Samuel, deceased; John, deceased; Andrew, deceased; Edward, supposed to be still residing in Cuba; Ann, deceased, wife of William Davidson; Charles, deceased; James, died young; Mary, deceased; Margaret, deceased; James, deceased; David, deceased; Abbie, deceased wife of George Jones, of Ohio; Cornelius, deceased; Reuben, and an infant that died, not named. Mr. Duff was a Democrat. He died near Salsburg, Huntingdon county, April 2, 1845; his wife died in 1860.

Reuben Duff attended a subscription school in an old log school house in Jackson township. During his youth and early manhood, he worked with his father on the farm; at the age of twenty-five he went to Clarion county, Pa., and after working there for a year, left that place for Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, where for two years he worked in a distillery. In 1852 he bought his present home, a farm containing 117 acres, in Barree township, which he has greatly improved, and on which he has built a commodious dwelling and a barn, at a cost of \$3,800; here, besides cultivating his land, he raises stock, dealing extensively also in purchased stock, selling not only to the farmers, but also shipping to more distant markets. Besides the homestead, Mr. Duff owns 70 acres in Jackson township. His political views are Democratic. He has served the township as supervisor and as school director.

Reuben Duff was married at Lewistown, Pa., in 1852, to Ellen, daughter of John McCartney, a lady of Irish descent, and a native of Barree township. They have two children: Mary, born January 4, 1853, married John Koch, a farmer, has eight children, Robert, William, Homer, Blanche, Edward, James, Oliver and Ellen; Edward, born July 9, 1865, farmer and lumberman, married Lydia Whipple, has four children, Osear R., James, Helen

and Edna. Mrs. Reuben Duff died December 12, 1888. Mr. Duff is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, a good neighbor and citizen, and is held in high estimation for his excellent qualities and genial manner.

HARRY SILKNITTER, Manor Hill, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Barree township, July 2, 1868, son of Dorsey and Margaret (Miller) Silknitter. The Silknitters were among the early settlers of the county; they are of Scotch ancestry, but their immediate progenitors were born in Ireland, and were therefore "Scotch-Irish." Philip Silknitter, grandfather of Harry Silknitter, was a native of Ireland. He was a farmer and stock breeder of Miller and Barree townships. His son, Dorsey Silknitter, was born at Stone Creek, Miller township, in 1824. He was extensively engaged in the same occupations; owning and having under cultivation 365 acres in Barree township, raising, buying and making shipments of live stock. He carried on similar operations also in Miller township. In connection with his father, he built a fine brick dwelling, and made various other improvements on his property. He was a Republican. His first wife, Margaret Miller, was a daughter of Thomas Miller, one of the family that gave its name to Miller township, where Mrs. Silknitter was born. She died in Barree township in 1873. Her children were: Sarah; Addie (Mrs. Michael Clay), of Grapeville, Pa.; Harry; June; Mary; and Maggie. Mr. Silknitter's second wife was Miss Lucy Craeken, of Jackson township. Dorsey Silknitter died in 1893, on May 1. He was a member and trustee of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Harry Silknitter attended school at Manor Hill. He learned the business of a farmer on the homestead, worked there with his father until the death of the latter, when he took charge of the homestead and now cultivates 160 acres, of which about 30 acres is woodland. He is also interested in stock raising. He is a Republican. Mr. Silknitter is a diligent and faithful worker.

SILAS W. GIBBONEY, Salsburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Barree township, December 5, 1835, son of Joseph and Rachel (Yoem) Gibboney. John Gibboney, his grandfather, was of German descent, but

was born in Pennsylvania. He was a shoemaker, residing in Berks county, Pa., and removed with his family to Barree township, Huntingdon county, where he continued to follow the same vocation. His first wife was Miss Lewis; she was the mother of Joseph and grandmother of Silas W. Gibboney. Her daughters were Kate and Elizabeth. She died in Barree township, and Mr. Gibboney married a second time, and had several children. He was an old line Whig, and a member of the Baptist church. He died at the home of his son Joseph, in Barree township. Joseph Gibboney received a subscription school education, for which he was obliged to walk three miles to the school house. By his own efforts, he afterwards made up to a great extent for his lack of educational advantages. He began self-supporting work by hiring his services to the farmers of the vicinity, always managing to save some part of his moderate wages. He also worked at shoemaking with his father, and by diligence and economy, was able at twenty-three years of age to buy a tract of land in Barree township, which he cleared himself. Making new purchases year after year, he became at last the owner of 200 acres, in a good state of improvement, having upon it a fine house, a good barn and two orchards of Mr. Gibboney's planting. Besides tilling his land, he paid much attention to raising stock. Joseph Gibboney was married in Barree township to Rachel Yocum, born in Huntingdon county. Their children are: John, deceased; Silas W.; Amanda, widow of John Stewart, of Barree township, now residing in Nebraska; Oliver, enlisted in Company C, Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, died during his term of service. Mrs. Rachel Gibboney died on the homestead. Mr. Gibboney married again, his second wife being Jane McCrum, a native of Barree township. Both died on the homestead. Mr. Gibboney cast his earlier votes for Democratic candidates, but before the war of the Rebellion broke out he had become an ardent Republican. He was a devoted member of the Methodist Episcopal church, faithful in her service, and always active in whatever work was to be done.

Silas W. Gibboney was educated in a public school, held in a homely frame house, but owed his education largely to his own ambition and perseverance. He was also, as a boy, faithful in his attendance at Sunday-school. His

business life began, and has always continued, on the homestead, of which, since his father's death, he has had sole charge. Mr. Gibboney cultivates over 145 acres of land. He is very fond of horses, and takes a pride in raising superior blooded stock. He pays attention also to raising cattle, and has introduced into the valley some excellent breeds of sheep. He has by his application to business and his sensible and upright dealings, well merited the success he enjoys. He is much respected in the community; has served the township as supervisor for two terms, as auditor for three terms, and as assessor for three terms. He is a Republican.

The marriage of Silas W. Gibboney to Hannah Mary, daughter of Robert Aston, took place at Tyrone, Blair county, Pa., May 2, 1861. Mrs. Gibboney was born at Stone Creek, Barree township; her father was a farmer; he enlisted in the United States army, and died during the term of enlistment. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Gibboney are: Oliver, on the homestead, married to Fannie Livingston; Ella; Maggie, deceased; and Joseph M., deceased. Mrs. Gibboney and daughter are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

JOSEPH REED McCRUM, Masseysburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Barree township, May 7, 1831, son of George and Rebecca (Henry) McCrum. His grandfather, the elder George McCrum, was born in 1776, and was of Irish ancestry. He bought a farm of 200 acres in Barree township, which he cleared and improved, and upon which he built himself a log dwelling house and a barn. His wife's family name was McElhaney; their children were: Robert; James; John; William; George; Martha; Jane; Elizabeth; and Margaret. His wife died on the homestead; Mr. McCrum married again, but without issue. Both he and his second wife died in Barree township, and their remains are interred at Manor Hill. Mr. McCrum was a Democrat. George McCrum (2) was educated in the district school. He remained with his father on the homestead until he was twenty-one, and then learned carpentry, which was his vocation nearly all his life. He bought the farm of 260 acres, now the property of his son Joseph R., partially cleared and improved it, and turned his attention to farming and raising stock. Mr. McCrum was an indus-

trious, persevering worker, a good husband and father. His political views were Democratic. George McCrum was married in Barree township to Rebecca, daughter of Samuel Henry, a farmer of that township. Their children are: Henry, residing at Huntingdon, Pa.; Mary M. (Mrs. William P. Reed), of Clearfield county, Pa.; Catharine A. (Mrs. Abraham Snyder), of West township; Joseph Reed; John M., of Stone Creek, Pa.; Susanna J. (Mrs. Henry Wilson), of Oneida township, Huntingdon county. Mrs. Rebecca McCrum died in Oneida township in 1859. Mr. McCrum married again; his second wife was Eliza Fagan; they had no children. Mr. McCrum died on the homestead in 1877, and is interred at Manor Hill. Mrs. Eliza McCrum survived her husband, and died some time after at the home of his youngest daughter, Mrs. Wilson, in Oneida township. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Joseph R. McCrum received a common school education at Saulsburg and Masseysburg. He resided on the homestead with his father until 1860 or '61, when he was about thirty years old. He then rented a farm owned by Robert Moore, in West township; it contained 150 acres, which he cultivated for two years, returning after that to the homestead. He has ever since resided there, having come into possession of the farm upon the death of his father. Mr. McCrum has made some further improvements upon the farm, and is still engaged in cultivating it and raising stock. He is a Democrat. He takes a warm interest in educational matters, and favors the compulsory education law; he has been for twelve years in the school board, of which he is treasurer.

Joseph Reed McCrum was married in 1858, in Barree township, to Susanna, daughter of Charles Wolverton, a farmer of German descent, residing in Porter township, where Mrs. McCrum was born. Their children are: Charles G., deceased; Mary (Mrs. Henry Sheesley), of West township; John C., of Barree township; Mary J. (Mrs. James Grossman), of Barree township; Susanna A.; Watson; and Thomas. Mr. McCrum is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church; he grew up under the care of the church, in its Sunday-school. He has been a diligent worker, and has won for himself a place in the esteem of his neighbors and acquaintances.

SOLOMON TROUTWEIN, Manor Hill, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in York county, Pa., March 8, 1827, son of Nicholas and Margaret (Rudy) Troutwein. His grandfather, a German named Troutwein, whose first name is not recorded, came to this country during the Revolution, very probably among the troops auxiliary to the British forces, for he was among those captured by General Washington at Brandywine. When the war was over, Mr. Troutwein became a farmer in York county, where he married, and had five children: Nicholas, George, and three daughters whose names have not been preserved. Mr. Troutwein belonged to the Lutheran church. He died in York county. His elder son, Nicholas Troutwein, was well educated in the German language, but was not acquainted with English. He was brought up as a farmer, and persevered throughout life in that calling. In 1838 he removed from York to Huntingdon county, where he bought a farm of 206 acres in Barree township. He built four dwelling houses, a large barn and outhouses, planted an orchard, and made other improvements. He was both farmer and stock raiser. He was at first an old line Whig, and afterwards a Republican; he was a school director, and held other township offices, taking an interest in the affairs of the community. He was deacon and elder in the Lutheran church, and was always active in church business. His wife, Margaret Rudy, was born in York county, where they were married. Their children are: Daniel, of Cummingsville, Jackson township; Samuel, deceased; Solomon; Rebecca, deceased, wife of Alexander Gettis. Nicholas Troutwein died November 22, 1852, on the homestead, and is interred in the cemetery of Jackson township. His wife died in 1882, at the same place.

Solomon Troutwein received his education in York county and in Barree township, Huntingdon county, in the days when three months in the winter season was thought to be sufficient time for school instruction and training. At the age of twelve he began helping his father in the cultivation of his farm, and has always remained on the homestead. After the death of his father, he took charge of the farm, and worked for the support of his mother in her declining days. He still lives and labors in the same place, tilling the land and raising stock; he has made various needed im-

provements upon the property. Mr. Troutwein takes a lively interest in politics, as a member of the Republican party. He has been school director for fifteen years, and auditor of the township for twelve years.

Solomon Troutwein was married in 1861, in Barree township, to Mary Fleischer, a lady of German descent, born in Jackson township. Their children are: Samuel, on the homestead; Margaret (Mrs. Harry Orner), of Jackson township; Cora (Mrs. William Orner), of Jackson township; Annie; Eva; John, deceased; William, deceased; and Ada, deceased. Mr. Troutwein has been a deacon and is elder in the Lutheran church; he has attended conferences and synods as a representative of his congregation; is a worker, as teacher and superintendent, in the Sunday-school; is a trustee, and a member of the Lutheran church. Mr. Troutwein is highly esteemed for his upright life, his usefulness, and his genial and kindly manner.

JOSEPH B. MATEER, Manor Hill, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Miller township, October 9, 1849, son of Joseph and Ellen (Corbin) Mateer. William Mateer, his grandfather, was a farmer of Barree township; he was of Scotch-Irish parentage, but was born in Pennsylvania. His son Joseph, father of Joseph B. Mateer, was also a farmer, in that part of Barree township now included in Miller township, where he rented a farm, cultivated it and raised stock. He was Republican in his political views. He married Ellen Corbin, born in West township. Their children are: Martha (Mrs. Alexander Couch), of Miller township; James F., deceased; and Joseph B. Mr. Mateer died in Miller township, in 1850. His widow married again, returning to her maiden name; her second husband was Malaehi Corbin. She died in 1882.

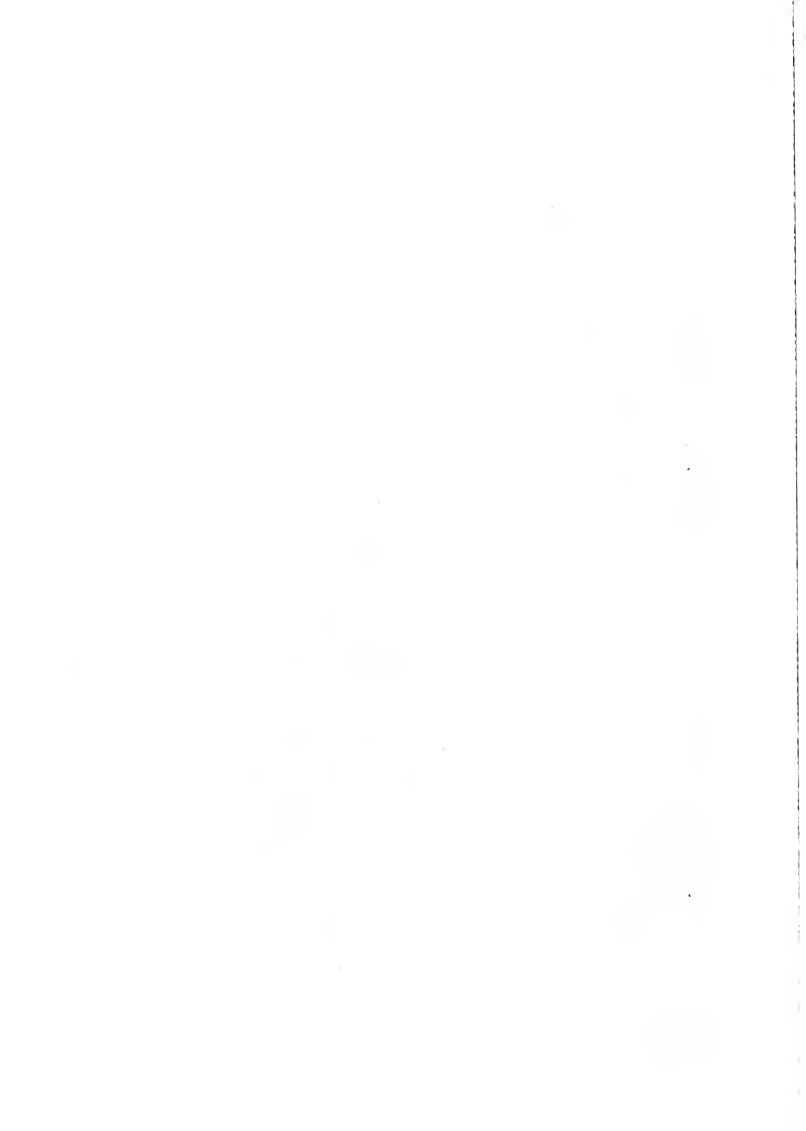
Joseph B. Mateer attended school in West township. He was brought up by his uncle, Benjamin Corbin, of that township, upon whose farm he worked until he reached the age of eighteen. He then worked as a "hand" on farms in Miller township for some time; after this he rented a farm in Oneida township, and had it under cultivation for a year; then farmed in Miller township for two years; then hired his services out by the month in Jackson township for two years. At the end

of this time, Mr. Mateer rented his uncle's farm in Oneida township; a year later he came to Miller township, and rented a farm for seven years; then worked a farm in Jackson township for four years; then rented a farm in Mifflin county, and worked it for four years; then took one in West township, Huntingdon county, and cultivated it for three years. Mr. Mateer then bought the sixty-seven acre farm in Barree township on which he now resides, engaged in cultivating it and raising stock. From boyhood to manhood, Mr. Mateer has been accustomed to diligent and useful labor; taking pleasure in accomplishing it thoroughly and well, without being discouraged by the roughness or difficulty of the task. He is kindly regarded and much respected in the community. His politics are Republican.

Joseph B. Mateer was married in 1870, in Barree township, to Kate, daughter of John L. Walker, farmer, of Jackson township, where Mrs. Mateer was born. Their children are: Edward, on the homestead; and Herbert. Mrs. Mateer is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

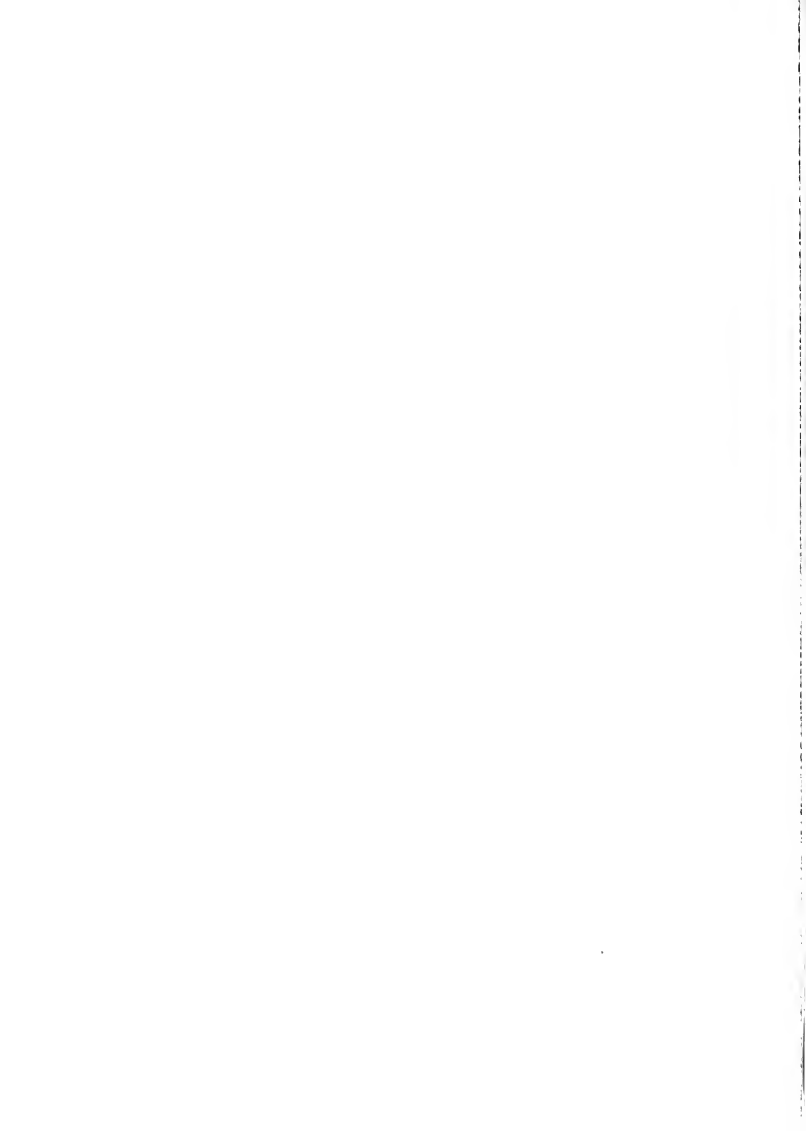
HARRISON C. CROWNOVER, farmer, Salsburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Stone Creek, Barree township (now Miller), September 4, 1841, son of Thomas and Susan (Uttley) Crownover. The father, Thomas, was born at Stone Creek, at which place his life was spent. Here he owned and operated a tract of upwards of 200 acres of land. Many useful and valuable improvements were made by him on his farm. He was married to Miss Susan Uttley, of Huntingdon county. Their family consisted of these children: Ellen, deceased; Elliott, deceased; Elijah, killed in the army; Margaret, widow of William Uttley, of Mifflin county; Brison, deceased; Harrison C.; Asbury L., who farms the homestead; and three others who died in infancy. In politics, Mr. Crownover was a Republican, and held at various times all the township offices. For sixty years he was connected with the Methodist church, with which denomination he took an active part in church work. His death, and that of his wife, occurred on the old homestead.

Harrison C. Crownover received his education in the public schools of Barree township and in the Cassville High School. Having acquired a good training, he taught school for





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several years in Jackson and Barree townships. During this period his summers were spent in farm work, and at the age of twenty-four he rented a farm in Miller township. Some time afterwards he purchased a farm of 125 acres on Warrior's Ridge, which he operated for six years. Having disposed of his property, he moved to Barree township, where he bought a farm of 100 acres, on which he built a fine house costing more than \$1,000, and made other improvements. In 1865 Mr. Crownover married Elizabeth C. Couch, born in Barree township in 1841, daughter of William and Phebe (Coy) Couch. Mr. Couch was of German descent and had a family of six children. Mr. and Mrs. Crownover have these children: William, farmer, Miller township, married Miss Ella French and have one child, Carrie; Thomas, farmer; Frank, farming in Porter township; Howard, teaching school in Barree township; John A., farmer; Walter, farmer; Maggie E.; and Frederick C., deceased. Mr. Crownover is a member of the Grange and is deeply interested in matters pertaining to the welfare of the organization. He is a Republican, and has served for ten years as school director, and three years as township auditor. In 1891 he was elected director of the poor by a majority of 800 votes, and in 1894 was re-elected by 1,800 majority, which shows that his efforts in behalf of the public welfare are appreciated. He is identified with the Methodist Episcopal church, taking an active interest in all matters pertaining to his congregation, in which he is serving as Sunday-school superintendent and as trustee and steward. The success which Mr. Crownover has achieved in life is due to his own efforts.

JAMES JOHNSTON, M. D., was born in Barree township, Huntingdon county, Pa., February 21, 1862, son of Samuel and Ann (McCartney) Johnston. James Johnston received his primary education in the public schools of West township, and afterwards attended the high school in Jackson township for five years. He then opened a store in Masseyburg, which he conducted for some years, carefully saving his profits. A fire, however, destroyed his stock at one time, by which he incurred a heavy loss. He retired from business in 1892, and began to read medicine with Dr. G. W. Lupter. One year later he entered the Baltimore City College of Phy-

sicians and Surgeons, where he spent three years, graduating with honors in the spring of 1896. In politics, the Doctor is a Democrat, and in church fellowship, worships with the Methodist Episcopal church. His success in life is due to his own efforts, and his popularity is deserved, because of his worth and character.

SAMUEL JOHNSTON, farmer, Masseyburg, Pa., was born in West township, Huntingdon county, Pa., May 5, 1822, son of James and Lydia (Graffius) Johnston. The father, James Johnston, was born in Kentucky and was of Scotch-Irish descent. From his native State he moved to Huntingdon and settled in Porter township, where he rented a farm and engaged also in stock raising. Removing from Porter township, he settled for a while in West township and then in Barree township on a farm of 180 acres, on which he made many improvements. He married, first, Miss Lydia Graffius, daughter of Nicholas Graffius, a farmer of West township. To this marriage these children were born: Elizabeth (Mrs. Samuel Erwin), deceased; Catharine (Mrs. William Hagam); Samuel; Matthew, deceased; Lydia (Mrs. George McCool), of Stone Creek; and one who died in infancy. Mrs. Johnston died in Barree township. Mr. Johnston's second wife was Sarah McMahon. They had two children: John and Alexander, both deceased. In politics, Mr. Johnston was a Democrat; in religious faith, a Presbyterian. He was a useful citizen, and his death, which occurred on the old homestead, was a severe blow to the community.

Samuel Johnston received his education in the public schools of Manor Hill and began life on the farm, where he remained and assisted his father until he was thirty years of age. At that time he rented a farm of 150 acres at Manor Ridge, where he remained for sixteen years. In 1883 he purchased a farm of 220 acres of land in Barree township, on which he made many improvements. He was married to Miss Ann McCartney, a native of Jackson township, and daughter of John McCartney. They have had seven children: Graffius, on the homestead; Blanchard, was conductor on the railroad, is deceased; Mary, widow of Henry Gabon; Bessie, wife of Allison Schock, of Huntingdon; James, a physician; Margaret, wife of Thomas Jackson,

and Emily, deceased. Mr. Johnston is a Democrat, and served as postmaster of Masseysburg nine years; he has also been supervisor. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and being a man of character and worth, is justly esteemed by his neighbors.

DAVID PORTER, farmer, Neffs Mills, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Logan township, July 27, 1853, son of James and Catharine (Sheasley) Porter. The father and grandfather were both named James. The latter grew up on the farm and then formed a partnership with his brother, Samuel, engaging in farming and stock raising. James married Miss Catharine Sheasley, a native of Dauphin county; for an account of her family see sketch of David Sheasley. Their children are: William, farmer of Franklinville; David; Lizzie; Mary; John, a miller; Annie; James; Miller; George; Jesse, who resides with David; and Edward, at home. For a number of years James Porter farmed the old homestead, and died there in 1892. He was a Democrat. He worshipped with the Presbyterian denomination. His widow still lives on the homestead.

David Porter received his education in the public schools of Logan township. His occupation has always been farming. He remained at home, assisting his father, until he was twenty-eight years of age. He then rented a farm of 130 acres in West township, near Mooresville, on which he resided six years. In 1887 he moved to his present place, where he has since been continuously engaged in farming and stock raising. His marriage to Miss Adria Hutchinson, a native of Barree township, and daughter of Lewis Hutchinson, occurred in West township in 1881.

To their union these children have been born: LeRoy, Vernon, Esther. Mr. Porter's political affiliations are with the Democratic party. He is connected with the Methodist Episcopal church. He has always been an industrious and progressive citizen, and justly merits the esteem of his neighbors.

AMON HONECK, Broad Top City, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Coffee Run, Lincoln township, Huntingdon county, October 2, 1842. He is the son of Lazarus and Ianthie (Crum) Honeck. Lazarus Honeck, father of Amon Honeck, was a native of Tod

township, the son of Michael and Sarah (Clark) Honeck, both of German descent. Mr. Lazarus Honeck farmed in Tod and Lincoln townships, later he moved to Broad Top City, where he died in 1881. Mr. Honeck was a Republican. He was justice of the peace of Lincoln township for two terms. Mr. Honeck was married to Ianthie, daughter of Henry and Catharine Crum, of Trough Creek. Their children are: Maria; Sarah, widow of John Seidel, of Broad Top City; Mahala, widow of Michael Decker, Williamsport, Pa.; Simpson H., Broad Top City; Amon; Caroline, deceased; Ezekiel, was killed in the army, June 17, 1864, near Petersburg; Nicholas, deceased; Abel W., killed in a stone quarry, 1871; Bryson, deceased; Michael, deceased; and Margaret, deceased. Mr. Honeck was a devout member and a class leader of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mrs. Honeck died in 1890.

Amon Honeck passed the first fourteen years of his life on the farm, working and attending the public schools of Lincoln township. When he left the farm he worked as a laborer in Broad Top City; spent two years as fireman in a steam saw-mill; then learned carpentry, and worked at that trade until the breaking out of the civil war. Mr. Honeck enlisted, April 4, 1864, at Hollidaysburg, Blair county, Pa., in the Eighty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Company E, Colonel Simons, Captain Johnson. He took part in the battles of the Wilderness, Spottsylvania Court House, Cold Harbor, Petersburg and Charles City Cross Roads. In this last engagement, which took place August 16, 1864, he was severely wounded in the right arm, and on the same day was taken to the field hospital, where his right arm was amputated at the shoulder joint. Mr. Honeck was then sent to the Satterlee hospital, West Philadelphia, where he spent thirteen months; during part of this time he attended school in Christian street. While in the hospital, he returned to Broad Top City on a furlough to cast his first presidential vote, which was for Abraham Lincoln. He was discharged September 2, 1865. Returning home a cripple, unfitted for manual labor, he became a book agent, and for several months he was fairly successful, selling the *Life of Lincoln* and the *Life of General Grant*. In February, 1866, he began business in Broad Top City, and in the same year he was appointed postmaster of that city, an office

which he held for a number of years. In 1871 Mr. Houck was elected sheriff of Huntingdon county, on the Republican ticket, with a majority of seven hundred and fifty, going ahead of his ticket. This office he held for over three years, the term being lengthened by the new Constitution, which was made while he was sheriff. During this time he resided in Huntingdon, discharging the duties of his office with credit to himself and satisfaction to the public. In March, 1875, Mr. Houck returned to Broad Top City and for twenty years kept a general store. He met with moderate success in business and was able to care for his aged parents and two sisters. He suffered severely during the financial panic of 1893; in the spring of 1896 he retired from business. Mr. Houck filled various offices in Broad Top City; he was tax collector, school director, councilman and Burgess of the city for several terms. In the summer of 1897 Mr. Houck bought some lots in Shippensburg, Pa., built himself a house, and removed to that borough, where he went into the retail coal business, and is still occupied with the same. He is an active and energetic member of the Republican party, zealous in all that pertains to its interests. He is also a member of I. O. O. F., No. 579, Broad Top City; of the P. O. S. of A., of the G. A. R., and the United States Main Soldiers' League; and of the Sons of Temperance. Mr. Houck is a genial companion, and is very popular.

Amon Houck was married in Broad Top City, Huntingdon county, October 26, 1871, to Annie J., daughter of Evan J. and Ann (Llewellyn) Jones, a native of Wales. Mr. Jones was a miner at Broad Top City. The children of this marriage are: Gertrude, deceased; Minnie H.; May E., deceased; Carrie L.; Amon E.; Evan Garfield; Maggie B.; Naomi P.; Florence; and William H., deceased. Mr. Houck is an earnest, active member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He has been a teacher and superintendent of the Sunday-school for a number of years, and a class leader for over fifteen years; he is a trustee of his congregation.

JOHN W. LYTLE, Coalmont, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Loysburg, Bedford county, Pa., November 15, 1832. He is the son of Benjamin C. and Lydia (Cole) Lytle. His grandparents were William and

Miriam (Carpenter) Lytle. William Lytle's son, Nathaniel, was the father of Milton S. Lytle, of Huntingdon, Pa. Benjamin Lytle, father of John W. Lytle, was born in Centre county, Pa. He received a fairly good education at Jersey Shore, Pa. Mr. Lytle learned tailoring with James Thompson at Birmingham, Huntingdon county, and worked at his trade in Hollidaysburg and Martinsburg, Blair county, and at Marklesburg, Huntingdon county. In 1853 Mr. Lytle abandoned his trade, and for six years was an agent for obtaining patent rights. He was justice of the peace in Hopewell and Lincoln townships for ten years. Mr. Lytle was a member of the Republican party. He filled the office of auditor of Carbon county for one term. Benjamin Lytle was married at Spruce Creek, to Lydia Cole, a native of Pennsylvania. Their children are: Emma, deceased, married John Stone, who died from the effects of a wound received at the battle of Gettysburg, afterwards married J. R. Weaver, of Shy Beaver, Pa.; John W.; Miriam; Benjamin, killed in the battle of Spotsylvania; Samuel, died young; Annie (Mrs. David Weaver), of Shy Beaver; James, living in the west; Augustus; and Josephine (Mrs. James S. Dieter), of Somerset county, Pa. Mr. Lytle was a member of the Baptist church, and was deeply interested in church affairs. He was an invalid for the last fifteen years of his life. He died in Entriken, Lincoln township, April, 1873. His wife died in Coalmont, December 24, 1882, at the home of her son, John W. Lytle.

John W. Lytle received a limited education in the schools of Penn township, and in a night school which he attended for some time. He began life as a day-laborer, working for wages for his father and for the farmers in Penn and Hopewell townships. During the autumn and winter, when the labors of the farm were over, he worked at tailoring. For three years Mr. Lytle was employed on the Huntingdon and Broad Top Railroad. In 1852 he spent four months as clerk for Black, Chalfont & Co., of Braddock's Field, Pa., and in 1853 entered upon his life work as a teacher. For forty-five years Mr. Lytle was a successful teacher in the schools of Huntingdon county. Many of his pupils, who have attained to high positions in the county, ascribe their success to his faithful and judicious care. At Barnetts-town he taught classic Latin. He

enlisted at Coffee Run, Huntingdon county, April 21, 1861, in Company D, Fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Colonel McDowell, Capt. B. F. Miller, of Huntingdon. Mr. Lytle took part in the second battle of Bull Run, the battles of South Mountain and of Antietam, where he was wounded in the leg and in the right side. He was in the hospital from September, 1862, to February, 1863, when he was discharged at Alexandria, Va. Returning to Huntingdon county, he again engaged in teaching, but his health was broken by the hardships of army life, and he was greatly hindered by sickness. Mr. Lytle was deputy burgess of Coalmont, and town clerk for six years. In 1886 he was appointed postmaster of Coalmont, and served four years. He was again appointed in September, 1893, and still holds that position. Mr. Lytle is highly esteemed and very influential in Coalmont. He is a member of the K. of M. of Pennsylvania; G. A. R., of Saxton, Heffner Post, No. 166; founder of the K. of A. of Coalmont; member of the Knights of Labor, of the Sons of Temperance, and of the Junior Sons of '76, F. I. or B. of Pa., Brotherhood of the Union, and of the order of G. T., and of E. L.

John W. Lytle was married in Tod township, January 28, 1864, to Annie E., daughter of Frederick Crum, of Tod township. Their children are: Horace G., resides with his father, John W. Lytle; Blanchard C., a mechanic of Pittsburg; Lydia K. (Mrs. James Brewer), of South Fork, Pa.; George, a miner in Broad Top, and Laura Grace, at home. The family, except Mr. and Mrs. John Lytle, are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. John W. Lytle and his wife were once Baptists, but for many years have attended no church organization, he himself having always been a liberal in principle. He believes that religion does not consist in form or mode of baptism, but in character and act.

ANDREW HICKES, Coalmont, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Newry, Blair county, Pa., June 22, 1820. He is the son of Peter and Eva (Spielman) Hickes. Mr. Hickes' father, Peter Hickes, a German by descent, was a native of Adams county. While he was quite young his father and mother died in Adams county, Pa. Peter was taken to Petersburg, Huntingdon county, and bound

to a shoemaker, Mr. Seavers, with whom he remained until he was twenty-one. When Mr. Hickes was of age he left Petersburg, and settled in Newry, Blair county, Pa., where he remained until his death, working at his trade almost all his life. Mr. Hickes was a Whig. He was a kind-hearted, upright man, much esteemed by his neighbors. He was married at Newry, Blair county, to Eva Spielman, of that place. Their children are: Andrew, Margaret, died in youth; Rebecca (Mrs. Joseph Harling); Elizabeth (Mrs. Captain John Beaton), of Huntingdon; Susan, widow of Michael Bergman, Cambria county, Pa.; Eliza (Mrs. Frederick George), Lilly Station, Pa.; and Mary, widow of Frederick Harling, Newry, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hickes died in Newry.

Andrew Hickes attended a subscription school in Blair county for a short time, but is almost entirely self-educated. Until he was twenty-one he lived with his uncle, Andrew Helderbrand, working with him on the farm. In 1841 he left the farm and found employment on the railroad, working for nine seasons as carman on the Portage Railroad. Mr. Hickes was too enterprising to remain long in this position. He removed to Indiana county, Pa., cultivated a farm of 196 acres, situated in Pine township, and dealt largely in stock. He also kept a hotel and was very successful financially. Unfortunately he was obliged to pay \$3,000 bail for two of his friends whom he had supposed to be honest men. This loss ruined his business, and he returned to Blair county. Two years later Mr. Hickes, not discouraged by his former failure, began life anew in Coalmont, Huntingdon county, as a day-laborer, shoveling coal and chopping lumber. He was industrious and thrifty, and in three years he had saved money and bought property. For the next twenty-four years Mr. Hickes worked as buckler and teamster in the Broad Top district. He then bought a farm in Tod township, and was at the time agent for the Huntingdon and Broad Top Railroad. Later he was made agent for the land, and also for the New York Coal and Iron Company, which position he occupied for sixteen years. Mr. Hickes was postmaster of Coalmont, receiving his appointment in 1869. In 1877 he added the agency of the Adams Express Company at Coalmont. In 1883 Mr. Hickes bought a general store in Coalmont

and became a successful merchant. He owns and operates a coal bank in Coalmont, where he employs twenty men. The opening of this coal bank cost more than \$2,000, but it has yielded largely and has well repaid the enterprising owner. Mr. Hiekes has twice lost his barn by fire. He had very little insurance, but he has built a large barn, 80x60 feet, the finest in the valley, on the site of the old barn; he has also erected a handsome dwelling. Mr. Hiekes is an active member of the Republican party, and voted for President McKinley. He is a member of the I. O. O. F. of Coalmont, and is highly esteemed in the community as progressive and enterprising. He has been elected to various offices; has been school director for three terms, tax collector for two and supervisor for three terms.

Andrew Hiekes was married in 1844 at Hollidaysburg, Blair county, to Margaret Johnson, a native of Blair county. Their children are: Thomas A., at home; John A., farmer in Hopewell township; Jane E., deceased; Catherine, storekeeper; and George, farmer in Tod township. Mr. and Mrs. Hiekes are members of the Methodist church. Mrs. Hiekes, although in her seventy-ninth year, is active in all good works. Mr. Hiekes is a genial, kind-hearted gentleman, well liked and influential, enjoying in his old age the well-earned fruits of his energy and enterprise. He has never known sickness and neither he nor any of his sons has ever touched liquor or used tobacco in any form.

JACOB HESS, merchant, Coalmont, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born March 19, 1834, in Penn township, son of Henry and Margaret (Wise) Hess. His grandfather, Jacob Hess, was a native of Germany. He settled in Penn township, where he purchased a farm of 250 acres, and also bought another farm in Tod township. He was married to Miss Elizabeth Zimmerman, by whom he had one child, Henry. Jacob Hess (1) was an old line Whig. His church fellowship was with the River Brethren. Henry Hess was born in Penn township, and educated in subscription schools. He was a farmer, both in Penn and Tod townships. He was married in Penn township to Miss Margaret Wise, of Bedford county. Their children were: Elizabeth (Mrs. Samuel Crum); Sarah (Mrs. Adam Clarkson), deceased; Jacob; Henry, a farmer

in Penn township; Abraham, of Colorado; Samuel, of Colorado; Nancy (Mrs. Thomas Smeton), of Iowa, deceased; Joseph, of Dudley; Adam, deceased; Margaret, deceased; William, of Grafton; and John, a brave soldier in the United States army, killed at Antietam. Mrs. Hess died in Penn township, and Mr. Hess married, secondly, Miss Mary Keller, by whom he had three children: Jackson, of Penn township, and two who died in infancy. Mr. Hess was a Republican.

Jacob Hess (2) attended the public schools of Tod and Penn townships, and spent his early days on the farm in Tod township. For seventeen years he cultivated a farm there, after which he sold his property and embarked in mercantile pursuits in 1880 at Coalmont. For the past seventeen years he has met with good success in this enterprise, and owns the store and dwelling house where he now resides. Mr. Hess is a staunch Republican, and has served as assessor of Carbon township. An enterprising and progressive citizen, an honest and able man, he is justly respected and esteemed.

Jacob Hess was married in 1854, in Tod township, to Elizabeth, daughter of James Gilam, a merchant of Huntingdon, Pa. Their children are: Esther (Mrs. George Hiekes); James, of Carbon township; Mary (Mrs. William Snare), of Illinois. Mr. Hess is superintendent of the Methodist Episcopal Sunday-school, and also steward of the church.

HENRY R. SHEARER, book-keeper for the Rock Hill Iron and Coal Company, Robertsdale, Huntingdon county, was born September 26, 1828, in Hamilton township, Franklin county, Pa., son of Gideon and Sarah (Moore) Shearer. His grandfather, Michael Shearer, was born in Lancaster county, of German parentage. He owned a farm of 110 acres in Franklin county, and his death occurred in Chambersburg, where he was living retired. He married Miss Rhodes; their children were: Michael; Lydia; Elizabeth; Gideon; and one daughter who died unnamed. Mrs. Shearer died on the farm in Franklin county. She and her husband were faithful members of the German Reformed church. Gideon Shearer was born in Franklin county, and farmed there until he removed to Tell township, Huntingdon county, where he cultivated and improved a farm of 150 acres. He

was married in Franklin county to Sarah, daughter of John Moore, land owner, of Irish descent. Their children were: Henry R.; and Elizabeth, deceased. Mrs. Shearer died in 1886 at the home of her son Henry R. Gideon Shearer was an old line Whig. He was a Presbyterian.

Henry R. Shearer was educated in the public schools of Tell township, in one of the typical school houses of the early days. Until the death of his father, Henry remained at home and worked on the farm. He then removed to Shade Gap, where he ran a line of mail coaches for four years from Mt. Union to Chambersburg. He next entered mercantile business at Shade Gap, and continued it for eight years. In 1876 he moved to Robertsdale and became book-keeper for the Rock Hill Iron and Coal Company, and also for Royer & Co. He has served with credit to himself and satisfaction to his employers. Besides his other pursuits, Mr. Shearer taught school for some time, having prepared himself at the Milnwood Academy. He was married at Yellow Springs, Pa., in 1858, to Christina D., daughter of John Kulm, of Blair county. Their children are: Sarah, deceased; S. Jennie, Martha E., Annie J., William C., deceased; Harry G., Laura D., book-keeper with her father.

Mr. Shearer is a Republican and has served as school director, secretary of the school board and judge of the elections. He is an elder in the Presbyterian church and has served as teacher and superintendent in the Sunday-school. He is a member of the building committee and is treasurer. He is a worthy man, and much respected.

REV. JOHN PALMER, Dudley, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born August 15, 1828, in Monmouthshire, England, son of John and Ann Palmer. John Palmer was a native of England and came to this country in 1849, settling in Cumberland, Md. His family consisted of twelve children, of whom four are living: Sarah, widow of Benjamin Spersey, of Frostburg, Md.; Rebecca (Mrs. Thomas Jenkins), Frostburg, Md.; Anna, widow of Matthew Powell, Altoona, Pa.; and John. Mr. Palmer was a Republican. He was a member of the Methodist Protestant denomination. He died in 1877, in Somerset county, Pa.

Rev. John Palmer was educated in his na-

tive country, and followed mining until twenty-five years of age, when he sailed for America and landed seven weeks later in New York City. He soon found employment in the Broad Top coal mines in Huntingdon county, Pa. Many years of his life were spent in the Dudley mines, in which he served as mine boss and for three years as superintendent. He retired from mining in 1891. Early in life Mr. Palmer became a local preacher in the Primitive Methodist church, and preached both in England and South Wales. In Baltimore he was ordained deacon, and in Sharpsburg, Pa., was made an elder. He has preached in Dudley for thirty years. He organized the first Sabbath-school at that place, and made strenuous and successful efforts to secure a church building. For many years he has been class leader, and Sunday-school superintendent for thirty-five years, and is ever ready to render aid to the needy. His temperance principles are pronounced, and govern his conduct absolutely. He has served three years as school director, two terms as assessor, and one term as Burgess of Dudley. He is highly esteemed for his worth and ability.

Rev. John Palmer was married, first, in England, to Miss Harriet Matthews, by whom he had three children, one of whom, Matilda, widow of Rev. Mr. Stauffer, of Altoona, survives. Mrs. Palmer died in Dudley in 1857. He married, secondly, Miss Catharine Stinson, of Huntingdon county. Their children are: Harriet (Mrs. C. H. Reed); Lillian (Mrs. Samuel Hess), of Johnstown; John W., married Lizzie, daughter of Levi Reed, November 12, 1895, station agent of Huntingdon and Broad Top Railroad, Dudley.

WILLIAM WEAVER, Shy Beaver P. O., Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Hopewell township, March 23, 1823, son of Henry and Rachel (Bryan) Weaver. His grandfather, Jacob Weaver, came to America from his native country, Holland, when a young man, and first settled in Maryland, in or near Hagerstown. In 1791 he came with his wife and children, following the trail of the Indian, to Huntingdon county, where he took up a tract of land in Hopewell township. This land he sold, and afterwards settled on another farm, containing 500 acres. Here he made improvements, raised stock and dealt

in land, meeting with success in his operations. He died in Hopewell township. His son, Henry Weaver, was born after the removal to Pennsylvania. He was all his life a farmer in Hopewell township, where he owned 500 acres, of which he sold two hundred and cultivated the remainder. He built a house and barn, and added other improvements. He gave some attention to stock raising. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Weaver are: Ruth, widow of John Bowser; Sarah, wife of Abraham McGahan, of Williamsport, Pa.; John B., on the homestead; William; Matilda, wife of David Helsel, of Blair county, Pa.; Harriet, wife of L. Crager, of Lincoln township; Catherine, wife of John Buchanan, of Illinois; Elizabeth, deceased, wife of Joseph Edwards; George B., deceased; Daniel, of Saxton, Bedford county, Pa.; Martha, deceased, wife of William Cyphers; James, deceased, and Henry, deceased. Henry Weaver was a Democrat; he took an active part in township business. He was a member of the Reformed church. Both parents died on the homestead.

Their second son, William Weaver, attended the common schools of Hopewell township, and began active life on the farm with his father. He resided on the homestead until 1843, when he bought 100 acres of the homestead farm, and has ever since cultivated that land. He also bought 400 acres in Hopewell township and in Bedford county, all of which is cultivated under his direction. He pays attention likewise to raising stock. Mr. Weaver was for six years in the school board of the township, and was supervisor for four terms. He is a Democrat. In 1889 he was a candidate for the office of associate judge, and, although defeated by the Republican candidate, had a very large vote. He is an enterprising man. That he did not enlist during the war of the Rebellion arose from no lack of patriotism and of energy, but was because he was rejected on account of disability.

William Weaver was married in Blair county in 1852 to Lydia Smith, a native of Pottsville, Pa. Their children are: Isaac, on the homestead, married Jennie, daughter of Bryson Houck, of Tod township, and had two children, who are deceased; Oliver, on the homestead, is married to Margaret Moyers; and two children who died in infancy. Mr. Weaver is a member of the Lutheran church,

and a faithful worker in the Sunday-school, which he has served as teacher and superintendent. He has attended all the Sunday-school conventions held in the county. Mr. Weaver is a useful and influential member of the community, in which he is well liked and much respected.

JOHN B. WEAVER, Shy Beaver P. O., Huntingdon county, Pa., was born on the homestead, in Hopewell township, March 26, 1817, son of Henry and Rachel (Bryan) Weaver. A sketch of the older members of the family appears in connection with that of William Weaver, brother of John B.

John B. Weaver was educated in the common school of Hopewell township, with its log walls, unglazed windows and plank benches; in spite of which homely surroundings, he acquired a fairly good education. He has spent his entire life on the homestead. His father dying when he was but twelve years of age, Mr. Weaver, as the eldest son, was obliged very early to work for the support of his mother and the family, cultivating the 130 acres on which they had their home. He did this with faithful diligence, and showed his enterprise by adding improvements to the farm. His life was such as to win for him the confidence of the community in which he lived. He was in the school board for fifteen years, and was at different times elected supervisor, assessor and tax collector. He is of the "free silver" party.

John B. Weaver was married in Hopewell township, July 3, 1844, to Rebecca, daughter of Leonard Weaver, farmer of that township. Their children are: Lucy; Leonard W., on the homestead; Ida, died March 28, 1897; Reuben; Jackson; Francis; Alfred; Luther; John W.; Isabella; Howard; Susan; all of these, except the first two sons, are deceased; two infants besides died not named. Mrs. Weaver died March 29, 1877. Mr. Weaver is a member of the Reformed church.

JOHN W. RUSSELL, Shy Beaver P. O., Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Hopewell township, April 30, 1844, son of Jacob and Catherine (Weaver) Russell. George Russell, his grandfather, was a farmer of the same township, owning over 600 acres of land, on which he built a dwelling, barns, etc. He came to Huntingdon from Berks county in

1795. He died in Hopewell township. His son, Jacob Russell, was also a large land owner and a farmer, having 500 acres of land, which he improved and cultivated. He filled the offices of tax collector and supervisor of Hopewell township. He was a Democrat. Jacob Russell married Catherine, daughter of Christian Weaver, of Hopewell township. They had ten children: Susanna, deceased, wife of William Fisher, of Illinois; David, of Hopewell township; Isaac, on the homestead; Mary (Mrs. Thomas Kirk), of Hopewell township; John W.; Abraham, of Hopewell township; Samuel, of Hopewell township; Daniel, of Bedford county, Pa.; James, resides with his brother John W.; and Rosanna, deceased, wife of Philip Brumbaugh. Mr. Russell died in 1869, and his wife in 1873. He was a member of the Reformed church, a good and respected man.

John W. Russell obtained his education in the schools of Hopewell township and at Martinsburg, Blair county, Pa. He taught school in Hopewell township for twelve terms, having been in charge of one school eleven years. He resided on the farm with his father until he was twenty-one years of age; he was then for two years employed as repairman on the Huntingdon and Broad Top Railroad, after which he began farming on his own account, on the place where he now resides. He owned 110 acres, and built upon his property a fine dwelling, at a cost of over \$1,200, and a barn costing \$1,100, besides making other improvements. Mr. Russell also has lime pits on the farm. He gives some attention to raising stock. He is a very active and enterprising business man; owns two other farms, one containing 149 acres, in Woodberry township, Blair county, and one in Bedford county, of 424 acres. On both of these tracts he has built dwellings, barns, etc. Mr. Russell takes a very deep interest in education; he was for twenty-four years in the school board of the township. For three years he was supervisor, and he has also been assessor and tax collector. He is a Democrat. He was elected justice of the peace in 1892, and has filled the office satisfactorily, giving evidence of good judgment and impartiality.

Mr. Russell is a member of the Reformed church, and a worker in its Sunday-school; a man of sterling worth, and highly respected.

WILLIAM S. ENYEART, justice of the peace and tanner, Puttstown, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Marklesburg, Penn township, December 19, 1847, son of Jackson and Jane (Shirley) Enyeart. William Enyeart, grandfather of William S., was a native of Huntingdon county, and one of the first settlers in Penn township. He owned a farm, which he cultivated with diligence and built thereon a fine house and barn, besides making other necessary improvements. His marriage occurred in Huntingdon county; he was the father of twenty-one children, all deceased except Margaret, widow of Jefferson Simonton, of Marklesburg. Mr. Enyeart was a Democrat. He was a member of the Lutheran church. His son, Jackson Enyeart, was born in Penn township in 1820. He was a carpenter, contractor and builder. He built the largest part of Marklesburg, and moved from that place to Hopewell township, where he farmed ten years. At the end of this time he purchased a tannery in Puttstown and conducted it, under the firm name of Enyeart & Son, for ten years, when he retired from business. He married Miss Jane Shirley, born in Martinsburg, Blair county, Pa., in 1823, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Clapper) Shirley. Their children are: William S.; Alice (Mrs. Andrew Kagey), of Kansas; Frank, salesman; John, clerk; C. Grant, chief clerk of the Duquesne steel works, Duquesne, Pa. In 1876 Mr. Enyeart died; his wife survives and resides in Puttstown. He was a Republican, and served as school director. His worthy character gained the hearty esteem of his neighbors.

William S. received his primary education in the public schools of Penn and Hopewell, and completed his training in the Marklesburg Seminary. His early life was spent on a farm in Hopewell township, assisting his father, after which he was for ten years his father's partner in the tanning business. Upon the retirement of the father, his brothers entered the business, and the firm became W. S. Enyeart & Bros. At the end of ten years he assumed full control, purchasing the shares of his brothers and conducting the business with splendid success. He also owns a farm of 247 acres in Hopewell township, on which many improvements have been made, including the erection of a fine barn.

The former barn was destroyed by fire in 1885, involving a loss of \$2,000, the stock and farm implements all being destroyed.

William S. Enycart was married in Bedford county, in 1872, to Miss Annie L. Stoler, born in Woodecock valley, Huntingdon county, daughter of Daniel and Maria (Flook) Stoler. Their children are: Mary; George W.; Daniel E.; Flora C. and Maria S. Mr. Enycart is very much in favor of compulsory education; he served as school director for fifteen years. He is a staunch Republican, was tax collector for the county several terms, and was elected justice of the peace in 1889 by an overwhelming majority. His fitness is shown by the fact that his decisions are invariably sustained by the higher court. He served as jurymen in the United States Court at Pittsburg on an important case recently. A deed for the farm owned by Mr. Enycart in Hopewell township, dated May 20, 1794, was from Robert Morris and wife, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, the instrument being drawn in favor of Andrew Henderson. Mr. Enycart is a member of the German Reformed church, and is an enterprising and progressive citizen.

ZACHARY KEATLEY, Franklinville, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at the village of Oak Hall, Centre county, Pa., August 24, 1858. He was the son of Matthew G. and Rebecca (Ludwig) Keatley. Mr. Keatley's grandfather was of Irish descent. He taught school, and for many years before his death was justice of the peace in Centre county. His wife was of Scotch descent. Matthew G. Keatley, father of Zachary Keatley, was born in Centre county Pa., in November, 1819. His childhood was spent in Centre county. When he was ten years old his parents died. He learned plastering and worked at that trade until 1849, when, in company with Mr. Kendel, he started a woolen mill at Houserville, Centre county. This partnership continued for five years, when Mr. Keatley moved to Oak Hall, and rented Irving's woolen mill. Here he remained for five years, and then moved to Franklinville, and started a woolen mill on Spruce creek. He was a Republican, an active worker, eager for the success of his party. Mr. Keatley was ambitious and energetic, thoughtful for others, and ever ready to help those in distress. He died April 11,

1885, and is buried in Franklinville cemetery. As a good business man, his loss was felt by the entire community. His wife died April 7, 1887. Their children are: Edmund, employee of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, at Altoona; Zachary, and Ida, wife of George B. White, of Newport, Perry county, Pa. When Zachary was four years old his parents moved to Franklin township, Huntingdon county. He attended the township schools until he was ten years old, when he entered his father's mill at Franklinville. He was so small that he was obliged to stand on a platform. Working in all departments, he acquired a thorough knowledge of the business, and when his father died in the spring of 1885 he took entire charge of the mill. In 1887 his mother died, and he formed a partnership with his brother Edmund, which lasted until the spring of 1888, when they closed the mill. Mr. Keatley set up a cider press in the building, and it has been used for that purpose ever since. In 1891 Mr. Keatley bought the homestead property of 599 acres, with a house and barn. In May, 1892, he was appointed postmaster of Franklinville, a position which he still holds. He has served as auditor and tax collector, and has been clerk of the township for many years. In 1896 he was appointed mercantile assessor for the year.

Zachary Keatley was married in Juniata county, February, 1887, to Miss Hannah J. Hoke. Mrs. Keatley is a member of the Presbyterian church; her husband practices the teachings of the Golden Rule. Their children are: Matthew G.; and Nellie Gertrude.

GEORGE W. MATTERN, Franklinville, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born on the old Mattern homestead, March 15, 1810. He is the son of Jacob and Jane (Wareham) Mattern. George Mattern, grandfather of George W. Mattern, was married in Germany to Catharine Shook, and came to America about 1732 or '33. For a short time he rented a farm in one of the eastern counties of Pennsylvania, but settled in Maryland, where his family lived until 1780. In 1779 he bought 300 acres of wild land in Franklin township, Huntingdon county, and sent three of his sons to build a log cabin, in which they lived for many years. In the next spring the family moved to their new home; their goods were carried in wagons, the family walking beside them.

When the deeds for Mr. Mattern's land were made out at Harrisburg, that city was only a small village. The children of this couple were: George; Adam; John; Jacob; Elizabeth (Mrs. Freeman Curtis); David and Catharine, twins, Catharine married Andrew Trubey; Andrew; Abraham, who died in his twenty-fourth year in 1796; the headstone for his grave was carved from a large mountain rock. George Mattern was a member of the Lutheran church. He died about 1812, at a ripe old age. His wife survived him several years, and died aged ninety. In June, 1895, their descendants, numbering about one thousand, held a reunion at Warriors Mark. A second meeting was appointed for June 24, 1897.

Jacob Mattern, father of George W. Mattern, was born in Maryland. While he was quite young his parents moved to Huntingdon county; he remained at home with them, and helped to clear the land. He married Miss Jane Wareham, who died in 1814. He had eight children; those deceased are: Catharine (Mrs. Samuel Conrad); John W.; David B.; Jacob; Mary (Mrs. William Stevens), of Indiana county, Pa.; and Elias. The surviving children are: George W. and Andrew, residing in Huntingdon, Ind. Mr. Mattern's second wife was Elizabeth Markley, who died in 1829. Their children are: Elizabeth (Mrs. George Shoup), living in Ohio; Henry, died in Indiana; Sarah, widow of John B. Thompson, Altoona, Pa.; Matilda, wife of Major Alexander Bawb, Martinsburg, Pa., and William, a wealthy oil merchant, of Clarion county, Pa. Mr. Mattern's third wife was Catharine Fetterhoff. They had two children; one, Rebecca (Mrs. Samuel Miller), is dead; the other, Jeremiah O., resides in Blair county, Pa. He died at the homestead in 1852, aged eighty-two.

George W. Mattern was educated in the schools of Franklin township. For many years he attended the school held in the old George Amshutz stone mill; his teachers, many of them very severe, used the rod without stint. He grew up on the farm and frequently indulged in hunting and fishing. The country abounded in game, deer, raccoons, wildcats and smaller animals. He was very successful, sometimes killing three deer in one day. Wolves were quite numerous, and often became so bold as to attack the cattle; at one time they killed a calf belonging to Mr. Mont-

gomery, a near neighbor. Mr. Mattern's father was heavily in debt, and he, remaining on the home farm, helped to clear it of incumbrance. He worked the farm for his father by the month, from 1835 until his father's death, when he bought the homestead. In the autumn of 1873 Mr. Mattern retired from business and moved to Warriors Mark, where he has lived quietly for eighteen or nineteen years. He is very intelligent, a good talker, and has a wonderful memory, recalling many things that occurred when he was only five years old. Mr. Mattern is a staunch Republican, always supporting the ticket. He cast his first vote in 1830, and has never missed an election. He has voted for sixteen presidents, and has been twenty times a delegate to county conventions. He served very acceptably as county commissioner in 1857-58-59. Of all the comrades with whom he played on old Spruce creek, he alone survives.

George W. Mattern was married in Franklin township, October, 1840, to Jane, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Stewart) McPherson, of Franklin township. She was a Presbyterian, but Mr. Mattern being a Lutheran, after her marriage she connected herself with that church. Mrs. Mattern was active in church work, interested in charities and highly esteemed in the community. She died in August, 1872, and is buried in the Lutheran cemetery in Franklin township. Their children are: Albert J., merchant at Tyrone, married Miss Annie Garner, of Rock Springs, Pa.; Amanda, wife of William H. Flanner, of Tyrone; and John S., married Miss Annie Patterson.

John S. Mattern was born May 18, 1849. He was educated in the schools of the township. Brought up as a farmer's boy, he has never changed his occupation. Like his father, he is a Republican, and takes an active interest in politics. The children of John S. and his wife Annie Mattern are: Charlotte; George W.; Harriet N.; Samuel P.; J. Albert; Chester, deceased; Frank H.; and R. Milton.

ROBERT A. ZENTMYER, Spruce Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Huntingdon Furnace, April 24, 1861. He is the son of David and Susan (Kinch) Zentmyer. John Zentmyer, grandfather of Robert Zentmyer, was born in Franklin county, Pa., near

the South Mountains, not far from Pen Mar, about 1806. In 1831 he went to Springfield Furnace, Blair county, where he remained for some time, after which he moved to Spruce Creek valley to the farm now owned by the heirs of Robert L. Henderson. He then rented one of the farms of the Huntingdon Furnace Company, and in 1866 bought a farm in Porter township, Huntingdon county, where he resided until his death. He was well known as Major Zentmyer, having held that rank in the State militia. He married Margaret Gates, of Blair county, who died about 1889. Mr. Zentmyer died in 1891; he and his wife are buried in a small graveyard on the farm. Their children are: Isabella, wife of David Kinch, of Altoona; David; Frank, enlisted in Company I, Fifth Pennsylvania Reserves, was wounded at Fredericksburg, and died in Libby Prison; Priscilla, wife of E. C. Kinch, resides near Altoona; Porter, secretary and treasurer of the Clearfield Manufacturing Company; Miles, attorney in Schuyler, Neb.; Margaret, wife of David C. Stine, Bellefonte, Pa.; John W., insurance solicitor, resides in Blair county; Benjamin, on the homestead; and George, who died young.

David Zentmyer was born at Springfield Furnace, Blair county. His parents moved to a farm near Spruce Creek, in Huntingdon county, where he worked with his father, who was a jobber in lumbering. In May, 1861, he enlisted in Company I, Fifth Pennsylvania Reserves. This company, known as the Scott Infantry, was one of the old militia companies, organized before the war. They were mustered into service at Harrisburg and sent to the front in July, 1861. He enlisted as orderly sergeant, became second, then first lieutenant, and on the promotion of Captain Dare to colonel of the regiment, commanded the company for some time. At the time of his death he was adjutant of the regiment, with the rank of first lieutenant. He was in active service for eighteen months and took part in many battles. He was killed in the battle of Fredericksburg, December 13, 1862, and buried on the field. Mr. Zentmyer's widow is living in Franklinville.

Robert A. Zentmyer was an only child. His boyhood was spent on the farm; he attended the public school, and when he was eighteen entered Juniata College, graduating in the teachers' and business course in 1882. For

five years he was principal of the public schools of Curwensville and New Washington. In 1887 he became assistant superintendent of the Britton Coal and Coke Company of Philadelphia, in West Virginia, which position he held for a year and a half. Returning to Clearfield county, he located at Madera, and for four years was employed in surveying, mining engineering, and as a coal contractor. In 1893 he went to Huntingdon Furnace, as book-keeper and assistant manager of the Huntingdon Furnace estate. This position he held for a year and then took charge of a grist mill belonging to the estate. Two years later, May 15, 1896, he was again made assistant manager for the estate. Mr. Zentmyer's politics are Republican. For thirteen years he has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and takes a prominent part in all church work.

SIDNEY A. KEEFER, Birmingham, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Warrior's Mark township, Huntingdon county, December 12, 1867. He is a son of Joseph and Rebecca (Chamberlain) Keefer. His father, Joseph Keefer, was born in Fulton county, Pa., 1829. His parents moved to Spruce Creek, where he was educated and learned wagon-making, at which he worked for some years. Mr. Keefer was a member of the Democratic party; he never sought office. He married Rebecca Chamberlain, of Warrior's Mark township, and settled in Franklin township. He died in Warrior's Mark township in August, 1894. Mrs. Keefer is still living. Their children are: William W., who learned watchmaking, but now manufactures mineral water at Lancaster, Pa.; Francis, member of P. O. S. of A., and merchant in Ironsfield; Mary (Mrs. John Riley), of Altoona, Pa.; Ella, wife of Dr. Fickes, of Tyrone; Sidney A.; Warren J., and Carl.

Sidney A. Keefer received his education in the public schools of Eden Valley, Warriors Mark township. At the age of fourteen, he began to contribute towards the support of the family, commencing work at the ore banks as a mule driver for seventy-five cents a day. His ability was rewarded by an advance to one dollar a day. After some years Mr. Keefer turned his attention to contracting, to loading cars, etc. He next went to

work in a stone quarry, receiving seventy-five cents a day for the first month, eighty for the second, and afterwards one dollar and fifteen cents a day. At intervals he worked for farmers. When bridge No. 7 was being constructed, Mr. Keefer was made night-watchman. Just before the bridge was completed, in February, 1889, he was appointed superintendent of the Keystone limestone quarry, which position he still holds.

MICHAEL HAMER, Tyrone, Pa., son of Moses and Elizabeth (Householder) Hamer, was born in Walker township, Huntingdon county, April 23, 1836. His paternal grandfather was born in Ireland, where he married, and soon after emigrated to America. He settled in Marklesburg, Penn township, where he farmed during the rest of his life; he died aged about eighty. He was a soldier in the war of 1812. He and his wife both died in Marklesburg. Their children, all deceased, were as follows: Collins; Thomas; Solomon; Moses; Samuel. Moses Hamer was born, it is supposed, in Huntingdon county, where he was reared a farmer boy and grew up on his father's farm. He married, and settled in Walker township on a farm, which by hard work and industry became his own. He was an active worker in the Reformed church, in which he held office continually. He was favorably known and highly esteemed for his many good qualities. He died in Walker township in 1888, at the age of eighty-seven; Mrs. Hamer died aged sixty-three. Their children are: Thomas, deceased, was a farmer in Walker township, married Elizabeth Grove, who is also deceased; Martha (Mrs. James Watson), of Walker township; Mary (Mrs. Joseph Isenberg), of McConnellstown, Pa.; Michael; Moses, a farmer in McConnellstown; John, a farmer in Walker township; Susan, deceased; Margaret (Mrs. John Peightel), died in Walker township; Elizabeth (Mrs. James Woods), of Walker township; and Samuel, who died in youth.

Michael Hamer was educated in the public schools of his native place. During vacations, he worked on the farm, and when he was twenty years old he went to learn the business of milling with his uncle, Solomon Hamer, at McAlexy's Fort, Huntingdon county. He served three years, receiving on an average

\$15 a month, which sum did not enable him to save much. At the end of his apprenticeship, he rented of Colonel Worden a mill in Walker township, which he operated for five years; he then went to Tipton, Blair county, where he rented a mill of William Dyserf for one year; then to Bald Eagle Furnace, Blair county, for four years. During the four years' milling at the last named place, he cleared over \$8,000. He then removed to Huntingdon Furnace for three years; then to Huntingdon, where he lived a retired life for three years. Thus thoroughly recuperated, he came to Tyrone, and bought the steam flouring mill, which he ran successfully for four years, then sold out and in 1877 bought what was known as the Logan Spring flouring mill, which name he changed to the Minneapolis flour mill; and this property he has owned ever since. Mr. Hamer is a staunch Republican. During his twenty-five years' residence in Tyrone he served as councilman for many terms. He removed to Warriors Mark township in the spring of 1896.

Michael Hamer was married in Walker township in 1857, to Elizabeth, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Mason) Norris. Their children are: John, married Miss Owens, is in the electric light and telephone business; and Lydia (Mrs. James Morrow), of Wells-ville, N. Y. Mr. Hamer is a member of the Presbyterian church at Tyrone, of which he has been a deacon for a quarter of a century. He is highly esteemed for his many virtues.

DANIEL GRAZIER, deceased, of Warriors Mark, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of Michael and Mary (Beck) Grazier, was born March 31, 1820, on the farm on which he resided all his life. His grandfather, Joseph Grazier, was born in Germany and came to this country in 1787. The circumstances of his leaving his native land were as follows: Being very fond of hunting he had ever regarded the game laws of his country as unjust, and one day while in the mountains, he saw a fine deer, which he shot at and killed. This fact becoming known, he was to suffer banishment, but he resolved to come to America instead. The family landed presumably at New York, and made their way to Huntingdon county, settling on a large tract of land in Warriors Mark township,

which they at once proceeded to clear. But while this work was going on, sad to relate, the father was killed by the falling of a tree. Some years later, the tract was divided into five farms, each of the five sons settling on a farm. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Grazier are buried in the old cemetery in Warriors Mark. Their children were: Michael; John, died in Warriors Mark township; Peter, deceased; Henry, deceased; Nicholas; and twin girls, Christina and Elizabeth, the former married to Vincent Stevens, and the latter to Mr. Beck. Four of the brothers married four sisters of Vincent Stevens.

Michael Grazier was born in Germany in 1783, and was only four years old when his parents brought him to America. He settled on one of the farms left by his father, and afterwards bought the one belonging to his brother Nicholas, who went West, and settled on the banks of the Ohio river, where he died. Mrs. Michael Grazier was Miss Mary Beck. Her husband was a member of the Lutheran church and she was a Dunkard. For a long time the Dunkards held meetings at their home, and she would often prepare a bountiful dinner for all at the end of the service. They had the following children: Catharine, born December 3, 1806, married Jacob Nearhoof, deceased, of Warriors Mark township, and has been blessed with such health and strength that in her ninety-first year she still does her own work; Christina, born October 20, 1808, married Henry Kreider, both deceased; Mary, born February 22, 1811, died in infancy; Elizabeth, born October 7, 1813, married Andrew Green, both now deceased, was the mother of eight children, only one of whom she ever saw, having become blind at the birth of her first child; Joseph B., deceased, was born August 17, 1815, was a farmer, and married Mary Webb; Nancy, born January 17, 1818, married James Bell, both deceased; Daniel; Samuel, born November 17, 1822, farmer in Warriors Mark township, married Caroline Madara; Susanna, deceased, born May 20, 1825, married Caleb Guyer, who now lives in Tyrone; Jeremiah, born August 31, 1828, died in Warriors Mark township, married Catharine Miller, who survives him. Mr. and Mrs. Michael Grazier both died on the farm, the father in

1850, and the mother July 27, 1841, aged fifty years, six months and twenty-seven days. They are buried in the family cemetery.

Daniel Grazier had few opportunities for an education when young, his service being needed on the farm, so that if he could go to school one day in a week he was fortunate. In those days wheat was threshed on the barn floor, and rye was threshed with what was called a "poverty pole;" of course such primitive methods demanded the services of many hands. He grew up on the homestead farm. Standing at the door of their home in those early days he many a time saw four or five deer gamboling on the hillside, but he was not inclined to hunt. On September 14, 1848, he was married in Ferguson township, Centre county, to Elizabeth Rider, daughter of Michael and Barbara (Kriger) Rider. After their marriage they went to housekeeping on the old farm, where, the mother having died, the young wife kept house for all. Following the death of the father in 1850, the property was appraised, Daniel and his brother taking it at the appraisement, and later the former bought his brother's interest in the farm, which now consists of 120 acres of arable land and 180 acres of woodland. He erected his present house, and has made other improvements. Mrs. Grazier died in May, 1883, in the sixty-first year of her age. She was a devout Christian, a member of the Methodist church at Warriors Mark, always taking the greatest interest in church affairs; a member who was dearly beloved by all. She is buried in the family cemetery in Warriors Mark. Mr. Grazier was also a member of the Methodist church, has held the office of trustee, and was a class leader for many years. Some time previous to building a church, the Methodist congregation held protracted meetings in his barn. The children of this family were: Frances, married Rev. M. C. Piper, resides in Mercer county, Pa.; Catharine (Mrs. C. W. Keef), of Council Grove, Kas., whither they went in 1885; Mary E., wife of Rev. J. R. Baker, died in Council Grove, Kas.; Jennie B. (Mrs. McLellan Geist), resides on the homestead; and Emma R. (Mrs. J. B. Henderson), of Warriors Mark. Mr. Grazier was a Democrat all his life, but favored Prohibition. He died April 27, 1897.

JOHN EYER, Warriors Mark, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of John and Susan (Myers) Eyer, was born in Warriors Mark, September 26, 1833. His grandfather, Christian Eyer, was a native of Lancaster county, Pa., where he was for many years a miller. He married, and with his family came to Huntingdon county, settling in Warriors Mark township, where he died in February, 1846, at the age of eighty-two, his wife having preceded him to the grave by a few years. They had these children: Jacob, died in Centre county, Pa.; Mrs. Mong, died in Clarion county, Pa.; Nancy, married Mr. Rider, and removed to Iowa, where she died; John; Elizabeth (Mrs. John Ellenberger), died in Spruce Creek, Huntingdon county; and Samuel, went West in the spring of 1859, and now resides in Colorado. He is eighty-four years old, but hale and hearty. On his eighty-second birthday he was picking huckleberries on the mountain; thus lightly has time dealt with him.

John Eyer was born in Lancaster county, and was ten years old when his parents came to Warriors Mark, and took up their residence on a large tract of land. The country was in a very wild state at the time, and plain living was the rule everywhere. Reared on the farm, he continued to be a farmer all his life. He married Susan Myers in Warriors Mark, where they both died, Mr. Eyer in 1870, at the age of seventy years, and his wife in July, 1883, aged seventy-eight. Mr. Eyer met his death very suddenly. While driving through the streets of Tyrone, his horse took fright at a flying piece of paper and ran away, throwing him out and killing him almost instantly. His body is buried in a small cemetery on the old homestead. Their children were: Daniel, died March 24, 1897; Annie, widow of Henry White, resides in Bellefonte, Pa.; John; Jeremiah, who has served as supervisor for fifteen years, married, first, Jane Grazier and afterwards Frances Taylor; David, farmer on the old homestead, married Mary A. Dixon; Christian, resides on the homestead; Amanda (Mrs. Henry Myers), of Warriors Mark township; Mary Jane, married Rev. Joseph N. McClay, resides in Fayette county, Pa.

John Eyer, Jr., attended both the subscription and the public schools. He worked on the farm until he was nineteen, then worked

at carpentering for two or three years, but afterwards resumed farming. He was married January 31, 1856, in Warriors Mark, to Eliza Ann Myers, born in Shirley township, Huntingdon county, in 1837. She was the daughter of Grobel Myers, a Dunkard preacher, and Magdalena (Weidley) Myers. After his marriage Mr. Eyer farmed by the month in Tyrone township, Blair county, for two years and then returned to Warriors Mark on account of the tyranny of the ironmasters, for whom he worked in Tyrone township. He settled on 80 acres, where after clearing the land, he built a house and barn; here he resided for nine years, but on account of a lack of educational advantages he sold out and removed to Tyrone township; three years later he bought his present place of 120 acres. He has made great improvements on his place, among them being the erection of a new barn, and extensive repairs to the dwelling. Mrs. Eyer died April 23, 1894. She had been a most patient, uncomplaining sufferer for many years, bearing without a murmur the agonies of that terrible disease, cancer, fourteen tumors being taken from her body. She was most highly esteemed by all for her unflinching kindness, sociability, and Christian charity. She is buried in the Dunkard cemetery at Cross Roads. They had these children: Lewis M., a grocer at Tyrone, married Laura Woome; Harry, married to Annie Bilde, went to the state of Washington, where he now resides; Howard, a machinist at Tyrone, married Letitia Minnick; Laura, married Dr. Markle, of Tyrone, and died in the fall of 1889; Leah A., married Adam Frye, a druggist of Davis, Stevenson county, Ill.; Clara, married Calvin Garland, resides in Pittsburg, Pa.; Harriet, at home; Edgar C., married Edith K. Wertz, of Warriors Mark township; Wilbur C., married Mary J. McFarland; Gertrude M., at home; Ellis G., a pupil at Normal School in Huntingdon; Roxie Belle, died at the age of eighteen; and John Blaine, at home.

Mr. Eyer is a staunch Republican. He has served as supervisor and as school director. He is a member of the Dunkard church and has been a deacon for fifteen years.

MILES BECK, Tyrone, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born June 29, 1847, on the farm which he now owns. He is the son of

David and Esther (Funk) Beck. David Beck was born in Warriors Mark township in 1802, and spent all his life there; he inherited the old homestead from his grandfather, and lived there until his death. He was a Republican, and a man of fine qualities, much esteemed. During the latter part of his life, he passed a great part of his time in hunting. His death occurred in 1874. Mrs. Beck survived her husband until August 6, 1882; she was a member of the Dunkard church. Their children are: Mahlon, who went to Missouri about 1856, and in 1896 sold his property there and removed to Bourbon county, Kas.; was twice married, but is now a widower; Livina (Mrs. Henry Spanogle), of Phillipsburg, Pa.; Martin, farmer in Warriors Mark township; Sarah Jane (Mrs. John Krider), of Warriors Mark township; Miles; Mary Ellen (Mrs. John Ellenberger), of Centre county, Pa., and Lloyd.

Miles Beck enjoyed but little opportunity for an education; the schools were in a primitive state, goose quill pens and other crude appliances being in vogue. Being early set to work, even these slender advantages were not his for long. Mr. Beck remained at home until the spring of 1876, when he paid his brother Mahlon a visit in Grundy county, Mo. He remained there for six weeks, and then went to Illinois to visit John Bratton, an old resident of Warriors Mark township, with whom he remained for seven weeks, and then obtained work at putting up hay racks in barns. He returned to his home in September, 1876, and has lived there since; only going back to Illinois for his bride.

Miles Beck was married December 20, 1877, in Lee county, Ill., to Nancy Buck, daughter of John and Matilda (Norman) Buck. Mrs. Beck was born in Franklin Grove, Lee county, Ill., January 3, 1858; but her parents were both natives of Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Beck began housekeeping on a part of the old homestead in Huntingdon county, consisting of 100 acres. They have built a substantial and comfortable home, and made other improvements since their residence there. Mr. Beck is a Republican, and takes an active part in politics. Their children are: Gertie May, born November 11, 1878, was killed by the kick of a horse, at the age of four years; twins, deceased; Le Roy, born June 30, 1881; Vinna H., born July 10,

1884; Zula Maud, born September 8, 1885; Edith Esther Matilda, born February 15, 1888; Claire H., born May 29, 1892. Mrs. Beck is an active member of the Dunkard church.

MARTIN L. BECK, Warriors Mark, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born April 24, 1839, on the old family estate, son of David and Esther (Funk) Beck. David Beck was a farmer of Warriors Mark township, highly esteemed. Martin L. Beck attended the public schools of his native township during the winter months, and worked on the home farm in the summer. When the war broke out, he enlisted in August, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, at Camp Meeting, at One Hundred Springs, Warriors Mark township, under Major G. F. McCabe. After enlistment, he proceeded with his regiment to Harrisburg, and thence to Washington, where they lay for a short time, awaiting equipments. They next proceeded to Ropers Dam, and soon after took part in the battle of the Wilderness, of Hatchers Run, South Railroad, near Petersburg, Travillas Station, and many skirmishes besides. When Lee entered Pennsylvania, this regiment was ordered to Washington, where the men were furnished with fresh horses and sent in pursuit of that general. Mr. Beck was for a short time under Sheridan. He fought in the battle of St. Marys. This regiment then joined Sherman at Raleigh, N. C.; their last fight was with Johnston at Durham Station. Mr. Beck was mustered out at Raleigh, N. C., late in November, 1865; he was discharged in Philadelphia, and resumed the peaceful occupation of farming with his father. Mr. Beck is a Republican; he takes an interest in all the topics of the day. He has served the township as auditor for several terms.

Martin L. Beck was married January 3, 1871, to Mary E., daughter of Isaac and Lydia (Krieder) Buck. They settled on land owned by his father, cleared and improved it, and built a fine house. Their children are: Bertha E., wife of Porter Scott; Laura A.; Carrie L.; Grace S.; Clarence E.; and Zada A.

J. H. MATTERN, merchant, Warriors Mark, Huntingdon county, was born March 19, 1846, near Franklintonville, on a farm now

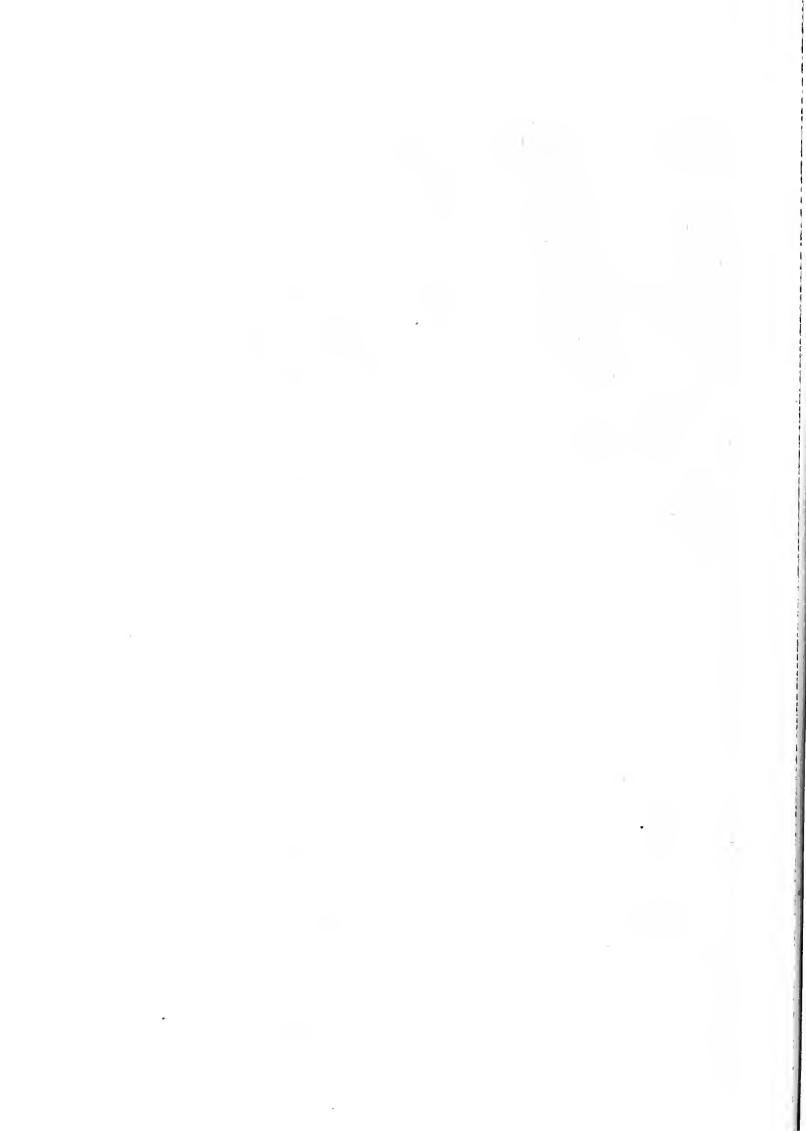
owned by Mr. Thompson, son of Jacob S. Mattern and Susan (Fetterhoof) Mattern. His grandfather, George Mattern, was born in Maryland. His father, Jacob S. Mattern, was born in Franklin township, Huntingdon county, October 25, 1811, grew up on the farm and learned carpentry. Before marriage he was principally engaged in farming, but after marriage he was often employed by turnpike companies to lay out pikes. He died in 1851 on the farm on which he was born. His wife some years later married again to Richard Wills and died in 1890, in Warriors Mark, Pa. She was Miss Susan, daughter of George and Catharine (Gensimore) Fetterhoof. Mr. Fetterhoof, her father, who was at one time engaged in hauling pig-iron to Pittsburg, was attacked by small-pox on one of his trips, and died on the way. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Mattern were: Harriet (Mrs. Zacharias Lower), of Warriors Mark; John F., retired farmer, Warriors Mark; Adeline (Mrs. W. C. Patterson), of State College; J. H.; Eliza, deceased wife of C. H. York; and Amelia (Mrs. George S. Gray), of Centre county. Mr. and Mrs. Wills had three children, all now deceased.

J. H. Mattern lost his father when only five years of age. He had attended the public schools a few years when his mother married Mr. Wills and removed to Warriors Mark. At the age of eleven he began to work on John Gensimore's farm for his board and clothes, attending school during the winter months. After staying here six years he farmed near Academia, Tuscarora valley, for six months, then went to school at Pine Grove Mills, Centre county, for one year. The following year he taught school in Franklin township, and in the ensuing summer, a subscription school at Huntingdon Furnace. The next winter he taught in Warriors Mark township. At the close of this term, he embarked in the mercantile business with John I. Patterson at Yellow Springs, Blair county. A year later he sold his interest to T. C. Waite, and with his brother bought out the store of Capt. William P. Dale, at State College, Centre county. After two years they took into partnership their brother-in-law, W. C. Patterson, now superintendent of State College farms. In the same spring J. H. Mattern moved to Warriors Mark with his family, where he and his brother bought

property, leaving their brother-in-law in charge at State College. Having bought the present site, J. H. Mattern & Bro. tore down the old building, and erected a new one. J. H. Mattern & Bro. having been associated together a number of years, Samuel Gray bought the interest of J. F. Mattern and continued the business with J. H. Mattern until 1872. During this time, Mattern & Gray bought a store at Moshannon Mines, Clearfield county, but sold out during the panic of 1873. Mr. Gray and J. H. Mattern had been together two years, when Mr. Gray sold back to J. H. Mattern; some years after, Mr. J. H. Mattern bought him out again and has continued the business in his own name ever since. He has been in mercantile business for thirty years, in Warriors Mark for twenty-seven years. In the summer of 1894 he built his present beautiful residence.

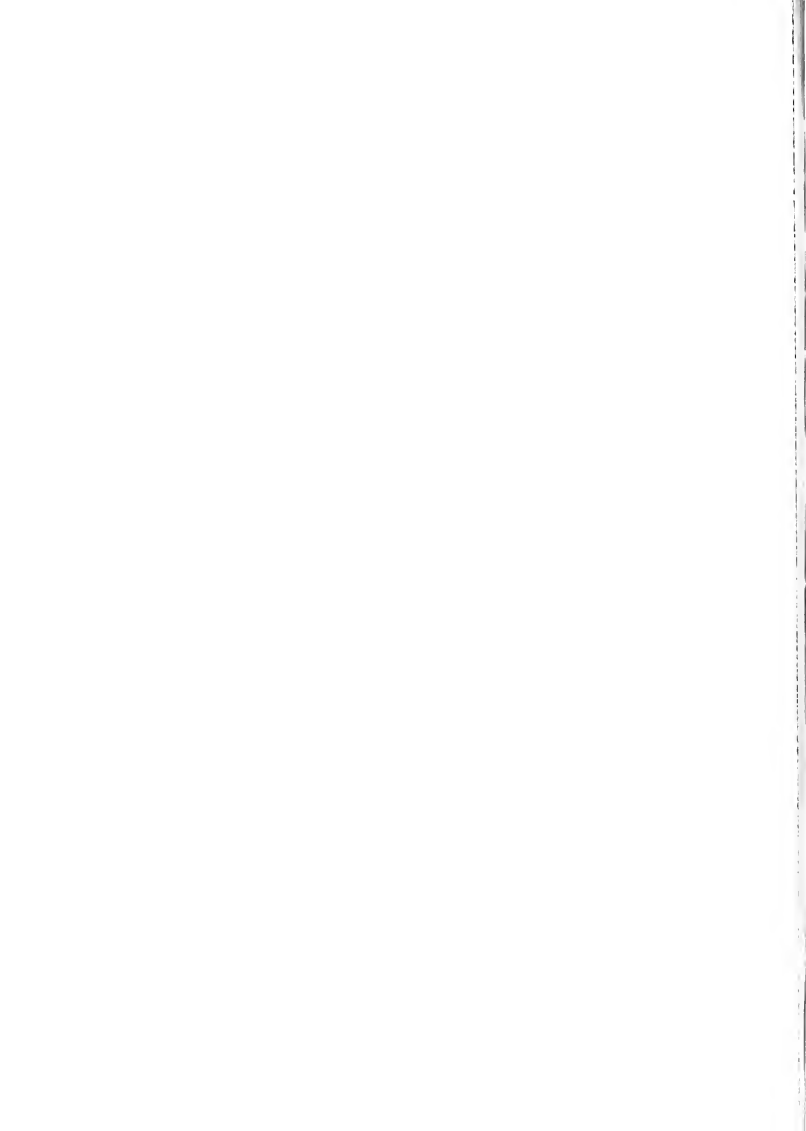
On March 19, 1868, he married Mary, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Keith) Waite. They have two children: Hayes W., born April 26, 1869, a graduate of State College, now a civil engineer on the Gettysburg Battlefield Corps; and Frank K., born in January, 1872, a graduate of State College, now a mechanical engineer in the draughting department with the Pennsylvania Steel Company. Mr. Mattern owns real estate near the store, and is a director of the First National Bank at Tyrone. He is an ardent follower of the Republican party, and an active member of the Methodist church, having been superintendent of the Sunday-school and class leader for the last seventeen years.

DANIEL CHAMBERLAIN, postmaster, Warriors Mark, Huntingdon county, was born March 20, 1842, in Spruce Creek valley, Huntingdon county, son of James and Susan (Ginter) Chamberlain. The Chamberlains came to America from Holland, but were originally of English extraction. Daniel Chamberlain's great-grandfather, Jacob Chamberlain, a native of Bedford county, was parted from his parents during the Revolutionary war. His father was a Tory, while Jacob cast his lot with the revolutionists, for which he was disinherited by his father. All through the war he fought, attaining the rank of captain, and receiving a wound in the hip. After the war he married and settled in Bedford county, where he erected a grist-mill and





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continued milling until his death in 1819, at the age of sixty-three. In his later years he was a cripple, because of the wound received in the service. His son, Eli Chamberlain, was born in Bedford county, and there was engaged in general work. He died in 1813, leaving a widow, Susan (Smouse) Chamberlain, who was again married to David Martis, by whom she had several children. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Eli Chamberlain were: John, who died in Baltimore in 1892; Henry, deceased, accidentally shot in Texas; Rebecca, deceased; Christiana (Mrs. William Ryan), who with her husband settled in Texas in 1827, where Mr. Ryan was killed by Indians; and James. Mr. Martis, second husband of Mrs. Chamberlain, died in Indiana county, after which she resided with her son, James, until her death at the age of eighty-two.

James Chamberlain, son of Eli and Susan Chamberlain, was born March 17, 1811, in Bedford county, four miles from Bloody Run, now Everett. His father died when he was but two years old, leaving five children, who were all bound out. He grew up at the home of his grandfather, Jacob Chamberlain. When he was eight years old his grandfather died, and he remained with his grandmother until he was sixteen, when he started out for himself. He bound himself for three years to a man named Joseph Gates to work at the forge, but left at the end of eighteen months, thinking he understood the trade well enough to work as a journeyman. He was in the business in Blair county for nineteen years, working for the first four years at Franklin Forge. There, in 1831, he married Susan, daughter of Conrad Ginter. In 1843 he moved with his family to Warriors Mark, opened a hotel at the Warriors Mark Exchange, and has remained there ever since. His children are: Harry, at home and aged sixty-three; Elizabeth, widow of Jacob I. Keefer, of Altoona, Pa.; Rebecca Jane, widow of Joseph J. Keefer, of Warriors Mark township; Daniel; Susan (Mrs. Daniel Fetterhoof), of Spruce Creek; Catharine (Mrs. William States), residing in Illinois; Margaret (Mrs. George Fetterhoof), of Spruce Creek; James and John, twins, who died young; Adeline C. (Mrs. Justice Stahn), of Baltimore, Md.; and Fanny (Mrs. David Funk), of Warriors Mark. Mr. Chamberlain is a firm Democrat;

he cast his first vote for Andrew Jackson, and has cast a vote in every presidential contest since that time. He is a member of the Lutheran church.

Daniel Chamberlain was educated in the public schools of Warriors Mark, to which place his parents removed when he was one year old. He remained at home until 1861; on May 29, 1861, he enlisted for three years in Company I, Fifth Pennsylvania Reserve, and went to the front. He took part in the battles of Mechanicsville, Cold Harbor, Charles City Cross Roads, Gettysburg, Fredericksburg, the Wilderness, Spottsylvania, and Bethesda Church. He was not engaged in the battles of South Mountain and Antietam on account of sickness. At Harrisburg, June 11, 1864, he received his discharge and returned home.

In 1867, Daniel Chamberlain married Miss Elizabeth, daughter of David Goodman. Their children are: W. Henry, employed by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, of Illinois; John, a plumber and gas-fitter in Altoona; Blanche E. (Mrs. C. C. Mong), of Warriors Mark; and Lottie J., at home. Ever since his marriage he has resided in Warriors Mark, doing general work. In the fall of 1893 he was appointed postmaster at Warriors Mark. Like his father, he is a Democrat, ardent and true, and is always found ready to advance the best interests of his party.

DAVID S. CUNNING, Morris township, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of Thomas and Catharine (Stewart) Cumming, was born March 19, 1851, on the farm on which he now resides. His grandfather, John Cumming, was a native of Pennsylvania, who is supposed to have left this State and gone to Ohio soon after his marriage to Martha Fergus, a native of Scotland. They settled on the Indian Reservation, and while living there had four children: Eliza; Thomas; John; and James. After the husband's death in 1814 or 1815, Mrs. Cumming returned to Pennsylvania with Thomas, her only living child, and spent the rest of her life among her brothers and sisters in Morris township (afterwards Catharine township), Blair county. She lived to an advanced age, dying shortly before her eightieth milestone was reached. Thomas Cumming, father of David, was educated in the

public schools and was all his life a farmer. For several years he lived on rented farms, but after his marriage to Catharine Stewart, he purchased the homestead farm on which he ever afterwards resided. Their children were: Martha, who died young; David S.; and James, who also died early. The father and mother were devout members of the Presbyterian church, the father filling worthily the office of elder for many years. Honest, frugal and industrious, they were highly esteemed by a large circle of friends and neighbors. The father died in 1894, and is buried at Williamsburg, Pa. The mother preceded him by thirteen or fourteen years.

David S. Cuning was educated in the public schools of his native township, and in those of Catharine township, Blair county. At the age of thirteen he began working for his father on the farm and continued to render him service until his marriage to Louisa, a daughter of Hugh Dunn, of Blair county. Soon after this he took up his residence on his uncle's farm in Catharine township, where he lived for eight years. At the end of this time he moved to the home farm with his father, which since the death of the latter he now owns. Their children now living are: David Stewart; Bertha C.; and Thomas C. Mr. Cuning is an ardent Republican, and has been school director several terms.

DANIEL KELLER, Water Street, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of Jacob and Sarah (Myers) Keller, was born on the farm on which he now lives, December 23, 1830. The place was originally settled in 1800 by the grandfather, Michael Keller, a native of Berks county, Pa. There were five brothers in the Keller family; and in the course of time each left the parent roof to make a home for himself; one went to Virginia, two settled near York, and the remaining two came to Huntingdon county, one of whom was Michael. Beginning with only sixty-two acres, he, with peculiar thrift and energy, succeeded in adding to this tract very materially before many years had gone by. He died on his farm prior to 1830, his wife surviving him some years. Jacob, son of Michael Keller, was born in 1800 on his father's farm where he grew to manhood. He was educated in the common schools, and early learned carpentry.

He worked at his trade for the greater part of his life; his skillful workmanship is manifested by the many substantial and well-built houses in the surrounding country. After his retirement from business, he built for himself a very comfortable house on the home farm, and here, in February, 1876, he died. On August 18, 1821, he married Sarah Myers, born in Huntingdon county, Pa., in 1799. She died in February, 1883. They had five children: Mary A. (Mrs. Tobias Foreman), deceased; Abraham, Morris township; Elizabeth (Mrs. Levi Stahl), of Tyrone Pa.; Daniel; and Catharine (Mrs. John D. Aurandt), deceased.

Daniel Keller was educated in the subscription school in summer and in the public schools in winter. Although at times affected by rather indifferent health, his progress on the whole was good, and so great was his desire for knowledge that he attended one term after his eighteenth year. He was very fond of out-door sports and a good part of his leisure time was given to exciting but healthful recreation. At the age of thirteen he went to learn the blacksmith trade at the iron works of Alfred A. Spang, in Morris, now Catharine township, Blair county. After serving two years as apprentice he became journeyman at the iron works of the Martha Furnace, in Clarion county, with which company he remained one year. He then went to Clearfield county, where he carried on a blacksmith shop for two years, then disposed of it and went home for a short time. He next started for the West, working at his trade during the winter and traveling for pleasure during the summer. He was gone about a year and touched different points in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Iowa, Missouri, Kentucky, and Virginia. Returning home he remained for some months, engaged in various occupations. He then opened a shop at Yellow Springs, Blair county, and continued it for five years with much success. In 1861 he settled on the homestead farm, one-third of which had been willed to him by his uncles; the remaining two-thirds he acquired by purchase. Mr. Keller is unmarried. He is a Republican, staunch and true, formerly an active worker for the party. He has been school director and supervisor for many years. He has ever been a credit to his family and a useful member of the community.

GEORGE W. SPRANKLE, Morrell, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of Samuel and Rebecca (Wood) Sprankle, was born in Tyrone township, Blair county, Pa., November 6, 1832. Samuel Sprankle was born in 1800, on the old homestead on which George W. now resides. He was educated in the common schools and made farming his life work. After his marriage he settled in Blair county, remained there for a short time, then rented in Porter township, and finally bought a farm of 113 acres near Hatfield's Mill, Porter township, residing there until his death, which occurred in the spring of 1870, at the age of seventy. His wife survived him for several years. Both are interred at Alexandria. They were consistent members of the Reformed church. Samuel Sprankle was a Republican. He was highly esteemed by all who knew him. Their children are: Jacob, died in Bellefonte, Pa., in 1890; Susan (Mrs. Henry Bridenbaugh), of Martinsburg, Pa.; William, died at Shavers Creek, Huntingdon county, 1893; George W.; Samuel, retired, Tyrone, Pa.; Peter, a bachelor at Alexandria, Huntingdon county; Frances (Mrs. Harry Neff), Alexandria; Lavinia (Mrs. Benjamin Bridenbaugh), deceased; Ann (Mrs. Andrew Grove), of Alexandria; Rachel (Mrs. James McDevitt), Los Angeles, Cal., and Charlotte.

George W. Sprankle was but an infant when his parents removed to Porter township, Huntingdon county, where he attended school. He was not fond of studying, preferring to work on the farm. He remained at home until he was twenty-five; he then went to Indiana, where he had a tract of land in Allen county, purchased by his father for his eldest brother, who would not stay on the place; whereupon the father gave it to his son George. He was taken sick soon after reaching the place and was unable to farm the land. He accordingly rented it, and farmed his cousin's place part of two seasons, after which he returned home. During the winter of 1861 he worked in the forage shops at Washington, where he fell a victim to that terrible disease, smallpox, and for eight weeks lay in the city's hospital. At the end of this time he went as the driver of an ammunition and provision team to Yorktown and up the Peninsula. He had a companion named Morrow, and when a short time after young Morrow was taken very sick with typhoid fever, Mr. Sprankle redeemed the

promise made to Morrow's father to look after his boy. Leaving his work as a driver, he carried his young friend back to the hospital in Washington, and in order to be near him resumed his work in the forage shop in that city until the patient was well enough to be taken to his home at Alexandria, Pa., which duty was voluntarily undertaken and accomplished by his faithful friend. In 1862 Mr. Sprankle and his young friend enlisted in Company C, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and at once went to the front. After numerous skirmishes, they fought side by side in the bloody battle of Antietam, when Mr. Sprankle was wounded by a minie ball in the left foot, which accident sent him to the hospital for eight months. He rejoined his regiment when they went to Harrisburg to receive their discharge, on account of the expiration of the nine months' service. Soon after coming home Mr. Sprankle resumed farming with his father. In the next winter, February, 1863, he was married to Miss Margaret, daughter of John Davis. For one year after his marriage he farmed for his father, and then rented a farm for four or five years, when, the father dying, he bought the old homestead in Porter township. This place he farmed for three years, then sold it and bought another farm of 80 acres near Alexandria, where he resided for three years, and then rented the Piper farm in Porter township, as the 80 acres proved too small for the growing family. Five years later, in 1887, he removed to his present place, where he has remained ever since, having sold his 80 acre farm near Alexandria in the spring of 1895. The children of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Sprankle are: Emma Grace (Mrs. Samuel Neff), Porter township; John D., in railroad ticket office at East Liberty, Pa.; Sallie K., at home; Florence M., at home; Samuel W., attends school, and is a teacher, and Wilbur Allen, at home. Mr. Sprankle is a Republican, and has served his township as tax collector, supervisor and school director for many terms. He is a member of the Reformed church at Alexandria.

SAMUEL D. FOCHT, farmer, Morris township, Huntingdon county, was born April 12, 1853, on the farm which he now owns, son of Adam and Charlotte (Dull) Focht. His grandfather, George Focht, was born at Clover

Creek, Blair county, in 1780. He was highly educated, and possessed much ability. He once constructed a sub-marine vessel, and intending to take out a patent for it, went to Washington for that purpose; but thinking the required fee to be exorbitant, he returned home and later allowed the model to be destroyed. He married Miss Haneline, and resided on a farm in Clover Creek until his death, which occurred at the age of eighty-four. His wife preceded him, passing away at the age of seventy-one. Both are buried in Clover Creek cemetery. He was a Lutheran and was very active in his church, serving as elder and deacon and in other capacities. His children are: Adam; Joseph R., D. D., a Lutheran minister at Marklesburg, Pa.; Mary (Mrs. Ephraim Taylor), of Huntingdon county, deceased; Jeffeth R., a land agent in Brashear, Mo.; Margaret, who died young; David R., D. D., who took cold while watching the movements of the Confederates at Gettysburg and died soon after; and Rachel (Mrs. M. M. Wallace), of Alexis, Ill., deceased.

Adam Focht, eldest son of George Focht, was born at Clover Creek, April 26, 1810. He was well educated in subscription schools, and taught for many years. Then he learned cooperage and blacksmithing, at which he sometimes worked. In 1840 he married Charlotte, daughter of Joseph Dull, and settled on a tract of land in Morris township which was owned by his father; here he remained until his death on July 22, 1895. His wife, a fine woman and loving mother, died of a cancer ten years before his death. Mr. Focht was a prominent man and highly esteemed. Their children were: Catharine, died in 1882; Margaret; Mary (Mrs. T. F. Baring), died in Clearfield county; Martin, a farmer in Blair county; Samuel D.; George M., works in the stone quarry at Franklin Forge, Pa.; and Emma, who died in 1882.

Samuel D. Focht was born on the John Shaffer farm of Morris township. He attended school in winter and did farm work in summer. He has always lived on the farm and has never married. At one time he was about to be married when his promised bride was removed by death; later he became engaged to another estimable young lady, but she also died before the marriage took place. Then he promised his father and mother to

remain at home until their decease, and fulfilled his promise. Since the spring of 1888 he has owned the farm. Mr. Focht, although reared to Republican principles, is exceedingly liberal in political belief, and has never sought office. He is a member and regular attendant of the Lutheran church and is very highly esteemed by all because of his many good qualities. He is a member of the Canoe Valley Grange, and a past noble grand of Hart's Log Lodge, No. 286, I. O. O. F.

J. A. THOMPSON, teacher and farmer, Morris township, Huntingdon county, was born June 29, 1847, in Juniata township, Huntingdon county, son of Edward A. and Mary (Hershey) Thompson. Edward A. Thompson was twice married, and was the father of ten children. J. A. Thompson attended what is known as the Hawn's school until he was twenty-one years of age. During vacations, he assisted his father on the farm. The first summer after becoming of age he worked for his uncle, Abraham Speck, at Mill Creek, and, with the money he earned, paid for his tuition at the county normal school taught by Supt. D. F. Tussey, assisted by S. P. McDewitt. After this he attended for two terms the State Normal School at Millersville, Pa. His vocation has ever since been the profession of teaching. He has always taught in Morris township, except one term in Porter township and one in Penn township. On November 16, 1875, he was married to Miss Fanny M., daughter of Peter (deceased) and Catharine (Horner) Harnish. Their children are: Blanche Roberta, died when three years of age; Alberta Kate, now at home; and Bruce Harnish, now in his eighth year. After marriage, Mr. Thompson rented a home for a short time, then rented a farm, and has ever since been residing on rented farms. He removed to his present place, consisting of 130 acres, in 1880, and has given his attention to teaching in winter and farming in summer. He is a Democrat, and has served as school director, assessor and supervisor. He is a member of the Reformed church. Because of his own worth and deep interest in public affairs, he is a very influential man in the community.

DAVID HILEMAN, farmer, Morris township, Huntingdon county, was born Septem-

ber 21, 1838, on the farm on which he now lives and which has descended to him from his great-grandfather. He is a son of William and Barbara (Good) Hileman. His great-grandfather was a native of Germany, who settled first in the lower counties of the State. For many years he drove a team from Harrisburg to Pittsburg. He bought a tract of 500 acres in Morris township, on which he soon afterwards resided. He died at Hollidaysburg, Blair county. Frederick Hileman, grandfather of David Hileman, was a native of Pennsylvania, and was brought up a farmer. His wife was Miss Bridenbaugh, and their children were: Mrs. Shaffer, deceased, of near Williamsburg, Blair county; William; John, deceased, a farmer in Illinois; Mrs. Young, of Hollidaysburg, Pa.; Mrs. Sarah Hammond, of Kansas, who died in 1893 in Hollidaysburg; Mrs. Maria Rhodes, of Hollidaysburg; and Samuel, a farmer in Iowa. After marriage, Frederick Hileman lived on the home farm in Morris township for many years. Then, selling out to his son William, he bought a farm near Franktown, Pa., where he lived until the spring of 1861; he then sold this farm also to William, and set out to visit two sons living in Iowa and Illinois. On the way he was taken sick and died in Ohio. His remains were buried in the cemetery at Franktown by the side of his wife, who preceded him to the grave. William Hileman, eldest son of Frederick Hileman, was born on the homestead in Morris township in 1814, and died in 1880, at Brooks Mills, Pa. He married Miss Barbara Good; their children are: David; Aaron, enlisted in the army during the Civil war and died in a hospital of lung disease; Milton, a miller at Snively's Mill, near Williamsburg, Blair county; Anna (Mrs. Samuel Tussey), of Blair county; and Harry, resides at Roaring Springs, Pa. After marriage, he remained on the homestead until 1861, when he bought and removed to his father's farm near Franktown, Pa. Later, he resided in Blair county, in "the Loop," but in 1873 he bought another farm near Brooks Mills, where he died in September, 1881. His wife still lives near Hollidaysburg with Mr. Tussey, a son-in-law. Mr. Hileman was an active member and officer of the Lutheran church. He was a staunch Republican, and held many township offices.

David Hileman attended the public schools in Morris township, but at an early age began farm work, much of which always depended upon him. In March, 1860, he started west on a tour of observation, visiting his uncle John in Ogle county, Ill., and his uncle Samuel in Iowa. In October, 1860, he visited in Missouri. Here he was taken sick with typhoid fever and was brought home by his father. On February 28, 1861, he married in Morris township Miss Maggie, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Isenberg. Their children are: Ida Drucilla (Mrs. Joseph Harnish), of Morris township; Della Irene, at home; Bertha K. (Mrs. Arthur Roller), of Williamsburg, Blair county; Elizabeth; Dessa; Walter Scott; and Alton Lloyd. After marriage he lived on his father's farm for a year, and then on the homestead, his father having bought and removed to another farm. Here he still resides, having brought the farm to a fine state of cultivation. Mr. Hileman is an ardent Republican, and has always taken a prominent part in politics, having served as supervisor several terms, and as school director since 1860. He is a member of the Lutheran church at Shafersville, of which he served as deacon and trustee many years, and is now an elder. All consider him a worthy representative of the sturdy line from which he descended.

GEORGE E. HENDERSON, freight agent, Union Furnace, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born June 21, 1861, in Warriors Mark township, Huntingdon county, son of Thomas K. and Jane (Fetterhoof) Henderson. His father was born in Spruce Creek township, same county, in 1830, on the farm on which David P. Henderson now resides. He was reared on the farm, and for many years attended school in an old log house known as the Hook school. He married Miss Jane Fetterhoof, who still lives. Their children are: Milton, who died young; George E.; Ammie, died when a child; Mary T., now on the farm; Nora B., at home; Jane E. (Mrs. I. V. Barrick), of Altoona, Pa.; and Alma Mary, at home. Mr. Henderson resides in Warriors Mark, Huntingdon county. He is a Democrat, and has served his party long and faithfully. He has filled many township offices, and in 1874 was elected sheriff of Huntingdon county, serving three years. He

is a member of the Methodist church, and has filled offices therein several times.

George E. Henderson attended the common schools of Warriors Mark and Birmingham Seminary, until he was about eighteen years old; working during vacations on the farm or in the mill. For four months he studied at the Iron City Commercial College, Pittsburg, Pa. He then traveled for three or four years in all parts of the State, selling flour and feed for his father. On November 25, 1887, he was appointed freight agent at Union Furnace, Huntingdon county, and has remained there ever since.

He was married in Franklin township in 1881, to Ella Bird, daughter of Jesse and Mary (McMillan) Fisher. Their children are: Thomas K., Jr., Dorothea May and Paul Elwood. They began housekeeping at Union Furnace, but have since removed to Tyrone, Pa. Mr. Henderson, like his father, is a strong upholder of the Democratic party, but has never sought office.

W. F. BECK, M. D., Spruce Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born January 18, 1866, in Loveville, Centre county, Pa., son of Isaac and Barbara (Rider) Beck. The family is of German origin. Dr. Beck's great-grandfather, who settled in Warriors Mark township, having been the first to come to America. Daniel Beck, grandfather of the Doctor, was born near Warriors Mark township, Huntingdon county, where he received his education, and married Elizabeth Kryder, a native of that township. They had the following children: Joseph, of Fort Scott, Kas.; John, farmer, of Fort Scott; Mrs. Christian Beck, died at Unionville, Pa.; Susan (Mrs. Dr. Me-Keel), of Stormstown, Centre county, Pa., is deceased; Isaac; Jacob, died in May, 1896; and Isaiah, resides on the farm adjoining Isaac Beck's near Loveville. Isaac Beck, father of Dr. Beck, was born on the old homestead, which descended in the family from his grandfather, and where he has passed his life. He married in Loveville. His children are: Elmer E., superintendent of Huntingdon Reformatory farm; Mary E., wife of J. L. Corley, of Altoona, Pa., mail agent running between New York and Pittsburg; Dr. W. F.; and Daniel J., residing with his father on the homestead. Mr. Isaac Beck takes an active interest in the political affairs of his neigh-

borhood as an adherent of the Republican party. He is also active in the work of his church; is a member of the Lutheran denomination.

After acquiring the rudiments of an English education in the common schools, W. F. Beck became a pupil at Central Academy, in Half Moon valley. After studying there for a year, he entered Stone Valley Academy, at McAleyses Fort, Huntingdon county. About 1885, he began a collegiate course at Grove City College, Grove City, Pa. His senior year in that institution was half over when a contagious fever broke out in the college, and Mr. Beck was obliged to relinquish the remainder of the course and return home. This was in 1886, and in the fall of the same year, he commenced reading medicine with Dr. J. M. Smith, of Tyrone, Pa. In 1887 he entered the University of Vermont, Burlington, Vt., and studied there for a year, continuing his medical studies with Dr. Smith during the vacations. In 1888 Mr. Beck matriculated at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Md., and graduated in the following spring. For one year he practised as the partner of Dr. Smith, at Tyrone; he then took a post-graduate course at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Pa., graduating with the class of 1891. Dr. Beck practised at Tyrone until the fall of 1894, when he removed to Spruce Creek, succeeding to the practise of Dr. James Wasson, deceased. In the same year he was appointed railroad physician. The Doctor has had considerable experience in a variety of work. Brought up on the farm, he was a willing and active helper in agricultural work during his vacations; later, he taught school in the intervals of study, in order to meet the expenses of his classical and professional courses. He is affiliated with the I. O. O. F., and B. and P. Order of Elks, at Tyrone and at Alexandria. His politics are those of the Republican party. The Doctor is a member of Blair County Medical Society.

He has attained a high reputation as a lecturer on scientific topics; his lectures before educational bodies in various parts of the State have been highly praised. The Doctor is secretary of the school board of Spruce Creek township, and county physician.

Dr. W. F. Beck was married at Altoona, Pa., June 4, 1895, to Sarah, daughter of Col. Cornelius and Elizabeth (Craig) Campbell, of

Westmoreland county. Colonel Campbell is an extensive coal operator. Dr. Beck, although brought up in the Lutheran communion, is now, with his wife, a member of the Presbyterian church. Mrs. Beck, who was a graduate at Wilson College, Chambersburg, Pa., is an active participant in church work. She is president of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of her Presbytery, and is zealously interested in other organizations of the same nature. The Doctor and wife have one child, a daughter, named Elizabeth Craig, born April 3, 1897.

JAMES CULLEN, Spruce Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in County West Meath, Ireland, July 27, 1819. He received his education under the strict, severe old-time schoolmasters, in a "mud school house" in his native country, and was set to work on the farm early in life. On the same farm, the Cullens have lived and labored for two hundred and fifty years; it is now in possession of the brother next in age to Mr. Cullen, who is the eldest of the family. His father was the agent of the Monks estate; he and his wife both died in West Meath. Their children are: James; Thomas, who is unmarried, and farms the homestead; Ann, widow of Bernard Rooney, Altoona, Pa.; Marcellina, widow of John Hornung, of Altoona; Patrick, came to this country some time after his brother James, married and resided in Altoona, where his wife died, after which he sold his property, moved away, and has been lost sight of; Mary (Mrs. McKeown), deceased, as is her husband also, and Jane (Mrs. Clinton), a widow, living in Ireland.

John Cullen worked faithfully on the homestead farm, and acquired a high reputation as a ploughman; he was, however, of an earnest and inquiring mind, and after the labors of the day were over, spent much of his time in study, attending a night school; in this way he obtained most of his education. He was in his twenty-second year when he set sail from Liverpool for America in the "Republic," a sailing vessel, on board of which was a statue of George Washington. After a voyage of thirty-five days, he landed in New York, and soon found himself in Reading, Pa., where he expected to obtain work on the railroad. He remained there for seven or eight years, working for the Reading R. R.

Co. as a laborer; during that time he was captain of a watch on a wooden bridge, five miles west of Reading. At the end of that time Mr. Cullen came to Spruce Creek, to enter the employ of the P. R. R. Co.; the distance from McVeytown was then made by stage. He commenced work on February 8, and continued until September 16, occupied in preparing ballast and assisting in laying track. He was then made assistant foreman for the P. R. R. Co., and after holding that position for a month, was promoted to be a foreman of the sub-division of the road between Tyrone and Fostoria. In 1854, when the mountain division was opened, he was ordered to Wilmore, and for four months acted as assistant supervisor, after which he resumed his former position as foreman. For two summers before this appointment he had conducted a ballast train. He received the appointment to his present post, that of supervisor of No. 8 Division, P. R. R., January 1, 1861. He has ever since most faithfully and satisfactorily fulfilled the duties of his position; has seen many disastrous wrecks, and had many interesting experiences. Mr. Cullen is a tried and trusted employee, the oldest one in the service of the road, in which he will soon have numbered forty-six years. When Mr. Cullen first came to this country, and lived in Reading, he espoused Whig principles; but he has since become a sound Democrat.

James Cullen was married July 4, 1852, in the Catholic church in Sinking Valley, Blair county, Pa., by Rev. Father James Bradley, to Mary Catherine, daughter of William Halen. She was left an orphan when only a year old. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Cullen are: Ann; Mary Catherine; Jane F.; Agnes (Mrs. Emery Worden); James F., civil engineer on the Delaware bridge; Bernard A., civil engineer, has his office at Mifflin, Pa.; William F., graduate in music at University of Boston, and teaches both instrumental and vocal music; Thomas A., graduate of Seaton Hall, N. J.; all of the family except the two civil engineers reside with their father. Mrs. Cullen died April 5, 1894, after an illness of only one or two days. She was comparatively young. Mr. Cullen is a member of St. John's R. C. church, Altoona, Pa.

DAVID M. MILLER, Spruce Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born December

4, 1852, at Tyrone Forge, Blair county, Pa. He is a son of Christopher and Mary A. (Moore) Miller, and grandson of James C. Miller, who married twice. With his first wife he settled near Bald Eagle Furnace, Blair county; after her death he married Miss Crotzer. Christopher Miller, son of James C., was born at Bald Eagle, March 29, 1824. Left an orphan at the age of seven, and early thrown upon his own resources, his opportunities for education were very meager. He and his brother, Alexander Miller, were sent out to do any sort of work that boys could obtain, such as chopping wood, etc. He was married in October, 1847, at Tyrone Forge, to Mary Ann Moore, and took up his residence at that place, where for seven years he was employed to drive a six-horse team. He was after this employed by the Tyrone Co. on their farms until the war of the Rebellion began, when he enlisted in Company B, Eighty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, in response to the call for men for three years' service. He was in the fight at Petersburg and saw much other service, until discharged at Philadelphia in June, 1865. Two years after his return home, Mr. Miller bought a farm near Franklinville, Huntingdon county, and resided upon it until his death, which occurred in 1888. His wife still survives. Their children are: William H., deceased; Alexander, deceased; David M.; Christopher, Jr., farmer; and James C. The last two reside on the homestead.

David H. Miller received his elementary education at Elk Run, near Tyrone, Pa. He was fourteen years of age when the family removed to the farm in Huntingdon county, where he continued attending school, and enjoyed the instructions of an excellent teacher. His vacations were for the most part spent in healthy employment on the farm. At the age of seventeen, Mr. Miller began teaching school in the rural districts, and taught for six consecutive years in the same township. In 1875 he entered into partnership in a general country store, with A. G. Ewing, at Franklinville, Pa. At the end of two years he sold his interest in the business to his partner in order to assume a position under the P. R. R. Co.; this was in 1879. He served in the capacity of assistant freight agent until October 18, 1882, when he was appointed passenger and

freight agent. He is now station agent at Spruce Creek, an official trusted and esteemed by the company for his ability and efficient discharge of duty. Mr. Miller is a Republican. In 1889 and 1894 he was elected justice of the peace, and served a term in that office. For the past thirteen years he has been a member of the school board, serving in all its capacities. He is now its president. Mr. Miller has many friends, and enjoys general esteem and respect.

David H. Miller was married in Spruce Creek, February 22, 1881, to Sarah K., daughter of Joseph and Nancy (Keagy) Shoенfelt, born near Martinsburg, Blair county, in May, 1856. Their children are: Bessie Ray; Iva Pearl; D. Seward; W. Guy; Mary Estella; and J. Earl. Mr. Miller takes an active part in church work, as a member of the Presbyterian church.

R. E. HOLMES, M. D., Spruce Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born May 4, 1860, on a farm near Jacksonville, Centre county. He is a son of James H. and Emily (McKibben) Holmes. James H. Holmes was born on the old homestead in Centre county, Pa., and grew up to the life and work of a farmer; that vocation he followed until a few years ago, when he relinquished active business, and removed to State College, where he and his wife now reside. His politics are those of the Republican party. The children of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Holmes are: two not named, having died in early infancy; Dr. R. E.; Mary (Mrs. Albert Deal), of State College, Pa.; Olivia, deceased, wife of Prof. William Stewart; Irving, resides at State College; John L., of State College; James H., resides with his father; Emma; and Mabel. Mr. Holmes is a member of the Presbyterian church.

Until he had nearly attained his majority, Dr. R. E. Holmes continued to attend the common schools of his native place, and to devote his vacations and other unoccupied time to the work of his father's farm. In 1882, when in his twenty-second year, he entered Pennsylvania State College, in Centre county, above Bellefonte, and spent there four years, not quite consecutively. At intervals he spent one year in teaching school and in doing other work. His college course completed, he became confidential clerk to a com-

mission merchant of Philadelphia, and retained the position for five years. Out of his earnings in this capacity, young Holmes saved enough to pay for his tuition in the medical schools. He began the study of the healing art with a professor of a Philadelphia college as his preceptor, and a year later entered the Eclectic College of Medicine at Cincinnati, Ohio, from which he graduated at the end of three years. He remained six months longer at the college, with his preceptor, and then came to Spruce Creek, where he has ever since resided. He has an extensive practice, and is socially and personally esteemed. Dr. Holmes is a Republican.

Dr. R. E. Holmes was married in Lock Haven, Pa., to Annie, daughter of D. K. Miller, a merchant of that town. Two years after their marriage, she died, leaving one child, Ruth. Dr. Holmes was again married, in Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Pa., March 24, 1896, to Ada, daughter of Mrs. Mary Lucas, a widow lady. Dr. Holmes is a member of the Presbyterian church.

THOMAS M. BENNER, Spruce Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born on a farm near Houserville, Centre county, Pa., June 29, 1836. He is a son of Philip and Isabella K. (Edmundson) Benner. His grandfather, Philip Benner, Sr., was born in Chester county, Pa., whence he came with the brothers Houser, and settled in the vicinity of Houserville, Centre county. He embarked in the iron business, conveying his produce on pack horses to Pittsburg, where he disposed of it. He acquired thousands of acres of land, of which he bequeathed to his son, Philip, 1,800 acres, good and arable. He was commonly called "General" Benner," but it is not known how the title came to be conferred on him, whether through connection with the militia or the Continental army, or whether it was a mere sobriquet, which seems probable, as he adhered to the Society of Friends, who are conscientiously opposed to war. His wife was Ruth Roberts; they left a family of eleven children. Philip Benner, Sr., died about 1816. Philip Benner, Jr., was born, grew up and married at the Rock Iron Works. With a partner named Miles, he continued the iron works throughout his life. He also owned two good farms. Mr. and Mrs. Philip Benner

had four children: William, wounded at the battle of Fair Oaks, and conveyed to Philadelphia, where he died; Ruth (Mrs. Hugh Wilson), Scottsville, Pa.; Thomas M.; Mary (Mrs. Peter Curry), Altoona, Pa. Philip Benner, like his father, was a Friend. He died in 1838 or '39, aged about forty-five. His wife survived him many years, dying at Mapleton, Pa., in 1892, aged ninety years.

Left an orphan at the age of two years and a half by the death of his father, Thomas M. Benner attended school in his native place or at Rock Iron Works, only until he reached the age of thirteen. He then began to drive a team at the ore mines at ten or twelve dollars per month. He was a willing worker and an apt learner, so that he became of service in almost every department of mine labor. Finally, however, preferring a steady occupation, Mr. Benner learned blacksmithing, and has continued to follow that occupation from 1857 up to the present time, except during ten months of army service in defence of the Union. He enlisted in 1862 at Huntingdon, in Company C, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, proceeded to the front, and took part in the battles of Antietam and Chancellorsville. During the remainder of his term of service he was for the most part on picket duty, a dangerous and exhausting part of the soldier's business. Mr. Benner's time of enlistment having expired, he was discharged at Harrisburg, Pa., May 18, 1863. He returned to his home and to his forge. After his marriage in 1858, he had resided for some time at Pennsylvania Furnace, then for nine months at Sinking Valley, Blain county, Pa., after which he set up his forge at Spruce Creek, and has continued in successful business at the same place ever since. His shop and dwelling, a pleasant and convenient home, are his own property. Mr. Benner is a Republican, and interested in politics, though not with any desire for office. He believes that religion consists in obeying the Golden Rule.

Thomas M. Benner was married at Pennsylvania Furnace, June 10, 1858, to Catherine, daughter of Abraham Fiester, of Clearfield county. Their children, besides two little daughters who died in infancy, are as follows: Philip; William; John, deceased; Charles; Frank; Samuel, deceased; Thomas; Harry; Annie; Mary; and Emily.

HARRY D. KELLER, Spruce Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born July 10, 1867, in Morris township, Huntingdon county, son of Samuel and Susan (Sprinkle) Keller. His grandfather, John Keller, settled in this region when a young man, and died in Morris township. Samuel Keller was born on his father's farm in Morris township, and grew up there. He was quiet and reserved in his manner, and was a devout Christian gentleman. He and his wife were both faithful members of the Reformed church. Harry D. Keller is their only child. Both the parents are buried in the cemetery at Keller church. Mr. Keller died first, and his wife survived him until 1873.

The son was but two years and eight months old when his father died, and with his mother he found a home in the house of his grandfather, Mr. Sprinkle, in Spruce Creek. Harry D. Keller was educated in the common schools of Water Street and Spruce Creek. On his grandfather's farm he became practically acquainted with the business of tilling the soil. At the age of twenty-one, he bought this farm, consisting of 107 acres of cleared land, and 145 of mountain land. Mr. Keller ranks among the enterprising and successful young farmers of his neighborhood. In his political opinions, he is a staunch Republican.

Harry D. Keller was married in 1890, on August 23, in the town of Huntingdon, to Anna Maud, daughter of Henry and Margaret Shultz. Their children are: Bertha Clare; Susan Ramona, died August 12, 1894; and Sarah Louella. Mr. Keller is a member of the Reformed congregation at Alexandria, Pa.

WARREN B. WRAY, Spruce Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born December 4, 1860, in Franklin township. He is a son of William and Jane E. (Lowers) Wray. His paternal grandfather came from Ireland to this country at the age of eighteen. He was a cooper, but here he turned his attention to farming. He settled in Huntingdon, where he and his wife, whose maiden name was Douglas, died. They left children, among whom was William B. Wray. Born November 24, 1815, and reared in the southern part of the county, in the vicinity of Union Church, William B. Wray learned the

trade of blacksmith, and worked at it until six years after his marriage. He was then obliged to abandon it, having lost the sight of an eye, which was struck by a piece of hot iron flying off the anvil. Mr. Wray now began farming, renting the Evert farm for five years, then the Muncy farm, in Warriors Mark township, for nine years, and then buying a farm, on part of which the city of Altoona is now built. He afterwards again rented the farm in Warriors Mark township for a year, and thence removed to the Madison farm, which he cultivated for nineteen years. Mr. Wray bought the homestead property in 1876, but did not make it his residence until the spring of 1879. His wife, Miss Lowers, was a native of Alexandria, Pa., born April 19, 1818. They had these children: Regina (Mrs. J. Porter Hazlet), Altoona, Pa.; Jane Ann (Mrs. Samuel E. Stewart), Arch Springs, Blair county, Pa.; David L., formerly a merchant, now in the lumber business at Bellwood, Pa.; Hannah M. (Mrs. William H. Wallace), Arch Spring, Blair county; Allie M. (Mrs. William R. Moore), Morris township, Huntingdon county; Ada K., keeps house for her brother Warren; James H., M. D., Winterset, Madison county, Ia.; William P., merchant, Bellwood, Pa.; George H., clerk, Altoona, Pa.; and Warren B. Mrs. Wray died May 19, 1887; her husband survived her but four years, dying June 3, 1891. They are interred in the Presbyterian cemetery at Alexandria. Their memory is a rich legacy to their children, for they were both devout Christians, members of the Presbyterian denomination.

Warren B. Wray was brought up on the Madden farm, on Eden Hill, now occupied by Harvey Richey. He now owns the place which his father bought on leaving the Madden farm. His education was obtained in the common schools of his native place, which he attended during the winter, while doing farm work in summer. At the age of twenty, Warren Wray began teaching, and continued in that vocation for five years. He then rented his father's farm for five years. He had previously purchased fifteen acres, which now form a part of his present farm. In February, 1893, he bought the place from his father's heirs, and has made it his home ever since, his sister, Miss Ada, residing with him. Mr. Wray is a Democrat, but has never sought

office. He is a member and a deacon of the Presbyterian church at Spruce Creek.

JESSE O. FISHER, Spruce Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born January 15, 1815, in Fishing Creek valley, York county, Pa. He is a son of Godfrey and Abigail (Orrin) Fisher. David Fisher, his grandfather, emigrated from Germany to this country after his marriage, and was among the earliest settlers of York county, where he took up a large tract of land. This was long before the Revolutionary war. He died in York county; his wife survived him, and attained the age of ninety-nine. She was married the second time to A. Huffstedt. Godfrey Fisher was born in York county, about 1789. His home was always in that county, where he grew up with but few educational opportunities, but with a practical knowledge of agricultural work. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Fisher were: Polly, wife of Henry May, both deceased; Catherine, wife of John Brinser, both deceased; Jesse O.; George, resides near Middletown, Dauphin county, Abraham, settled below Gettysburg, Pa., and died there; and Jackson, of Decatur, Ill. Godfrey Fisher died in York county in 1824. Mrs. Fisher afterwards went with her son, Jackson, to Decatur, Ill., where she also died at the age of seventy-four.

His father's death occurring when Jesse O. Fisher was but nine years old, he had only limited advantages in the way of education, as he was obliged to go to work early in life. He however attended the subscription schools for some time, but being placed with an uncle of his, who was a farmer, to receive his board and clothing for his services, he ran away, and went to his cousin, John Steele, for whom he worked, receiving for the first two months \$2.50 per month. In the next summer, his wages were advanced to \$5 per month. He continued working for Mr. Steele for nearly three years. He then engaged with Samuel Prowl to work during the winters in his grist mill, and during the summers on the farm. This engagement lasted for two winters, and then Mr. Fisher, at eighteen years of age, went to learn shoemaking from David Fisher, in Fishing Creek valley. After an apprenticeship of a year and a half, he did journey work for one winter with John Orrin at Lewisberry, York county. In the spring of

1836, Mr. Fisher came to Huntingdon county with Martin Miller. He afterwards hired out as farm hand, with Benjamin Barre, in what is now Blair township, Blair county. He worked for Mr. Barre for a year at \$10 per month, and managed to save nearly all of his wages. During one summer he worked on the farm of Mark Musselman, and in the winter went out among farmers with a threshing machine.

In December, 1837, Jesse O. Fisher was married to Mary, daughter of John and Sarah (Bird) McMillan. Their wedding journey was a trip on horseback to the home of Mr. Fisher's mother in Fishing Creek valley. They were three days on the way. After a stay of three weeks, gaily spent in visiting and receiving the congratulations of friends and relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Fisher mounted their horses and returned as they had come. During that winter Mr. Fisher was engaged in threshing. In the spring the young couple went to housekeeping, renting for the first year a small farm belonging to Michael Wallace. Their next home was Philip Breidenbaugh's farm, which they rented for six years; then Colonel Dysart's. When they had occupied the latter place for five years the Colonel died, after which Mr. Fisher farmed four years for Miss Annie Dysart, the Colonel's daughter. He then bought Mr. Bell's farm of 200 acres in Tyrone township, Blair county. After cultivating this farm for four years, Mr. Fisher was seized with the "western fever," so he sold his land, and went to Decatur, Ill., to which place his mother and brother had removed. But after reaching the place and looking around, he found he could not be satisfied to make his home there, so he returned to Pennsylvania, and bought a farm near Union Furnace, for which he paid \$6,000. This place he cultivated for four years, after which he sold it for \$10,000, and bought his present home, on Eden Hill. It now belongs to his sons, John and Samuel. It contains 230 acres, and is situated in that part of Franklin township now included in Spruce Creek. Mr. Fisher farmed this place for thirty years, and has been one of the most successful farmers in this part of the county.

Mrs. Mary (McMillan) Fisher died in 1889, and is buried at Arch Spring cemetery, in Blair county. Her children are: Sarah, who died at two years of age; George, died when

two and a half years old; Anna Mary (Mrs. Charles Ramsey), Denver, Col.; Harriet (Mrs. John Stryker), Garnet, Kas.; Abbie, first married to James Law, now the wife of Daniel Shultz, of Spruce Creek; Ercilla (Mrs. Thomas Shultz), Selina, Kas.; John, married Hannah Gansemore, of Warriors Mark township, they reside on the homestead; Jesse, married Alma Wait, went to Kansas and resided there for several years, but now reside at Spruce Creek; Jennie (Mrs. Jonas Lowder), Porter township; Samuel, married Ada Roseberry, farms the homestead; and Ellen (Mrs. Elmer Henderson), of Tyrone township, Blair county.

On June 29, 1891, Jesse O. Fisher was married again, to Clara Johnson. They have one child, named Marion. Mrs. Fisher is the daughter of Nicodemus and Catherine (Grey) Johnson. In August, 1894, Mr. and Mrs. Fisher made a trip to the west, in order to visit his children and grandchildren. They went first to Selina, Kas.; thence to Denver, Col., from which point Mr. Fisher made an excursion of 190 miles up the Rockies to Silver Plume station. During this journey, they visited St. Louis, Kansas City, Pueblo and Colorado Springs, and on the return trip stopped off to visit children at Garnet, Kas., and friends at Danforth, Mo. Notwithstanding Mr. Fisher's advanced age, he is a first-class traveler; he did not suffer in the least from fatigue, but on the contrary, never felt better in his life. Invigorated, rather than exhausted, by a life of steady and diligent work, industry and sobriety have preserved Mr. Fisher's constitution to a robust and enjoyable old age.

He is a Republican, and has taken a very prominent part in politics; has served his township as supervisor for four terms, and also as school director. He is a member of the Arch Spring Presbyterian church, of which he was for several years an elder.

JOHN A. McPHERRAN, Spruce Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born May 30, 1830, on the farm which he now owns, near Spruce Creek. He is a son of John and Elizabeth (Stewart) McPheran. Andrew McPheran, his grandfather, was born in Scotland or Ireland, it is not known which country, June 16, 1763. He must have emigrated from his native land very early in life,

for he was here before the Revolution, and enlisted like many other ardent, liberty-loving boys. He served seven years in the Continental army under Captain Church. He was married in Adams county, Pa., to Miss Mary Adams, and later resided in Huntingdon county, where he died, June 16, 1829. Mr. McPheran's maternal grandfather, Robert Stewart, was born in County Down, Ireland, June 15, 1754. In 1794, at the age of forty, he came to America on the old sailing vessel, "Faithful," the passage occupying ten weeks. On the same ship and at the same time, his future wife crossed the ocean. She was then a young woman of thirty, but they were not previously acquainted. Her name was Elizabeth Emmet. She was a relative of the unfortunate young patriot, Robert Emmet. The long and stormy voyage at length ended. After a short courtship, Mr. Stewart and Miss Emmet were married in 1794. In the following spring they took up their abode within the present limits of Spruce Creek township on a tract of 640 acres, which Mr. Stewart had bought from the State. Looking upon those broad acres, covered with the primeval forest, watered by mountain brooks and springs of pure water, with wild game of all kinds in abundance, and streams stocked with a great variety of fish, and feeling that all this was their own, it seemed to their proud hearts a second Garden of Eden, and they named it Eden farm. It is now known as Eden Hill. Until Mr. Stewart could build a cabin, they slept under a large oak. The first cabin served as a home until fall, by that time he had erected a comfortable log house. In it their children were born: Alexander; Martha; Elizabeth; and Robert, who died in boyhood. In the same humble but happy dwelling Mr. Stewart died in 1837, and his wife also, after a life of sixty years in the same beloved spot.

John McPheran, father of John A., was born in Adams county, January 9, 1786, and was still very young when his parents removed to Huntingdon county. The family was in very straitened circumstances, and this was at least in part owing to the elder McPheran's services to his adopted country. After giving seven years and six months of his time to the struggle for the liberties of America, Andrew McPheran was paid off, with the rest of the army, in Continental

money, which proved worthless. The boyhood of John McPherran was passed in Rays-town, Huntingdon county, where he received the little school training that fell to his lot. He afterwards did much to make up for this deficiency, and became, indeed, a self-educated man. He was for many years a contractor. After his marriage he settled in the woods of Franklin township, on a tract of land which he had bought from Thomas Houston, then all in timber. His farming operations had therefore to be begun by clearing the soil. By industry and steady perseverance, he succeeded in maintaining his family in some degree of comfort, and leaving thriving farms to his children. He was married January 9, 1817, to Elizabeth, daughter of Robert and Elizabeth (Emmet) Stewart, born in Huntingdon county, June 18, 1796. Their children are: Robert, who died young; Martha, born September 25, 1818, married to John Elberts, of Spruce Creek; Jane, born April 3, 1820, wife of George Mattern, of Spruce Creek valley; Mary Ann, deceased, was born November 22, 1823, and married John Kiner; Elizabeth, born July 30, 1825, married David Beck, and removed with him to Iowa, where they both died; Samuel, born February 26, 1827, is deceased; Rebecca, born October 14, 1828, resides with her brother, John; John A.; Alexander S., born June 9, 1832, married Susan Condo, and went to Iowa, where his wife died, after which he married Miss Crane, and removed to Hutchison, Kas., where they now reside; James M., born in September, 1833, a graduate of Jefferson College and an attorney of Sterling, Pa., is married to Miss Witherow; Robert (2), born September 2, 1835, married Miss Miller, and removed to Iowa, where they reside; and George, born December 28, 1838, married Miss Hunter, of Petersburg, Pa., who died, and he afterward married Miss Leslie, of Philadelphia, where he is now an attorney. Mrs. John McPherran died in the spring of 1848; her husband survived her until August 10, 1860, when he died at the age of seventy-four. They are interred at Arch Spring cemetery. Both were devout members of the Presbyterian church. Mr. McPherran was for many years an elder.

John A. McPherran was educated in the common schools of his native place, but being obliged to help in the cultivation of the home farm very early in life, he had but little op-

portunity for acquiring an education. He has always resided on the homestead, having taken entire charge of it about 1856. After the death of his father, he bought the farm from the heirs, and in 1879 erected the stone house in which he resides. Mr. McPherran has always voted the Republican ticket. He is not a member of any church, but inclines to the Presbyterian.

EDMUND W. GRAFFIUS, merchant, Spruce Creek, was born in Birmingham, Huntingdon county, Pa., January 24, 1831, son of John and Mary (Whittaker) Graffius. Because of their religious belief, three brothers named Graffius were driven out of Germany, and being without funds, sold themselves to pay their passage to America. Having landed they separated, two settling near the Susquehanna river, the other near the Juniata. The son of the latter, Martin, was the grandfather of Edmund W. Graffius. He was a tinsmith, and resided in Huntingdon county until his death. John Graffius, father of Edmund W., was born in Huntingdon, Pa., in 1801, educated in his native place, and learned the trade of a tinner. Before his marriage he was engaged during the summer months in managing flat boats on the river. After marriage he moved to Birmingham and worked at his trade until his death, which occurred in 1863. His honesty and rectitude of character won for him the esteem of his neighbors and friends. His wife survived him eight years and was buried with her husband at Birmingham. Both were consistent members of the Methodist church. Their family consisted of three children: Adolphus Martin, died in Tyrone, Pa., in 1890; Edmund W.; Thomas W., retired, Scottsdale, Westmoreland county, Pa.; and Annie (Mrs. Beyer), of Huntingdon.

Edmund W. Graffius was educated in the public schools, and at Birmingham Academy. During the summer months he worked for the neighboring farmers. At sixteen he began to learn saddlery with Samuel Bender, of Williamsburg. After working for a time as journeyman, he was clerk for a year in the store of F. M. Bell & Co., Tyrone, Pa. He then purchased a half interest in a general store at Spruce Creek; the partnership continued for two years, and his brother, T. W. Graffius, then bought the stock. Later he

secured an interest in his brother's store, and they were successfully engaged in the mercantile business in Tyrone for nine years. Having bought a farm on Eden Hill, Mr. Graftins sold his interest in the store, and farmed for two years. He then began business at Spruce Creek, where he has since been continuously engaged. He was married, in 1858, at Eden Hill, to Annie, daughter of Hugh and Martha Seeds. Their children are: Mary, wife of John E. Stewart, Tyrone, Pa.; Alice, wife of Alfred Goodman, of Peoria, Ill.; Clara, at home; and John Edgar, deceased. Mr. Graftins is a Republican. He is a member of the Methodist church, Spruce Creek, is a trustee, and served many years as steward.

SAMUEL H. IRVIN, McAlleys Fort, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Hickley Furnace, Centre county, Pa., November 26, 1841, son of John and Elizabeth (Mothersbaugh) Irvin. James Irvin, grandfather of Samuel H., was born in Ireland, of Scotch parentage; he came to this country when a young man, and supported himself and family by general labor. He married in Mifflin county; his children were: Samuel; William; James; Joseph; John; Andrew; and Eliza. James Irvin adhered to the Democratic party. He was a member of the Presbyterian church. He died in Centre county, Pa. His son, John Irvin, had a limited education, but was quick and intelligent, as well as physically robust. He was a worker in coal and iron. In 1847 he removed from Centre to Huntingdon county, where he was engaged in the iron works at Monroe Furnace. The company failed, owing Mr. Irvin \$1,000, in payment of which he was obliged to take a farm, valued at \$1,100; this necessitated the payment of \$100 in cash. Mr. Irvin built a dwelling and a barn, planted an orchard, and made various other improvements upon his property. He cultivated 130 acres besides raising cattle, and other live stock. He was also manager of the Greenwood furnace, in Huntingdon county. Mr. Irvin was a Democrat. His wife was of German descent, born in Mifflin county. Their children are: Abraham, killed in a railroad accident at Barree; John, deceased, was a private in Company E, Forty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Ninth Army Corps, was wounded and lost his leg, died May 18, 1871; James B., belonged to Company G,

One Hundred and Forty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, was three times wounded in battle, died in 1893; William Miles, of Williamsport, Pa., employed in the railroad office, was four years in the army, first in Company G, Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, afterwards in Company C, Seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers; Samuel H.; David, of Company F, One Hundred and Forty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, was wounded in 1864, died in 1874; Martin L., a boy of intelligence and good education, enlisted at the age of seventeen in Company F, One Hundred and Forty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was shot in battle; Gerard J., a soldier like his brothers, though only sixteen, was in the One Hundred and Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was wounded in the breast at Petersburg, Va., is now living in Virginia; Ellis, in the grocery business at Altoona, Pa.; Susanna, deceased, wife of Henry Greenawalt, of Huntingdon, Pa.; Rebecca J., deceased, wife of Clinton B. White; Annie, died at the age of nineteen; Mary J., deceased, wife of Frank Strunk; Andrew, died in Centre county, Pa.; and Jacob, died in Jackson township, aged eleven. Few family records present a story of greater devotion to the cause of their country; scarcely any of so much suffering and sacrifice as was undergone by the seven sons of this family, who freely gave their blood, their young strength, and some of them life itself, for the preservation of the Union. Just after the return of peace, the father of this family died on the homestead, September 14, 1865. He was a member of the Lutheran church, and had been active in its service. His wife survived him for fifteen years, and died November 2, 1880, at the house of her son, Samuel H., in Huntingdon. She was a kind and faithful mother, and like her excellent husband, was devoted to her church, and regular in her attendance upon its services.

Samuel H. Irvin was educated in the common schools of Jackson and Franklin townships, was interested in his studies, and has by his own efforts made up for the slenderness of his advantages. From the age of ten years, he worked on the farm; he was occupied in agricultural labor, at home and for neighboring farmers, until the war of the Rebellion broke out. Then, yielding to his patriotic impulses, he enlisted, August 17, 1861, under

Col. W. H. Irvin and Capt. John B. Miles, in Company C, Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers. From McAlleys Fort, the regiment went to Harrisburg, Pa., thence to Washington, D. C., and thence to Hall's Hill, and took part in the battles of Yorktown and Williamsburg, Va. On the 5th of May, 1862, it was attached to the Sixth Army Corps, under Brigadier General Hancock; took part in the battle of White Oak Church, also called White Church, or James' River; was at the siege of Richmond, and in the Seven Days' Fight; on the 27th of June, went to Garnet's Hill, Va., where an attack and a skirmish took place on the 28th, and several men were killed. The regiment was also in the fights at Savage Station, at White Oak Swamp, and on July 3, at Malvern Hill, where there was hard fighting. It then lay at Harrison's Landing for about four weeks; was in the battle at Antietam, in September, 1862, and in the fight at South Mountain; lay at Hagerstown for one month; took part in the battle of Fredericksburg, and of Rappahannock Station, where two thousand prisoners were taken; was in a small fight at Mine Run, and went from that place to Rappahannock Station, there they did picket duty. Here Mr. Irvin was made orderly sergeant, in March, 1864. He was in the battle of the Wilderness, May 4, 1864; in the battle of Spottsylvania, May 10, where both colonels were killed; took part in the battle of Cold Harbor; was made second lieutenant, June 4, 1864; from Cold Harbor they went to Petersburg. Mr. Irvin was in all the engagements of the army of the Potomac; he was in the army four years, and was mustered out July 26, 1865; he was at the final grand review in Washington, D. C., the second in which he took part. Although on active duty during the entire period of his enlistment, he received only a few slight wounds. He carried the colors for eighteen months. Mr. Irvin now returned to the homestead and to peaceful labor. He took a contract for wood chopping, by which he made \$500 during the winter of '65-'66; then coaled for the Pennsylvania furnaces at \$50 per month for two years. In 1878 he was elected sheriff of Huntingdon county on the Republican ticket, with a majority of 377 over two opponents, Know-Nothing and Democratic. He was three years in office, and retired from it with the pleasant consciousness of having done his

duty faithfully and efficiently. In 1881 he embarked in the charcoal and lumber business, which he carried on successfully for several years. He bought the homestead in 1883, and now cultivates over 130 acres in Jackson township, besides two farms of 255 and 250 acres respectively, in Barree township. He has 87 acres of timber land, from which he obtains wood for the manufacture of charcoal; 300 acres near Saulsburg, and a half interest in 1,600 acres in Barree and West townships. Hard work, good business management and well-earned success—such is in brief the record of Mr. Irvin's business life. As has been intimated, he is a Republican; he has always been interested in politics. He is a member of Post No. 44, G. A. R., at Huntingdon, Pa.; also of the I. O. O. F.

Samuel H. Irvin was married in Huntingdon, April 17, 1867, to Maria, daughter of George W. Glazier, of that borough. Their children are: George M., in the railroad employ at Altoona, Pa.; Cora M. (Mrs. Willard Lamberson), of Iowa; Alfred T., in the electric light company's employ at Huntingdon; Annie K. (Mrs. John Bigelow), now of Barree township; Margaret B., residing in Tennessee; John Edgar, on the homestead; Mary Bessie, at home; James H., at home; Walter, died young. Mr. Irvin has been a deacon, and is an elder in the Presbyterian church; is always deeply interested in church affairs, and is a Sunday-school worker. Knowing the difficulties that beset those who are working their way in the world, he has always been friendly to such as were in need, and has made his own enterprises serve many by giving employment to the industrious and deserving.

JOHN C. BARR, M. D., McAlleys Fort, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Jackson township, August 4, 1854, son of Daniel and Martha (Edmeston) Barr. The Barrs are Scotch-Irish by descent. Samuel Barr, the Doctor's grandfather, who was born in County Donegal, Ireland, came to America with his parents; his father, Robert Barr, is buried on the family homestead. Samuel Barr owned and cultivated a farm of 200 acres. He belonged to the old Whig party. At the age of forty, he married Lydia Wills, of Jackson township. Their children were: Robert; Gabriel; Samuel; James; David;

Lydia; Jane; Mary; Elizabeth (Mrs. Oburn); and Daniel. Samuel Barr was a member of the United Presbyterian church; he lived to the age of ninety-one; he and his wife both died on the homestead. His son, Daniel Barr, the Doctor's father, was educated in the common school and subscription schools; he grew up on his father's farm, and remained there all his life, tilling the land and raising stock. He was a home-loving man, but did not on that account fail in interest in the affairs of the community. He was a Whig, and was active in township matters; was esteemed for his merits and intelligence. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church. His wife, Martha Edmeston, was born in Juniata county. Their children are: Samuel W., died young; Joseph, resides on the homestead; Lydia E. (Mrs. John E. McGill), of Jackson township; Dr. John C.; Mary E., died at the age of seventeen; Eliza J., died aged thirty-four; Sarah A., wife of William Cummins, merchant, of McAlleys Fort. Daniel Barr died on the homestead in 1865.

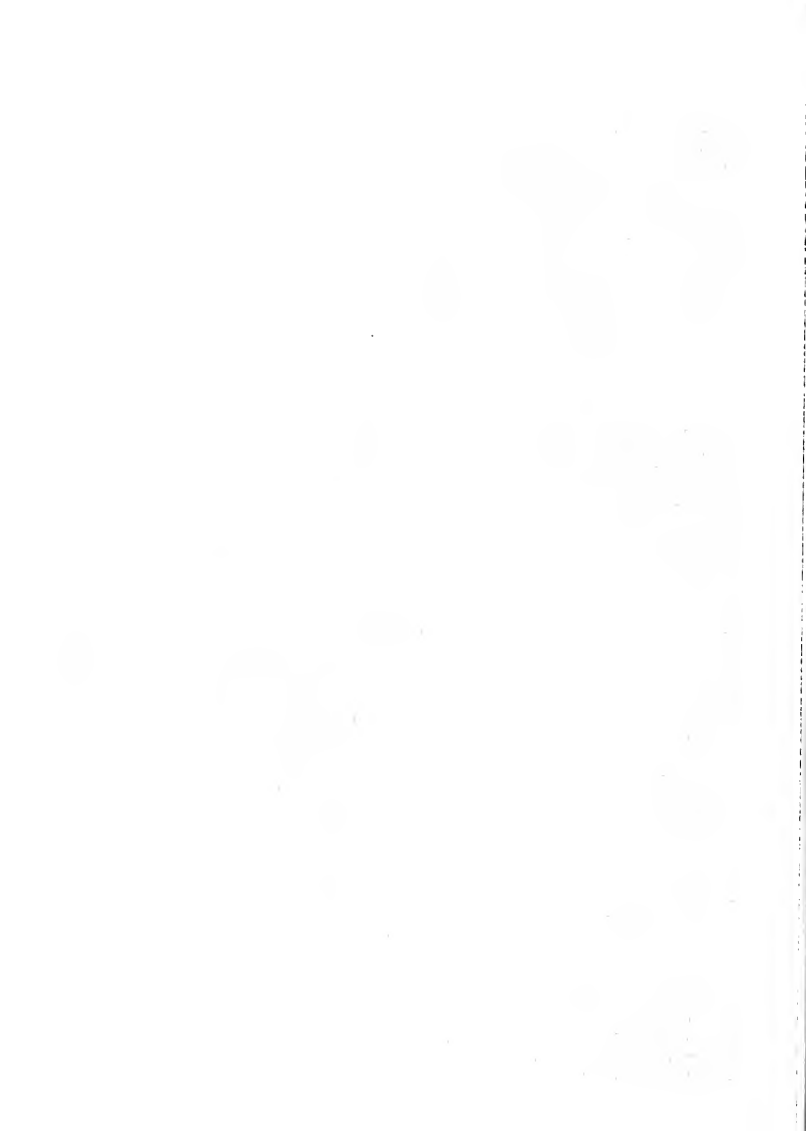
John C. Barr first attended the common school of the township; he continued to do so until, at sixteen, he entered the Stone Valley Academy for a year's study. From the age of ten, he was practically familiar with farm duties, his vacation times being occupied with labor on the homestead. To this he returned at the end of his academic course, and filled with agricultural work the years between seventeen and twenty-eight. Then he began reading medicine with Dr. J. C. Cummins, and two years later, matriculated at the University of Maryland, in Baltimore. After attending one year's lectures, he returned to his home, and read two years more; then back to the medical school, from which he graduated in 1889. He then made a short stay at home, after which he attended a course at the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, and took its diploma in 1890. His practice has been in his own neighborhood, and extends far beyond McAlleys Fort, over a considerable part of the valley. He has been physician for the poor in three townships, Jackson, Barre and Miller. Dr. Barr, from the boy helper on the farm, has thus made his own way to a position of influence and responsibility. He has worked diligently with hands and with brain, making his bodily toil subserve his intellectual development, and supplementing by judicious reading his rather

slender educational advantages. He takes some part in the activities of the township; has been judge and clerk of elections, assessor, etc. He is a member of Grange No. 951, P. of H. The Doctor is a Republican.

Dr. Barr was married in Jackson township, December 28, 1876, to Mary E., daughter of John A. and Agnes (Cummins) Wilson, born in Barree township, November 15, 1855. Her father is a farmer in Jackson township. Their children are: John W., school teacher; Azile C., attending school; May and June, died in infancy; Laura A.; and Roy, died in infancy. The Doctor and wife are members of the United Presbyterian church, and he is active in church business.

JAMES EWING, Ennisville, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born near Hense's tannery, Perry county, Pa., March 15, 1845, son of Anthony and Mary A. (Johnston) Ewing. His grandfather, William Ewing, was born in Scotland, came to America when a young man, and settled in Perry county, where he followed his calling of tailoring all his life. William Ewing married a Miss Wesley; their children are: Joseph; Daniel; William; Armstrong; James; John; Anthony; Mary; and Hannah. Mr. Ewing was an old line Whig. He belonged to the Methodist Episcopal church. He died in Perry county. Anthony Ewing received a good education. He was a miller and carried on that business in Perry county, then in Juniata, and lastly at Mount Union, Huntingdon county. He was a Democrat. Anthony Ewing was married in Perry county to Mary A., daughter of William Johnston, a weaver of German descent. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Ewing are: David, died in 1841; James; John, of Mount Union; Rachel, deceased, wife of Samuel Marshman; Hannah J., deceased; Mary A. (Mrs. James McKinstry), of Huntingdon county; Anthony, deceased; and Elizabeth (Mrs. Howard Stump), residing near Mill Creek, Pa. Mrs. Ewing died at Mount Union in September, 1890, and Mr. Ewing in October, 1895. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

James Ewing received his education in the public schools of Juniata county. His calling throughout life has been milling. He was first engaged with James Van Orner, near Mifflin; afterwards he was in the Spruce Creek mills, and with the Isenberg Milling





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Company, of Huntingdon. In 1894 he began business in Cumminsville, Jackson township. Mr. Ewing is a stockholder in the Isenberg Milling Company. He is a Republican, and a member of the A. O. U. W., of Huntingdon, Pa. Mr. Ewing has been a very industrious worker all his life, and has well earned his present prosperity. He is a genial companion, and is much esteemed. When a boy, at Port Royal, he had the misfortune to cut off the index finger of his left hand.

The marriage of James Ewing to Sarah C. Souder took place in Juniata county in 1871. Their children were: James E.; and Clark, both of whom died young. Mrs. Ewing died near Lock Haven, Pa., in September, 1890. Mr. Ewing was married again in 1893, to Annie, daughter of J. E. Cree, employed at the Reformatory; she is a native of Huntingdon. Their children are: Nathan B.; and James E. Mr. Ewing is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, a Sunday-school teacher and superintendent; has been class leader for twenty-one years. He takes a deep interest in church affairs.

JAMES BIGELOW, M. D., McAlleys Fort, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Belleville, Mifflin county, Pa., September 28, 1844, son of Eliphaz and Elizabeth (Fife) Bigelow. Dr. Israel Bigelow, his grandfather, was a native of Vermont, of Scotch descent; he settled in Plain City, O., where he practised medicine for the remainder of his life. He was first married August 22, 1774, to Eunice Kathron; their children were: Israel J.; Isaac; Lebbeus L.; Daniel K.; Eunice; Dolly; Eliphaz; and Mary. Mrs. Bigelow died at Plain City, in August, 1825. Dr. Bigelow married again; his second wife was Polly Clippinger; they had one child, Timothy. By a third union there were two children: Hosea; and Chamberlain. Dr. Israel Bigelow died at Plain City, May 28, 1838. Eliphaz Bigelow, fifth son of Dr. Israel, read medicine with his father and his brother. After practising at Millheim, Centre county, Pa., and at Belleville, he came to Jackson township in 1854, and continued in practise. He owned a farm of 250 acres, besides two other farms, one in Barree, the other in Jackson township. He had property also in Mifflin county. Dr. Eliphaz Bigelow was one of the first physicians that resided in the township;

he is remembered as having a very large practice. He was an excellent judge of horses, which he bought and sold, besides dealing in cattle. He had a particular preference for swift horses, and rode a great deal. Eliphaz Bigelow was a Democrat; he was a noted character, well known to everybody in a large extent of country, and cordially esteemed. He was three times married; his first wife was Elizabeth Stucky, a native of Dauphin county, Pa. Their children are: Israel, of McAlleys Fort; Dr. John S., deceased; Benjamin F.; Eliphaz, died young. Mrs. Elizabeth Bigelow died in Mifflin county. The Doctor's second wife was Elizabeth Fife, a native of Brady township, Huntingdon county. Their children are: Mary (Mrs. Samuel Johnston), deceased; Lebbeus, deceased; Nancy (Mrs. Silas Miller), of Kansas; Lewis, postmaster at McAlleys Fort; Dr. James; and Rebecca, deceased, wife of Clay Hagan, of Jackson township. The mother of these children dying in 1846, at Belleville, Dr. Bigelow married Leah Weidman, and had four children: Jacob W., of Jackson township; Dr. Brown A., of Belleville; Barbara, died in childhood; and Francesea (Mrs. John Harman), of Barree township. The Doctor died in Jackson township in October, 1868; his wife is still a resident of McAlleys Fort.

James Bigelow attended the public schools of Belleville, Mifflin county, and of Jackson township, Huntingdon county. He worked on his father's farm until he reached the age of seventeen. He then learned blacksmithing; while working at this trade, he enlisted at Belleville, in Company C, Forty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Cols. Walsh and Curtin, and Capt. Bigelow; the latter is now a doctor at Stormstown, Centre county. James Bigelow was in the battles of Fredericksburg, Va., Blue Spring, Tenn., Tennessee Station, the Siege of Knoxville and the battle of the Wilderness. In the last-named engagement, he was captured and taken to Andersonville, May 6, 1864. For seven months he was in prison; treated cruelly, and suffering much; he lost more than sixty pounds of weight during his imprisonment. He was discharged December 7, 1864, but was on parole up to the time of Lee's surrender, after which he joined his regiment in camp, but was in no more engagements. He was in the grand review at Washington, and was discharged July

15, 1865. In 1866, he worked on the farm, and began the study of medicine with his father; he also spent six months in studying with Dr. William Bigelow, at Belleville. In the following year, he studied and practised with his father in Jackson township, after which he attended lectures in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, where he graduated in 1868. He then returned to his home, where he has ever since practised, and has an extensive circle of patients. Dr. Bigelow is a member of Cummins Post, No. 380, G. A. R., of Jackson township. He is a Democrat. Having been a resident of McAlevys Fort for twenty-seven years, he is greatly interested in township and county affairs. He has built a fine dwelling, at a cost of \$1,700; owns a farm of 185 acres, and 85 acres of pasture land, and has been to some extent interested in raising horses and cattle.

Dr. James Bigelow was married in 1867, in Jackson township, to Sarah, daughter of John Cummins, farmer, of Jackson township, where she was born in October, 1844. Their children are: John, farmer, of Barree township; Ada Zillah (Mrs. Thomas McCall), of Portage, Cambria county, Pa.; Eliphaz, farmer; Claudia (Mrs. Clarence A. Jackson), Charles W.; and Frank. Mrs. Bigelow is a member of the United Presbyterian church.

WILLIAM M. MILLER, M. D., McAlevys Fort, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Jackson township, November 19, 1865, son of Wesley and Catherine (McAlevy) Miller. Joseph Miller, his grandfather, was of German descent, and was born in Cumberland county, Pa., whence he removed to Jackson township, Huntingdon county, took up some land, and went to farming and stock raising. He also cultivated some land in that part of Barree township which is now Miller township. He was also to some extent engaged in the lumber business, and other interests. He was a Democrat. Joseph Miller married in Barree township; his children are: Dorothy, Samuel; John; Henry; Cyrus; and Wesley. He died in Miller, then Barree township, in 1853; his wife in 1863. They belonged to the Methodist Episcopal church. He was liked and respected. His youngest son, Wesley Miller, attended the common schools. He began active life on the farm, where he spent the

greater part of it. He rented several farms in Jackson township, and finally bought one, containing 400 acres, on which he erected buildings and made other improvements. He also built a steam saw-mill and manufactured lumber, besides giving some attention to raising stock. He was a Democrat, and being interested in the affairs of the community, was elected to office in his township, serving on the school board, as supervisor of roads, and in some minor positions. He was warmly attached to his home, was popular with his neighbors, and enjoyed general esteem. Wesley Miller was married in Jackson township; his wife, Catharine McAlevy, was born in that township in December, 1837, daughter of Samuel and great-granddaughter of General McAlevy, who established the fort from which the town is named. Their children are: Alda M. (Mrs. Samuel Williamson), on the homestead; William M.; and Anna S., who died at the age of twenty-three. Wesley Miller was a member of the United Presbyterian church. He died September 16, 1894.

William M. Miller was educated in the common school of his township and at Standing Stone Valley Academy, from which he graduated in 1885. Being an industrious youth, he made himself useful on the farm at the early age of ten, and continued to do so in the vacations throughout his school and academic days. After graduation, Mr. Miller taught for a year in the township common school, and then for five years was assistant teacher at the academy, employing his vacations now in the study of medicine. He read with Dr. Conch, of McAlevys Fort, until the fall of 1886, when he matriculated at the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia; he graduated in 1889. Dr. Miller was a close student, reading medicine during the vacations of his medical school; he also "walked the hospital" for three months, in Philadelphia, after which he commenced practise at McAlevys Fort, where he has ever since continued, having had the good fortune not always attainable by young practitioners, of winning the confidence of his own neighborhood. He enjoys an extensive practise, and has performed with success some important operations. Dr. Miller adheres to the Democratic party.

His marriage to Anna S., daughter of James Magill, a farmer of Scotch-Irish de-

sent, residing in Jackson township, took place in December, 1889. They have one child, James W., born January 12, 1894. Dr. Miller is a member of the United Presbyterian church, warmly attached to the church, and active in her affairs. He teaches in the Sunday-school, and has more than once represented his congregation in the Presbytery.

WILLIAM CRAIG, Greenwood Furnace, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Bloomfield, Blair county, Pa., June 15, 1848, son of John A. and Barbara A. (White) Craig. His father and grandfather were natives of Virginia; the Craig family is of English origin. Mr. Craig's grandfather, also named William, was a wagon-maker and house carpenter; he removed from Virginia to Big Cove Tannery, Fulton county, Pa., and there carried on wagon-making on an extensive scale. He was a Democrat. He was married in Virginia, and had six children: William; John A.; Jackson; Mary; Rachel; and Effie. Mr. Craig was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He died in 1876. John A. Craig received a common school education. He worked in blast furnaces; was engaged at this labor successively in Fulton, Blair, Mifflin and Huntingdon counties. He was also employed for a part of his time as a charcoal burner. His wife, Barbara A. White, whom he married in Fulton county, was born in that county in 1819. Mr. Craig is a Democrat. His church connection is with the Baptist denomination. He is a quiet and unassuming gentleman, and enjoys the hearty respect and good will of his acquaintances. He resides with his son and only child, William Craig, at Greenwood Furnace.

William Craig (2) attended for a very limited time the public school at Mill Creek, Huntingdon county. He began business life as a laborer for the Logan Iron and Steel Company, at Logan, Mifflin county, Pa., in 1868. He was appointed their foreman in 1873, and in 1893 was promoted to be manager at Greenwood Furnace, which is his present position. His good judgment and faithful performance of duty have left the company no cause to regret the appointment. Sobriety and industry and intelligent effort at mental improvement have marked Mr. Craig's course and ensured his prosperity. He has spent twenty-five years in the employ of the Logan

Iron and Steel Company. He is a Democrat; is a member of F. and A. M., No. 203, Lewistown, Pa.; of the I. O. O. F., No. 97, Lewistown, and of the Encampment, I. O. R. M., No. 67, Lewistown.

William Craig was married in Mifflin county, in June, 1869, to Ada Dearnant, a native of Huntingdon; their children are: Mary M.; Maud, deceased; John M., employed in the store at Greenwood Furnace; and one that died in infancy. Mrs. Ada Craig died in 1879. Mr. Craig, two years later, married her sister, Jennie E. Dearnant. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

WILLARD H. THOMPSON, Greenwood Furnace, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., December 8, 1860, son of William J. and Sarah H. (Lawrence) Thompson. William J. Thompson, also a native of Milroy, was the son of William Thompson, who was born in Mifflin county, of a Scotch-Irish family. He was a farmer and stock raiser, who owned, improved and cultivated 400 acres of land. He was an old line Whig. In the Presbyterian church, of which he was a consistent member, he occupied the offices of deacon and elder. He had many friends in the community. He married Sarah McManigle, a lady of Scotch-Irish descent; their children were: Sydney; Moses R.; Ner; Sarah; Ira; and William J. Mr. Thompson died on the homestead, and his wife at Lewistown. William J., their youngest son, enjoyed a common school training, and also was a student in an academy in Juniata county. Up to the time of his marriage he worked on his father's farm. Then he engaged in mercantile business at Milroy, in partnership with one of his brothers; after giving his attention to this business for some time, he sold out and became ticket agent for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Milroy. Some years later he was promoted to the position of baggage-master. In every position he displayed most estimable qualities, and in consequence was regarded by his employers and acquaintances with respect and good will. His wife, Sarah H. Lawrence, was born in the southern part of New Jersey; their children are: Kate L.; and Willard H. William J. Thompson died from the effects of a railroad accident, in 1877; Mrs. Thompson died April 14, 1894. He was a Republican, and ad-

hered to the Presbyterian church, in which he was brought up.

Willard H. Thompson was educated in the public schools of Mifflin county, Pa. His first business engagement was as clerk in the store of his uncle; this lasted three years. At the age of eighteen he found employment with the Logan Iron and Steel Company, in the capacity of clerk in their store; this position he occupied for eleven years; afterwards, for three years, he was clerk in a store at Everett, Bedford county, Pa. He came next, in December, 1893, to Greenwood Furnace, as assistant manager for the Logan Iron and Steel Company; he has since that time continued to fulfill the duties of the position with credit to himself and to the satisfaction of the company. Mr. Thompson is a member of the I. O. O. F. He is a Republican; has been assessor of Jackson township. He is a good citizen, well liked and much respected.

The marriage of Willard H. Thompson to Jennie Garrett, a native of Huntingdon county, took place in July, 1894.

JERRY T. McCARTNEY, postmaster of Greenwood Furnace, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Burnham, Mifflin county, Pa., July 13, 1867, son of John and Mary (Dearmant) McCartney. His grandfather, James McCartney, was of a Scotch-Irish family, but was a native of Pennsylvania. He was a farmer and stock raiser, of the central part of the State. He adhered to the old line Whig party, and was a member of the Lutheran church. His children were: Mary A.; Anthony; Jeremiah; Alfred; John; and one that died in early childhood. Both James McCartney and his wife died at Burnham, Mifflin county. John McCartney, their fourth son, received a common school education, and entered upon the same occupations as his father's. He also drove a stage between Lewistown, Mifflin county, and Snyder county, in which employment he spent the best part of his life. He had charge of the stables of the Logan Iron and Steel Company, and also carried the mail between Lewistown and Burnham. He was a Republican. His wife, Mary J. Dearmant, was born in Miller township in 1826; their children are: Annie, who died young; William, deceased; Jeremiah; and a child that died in infancy. John McCartney died at Burnham in 1871. He was

esteemed for his many good qualities. He was an industrious and faithful worker, and was a member of the Lutheran church. His wife survives him, and resides with her son Jerry at Greenwood Furnace.

It is at that place that Jerry McCartney has been employed ever since he entered his teens, rising from the position of a laborer, at fifty cents a day, which he obtained when he left school, to that of manager of Store No. 2 of the Logan Iron and Steel Company, which responsible post he holds at present. He continued in the former position for four years, and then at sixteen was employed to break stone at the furnace, his wages being increased to twenty dollars per month. After six years of steady work, he was assigned to the place of clerk in the store, which he filled for three years; then, in 1893, he was made manager. He has also for several years had charge of the post-office. Mr. McCartney enjoys the confidence and kind regards of both the company and its employees. He is a self-educated man, and has attained to his present position by means of unremitting and honorable attention to business. Mr. McCartney is a Democrat. The appreciation of his fellow-citizens is manifested in his having been elected school director for a three years' term, and district assessor for a term of two years. He is a member of Lodge No. 203, F. and A. M., Lewistown, Pa.

The marriage of Jerry McCartney to Amanda, daughter of Joseph Griffith, an employee at the furnace, took place at Greenwood Furnace in May, 1892. Their children are: John M.; Charles F.; and Thomas Bailey. Mr. McCartney is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and was trained in its Sunday-school.

JOHN A. WILSON, McAlevys Fort, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Cambria county, Pa., January 27, 1820, son of Robert and Mary (Anderson) Wilson. The Wilson family is of Scotch-Irish origin. George Wilson, grandfather of John A., was born in Ireland; emigrating from that country, he came to America, and settled near Petersburg, Pa. He was a farmer and stock raiser. He took part in the Revolutionary war, and among the traditions of the family are his encounters with Indian marauders, near Shavers Creek. He was a Democrat. George Wilson was married to Margerie Col-

well, of Huntingdon county. Their children are: David; James; Robert; Rachel; Margaret; Jane; and Mary. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson both died on the homestead, in the comfortable log dwelling which he had built. He also erected a barn. Mr. Wilson was a member of the United Presbyterian church. Robert, their third son, after a few years attendance at school, turned his attention to farming, in which business he continued all his life. He was thus engaged successively at Shavers Creek, Huntingdon county; in Cambria county, Pa.; again at Shavers Creek; then in Centre county, Pa., where he also undertook stock raising, and where he died in 1852. Robert Wilson was a Democrat. His wife, whom he married in Cambria county, was Mary, daughter of Andrew Anderson, of that county, and like the Wilsons, of Scotch-Irish descent. Their children are: Margaret, deceased, wife of Ennis Wilson; Andrew, of Jackson township; Daniel, deceased; John A.; George, a veteran soldier, of Jackson township; Robert, deceased; Mary J., deceased, wife of David Hendershot, who died while serving in the United States army. Mrs. Robert Wilson died in Centre county in 1835. Mr. Wilson was a Presbyterian; he was all his life a steady and diligent worker, faithful to duty, and enjoying the respect and esteem due to his solid and conscientious character.

Although enjoying only limited educational opportunities, attending no institution of higher grade than the Huntingdon county common schools, John A. Wilson succeeded through natural endowments and persevering application, in making fair acquisitions of knowledge. He worked for the neighboring farmers for four dollars per month when only twelve years of age, but continued to attend school during the winter. In the following year, his wages rose to seven dollars per month; after working for two years he had saved the sum of seventy-five dollars, which he lent to a neighbor. The borrower failing in business, Mr. Wilson lost the greater part of his hard earned money. He was employed by different farmers during nineteen years, nine of which he spent with John C. Davis and Jacob Hunter, of Huntingdon county. After this, with a small sum which he had saved, Mr. Wilson bought 150 acres on Warriors Ridge, where he remained four years, making improvements on the

place. He then sold that property and bought 250 acres in Jackson township, on which he built a barn. There was a dwelling on the land, which he improved. After a residence of twenty-four years in that place, Mr. Wilson sold the farm, and bought the place known as the "James Barr farm," containing 130 acres; leaving that property in the care of his son, he bought a house at McAlleys Fort, and for four years lived at leisure. In 1885 he removed to his present home, which has since been his continual place of residence. A life of honorable and unremitting toil has fairly entitled Mr. Wilson and his excellent wife to the ease and leisure which in their ripe years they are enjoying.

John A. Wilson was married in January, 1854, in Jackson township, to Agnes, daughter of Robert and Mary (Sterrett) Cummins, both of Scotch-Irish descent. Mr. Cummins was a farmer. They were members of the Associate Presbyterian church. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson are: Mary E., wife of John C. Barr, M. D., of McAlleys Fort; Robert C., farmer, of Jackson township, married Laura Agnes Barr, and has four children. Mr. Wilson has served not only his own and his family's interests, but those of the community and the church. He is a Republican, has been chosen as supervisor and as auditor, and has also served on the school board. He is a member of the United Presbyterian church, and besides contributing \$40 annually for church purposes, he also subscribed \$500 to the building of the present house of worship.

DAVID S. CUNNINGHAM, Ennisville, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Barree township, Huntingdon county, March 7, 1828, son of Richard and Sarah (Johnson) Cunningham. His grandfather, John Cunningham, was of Scotch parentage, but was a native of this county. He had farmed in Mifflin county, Pa., and before he purchased his land in Huntingdon, which comprised a farm of 300 acres in Miller township, then a part of Barree, besides a tract of 800 acres on Warriors Ridge. On these properties he made various improvements, and was a farmer and stockman on an extensive scale. His wife Esther Robinson, was, like himself, of Scotch origin. Their children are: Elizabeth; Sarah; William, residing in the southern part of

Huntingdon county; Robinson, married Miss McCauley, and has a son, John, a resident of Logan township; Nancy; John, residing in one of the southern townships of the county; Richard; and Josiah, married Anna Moore, and was formerly a merchant in Huntingdon. John Cunningham died on the homestead, in Barree township, and his wife in the same place. They were Presbyterians. Mr. Cunningham adhered to the Democratic party.

Richard Cunningham devoted his attention exclusively to farming and to raising and dealing in live stock. He farmed for thirty years in Barree and Jackson townships. In the latter township he owned and cultivated 200 acres, on which he erected a dwelling and other necessary and convenient buildings. He had a high reputation as a judge and breeder of horses, as well as of cattle. He belonged to the old line Whig, and later to the Republican party.

Richard Cunningham was married in Barree township, to Sarah Johnston, a native of that township. Their children are: David S.; Mary, widow of John Gregory, of West township; Margaret, widow of Thompson Martin, of Iowa; Sarah Jane, wife of Lewis Kingsbury; Elizabeth, widow of Samuel Neff, of Porter township; James, deceased; Samuel, deceased; Peninah, deceased; and three who died in infancy. Some time before his death, which occurred in 1879, Mr. Cunningham relinquished active business. He passed his last years in retirement, at Emisville, where his wife also died in 1881. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and were valued in the church and the community.

David S. Cunningham attended the subscription and public schools of Jackson township. From the time when he was nine years old he was employed in the cultivation of the home farm, which has been his life work. At the time of his marriage he took entire charge of the homestead, but he owns much more land than he received from his father. The original tract was 200 acres, but Mr. Cunningham owns and has under cultivation 1,100 acres. He was formerly part owner of a flour mill at Cumminsville. He has a great deal of land in timber. Most of his farms are rented. Mr. Cunningham has built two new barns, three new buildings and other structures. He is besides interested in raising and dealing in stock. His success in business is the just due

of unflagging industry, and of a progressive spirit held in proper check by caution and sound judgment. Mr. Cunningham is a Republican. He served one term in the school board of his township.

The marriage of David S. Cunningham to Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Miller, farmer of Miller township, Huntingdon county, took place in that township in 1865. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham are: Sarah (Mrs. Thomas McMahon), of Barree township; Alice, deceased; Bessie, deceased; John M.; David F., at home; and twin children who died in infancy. The elder son, John B. Cunningham, was born in August, 1871; he attended school in Jackson township, and was afterwards a pupil in the Stone Valley Academy. He is a farmer, and cultivates the homestead farm. He was married, January 17, 1894, to Rhoda, daughter of Hugh Jackson, of Barree township. She was born in Jackson township. They have a daughter, Helen, born in 1895. Mrs. David S. Cunningham, the faithful companion and helper of her husband for many years, died of diphtheria in January, 1880. The family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church; as a child Mr. Cunningham attended its services, and was a pupil in its Sunday-school, and he has not wavered in his attachment to the church throughout a long life.

BENJAMIN A. GIBBONEY, McMevys Fort, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Allenville, Mifflin county, Pa., December 5, 1829. He is a son of James and Annie (Horell) Gibboney. The Gibboney family is of Welsh origin. Alexander Gibboney, grandfather of Benjamin A., was a native of Bucks county, Pa., born in a part of that county which is now included in Berks. He was in the Continental army during the Revolution, serving in the commissary department. He was a manufacturer of woolen goods, and removed from Bucks county to a place near Belleville, then Greenwood, in Mifflin county. Here he started the first woolen factory in that part of the county. His home in Mifflin county was a farm of thirty acres, which he owned. Alexander Gibboney was a Democrat of the early type. He was an active and enterprising business man, and of high standing in the community. His wife was a Miss Garver, of Berks county, a lady of German

descent. They had six children: Davis; Alexander; James; Benjamin; Jemima; and Sarah. Mr. Gibboney was a member of the Presbyterian church. He lived to the age of eighty-two. His remains are buried in the Presbyterian cemetery at Belleville. His son, James Gibboney, attended the subscription schools of Mifflin county, but was mainly self-educated. He assisted his father in the woolen mills, but his chief occupation, and the one in which he was nearly all his life engaged, was that of furniture manufacturer. He was a Democrat. For one term, beginning October 28, 1833, he was sheriff of Mifflin county, and for two terms, from February, 1839, prothonotary. James Gibboney was married in Mifflin county, to Annie, daughter of Christopher Horrell; she was born in that county in 1801, and was of English descent. Her father was a hotel keeper. Their children were: Theodore, deceased; Louisa, deceased, wife of John Q. Adams, furnace manager; Sarah A., died young; Benjamin A.; Cynthia, died young; Joseph, deceased; Alexander, deceased; James, of Company C, Forty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, shot at Petersburg, Va., in the war of the Rebellion. The father died in Mifflin county, in 1841. His wife survived him until 1892, when she died at the age of ninety-one. She was an excellent woman, and had many friends. Both Mr. and Mrs. Gibboney were faithful members of the Presbyterian church, and took an active part in its enterprises.

In his early boyhood, Benjamin A. Gibboney attended, during the winter sessions of three months, one of those primitive log school houses so well known to the older residents of interior Pennsylvania. His first teacher was one George Fisher. His father dying when Benjamin was but twelve years old, he came under the care of his uncle, Alexander Gibboney, and very soon began to work in his uncle's woolen mill. He continued to do so until 1858, spending in that employment over seventeen years. He then bought a mill in Jackson township, owned by Robert Stewart, one of the first settlers in that vicinity. For the mill and 62 acres of land Mr. Gibboney paid \$4,000, making a cash payment of \$1,000, the amount of his savings while working in his uncle's mill, and going into debt for the remainder. Then began a life in the woods, a life of steady and dili-

gent work, to which the presence of his wife and their little child supplied both cheer and incentive. All went on well and hopeful until 1866, when the mill was burned down, involving a loss of \$10,000, no insurance. A new beginning must be made, this time with a still heavier burden of debt, the amount of \$6,000. But with prompt and cheerful energy affairs were soon moving on again. A fine factory on a larger scale was built, run by water power. Prosperity has crowned Mr. Gibboney's endeavors; his factory is in good working order, and his business relations are profitable. He employs seven hands, and uses the latest improvements in machinery. He also bought 60 acres of land, in addition to his former purchase; has built a dwelling worth \$1,000, and made other improvements. Mr. Gibboney's long and honorable record has given him an enviable position in the community. He has taken a considerable part in public affairs, having been school director for one term, and tax collector of both county and State. He was also elected on his party ticket, the Republican, as justice of the peace, and held the office for five years. He has, however, never gone to law on his own account, never having had a case in court, nor a suit against man or woman.

Benjamin A. Gibboney was married in Mifflin county, Pa., in 1856, to Martha, daughter of Jacob Richwine, a cooper, and of German descent. Mrs. Gibboney was born in Mifflin county in 1836. Their children are: Annie, died young; James, who farms the homestead, is married to Elizabeth Smith, and has six children; William and Ellen, twins, of whom the former is employed in his father's mill, married Laura Davis, deceased, and has three children, and the latter was married to John Weiler, of Jackson township, and died in 1889; Frank, employed in the mill, married Laura Bickett, has three children; Benjamin, employed in the mill. The family belong to the Presbyterian church. Mr. Gibboney is attached to his church by the associations of a lifetime, having been instructed in its Sunday-school in his childhood.

OSGOOD M. WHIPPLE, McAlveys Fort, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Westford, Clittenden county, Va., December 15, 1840, son of Josephus and Mehitable (Osgood) Whipple. His grandfather, Jona-

than Whipple, was a native of Massachusetts, of Irish descent. Josephus Whipple was born in Vermont in 1800, and lived and died in the same State. He was a carpenter, contractor and builder. His wife was the daughter of Manasseh Osgood, a farmer, of Scotch-Irish extraction. Their children are: Pliny, professor of music, died in Vermont; George C., broker, of Chicago, Ill.; Osgood M.; Edward J., contractor and builder, in Nebraska; Edwin B., carriage builder, in Vermont; Jennie (Mrs. Moses Lytle), of Nebraska; and one that died in infancy. Mrs. Joseph Whipple died in Vermont, on the homestead where she had passed her life. Her husband also is deceased. Mr. Whipple was a Republican. He was an honorable man, esteemed and respected. Mrs. Whipple was a member of the Congregational church.

In the excellent common schools of New England, Osgood M. Whipple received a good education. He began business life by learning carpentry with his father, and was occupied at this handiwork until 1861, when the call of the Union for defenders was heard throughout the land, and, like thousands of other young patriots, young Whipple responded to it. He enlisted in September, 1861, at Burlington, Vt., in Company A, First Vermont Cavalry, Colonel Platt and Captain Platt. He was with his regiment at Mount Jackson and Port Republic, and in Banks' retreat; was also in the battles of Winchester and of Cedar Creek, and in all the engagements under Kilpatrick before that general was ordered to the west. He took part in the battles of Gettysburg and of Falling Waters; was with Sheridan when he left Winchester on his twenty days' raid; participated in the battles of Waynesburg, the Wilderness and Petersburg; was in Wilson's raid, and was also present at the surrender of Lee's army. Mr. Whipple was in the army for three years, in active and important services. At length, in a skirmish, he was thrown from his horse at Madison Court House, Va., and disabled, on which account he had leave of absence. As a reward of his bravery and faithful service, he was promoted, first to be corporal of his company, and then to the post of regimental commissary sergeant. He was in the grand review in Washington, D. C., at the close of the war, and received his discharge at Burlington, Vt., August 9, 1865.

After this stirring, momentous chapter of his life was ended, Mr. Whipple came to Pennsylvania as traveling salesman for a medical work. In this employment he continued for a year, and then returned to Vermont. A short time after, he went into partnership with Pierson Lytle in the mercantile business, at Pine Grove Mills, Centre county, Pa. Three years later, the business changed hands, the firm selling out; Mr. Whipple and Mr. Lytle then entered into another partnership, in Jackson township, Huntingdon county, in the lumber business. This connection had lasted four years, when Mr. Whipple sold his interest to his partner, and went in to the hotel business at Boalsburg, Centre county, Pa., where he spent three years, with a fair measure of success. He then conducted hotels successively in Lemont, Centre county, for a year and a half, and in Emlenton, Venango county, Pa., for a year; he then returned to Jackson township, Huntingdon county, and bought his present property, timber land, cleared land and mills. There are 1,400 acres in all, 600 of which are cleared; the rest is in timber, which is manufactured into lumber at his mills. This purchase was made in 1878. The improvements made in the mills, where all kinds of lumber are turned out, have cost \$1,500. Mr. Whipple formerly owned a farm in Centre county; this he has sold, but still owns lots at State College. He is an active, self-made business man, with a good stock of enterprise, and very progressive in his ideas. From a lad with no resources except in himself, he has developed into a man of many and successful undertakings, involving large sums of money. Mr. Whipple adheres to the Republican party. He has served the township as clerk and as judge of elections; is also a member and master of the Grange, and of Robert Aston Post, No. 600, G. A. R., Barree township. He has traveled extensively, having visited on trips of business and pleasure half of the United States and parts of Canada.

Osgood M. Whipple was married, May 16, 1866, at Pine Grove, Centre county, to Jane P., daughter of Pierson Lytle, a farmer of that county. Mrs. Whipple was born at Boalsburg, June 15, 1839. Their only child is Lydia M., wife of Edward Duff, lumber manufacturer; has four children: Osgood R., Helen, James and Edna. Mrs. Whipple was

a devout member of the Lutheran church, and died December, 1873. Mr. Whipple was again united in marriage September 24, 1896, to Susan Anspach, widow of the late V. B. Hirst, and daughter of Jacob and Catherine (Moyer) Anspach, of Jackson township, the former deceased, the latter still surviving at the advanced age of eighty-three, and residing in Jackson township. Mr. Whipple is now the proprietor of The McAlevys Fort Hotel, so well and favorably known to the traveling public.

MORDECAI DUFF, McAlevys Fort, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Barree township, December 24, 1834, son of John and Barbara (Randolph) Duff. John Duff was born near Belleville, Mifflin county, Pa.; he was a son of John Duff, and brother of Reuben Duff, of Barree township. After a limited education, he began life on his father's farm; he afterwards rented a farm in Barree township, and he added to his profits by taking jobs of work, such as chopping wood, etc. Having by labor and economy acquired some means, Mr. Duff bought the farm on which his son Mordecai now resides, and for which he paid \$5,000 in 1842. A portion of the tract, some sixty acres, was in timber; only forty acres were cleared. He built two dwellings and barns, besides a saw-mill, which he either conducted himself or rented to others. Mr. Duff cleared fifty acres, and planted orchards, besides making other improvements. John Duff was married in Barree township; the family of his wife, Barbara Randolph, came from Holland; she was born in Dauphin county, Pa. Their children are: Jonathan, deceased, was a very clever lawyer, of Pontiac, Ill.; Mary, deceased, wife of Strong Campbell, of Illinois; Winifred (Mrs. Dr. D. Stewart), of Iowa City, Ia.; Mordecai; Edmund, a physician, died in Jackson township; Margaret (Mrs. Robert Morrell), of Ohio; and William, a physician of Harrisburg, Pa. John Duff was a very stout and heavy person. He was a sound Democrat, and was elected to various township offices, auditor, school director, supervisor, etc. From both parents, the family received the most affectionate care; they not only worked hard to give their family a comfortable living and a good start in life, but afforded them as good an education as lay in their power. John Duff lived to the

age of eighty-seven; he died in August, 1893, and is buried in the Presbyterian church-yard in Jackson township.

His second son, Mordecai Duff, was educated in the common schools of Jackson township. He never lived anywhere but upon the homestead, in the cultivation of which he was his father's assistant until the father was past the age for active business; he then took entire charge of the farm. He bought the homestead in 1885, paying \$5,000 for it. He has been all his life an industrious man, never avoiding hard work; by his farming operations, and by raising and dealing in stock, he has made good profits, and secured a support for his family and a provision against his own declining years. Mr. Duff is a Democrat; he was for three years auditor of the township. He belongs to the Grange, and is its gate-keeper. His worthy character, honorable dealings and genial manner have gained for him the respect and liking of his acquaintances.

Mordecai Duff was married in Barree township, in 1863, to Margaret E., daughter of Jacob Smith, of that township. She was born in Centre county, and is of German descent. Their children are: Winifred (Mrs. John A. Weiler), of Jackson township; Wilbert O., theological student of the Methodist Episcopal church, at Ennisville, Pa.; Thomas J., attending school; Edmund E. and Charles C., twins, at home; John S.; William R.; Evestell T.; and Ewan W.; the four last named are all deceased. Mr. Duff and family attend the Methodist church.

WILLIAM R. ORNER, McAlevys Fort, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., September 22, 1840. He is a son of William R. Orner, Sr., and Matilda (Brown) Orner. William R. Orner, Sr., was of German descent, and was a native of Lancaster, Pa. He was a blacksmith, and followed that vocation in Huntingdon and at Lewistown, where he made his home. Besides the smithy, he had a shop for the manufacture of stage coaches. He was an excellent workman, and successful in business; he invested in real estate, owning several houses in Lewistown. His wife, to whom he was married in Lewistown, was a daughter of Thomas Brown, of Mifflin county, and of Irish extraction. They had three children: Mar-

tha, deceased, wife of Charles McClenahan, of Milroy, Mifflin county; William R.; and Bella, wife of William Emerick, who is in railroad business at Altoona, Pa. William R. Orner, Sr., was a Democrat. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He died in Lewistown in 1835. Mrs. Orner was married again, to Edward Hutchinson, shoemaker, of Huntingdon. Their only child is Calvin, who is employed in railroad business, and resides at Harrisburg, Pa., where Mrs. Hutchinson, now over eighty years of age, lives with him. Mr. Hutchinson died at Paterson, Mifflin county, in 1879.

When Mr. W. R. Orner died his son and namesake was but five years old. The child was placed in the care of Henry Kipe, who sent him to school. Mr. Kipe was a farmer, and William R. lived with him two years, doing such small tasks as he could upon the farm. For the next five years he was with Daniel Ebbs, of Centre county; there he began to learn blacksmithing, though still so small that he could not use the hammer on the anvil without standing on a block. He was next for one year clerk in the store of his uncle, Z. Orner, in Lewistown; then for eighteen months learning in the smithy of Samuel Davis, at Stood's Cross Roads; then again for six months in the Lewistown store, and again for a short time with his former master. Mr. Orner next went to the State College, in Centre county, where he remained one summer as nurseryman. His next place was at Millhall, and the next at Washington Furnace, Clinton county, Pa., where he remained for six months. He was then for a year at Heckley Furnace, Centre county. He then engaged with McCoy & Linn, iron workers at Milesburg, Centre county; here he worked until the war of the Rebellion broke out.

In March, 1861, Mr. Orner enlisted for the three months' service, at Bellefonte, Centre county, Pa., in Company H, Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, Colonel Walsh and Capt. John Mitchell. He was on guard duty during the three months, was discharged at Harrisburg, Pa., and returned to Bellefonte. He re-enlisted September 20, 1861, for three years, in Company D, Forty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Colonel Walsh and Capt. Austin Curtin. During this time of enlistment Mr. Orner took part in several skirmishes. He was wounded at Hilton Head, in

his left arm, a ball passing through the shoulder blade, and was discharged at the hospital in Harrisburg, September 23, 1862; he still suffers from the effects of this wound. After this Mr. Orner resided for some time at Bellefonte, where he resumed blacksmith work. In 1874 he took up his residence in Jackson township, Huntingdon county, where he purchased a farm of 75 acres, which he improved, and cultivated it for fifteen years. He then sold this farm, and bought the "Flasher" farm, in 1890; this farm, too, he has improved, and here he is now engaged in farming and raising stock. Thrown on the world when scarcely more than an infant, an orphan and without resources, Mr. Orner has with diligence and courage worked his way to a prosperous condition, and holds a position of respectability and influence. The usefulness of such workers, their achievements and their example, in time of peace, are of scarcely less value to the State than the patriotic services they render with so much of sacrifice and suffering in time of war. Mr. Orner is commander of D. Cummins Post, G. A. R., at McAlevys Fort. He is also a member of Grange No. 951, P. of H. He was auditor of Jackson township for one term, and served two terms in the school board. He is a Republican.

William R. Orner was married December 25, 1862, in Walker township, Centre county, Pa., to Elizabeth A., daughter of William and Mary (Gunsaulus) Cox; her father is of English descent; her mother bears an old and well-known Spanish name. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Orner are: Annie M., deceased, wife of William Dickson, of Jackson township; William R., collier, Jackson township; Harry L., in the railroad shops at Altoona, Pa.; Lillie E., died young; Martha M. (Mrs. David Bigelow); Clara E. (Mrs. Smith Mitchell), of Jackson township; Charles T., at present an attendant in Norristown hospital; May; Ellen E.; Hannah; and Margaret. Mr. Orner is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and has served in the Sunday-school as teacher and as superintendent.

REV. HORACE N. FREEMAN, McAlevys Fort, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Essex county, N. J., April 14, 1864. His parents are George C. and Sarah F. (Van Dyne) Freeman. George C. Freeman was born August 15, 1825, in Essex county, N. J.,

son of Gershom W. and Eliza N. (Gilder-sleeve) Freeman. The Freeman family is of English origin. Gershom W. Freeman was a farmer. His son George C. was educated partly in the common schools and partly at select schools. He also became a farmer, subsequently engaging in market gardening and dairy farming. His home is in Essex county, N. J. He was married in Morris county, N. J., November 30, 1861, to Sarah F. Van Duyn, daughter of Martin R. and Julia C. (Crane) Van Duyn; her father's family emigrated from Holland, and her mother's from England. Their children are: Orville, merchant, of Essex county, N. J.; Horace N.; Cyrus G., market gardener, of New Jersey; William, a merchant, deceased; Herman M., civil engineer, New Jersey; all graduates of the high school at Orange, N. J. Mr. Freeman has retired from active business. He is a Republican, and a member of the Christian Reformed church.

It was in 1886 that Horace N. Freeman graduated from the high school mentioned above, at Orange. He took his theological course at Xenia, O., graduating in 1889, and adding courses of one year each at Princeton Seminary, Princeton, N. J., and at Westminster College, New Wilmington, Pa. In July, 1891, Rev. Mr. Freeman came to Mc-Alevys Fort, was ordained in the following month, and installed pastor of the United Presbyterian church of Stone Valley, succeeding Rev. J. M. Adair. This happy relation still exists. During Mr. Freeman's ministry some repairs have been made in the church building. This church has a long and very interesting history; its origin is found, nearly a century ago, in an Associate Presbyterian congregation, organized in Huntingdon borough in 1801. It has ever since continued, under the various phases of its existence, to maintain the uncompromising orthodoxy and sterling virtues of the Scottish ancestry of its membership; it has been and still is a power for great good in the community. As befits the decided utterance of his church on the temperance question, Rev. Mr. Freeman is a Prohibitionist.

Rev. Horace N. Freeman was married in 1893, at Webster's Mills, Fulton county, Pa., to Sallie, daughter of Charles and Jane (Brady) Taggart, a native of that place. Mrs. Freeman's parents are deceased; her father

was a farmer, and both parents were of Scotch-Irish descent.

JAMES MAGILL, Mc-Alevys Fort, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Jackson township, then part of Barree township, November 23, 1822; he is a son of James and Margaret (McGiffin) Magill. The elder James Magill was born in the north of Ireland. There he passed his boyhood, and at the age of eighteen came to America, and resided in Cummingsville, Jackson township. For several years he worked among the surrounding farmers, on wages; but as soon as he found himself in a position to own his own farm he bought about 200 acres, cleared the greater part of it by his own labor, and in the course of a few years made it a thriving place, on which were two dwellings, barns and other necessary buildings, and orchards of his planting. Here he devoted himself to tilling the ground and raising stock. His wife, like himself, was Irish by birth; she came to this country with her parents. Their children were: Agnes, deceased, wife of Joseph Hunter; Sarah, deceased, wife of John McCool; Margaret, deceased; Rev. William J., deceased; James; and Silas, deceased. Mr. Magill was in earlier life a Democrat, but afterwards became a Republican. He was elected to various township offices. His name is found among the early records of the United Presbyterian church of Standing Stone valley, of which he was a member. He died near Mc-Alevys Fort in 1868, and Mrs. Magill died on the homestead in 1889.

The only surviving member of the family, therefore, is the younger James Magill. His whole life is connected with the homestead whose founding is described above, where he has been contented to remain, and diligently to work his way to prosperity. He cultivates some 140 acres, continuing also the business of stock raising; besides this property, he has sixty acres of ridge land. He has added to the improvements made by his father, and has a flourishing property and a comfortable home. Mr. Magill's politics are Republican. He has served three terms as school director.

James Magill was married, in 1847, in Jackson township, to Mary H., daughter of William Porter, farmer, of Jackson township, where she was born January 17, 1828. The family are of Scotch-Irish origin. Mr. and Mrs. Magill have eight children: Margaret;

Elizabeth, wife of Rev. D. S. Magill, a minister of the United Presbyterian church, in Kansas; Annie (Mrs. Dr. William Miller), of McAlevys Fort; William, resides in Iowa; James S., on the homestead, is married to Della White, has four children; Anna, deceased; May M., deceased; and Joseph, deceased. Mr. Magill adheres devotedly to the church of his fathers, the United Presbyterian. To her he has given the services of his whole life; he was a deacon, and has for many years been an elder; he has not only cared for the welfare of the home congregation, but as a representative in the General Assembly, has on several occasions sat in deliberation on the interests of the church at large. In wise care for the training of the young, he has not neglected the Sunday-school, in which he has been teacher and superintendent. The home and the church have been Mr. Magill's chosen fields of labor; in both his influence is prevalent and wholesome.

WILLIAM H. HARPER, merchant and farmer, McAlevys Fort, was born in Saulsburg, Barree township, Huntingdon county, Pa., March 18, 1825, son of John and Mary (Borst) Harper. His grandfather, William Harper, was a native of Pennsylvania, of Scotch-Irish descent, and was at one time sheriff of Mifflin county. John Harper, father of William H., was born in Mifflin county, and was a carpenter and undertaker. His services were demanded in all parts of the valley, and he made during his business career no less than five hundred coffins, for which he received \$1 per foot. He also owned a small farm in Barree township, and a hotel where Saulsburg now is, which he built, and kept until 1849; it was then burned down; he rebuilt, then sold out, and returned to farming. He was married, first, to Miss Mary Borst, of Huntingdon county, by whom he had five children: Sarah (Mrs. James Love); Anna M. (Mrs. Dr. John Rankin), of Bellefonte, Centre county, Pa.; Elizabeth (Mrs. George Rarer); Nancy (Mrs. Andrew Chaney); and William H., now the only survivor of the family. Mrs. Harper died in Saulsburg in 1850. Mr. Harper married, secondly, Miss Jane Dickey, a native of Huntingdon county, by whom he had two children: Fannie (Mrs. McClintock), of Lock Haven, Pa.; and John,

died young. Mr. Harper was a staunch Democrat. His church connection was with the Dunkards and the Baptist church. He was a good man; he died, generally mourned, in Ennisville in 1867.

William H. Harper attended the public schools of Barree township and the select school at Manor Hill. During his early life he assisted his father on the farm, and worked for his neighbors, thus earning some money which he wisely used to acquire a good education. He then taught four terms in the public schools at \$18 per month. He was afterwards for one year clerk in a store at Saulsburg and two years at Ennisville, and then embarked in business at McAlevys Fort, where he remained two years. The next eleven years he was in business in Ennisville, and in 1865 moved to his present location, where he has carried on business continuously ever since. He is the oldest merchant and citizen of McAlevys Fort, and has served as postmaster of the town. His store building was erected at a cost of \$2,200, and is 26x40 ft. in size. He has remodeled his dwelling house, and made other improvements. He owns a farm of 37 acres in Jackson township. He was first married in Philadelphia, in 1854, to Mary A., daughter of John W. Myron, a merchant and stock dealer of Ennisville, Huntingdon county, Pa. In 1855, their only child, A. Woods Harper, was born. He attended the public schools of McAlevys Fort, Stone Valley Academy, and Wilmington Academy, Lawrence county, Pa. He then spent some years helping his father in the store and was later a clerk in Harrisburg, and for one year, in Pittsburg. In 1859 he took up the business of harness making; he also spent some time in the printing business. He is apt, and generally succeeds in anything he undertakes. He is a Democrat. Mrs. Mary A. Harper died September 16, 1884, and Mr. Harper married, on November 7, 1886, Mrs. Emma (Burchfield) Shelley, widow of Samuel Y. Shelley, formerly a merchant of Mifflintown, Pa. By her former husband Mr. Harper had two children: Howard, an employee of the P. R. R. Co., Altoona, Pa.; and Mamie. Mr. Harper is a member of Lodge No. 176, I. O. O. F., and of the K. of G. E. He has served as treasurer and school director of his district, and is a member of the Presbyterian church.

DAVID ASHTON, Maddensville, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born March 11, 1836, in Smoketown, near Goldsboro, York county, Pa. He is the son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Kiester) Ashton. The Ashton family is of English origin; three brothers of the name were immigrants here from that country, about a century ago. One settled in Lancaster county, one in Berks county, and a third, the great grandfather of David Ashton, in York county, Pa. It is supposed that all three were farmers. George Ashton, son of the third brother, was born in York county, where he was a tiller of the ground. He took part in the war of 1812, and was stationed at Baltimore, Md. He married Miss Baughman, who was of German descent. His death occurred about 1825; his wife survived him for many years. She received from the government a land warrant and a pension, in consideration of her husband's services in the war. Mrs. Ashton died at the home of her daughter, at Emmsville, Huntingdon county, about 1859. Their children were: Fanny (Mrs. Peter Drawbaugh), of York county, Pa., who removed to Huntingdon county about 1842 or '43, about 1849, went to Johnson county, Ia., where her husband died in 1861, and she now resides in Butler county; Thomas; Barbara, married David Mansberger in York county, removed to Huntingdon county in 1842, where she died about 1858, and her husband in 1896, at the age of eighty-two; John, married Miss Hoffman, of Bainbridge, Lancaster county, Pa., emigrated to Iowa about 1870, where he died in 1875, his wife surviving him, and residing in Washington county, Ia.; and George, married first a native of Lancaster county, and afterwards a native of Clinton county, Pa., and now resides at Bainbridge, Pa.

Thomas Ashton was educated in the common schools of York county. His marriage to Elizabeth Kiester, of York county, took place in 1835, and in 1840, Mr. Ashton, his wife, and their eldest child, David, went to Huntingdon county. There, in connection with others, Mr. Ashton bought land, and built himself a log house in the woods. Then he proceeded to clear and farm his property. In 1848, he sold his portion and interest in the land to Jacob E. Bare, and purchased what is now known as the Baker farm, on which he resided for the rest of his life. Mr. Ashton

was active in politics; he was originally a Democrat, and adhered to that party until 1860, when he became an advocate for the abolition of slavery. He held many township offices. His children are: David; George, married Kate Barndollar, a native of Fort Littleton, Pa., at Lanark, Ill., and went to Boone, Ia., where he became principal of schools, and later, county superintendent, went about 1890 to Iowa Park, Tex., and in 1895 to Lincoln, Neb., where he is now engaged in the sale of school supplies; and Lydia A., widow of Scott Woollett, of Fort Littleton, where she now resides. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ashton were faithful members of the Church of God at Walnut Grove, Huntingdon county, for which congregation Mr. Ashton built a neat house of worship. His death occurred January 6, 1865. Mrs. Ashton survived him until April 13, 1895, when she died at the home of her daughter at Fort Littleton, Fulton county, Pa. Her age was about seventy-nine, as she was born in 1816.

When in 1840 Thomas Ashton removed to Huntingdon county, their son David Ashton was only four years old. He received his education in the common schools of Huntingdon county, but his average attendance was only from one month to two months and a half of each year. The log house in which the school was taught was about a mile and a half from his home, and he had to walk that distance in all kinds of weather. Naturally, he learned more of the art and mystery of farming than he did of books. He remained with his father, assisting his father in cultivating the farm as long as the father lived. Afterwards, he bought the farm, in 1866, from his father's heirs, and has ever since made the same place his home. He cultivates 130 acres of the homestead farm, and 90 acres adjoining it. Mr. Ashton is a staunch Republican, advocating the gold standard. He was elected justice of the peace in 1876, and served fifteen years; he has also served many years on the school board. David Ashton was married, February 14, 1862, to Eliza J., daughter of Robert and Soshey (Lane) Madden. Their children are: Horace G., married Miss Cutchall of Huntingdon county, and in the spring of 1895, went to California, where they now reside; Robert; Lizzie M.; and one child that died an infant. Mr. Ashton is highly esteemed as a citizen, and prized as a companion

on account of his pleasant manner and good conversational powers.

JOSHUA BROWN, Selea, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born March 25, 1825, in Springfield township, Huntingdon county. He is a son of Caleb and Sarah (Wagner) Brown. His grandfather, also known as Joshua Brown, was a native of Lancaster county, Pa.; he removed before his marriage to Huntingdon county, and resided where the town of Maddenville now stands. He married Charlotte Morrison; they remained on the homestead during their entire lives. Their children were: Hannah, married Richard Hyde, and they resided in Springfield township, until they went to Ohio, resided there for some time, then removed farther west, and both died there; Caleb; John, married Annie Wagner, and both died in Springfield township; Rebecca, married William Corbin, and resided in Clay township, Mr. Corbin dying in Huntingdon, and Mrs. Corbin in Fulton county; Richard, married Sarah Troxler, resided in Springfield township, where both died; Joshua, went to Ohio, where he married, and removed still further west, after which, leaving his family, he went to California, and remained there prospecting for gold for nearly twenty-five years, then returned to his family, and died; Charlotte, married Abraham Wagner, resided in Clay township until his death, and she afterwards died with her children in Orbisonia; Sarah, married to George Link, went west, made frequent visits to Pennsylvania, finally removed to Iowa, where they died; Washington, married in southern Iowa, where he resides; and Jeremiah, married Nancy Madden, went to Iowa, where both died. The elder Joshua Brown died about 1834.

His eldest son, Caleb Brown, was born in Springfield township, March 24, 1793. He obtained his education in subscription schools, learned farming practically in his boyhood, and when he was a young man, was employed in carrying brick for the bricklayers. He carried the first brick for the first building in Huntingdon. Before and after his marriage, he rented a farm. In 1829, he bought 100 acres of land, to which he subsequently added two hundred more. Part of this land is now owned by his son Joshua. Caleb Brown was married, June 28, 1817, to Sarah Wagner,

born in Clay township September 23, 1798. Theirs was a thrifty household. There was a large family of girls and boys, who were taught industry both by example and by precept. The father was a hard working man, and his children knew that he expected them to be early risers and diligent workers, like himself, the boys on the farm and the girls at the spinning-wheel. They spun and made up all the clothing and the bed-linen used in the household. Mr. Brown had the first house built of round logs in his neighborhood; the doorway was so low that a full grown person could not enter it without stooping. Mr. Brown adhered to the Republican party. He was a militia captain; he was preparing to fight the "whiskey boys," when he received word that his company was not needed. The children of this family are: William, married Catherine Greenland, resided in Cass township, Huntingdon county, where both died; Morris, died young; Amelia, married William Hyde, of York county, Pa., they reside in the town of York; Delilah, married Jeremiah Nead, a native of Fulton county, Pa., who served two years and eleven months in the Sixteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, during the war of the Rebellion, and resided in Springfield township until his death, had seven children, with one of whom, a daughter, in Saltillo, Pa., Mrs. Nead now has her home; Joshua; Cyrus, married Mrs. Mary Bucher, resides in Orbisonia, Pa.; Miles, married Susan Ramsey, resides in Saltillo; Rebecca, married John W. Heeter, who died, and she is now Mrs. George Godard, of Mapleton, Pa.; Caleb, married Missouri Greenland, resides at Everett, Pa.; Melissa, married Austin Ramsey, resides at Saltillo, Pa.; George, an adopted child, is now living in Clay township. Caleb Brown was a Baptist, of the old school. His wife died in 1878; he survived her until 1881.

Joshua Brown, the younger, enjoyed in addition to the old-fashioned subscription school, the advantages of a public school education. He was, however, set at work upon the farm early in life, and remained at home, employed in tilling the soil, until he was twenty-two, at which time he began driving a team between Fort Littleton and Chambersburg, Pa., hauling grain and lumber. For seven years he continued this business, and then bought his present place, containing 166 acres, and

turned his attention to farming. He has been a successful man, and his many excellent qualities have won the confidence and esteem of his fellow citizens. Mr. Brown is a Republican. He has served his township as school director, supervisor and inspector of elections.

In Springfield township, November 20, 1852, Joshua Brown was married to Elizabeth, daughter of Richard and Rebecca (Wilson) Spicer. Their children are: Louisa Ellen (Mrs. Henry Rorer), of Springfield township; Edward Randolph, a school teacher, married Nettie Johns, and resides in Orbisonia, Pa.; Scott Marion, M. D., married Elizabeth Neal, and resides at Concord, Franklin county, Pa.; and Idenza V., (Mrs. David Hess), who, with her husband, resides with Mr. Brown.

J. C. BREWSTER, Meadow Gap, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born September 24, 1834, in Concord, Franklin county, Pa., son of Henry and Nancy (Campbell) Brewster. William Brewster, his grandfather, was a native and lifelong resident of Fannettsburg, Franklin county, where he kept a general store. He married Miss Robinson, who was of Scotch ancestry. He was himself descended from the Brewster family who landed as pilgrims at Plymouth Rock. William Brewster's children were: John, a soldier of the war of 1812, fought at the battle of Chippewa, owned a large tannery in Hull valley, died at Shirleysburg, Pa.; Mary, married Nathaniel Kelly, both deceased; Margaret, married S. O. Brown, both deceased; Henry; Maria, married John Skinner, both deceased; William, M. D., for some years editor of the *Huntingdon Journal*, died at Newville, Pa.; Alexander, died in early manhood, at Fannettsburg; and James R., real estate agent and merchant tailor, died at Newville, Pa.

Henry Brewster, father of J. C., was born at Fannettsburg in 1798, and educated in the common schools. He was afflicted with rheumatism when a boy, which lamed him for life. In his father's store he received a thorough mercantile training. About 1825 or '26, he opened a general store in Concord; and in that town he married Miss Campbell, who was a native of Perry county, Pa. In 1838, they removed with their little family to the banks of the Wabash River, in Indiana, but remained there only a year, all the family suffering

from fever and ague; during that year, Mr. Brewster kept a store. Returning in 1839 to this State, he opened a store at Shirleysburg, Pa., which he conducted until 1853, and then retired from business. In 1845, Mr. Brewster represented his district in the legislature of Pennsylvania. He was an old line Whig, and active in politics. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Brewster are: William H., merchant at Shirleysburg; an infant, which died; J. C.; Henry R., who was burned to death in a building at Shirleysburg; Margaret, died in Indiana; John, residing in Huntingdon county; A. McGinley, went to Illinois in 1869, and is now a retired farmer in that state; Henry, died young; and Martha, widow of David R. Douglas, resides at Shirleysburg. Mrs. Nancy Brewster died in 1855. Mr. Brewster some time after married Mrs. Withington, a widow, who died a short time subsequent to their marriage. His third wife was E. Elliot, who survived him a few years. There were no children by either of these last two marriages. Mr. Brewster died in 1880, at Shirleysburg.

During the year when his parents resided in Indiana, J. C. Brewster, then a child of four years, lived with his aunt, Mrs. Skinner, in Franklin county, joining them on their return. He was educated in the common schools, and entered the sophomore class at Jefferson College in 1857. At the end of the term, his health failed, and he was not able to return to college. He and his brother John then united their capital, amounting to about \$1,500, and opened a general store at Saltillo, Pa. Two years later, when war broke out, he sold his interest to his brother, and enlisted at Huntingdon, in Company G, Fifth Pennsylvania Reserves, for three years. After being sworn in at Harrisburg, June 12, 1861, Mr. Brewster went to the front, and took part in the battle of Mechanicsville, where on the first day he received a bullet wound in the left side. Two days after, at Savage Station, he was captured and conveyed to Libby prison, where he remained three weeks, and was then exchanged and sent to Fort Hamilton, N. Y., thence to near Alexandria, Va., and thence to his regiment, which was attached to Gen. Burnside's command. Mr. Brewster's next battle was at Fredericksburg, Va., after which his regiment fell back and went into camp at Washington, D. C., where it lay until the following May. He was next in the great fight

at Gettysburg, then following up Lee, and was directly after transferred to the invalid corps, in which he remained until his discharge, June 13, 1864.

Mr. Brewster then came home, and conducted his brother's store at McConnellstown, Pa., for a year. In 1868, he opened a gentlemen's furnishing store, but without success. In the spring of 1869, he opened a general store at Meadow Gap, which he still carries on, having built up a good trade. In 1871, he was appointed postmaster at Meadow Gap, and has held that position ever since. He owns two farms, containing respectively 150 and 110 acres. Mr. Brewster may be classed among self-made men, having by diligence, fair dealing and business tact made his way from small beginnings to a position of ease and competence. He is a staunch Republican, and has served his township as auditor. He is a member of Colonel Albright Post, No. 483, at Three Springs.

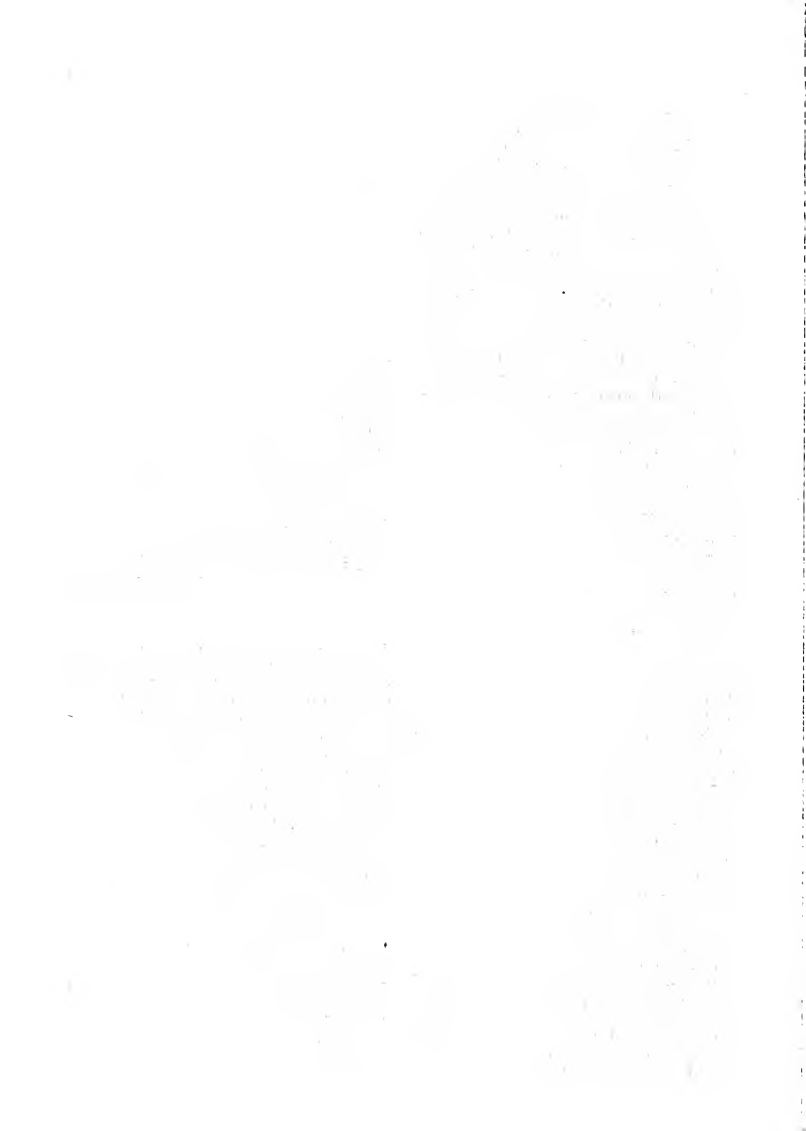
J. C. Brewster was married at Meadow Gap in 1869, to Elizabeth, daughter of Philip E. Weaver. Their children are: Harry L., married Miss Nannie Beers, is engaged in his father's business; Nannie; John and Mary, twins; and Alice.

REV. WILLIAM HENRY STEVENS, Meadow Gap, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born near Shirleysburg, Pa., December 12, 1831. He is a son of Benedict and Eve (Ow) Stevens. His grandfather, Benedict Stevens, Sr., was born near Shirleysburg, Pa., a descendant of Scotch settlers in America. He was a farmer, and for many years justice of the peace. He was twice married; the first time to Miss Gilbert; their children were: David, died near Altoona, Pa.; George, also died in Altoona; Benedict; William, resided at Rock River, Ill., where he died; he had in early life resided for many years at Birmingham, Huntingdon county, following the calling of a plasterer; Asa, went to Ohio after marriage with his second wife, and died there; Polly, married Adam Miller, and lived and died near the base of Jack's Mountain, in Huntingdon county; Rebecca, married Henry Laughlin, resided for years at Rockhill Furnace, then removed to Mill Creek, Pa., where they died, leaving a large family. The second wife of Benedict Stevens was Mary Prosser; their children were: James, resided after his

marriage for the greater part of his life at Newton Hamilton, Pa., where he died; Daniel, is a retired merchant, residing at Meyertown, Pa.; Giles, was a boatman, lived for years at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and died there; Henry, went in his youth to Kansas, where he married and died, was a farmer; and Nancy, also went to Kansas, was married and died there. Benedict Stevens was an influential and greatly respected member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and for many years a class-leader. His brother, David Stevens, was among the first itinerant preachers in this part of the country. Another brother, Giles, lived and died in Bedford county, Pa.

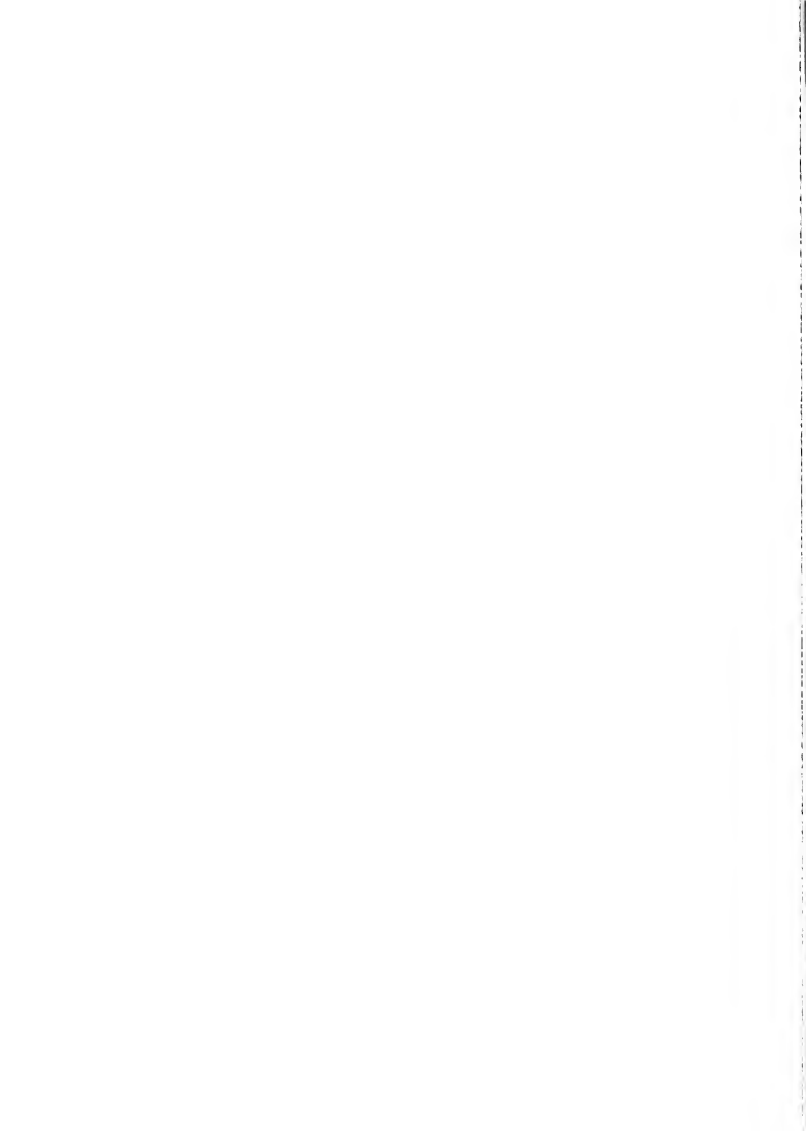
Benedict Stevens, Jr., was born February 28, 1802, in Shirley township, Huntingdon county. He possessed but few books, and enjoyed small educational advantages; but he had so well improved those which he had, and was so well qualified in the more important requisite of character, that he was acceptable as a teacher. He was sensible, and in all practical matters was well trained. His wife, Eve, was the daughter of Rev. Herminius Ow, of the United Brethren church, a German by birth, who had been brought to this country in his childhood by his parents. For several years Mr. Stevens rented a farm, but in 1836, he bought 159 acres in Springfield township, a part of the old Captain Crogan survey. A small log house stood on the place; it was one and a half stories in height, having one room in each story, communicating by means of a ladder. In the upper room the whole family slept. After a while, the old log house was remodeled; and in 1841, the circumstances of the family continuing to improve, Mr. Stevens built a frame house, which is still the home of his son, Rev. W. H. Stevens. In all the labors of the farm, from the preliminary clearing off of the brush and timber, Mr. Stevens was assisted by the faithful and industrious boys he had reared. He served the township for many years as justice of the peace. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Stevens are: Asa S., was at first a tailor, but was employed on the railroad as a boatman, was also in lumber and mercantile business, and is now retired, married Elizabeth Adams, of Dumcansville, Pa., who shortly after died at Wilkes-Barre, after which he married Sarah Parsons, of Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, and now resides in Lancaster, Pa.; Hannah







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J., married Henry Stains, of Altoona, Pa., and died while on a visit at Three Springs, Pa.; David W., enlisted in 1862 in the Twelfth Pennsylvania Reserves, was killed at the battle of Spotsylvania C. H., Va., and buried on the field of battle, leaving a wife and four children; Samuel Ow, drowned in Aughwick Creek at the age of sixteen; George H., enlisted for the war of the Rebellion, but was rejected on account of ill health, and died before the close of the war; William Henry; Catherine G., widow of Nathaniel Covert, at Three Springs, Pa.; Rachel B. (Mrs. Daniel M. Heck), of Three Springs; Benedict T., hardware merchant at Three Springs, married Mary Heeter, served in the war of the Rebellion; Rebecca J., married first to Abraham Corbin, afterwards to Samuel Weight, and now resides in California, whither they removed in 1886; Frank, enlisted in 1862, in Company I, Twelfth Pennsylvania Reserves, was wounded at Fredericksburg, was twice captured, and spent ten months in prison, was promoted to lieutenant; Wesley Lee, enlisted in 1861, in the One Hundred and Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, served in three different regiments, was eight months in a cavalry regiment, and when discharged, returned home and enlisted in the Two Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, in which he served until the close of the war; Belle, married Harrison Heeter, removed in 1895 to Long Beach, Col., where they now reside; and two that died while infants. Benedict Stevens, Jr., was from about 1820 until his death a member of the Methodist church, faithful and devout. He was of a liberal, charitable disposition. In 1861 or '62, he retired from business, and in 1868 removed to Three Springs, where he died in 1884. His wife preceded him in death by about ten months; she was born in 1804, and died at the age of seventy-nine.

William Henry Stevens, at the time of his father's removal to Springfield township, was two years old. Until he attained the age of nineteen, his occupations were varied. His school education was obtained in winter terms of three months each. During the summer and fall, he was generally at work on the farm, swinging the old-fashioned flail on the threshing-floor at the end of every year's harvest. He assisted in clearing the land and

preparing the soil. Of cord wood, he has chopped for the furnaces over 600 cords. He taught school for one term, and for one term attended Cassville Seminary, the walls of which institution he helped to plaster. His desire to study theology was very strong. Having confided this wish to the presiding elder, Rev. Elisha P. Phelps, and told him that he would like to prepare by attending school, that old sage answered that in the saddle-bags was the place to get such education as he needed. Mr. Stevens began preaching in 1854, and entered the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church in 1855. He spent seven years in Bedford county. August 8, 1862, Mr. Stevens was mustered in as second lieutenant of Company H, One Hundred and Forty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers; after serving one month with that rank, he was appointed chaplain of the regiment, which was General Beaver's. Rev. Mr. Stevens served until the close of the war, and was present, in the front line, at the surrender of General Lee. Being discharged June 3, 1865, he returned to his family. In the spring of 1864, Mr. Stevens bought a half interest in his father's farm, and purchased the remaining half in 1867. This farm is now managed by his son, Ambrose Stevens. Rev. Mr. Stevens is on the superannuated list of clergymen of the Methodist Episcopal church. His political opinions were formerly those of the Whig party; he is now a Republican. He was elected to the state legislature in 1889, and has the honor of having been the only member from Huntingdon county who declined to be a candidate for re-election. He has served his township for many years as school director and as supervisor.

Rev. William Henry Stevens was married February 18, 1858, to Margaretta, daughter of Andrew and Barbara (Miller) Sheffler, who was brought up in Franklin county, Pa. Their children are: Emory M., minister of the Methodist Episcopal church, at Bedford Station, married to Julia Leader, of Springfield township; Watson S., died aged five years; William H., house carpenter, living near Chicago, married Elizabeth Handy, of Ohio; and Ambrose, at home, married Ida Hamilton, of Saxton, Bedford county, has been a teacher from his early youth. Mrs. W. H. Stevens died in February, 1895, and is buried at Three Springs.

She was a faithful and zealous Christian, a good wife and mother, and of a benevolent disposition; her loss was deeply felt.

JEFFERSON KOHLER LEADER, Meadow Gap, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born September 10, 1859, near Baltimore, Md., son of Charles W. and Cassie N. (Kohler) Leader. His great-grandfather, George Leader, came from Germany with his parents while yet a boy. They settled in Lancaster county, where he grew to manhood; the family then removed, settling six miles from York, York county, Pa. There he bought the farm on which he spent the remainder of his life. He was a member of the Lutheran church. Among his twelve children, all of whom attained to mature years, were Joseph; George; Rebecca, who reached the age of seventy-five; Hannah; Elizabeth (Mrs. Weiser); Susan; and John, all now deceased. George Leader, grandfather of J. K. Leader, was born and reared on the farm in York county, and received a good education. He taught school for some time while still a youth. After his marriage with Eva Weiser, he hired out to farmers by the day; he was afterwards employed as toll-gate keeper. After the death of his father, he took charge of the old homestead, a farm of 250 acres of good land, and devoted the rest of his life to its cultivation. George Leader died in 1878, aged seventy-five; his wife survived him for six years. They were both Lutherans. Their children are: Catherine, died when one year old; Susan (Mrs. John Seitz), died in York county; Sarah Ann, widow of John Stough, for one term treasurer of York county; Priscilla, of York county; Henry, of Glen Rock, Pa., married to Sarah Wambaugh; George, of York, Pa., married to Fannie Newcomer; Jesse, of Manchester, York county, married Miss Bailey; Lizzie (Mrs. William Gladfelter), of Hartley, Pa.; Lydia, widow of David Wallet, of Adams county, Pa.; Eliza, of York, Pa.; and Annie (Mrs. William Hartman), of Paradise, Pa.

Charles Weiser Leader was born May 24, 1821, in York county, Pa. He received a good education, and taught school during the winter, working on the farm in the summer. At twenty years of age, he learned wagon-making with Manuel Naeve, of York township, serving as apprentice for two years. He then opened a shop of his own in

York township, six miles from his home, and continued the business there eight years. Charles W. Leader was twice married; first to Catharine Flinchbaugh, who lived about eight years after their marriage. Their children are: David F., married to Sarah Bile, in Clinton county, Ind., where they reside; Amanda (Mrs. William Hartman), deceased; Adam F., of Clinton county, Ind., married Fina Maish, and after her death, Letha Armentroit; Catharine, widow of Emmanuel Geesey, of York county. After the death of his wife, Mr. Leader rented a farm for one year. He then married Cassie N., daughter of George and Mary Kohler; she was born June 25, 1825, in Hopewell township, Baltimore county, Md. Her grandfather, Balthasar Kohler, a farmer, came from Germany with his wife and two children and settled in Lancaster county, but afterwards removed to York county, where he died. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Leader rented a farm on the Maryland line for one year; for two years they lived in Carroll county, Md., and five years in Baltimore county, Md., where he farmed and ran a saw-mill and a grist-mill. In 1861 they removed to Springfield township, Huntingdon county. Mr. Leader bought 140 acres in Springfield township; there was little of it cleared at that time. He greatly improved it, building a barn and store house; here he lived until his death, which occurred July 7, 1888. Mr. Leader was a Democrat. He was a well read man and a fluent talker, and could speak the German language. His amiable disposition won for him the esteem of his associates. He was a member of the Lutheran church. Mrs. Leader still survives him. Their children are: Anna, wife of William Messler, of Clinton county, Ind.; Julia, wife of Emory M. Stevens, D. D., of Bedford Station; Lucy; Jefferson Kohler; Ella, deceased, was the wife of W. W. Gutshall, of Springfield township; Jeannette (Mrs. George W. Hicks), of Orbisonia, Pa.

Jefferson Kohler Leader received his early education in the schools of Springfield township, his parents having moved to Huntingdon county in his second year. He also attended the Orbisonia Normal School, and Frankfort City Normal School and graduated from the commercial department of the Williamsport Business College in 1885. Prior to this he had taught school during four winter months, and since graduating, has taught

continuously, save one term. Since the death of his father, Mr. Leader has worked the farm. He was formerly a Democrat, but is now a Republican of the gold standard type; he has never sought political preferment. Though not a member of the church, he sincerely believes in the teaching of the Golden Rule. He is fond of reading, subscribes for the leading periodicals, and makes himself conversant with the topics of the day. He has a fine physique; weighs 185 pounds. He is a member of the I. O. O. F. and P. of H., both of Three Springs.

Jefferson Kohler Leader was married to Sarah, daughter of James M. and Martha (Anderson) Wible, in Philadelphia, September 27, 1893. Their children are: Rebecca, born October 11, 1894; and Charles Wible Leader, born August 25, 1896.

HIRAM BROWN, Meadow Gap, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born June 8, 1830, in Springfield township, Huntingdon county, son of John and Annie (Wagner) Brown. Joshua Brown, his grandfather, was a native of Maryland. He removed to Huntingdon county, and bought a farm near Maddenville. Joshua Brown was married to Charlotte Morris, and during the Indian depredations they took refuge at Fort Littleton, Fulton county, Pa. It was a time of continual fear; the men even had to stand guard when the women went out to milk the cows. Mr. Brown and his wife were members of the old school Baptist church. They died on the farm, and are buried in the cemetery attached to the Baptist church in Springfield township. A brother of Joshua Brown's resided in North Carolina.

John Brown, father of Hiram Brown, was born in Springfield township in 1796. He was educated in subscription schools, but early in life began to make his own living. He was a young man when he was employed in constructing the Chambersburg pike. John Brown was a sturdy, athletic young man, an acknowledged master in wrestling. The young men of his neighborhood, when they met for sport, used to cast lots for a wrestling match by throwing up their hats; the two whose hats fell nearest together were forthwith pitted against each other, for the amusement of the rest. It may be supposed, that when John Brown chanced to be one of these

haphazard champions his opponents felt challenged to display all his muscles and his mettle. While still a single man, John Brown worked by the day or by the month, for others; but not long after his marriage, he bought a farm near Brownsville, Springfield township, which he gradually cleared, the principal part of it by himself, but as his boys grew up, inheriting his strength and capacity for work, they did their share in improving the soil of the homestead. Their first house was built of logs, but was afterwards replaced by a larger and more convenient frame dwelling. John Brown, in his earlier years, belonged to the old line Whig party, but in later times was a Republican. He was active in politics; was several times elected supervisor, and also served many terms as tax collector. The children of Mr. and Mrs. John Brown are: Elias, married Susan Wilson, resided first in Clay township, Huntingdon county, afterwards removed to Fulton county, where he still resides, his wife being deceased; Elihu, who served eleven months in the war of the Rebellion, was married to Nancy Ramsey, who died at their first home, near Mt. Carmel church, and now resides in Fulton county; Missouri, married to Richard Truax, both died near Mapleton, Pa.; Mahala, widow of Thomas Wilson, lives in Fulton county; Amy, widow of Jacob Cutshall, resides near Dublin Mills; Hiram; Mary Ann (Mrs. J. M. Cutshall), resides in Springfield township; Everett, farmer of Springfield township, served three years in the late war; Abel, deceased, was also a soldier in the war of the Rebellion; Alfred, carpenter, Fulton county, also in the war; Lavinia (Mrs. William Grove), of Fulton county; Amanda (Mrs. James French), of Fulton county; and Worthman, on the homestead in Springfield township. The mother, Mrs. Annie (Wagner) Brown, died on the homestead in 1862, at the age of sixty-six; and her husband also died there, in 1890. He was a member of the Baptist church.

Hiram Brown received his education at the Madden school, but did not attend school very long. The family was large, and as soon as the boys were strong enough to be of service on the farm, they had to assist in its labors. Hiram's winter studies at school were therefore soon exchanged for the flail and the threshing floor. For two or three years before his marriage, he worked at carpentry; ever

since that time he has been occupied in farming. In 1864, leaving his young wife, he enlisted in Company K, Two Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, enlisting as from Bucks county, and joining his regiment at Harrisburg, Pa. He was stationed until mustered out along the Orange and Alexandria Railroad, in Virginia, doing guard duty. Being mustered out, August 7, 1865, Mr. Brown returned home, and continued to live on a rented farm until 1867, when he bought his present place, of 296 acres, on which he has built barns and fences, planted orchards, and made other improvements. Mr. Brown is a Republican, and very loyal to his party. He has been on the school board for the past three years. He is a member of Colonel Albright Post, G. A. R., at Three Springs.

Hiram Brown was married, February 28, 1860, at Maplewood, Pa., to Catherine, daughter of Joshua, and Eve (Bolinger) Johns; she was born August 10, 1838, in Cromwell township. Their children are: Clay, married Nevada Locke, and resides in Springfield township; Louise T. (Mrs. Judson Locke), resides in Huntingdon county; Jennie B. (Mrs. Ephraim Anderson), of Fort Littleton, Pa.; and Howard, married Rosena Wible, resides with his father. Mr. Brown, although not a church member, endeavors to live by the Golden Rule.

HARRISON LOCKE, merchant and assistant postmaster at Selea, Huntingdon county, was born March 11, 1861, in Springfield township, son of William and Rosanna (Ramsey) Locke. His great-grandfather, Jonathan Locke, died in Springfield township, where Seale Locke, son of Jonathan, was born in 1800. Seale Locke married first Miss Sollers, and afterwards Sarah Keister. He raised a family of nine children, and died in Locke valley, Springfield township, aged ninety-two. His son, William Locke, was born in Springfield township, August 18, 1832. He attended subscription schools, was brought up on a farm, and has always been a farmer. He married Miss Rosanna Ramsey. Their children are: Alfred Shade, who first married Agnes Bealman, of Franklin county, and after her death married again, and now resides in Shade Gap; Mary Ellen (Mrs. Daniel Ferrenberg), born May 7, 1855,

lives in Gibsonburg, O. Newton, born May 2, 1857, married Amanda Shore, lives in Springfield township; Selea L., born September 15, 1858, died April 13, 1861; Harrison; Amanda A. (Mrs. David Corbin), born November 11, 1862, lives in Springfield township; Rosilla (Mrs. Nicholas Parks), born December 14, 1864, resides near Burnt Cabins, Pa.; Allen, born January 20, 1867, married to Emma Nead, lives in Springfield township; Clay, born August 12, 1870, married to Bertha Thompson, of Springfield township; William Ray, born November 16, 1873, married to Annie Mills, of Shade Gap, Pa.; and Albert, born September 8, 1878, at home. After the father's death, William Locke succeeded him on the old homestead where he still resides. The place consists of about 200 acres. He is a Republican, but has never taken a very prominent part in the affairs of his party, although he has served as constable and as school director. A member of the Church of God in Locke valley, he is esteemed by all.

Harrison Locke attended the public schools, and studied for one term at Milwood Academy, Shade Gap, Pa. He continued at farm work until the age of twenty-five, hiring out during harvest time in Franklin county, Md., and in West Virginia. In the latter State, he received \$2.25 per day. Always economical, he saved what he could. In April, 1886, he started in the general mercantile business in Selea, Pa., on property owned by his father. On May 16, 1886, he was married to S. Ella, daughter of William and Patience (Ramsey) Gutshall, and began house-keeping at Selea, June 2, 1886. Their children are: Carrie Belle, born August 20, 1887; and Charles II., born July 24, 1888. Mr. Locke is a member of Camp 512, P. O. S. of A., at Three Springs, Pa. He has never been active in politics, but is a Republican, and has served as school director and as secretary to the school board. Although not a member of any church, he thoroughly believes in and practises the Golden Rule. He is much esteemed in the community.

WILLIAM C. SWAN, Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Dublin township, Huntingdon county, April 2, 1829, son of John and Rebecca (Jefferson) Swan. His grandfather, William Swan, a farmer

came from Silver Springs, Franklin county, and settled in Dublin township, where he and his wife, Eleanor (Chestnut) Swan, both died at the home of their son John. Their children are: Benjamin, who died in Ohio; Joseph, died in Ohio; Annie, married Neashit Jefferies, and moved to Ohio; Peggy, married to William Wilson, both died in Dublin township; Catharine, married William Morrow, both died in Dublin township; and Martha, married William Stitt, both died in Greenbrier, Pa. The father, John Swan, was born in Dublin township, in 1786. He was taught farming and attended the public schools. By his industry and economy he was enabled to purchase 250 acres of land in Dublin township, which he greatly improved and on which he erected good substantial buildings. His first wife was Miss Hannah Cree of Dublin township. They had no children. In 1819, John Swan was married to Rebecca Jefferies, who died on the homestead in April, 1832. Their children are: John J., married Mary J. Harper, resides in Dublin township; Eleanor C., born June 24, 1823, died November 24, 1853; Margaret A., born January 14, 1827, died May 31, 1873; Rebecca J., born April 2, 1832, married John W. Stitt, March 6, 1884; he died in 1886. Mr. Swan was married the third time, to Mary Hackedorn, who also died in Dublin township. Mr. Swan was a Democrat. He was a devout member of the Presbyterian church. His death occurred in 1860.

William C. Swan attended the public schools of Dublin township, the academy at Academia for two terms, and Milwood Academy for three terms; his boyhood was spent on his father's farm. May 14, 1856, he began business as a merchant at Shade Gap. He is a Democrat, and has taken an active part in politics; he has served as school director and was appointed postmaster during Cleveland's first administration and again under his second administration.

William C. Swan was married near Concord, Franklin county, Pa., October 1, 1857, to Elizabeth, daughter of Joseph and Rachel (Kling) Seibert. They went to housekeeping in November, 1857. Mrs. Swan was married in Concord and resided there until her marriage. Their children are: Mary E. (Mrs. D. A. Stitt), of Illinois, born October 15, 1858; Rachel A. (Mrs. S. N.

Minnock), of Dublin township, born September 3, 1860; Amanda C. (Mrs. John C. Taylor), of Spring City, Dublin township, born February 4, 1862; John A., merchant of Dublin township, born May 16, 1864, married Mary A. Harper; James F., born March 21, 1866, died September 1, 1867; Rebecca M. (Mrs. Howard E. Montgomery), of Mt. Jerrett, McKean county, Pa., born September 25, 1868; Lizzie H., wife of James P. Cornelius, of Lorpburg, Bedford county, Pa., born August 28, 1870; William K., tanner, born December 28, 1872; Charlotte R., born December 24, 1874; Edith V., born November 1, 1877; Grace S., born January 14, 1879. William C. Swan is an elder in the Presbyterian church.

Joseph Seibert, the father of Mrs. Swan, is supposed to be a native of Franklin county; his father came from Germany and settled on a farm in Franklin county, where he resided until his death.

HENRY C. ZEIGLER, Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born December 29, 1847, in Dublin township, Huntingdon county, son of Isaac Ziegler and Harriet (Hooper) Zeigler. The family name is German; the paternal grandparents of Mr. Zeigler came to America from the fatherland, and are both buried near Fort Littleton, Fulton county, Pa. Isaac Zeigler was born in Fulton county about 1797; he died at Dry Run, Pa., in 1859, aged sixty-two, of typhoid fever; his wife survived him until about 1869. Their children are: Mary A. (Mrs. Jacob Miller), Burnt Cabins, Pa.; Elizabeth (Mrs. George Foreman), Shade Gap; Ellen (Mrs. Brice Ramsey), Mount Union, Pa.; Thomas, farmer, Franklin county, Pa.; Jacob, farmer at Concord, Pa., was a soldier in the war of the Rebellion, and was wounded in the left side by a ball which passed through his body, and is still lodged under his right shoulder blade; Brice, was also in the war, and afterwards carried on the flour and feed business near Pittsburg, where he was drowned, being seized with cramp while bathing; Henry C.; and James, carpenter, Mount Union, Pa. Mrs. Zeigler died about 1869.

When Henry C. Zeigler was five or six years old, his parents removed to Dry Run. Here he attended the public schools until he was about twelve. He was very young when

his father died, and he was obliged to go out and work as farm hand. He was thus employed until in his seventeenth year, he ran away from home and enlisted. His mother followed him as far as Mount Union, but could not overtake him. It was the boom of the cannon at Gettysburg, while the youth was still at Dry Run, that had fired him with patriotic zeal, and he now gladly enrolled his name for the six months' service, in Company H, Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry, and was mustered in at Harrisburg; it was in the summer of 1863. Mr. Zeigler proceeded with his regiment to the front, but they were soon detailed for service in the coal regions of Pennsylvania, to quell the "Molly Maguires," and to capture deserters. While in the discharge of his duty, on a march to Harrisburg, Pa., Mr. Zeigler's horse slipped and fell on the ice, and he, falling under the horse, was struck by the saddle and severely ruptured. Being mustered out at Chambersburg, Pa., he went home, and learned the trade of tin-smithing, at Dry Run, where he remained, engaged in that occupation, until 1870. He then opened a tin and stove store at Shade Gap, and has ever since continued the business. He has made his way in the world unassisted, and has not only achieved success in business, but has won respect and confidence, and been useful in the community. Mr. Zeigler has served as school director, councilman, and chief burgess, and is now in his twenty-fourth year as justice of the peace. For some years he was postmaster. He is of the Republican party.

Henry C. Zeigler was married in Shade Gap, in 1873, to Amanda, daughter of Erice Blair. Their children are: Chalmers B.; William Franklin; and Blanche Ruth. Mr. Zeigler is a member of the Presbyterian church.

REV. N. A. McDONALD, D. D., Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of Charles and Mary (Foreman) McDonald, was born in Fannett township, Franklin county, Pa., January 30, 1830. His grandfather, Charles McDonald, a Scotchman by birth, came to America and settled in Franklin county, where he married Miss Gracey, and where both died. Their son, also named Charles, was born in Franklin county and was raised on a farm. He followed farming all his life.

His wife was Mary Foreman. They had two children: Hadassah, widow of Mr. Shearer; and Rev. N. A. Both Mr. and Mrs. McDonald died in Dublin township.

Rev. N. A. McDonald received his early education in the public schools of his native township, attending the same until he was ten years old when his parents removed to Dublin township, Huntingdon county, in the neighborhood of Shade Gap. Here his primary education was finished and a preparatory college course completed at Shade Gap Academy. In 1854 he entered the sophomore class at Jefferson College, Cannonsburg, Washington county, Pa., graduating in 1857. He commenced the study of theology at the Western Theological Seminary in Allegheny City, Pa., finishing the course in the spring of 1860. Immediately after this, he was ordained at Hollidaysburg, Blair county, and on June 5, 1860, he sailed from New York to Siam, around the Cape of Good Hope, having been chosen to go as a missionary to that distant land. So slowly did they travel in those times that the trip required over eighty days. He remained in Siam for over twenty-five years, during which time he returned in the spring of 1870 on a furlough of one year. The journey back to Siam by steam vessel via San Francisco, the time being thus shortened to forty-five days. The missionary's duties in Siam were very many. He taught in the mission school; he was mission treasurer; for over twenty years he had charge of the mission press, and after two years' study of the language he preached in the native tongue. Mr. McDonald translated much of the Scriptures into Siamese; he had charge of the United States Legation for over five years and often served as interpreter for that body. In 1887, Rev. McDonald returned from the foreign field once more, this time to stay. In the spring of 1860, just previous to sailing, he was married to Miss Eliza Dickson, daughter of Stewart Dickson. Though born in America, Mrs. McDonald was of Irish descent and had spent some time in Ireland. She accompanied her husband to his field of labor and was ever a valued helper in his work. She taught in the schools of Siam and did other mission work of noble character. She died in Mount Union, Huntingdon county, where they resided for a little more than four years before coming to Dublin town-

ship. Here the family now live, the father owning 160 acres of farming land, on which he has built a large substantial dwelling.

Rev. and Mrs. McDonald had the following children: Harriet; Mary, widow of Wm. H. McFarland, who died in Siam of cholera, resides with her father; Charles, who died of cholera in 1873 and is buried in Siam; Jennie, deceased, was the wife of W. H. Harrison, of Mount Union, Pa.; Francis Charles, a graduate of Princeton College, class of '96. Rev. McDonald is in sympathy with the Republican party. He is respected by all, a man whom it is a privilege to call friend.

DAVID M. BEALMAN, Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born November 30, 1856, near the town of Dry Run, Franklin county, Pa., son of Peter C. and Sarah A. (Devinney) Bealman. The name Bealman is of German derivation, and it is thought that the grandfather of David M. was the first of the family to emigrate to America. If not, then he was born in Strasburg, Franklin county, of which place he was a resident. He married Margaret Coons, of Dry Run, and afterwards removed to that place, where they both died. Their son, Peter C. Bealman, was born in Dry Run, in 1832, and grew up in or near that town; the business of his life has been farming, and on his farm he still resides. In 1863, in the stirring days of war, he enlisted in Company K, Eighty-second Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until the close of the war. His children are: Elizabeth (Mrs. Sylvester Pyles), Rockhill, Huntingdon county; David M.; Agnes (Mrs. A. S. Locke), died in Shade Gap in 1893; Martha A. (Mrs. Edward Hockenberry), Spring Run, Franklin county; and two or three infants that died. The mother died in 1892.

Until about eighteen years of age, David M. Bealman attended the common schools. He became practically acquainted with agricultural business, by helping in the work of his father's farm during his vacations. He remained at home, working for his father, until 1879, the year of his marriage, when he was twenty-three years old. He then resided four years in Fannettsburg, Franklin county, engaged in driving stage and carrying the mail between the town and Concord. From 1883 to 1890, Mr. Bealman resided at Dry Run, and was employed by the month on farms, ex-

cept that during three years of that time he worked as a miner in the Shade valley mountain mines, for the Rock Hill Iron and Coal Co. In 1890, he became station and express agent for the Shade Gap branch of the East Broad Top R. R., and has since held that position, proving himself a worthy and reliable official. Mr. Bealman is a decided Republican, and does much for the success of his party. He is a charter member of the P. O. S. of A. in Shade Gap, instituted in 1890, of which lodge he has always been secretary.

David M. Bealman was married in 1879, at Dry Run, to Harriet N., daughter of Benjamin and Mary (Goshorn) Stitt, a native of Huntingdon county. They have had these children: Cora A., deceased; Dennie C.; John Orange, deceased; Sarah, died in infancy; and Clay, deceased. Mr. Bealman is a member of the Presbyterian church.

SAMUEL G. MILLER, Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born April 5, 1861, near Fort Littleton, Fulton county, Pa., son of Jacob W. and Mary Ann (Zeigler) Miller. The father and grandfather of Jacob W. Miller came from Ireland, and settled in the vicinity of Burnt Cabins, Fulton county, and he is a native and resident of that place. His occupation was that of a post and rail fence maker. His political views are Democratic. The children of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Miller are: Walter S., postmaster at Shirleyburg, Huntingdon county; Mary (Mrs. Isaac Trimmer), Cumberland, Pa.; Commodore, was killed by the kick of a horse at fourteen years of age; Samuel G.; Ellen (Mrs. John Porter), of Virginia; Kate (Mrs. Robert Webb), of Tennessee; David, bookkeeper, at Athens, Ga.; and Isabelle.

Some twenty-five years ago, Samuel G. Miller was a sturdy boy, attending the rural school of his native township during the winter terms, thinking little of the two and a half miles which he must traverse on foot, in cold and stormy weather, as well as on calmer days, to reach the school house. In the warmer seasons, he was helping about the farm as a willing and industrious boy can do, but with a wishful thought now and then for the forge over yonder, with its ruddy fire and ringing iron. At last, when he had entered his nineteenth year, his wish was realized, and in October, 1879, he went to his uncle, Jacob

Zeigler, at Dry Run, Pa., to learn the useful and vigorous handicraft of the blacksmith. For two years and a half he was his uncle's apprentice; then he was employed in Shirley township, for six months, by Thomas Landis. It was in 1883 that he came to Shade Gap, and began business for himself upon a capital of twenty dollars. He rented the same smithy in which he still carries on the business, and continued to rent it for four years, working diligently and practising economy; at the end of that time, he was able to buy the shop with the ground upon which it stood, and two lots besides, paying \$500 cash, and the remainder of the purchase money, \$400, soon after. Here he has built up a large and profitable business, and by the sweat of his brow has not only earned his bread, but provided comfort and a respectable position for his family. Mr. Miller is a Democrat, and actively interested in politics, but has never been willing to accept office. He is affiliated with the P. O. S. of A.

In 1884, shortly after his independent start in business, Samuel G. Miller was married in Shade Gap to Charlotte Montague, a native of Dublin township. Their children are: Beulah; Olive; Edna; and Ruth.

A. A. MINICK, Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of John and Maria (Kuhn) Minick, was born February 28, 1853, in the old stone mansion on the tannery property in Dublin township, Huntingdon county. The great-grandfather on both sides came from Germany and settled in Lancaster county, Pa. The paternal grandfather, Peter Minick, was born and reared in Lancaster county, where he grew to manhood. He followed farming and tailoring all his life. He emigrated to Cumberland county where he worked at his trade for a while and thence went to Carlisle. He died in Orrstown, Franklin county, Pa., at the age of eighty-six. His wife was Miss Mary Currans, of Irish descent. She died in Carlisle some years before her husband's death, at the age of thirty-six. The father, John Minick, was born in Carlisle, Pa., where he grew up and worked on the farm. At the age of fourteen he learned shoemaking. He attended school only three months, and there was taught in German. When he was sixteen, he went to Franklin county and learned tanning, working at

this trade for a number of years. He married at the age of twenty-four. In 1849 he bought the tanning plant of John M. Blair, in Dublin township, paying for it \$3,000. The tannery tract consisted of 20 acres of farming land and 600 acres of mountain land. An old stone mansion stood on the place, which was greatly improved after the purchase. Although John Minick had so few educational advantages, yet later in life, by close study and persistent effort he acquired more than ordinary attainments. He became an expert accountant, and as a book-keeper had few superiors. He adhered to the Republican party. His children are: Lizzie (Mrs. D. R. P. Neely), of Washington, D. C.; Peter, aged nineteen, who was killed by a bullet in front of Petersburg; John M., wounded while marching, was conveyed to hospital where he died; he was aged eighteen and weighed 180 pounds; Ellen H., married Rev. William H. Zimmerman, a Methodist preacher, resides at Lawrence, Kas.; Susan, married to Scott Lysinger, register and recorder, Bedford county, Pa.; A. A.; Cambridge G., bark superintendent for the Elk Tannery Company at Ridgeway, Elk county, Pa.; and S. Newton, farmer, residing on the old homestead. The father was a very benevolent man, and his purse was open to all the worthy poor. He was a faithful member of the Methodist church, an active worker in all matters pertaining to church work. For many years he was class-leader, and superintendent of the Sunday-school. Mrs. John Minick died in 1880, at the age of sixty-two; Mr. Minick in 1893, aged seventy-six years.

Mr. A. A. Minick was educated in the public schools and at Milnwood Academy, in Shade Gap. In early manhood he worked in his father's tannery, but its doors closing for two years, he turned his attention to other matters for that length of time. For eight months he was engaged in mercantile business at Shade Gap as clerk, after which he entered upon a course at a business college in Lock Haven, Pa., graduating therefrom in 1886. The next year he went to Westminster, Md., and engaged as assistant superintendent of the Schlosser tannery at that place. Here he remained for thirteen months, and then returned home and started up the tannery of his father, which he has continued to operate up to the present time. He has been very

successful, increasing the business very materially and making extensive improvements. The plant has an output of one hundred and fifty heavy hides per week. His principal market is in New York City. He is a Republican, and has served his township in many capacities. In 1876, he married Miss Sadie McGowan, daughter of William McGowan, hotel-keeper of Shade Gap. Their children are: John M.; Ira C.; Lillian L.; S. La Rue; all at home, a happy unbroken circle.

JOHN C. TAYLOR, Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born April 24, 1853, near Fostoria, Blair county, Pa., son of John and Ann Eliza (Appleby) Taylor. His grandfather, Matthew Taylor, was a farmer, a native and for many years a resident of Chester county, Pa. With his wife and family, he removed to Dublin township, Huntingdon county, where he settled on the farm now owned by Frank Jones. His wife's maiden name was Anderson. Their children were: John; Elizabeth, married Silas Drake, both deceased; Nancy, married Squire Gaver, both deceased; Matthew, of Hot Springs, Ark.; George, late Judge Taylor, of Huntingdon county; and Isaac, of Mount Union, Pa. The grandfather died on the homestead, and his wife within a mile of it, at the home of her daughter.

His eldest son, John Taylor, was born in 1808, in Chester county, Pa., and was a boy when his parents removed to Huntingdon county. He was brought up to the business of farming, but afterwards learned the blacksmith's trade, which vocation he followed first in Huntingdon county, and later in Iowa. He was twice married; first, in Dublin township, to Mary Ellen Likely, by whom he had one daughter, Amanda. Amanda Taylor was married to Johnson Graham, and resided at Springfield, Ohio; he enlisted in the Union army during the war of the Rebellion, and died during the war. She was again married to Mr. Reeves, who had been in the Confederate army, and they now reside in Hot Springs, Ark. Ann Eliza Appleby was the second wife of Mr. Taylor; they were married and removed to the neighborhood of Fostoria, Blair county, Pa., where Mr. Taylor was engaged in the lumber business. In 1856, John Taylor removed with his wife

and family to Ottumwa, Iowa, and carried on the same business; he died there in 1865. In the same year Mrs. Taylor returned with her children to Huntingdon county, and resided near the borough of Huntingdon until 1870, when she removed to Shade Gap, in the spring. Some years later Mrs. Taylor removed to Mount Union, where she resided until her death; after the first two years of her stay there, she made her home with her daughter for the remainder of her life. The children of this family are: Matthew, died an infant, in Blair county; Mary E., married Dr. A. R. McCarthy, of Mount Union; John C.; George A., died in Ottumwa, Ia.; William H., also died in Iowa; and Isaac Newton, an employee of the P. R. R. at Mt. Union. Mrs. Taylor's death occurred in April, 1891.

John C. Taylor was educated in the common schools of Huntingdon county. His opportunities for acquiring an education were very slender; the most of his school training he owes to Milwood Academy, Shade Gap, which he attended for two years. His mother kept a dairy, and he had to assist her by driving a milk wagon, when he was only twelve years of age. During the summer of 1870, he worked on a farm, and in the spring of the following year, went to work in his uncle's saw-mill, at Osceola, Clearfield county, Pa. He continued there until 1875, when he returned home. About this time, he taught school during the winter and worked for his uncle between the terms. He taught at Shade Gap and elsewhere in Dublin and Cromwell townships for five terms. The occasion of his coming home in 1875 was a conflagration in Osceola, by which he was thrown out of employment. In the summer of 1876, he was employed in a saw-mill near Tyrone, Blair county, owned by his uncle, Isaac Taylor. In the spring of 1877, he went to Robertsdale, and taught a two months' term of school, and then entered the store of Lewis Royer as clerk, in which position he remained for four years. Mr. Taylor then went into the lumber business with his uncle, Isaac Taylor, four miles above Tyrone, and continued there for four years. He then entered into partnership with the Royers, father and son, at Shade Gap, under the firm name of Royers & Taylor, in the general mercantile business. They erected a large store room, and have carried on a thriving trade ever since. He is

a Republican, and has held the office of school director for one term.

John C. Taylor was married at Shade Gap, April 2, 1889, to Amanda C., daughter of William C. and Elizabeth (Seibert) Swan. The children of this marriage are: Warren S.; Isaac C.; John S. Mr. Taylor is a member of the Presbyterian church, and is on its board of trustees.

ALEXANDER APPELBY, Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born on the Homestead in Dublin township, March 29, 1817. He is the son of John and Mary Moreland) Appleby. Mr. Appleby's grandfather, John Appleby, was a native of Ireland. After marriage, Mr. Appleby, his wife and two brothers, William and Alexander, emigrated to America. The brothers settled in Georgia, while John remained in Pennsylvania, making his home near Shippensburg, Pa. After a short time he removed to Huntingdon county, but returned to Shippensburg for two years. He finally settled in Dublin township, Huntingdon county, on the place now owned by Thomas Roddy. Mr. Appleby bought the farm of 300 acres, and lived there until his death. There also he received frequent visits from his brothers; the long journey between their homes being made on horseback. Mrs. Appleby died on the home farm. Their children were: Margaret, wife of Mr. Stitt, both died at Huntingdon; Jane (Mrs. Gilbert Kennedy), died in Huntingdon county; Nancy (Mrs. George McGee), died in Beaver county, Pa.; Martha, (Mrs. Adam McGee), of Franklin county, Pa., deceased; John; and Alexander, married Mrs. McGee, both died in Preble county, Ohio. John B. Appleby, a grandson of one of John Appleby's brothers, was living in Maryland at the time of the war of the Rebellion. He enlisted in the Union army, served all through the war, and was several times promoted. He resides at Centralia, Ill.

John Appleby, father of Alexander Appleby, was born in Dublin township in 1776. The son of a farmer, he settled on part of the homestead, which he farmed until his death. Mr. Appleby was very active and much interested in all the affairs of his township, and merited the respect and esteem of his neighbors. He filled many township offices satisfactorily. Mr. Appleby was an old line

Whig. His wife was Miss Mary Moreland, a native of Belfast, Ireland. Their children are: Margaret; Thomas, died at the age of twenty; William, married Elizabeth Spear, died in Dublin township, aged eighty; John, married Priscilla Montague, both died in Dublin township; Alexander; Eliza (Mrs. John Gaylor), resided in Huntingdon county, later removed to Iowa, and returning after her husband's death, died at Mount Union, Pa.; Margaret Ellen, Shade Gap; Mary Jane (Mrs. Henry Likely), settled in Orbisonia, removed to Dublin township, where she died, and Mr. Likely resides in Illinois; and Rosamond, died in youth. Mr. Appleby and his wife were members of the Presbyterian church, of which Mr. Appleby was an elder. John Appleby died October 1, 1851, his wife died at the homestead in 1877, aged eighty-seven.

Alexander Appleby received his education in the subscription schools of his native township. The opportunities afforded by these schools were limited, and the teachers inefficient. While yet a mere lad, Alexander Appleby was set to work on the farm where he remained, assisting his father until 1842, when he rented his present home, a farm then owned by his father. After renting it for several years, he bought 100 acres, and at his father's death, he received the remaining 108 acres. Industrious and thrifty, Mr. Appleby not only improved his farm, adding to it by the purchase of 40 acres, but also bought a property in Shade Gap. Mr. Appleby is a staunch Republican, eager for the success of the party. He is highly esteemed and influential in his township. He has won the respect and confidence of the community, where he has been retained on the school board for nine consecutive years. He has also served his township in various other capacities.

Alexander Appleby was married in Dublin township, November 10, 1842, to Ann Eliza, daughter of David and Elizabeth (Wilson) Jeffries. Their children are: John McGinley, a farmer in Dublin township, married Anna Blair; Elizabeth, Mrs. George Doran, Burnt Cabins, Fulton county; David, M. D., married Martha Colliers, Tyrone, Pa.; Mary Jane, Mrs. William Thompson, Barree, Huntingdon county; Lavinia, Mrs. George Elliot, Mount Union, Pa.; and Rosamond, at home. Mrs. Appleby was an earnest Christian, a

member of the Presbyterian church; she died June 5, 1889. Mr. Appleby is an elder in the Presbyterian church at Shade Gap, Pa.

JOHN A. CASTOR, Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of Andrew and Elizabeth (Miller) Castor, was born in Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa. His great-grandfather, Philip Castor, was born in Germany and came to America before the Revolutionary war, settling in the vicinity of Philadelphia, Pa. He fought under Washington and was captain of a company of Continental soldiers. He enjoyed the distinction of taking dinner with Washington at the inn in Philadelphia called the "Crooked Billet." At the close of the war he took a tomahawk right to a tract of land in Mifflin county at the foot of Jack's Mountain. He had one son, Henry, and four daughters. At the death of Philip Castor, his son succeeded to the farm, devotedly caring for the mother until her death. This son, Henry Castor, had three daughters and one son, Andrew. Henry died on the homestead in Mifflin county, about 1846 or 1848, at the age of sixty-three. He had married his second wife, by whom he had one son, Porter Castor, now owner of the old homestead. The daughters are: Katy (Mrs. Henry Johnson), lived in Mifflin until 1848, and then removed to Muskingum county, Ohio, where they both died; Rebecca (Mrs. James McCormick), resides near Lewistown, Pa., where the husband died; Nancy (Mrs. Job Wallace), resided near Lewistown, Pa., but has lately moved away.

Andrew Castor, eldest son of Henry Castor, was born on the old homestead in Wayne township, November 7, 1819, and there his youth was spent. His wife, Elizabeth, daughter of Henry Miller, was born November 7, 1821. He received a good education, and at the death of his father took the farm and worked it until a few years prior to his death, when he sold it, and retired to near Atkinson's Mills, Mifflin county, and died there January 15, 1858. His widow afterwards married Thomas Phillips, and went to live in Selins Grove, Snyder county, Pa., where they both died, the mother's death occurring May 8, 1880. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Castor were: John A.; Sarah Ann, born July 23, 1845, died single; Jane S., born February 6, 1847, married David Flood, and died

in Dublin township, in June, 1893; Martha E., born March 27, 1848, died December 23, 1849; James K., born November 6, 1849, married and settled at Selins Grove, Pa., and is now a widower living in Nebraska; William G., born July 28, 1851, was killed on the railroad, he was married; George W., born June 8, 1854, died through a surgical operation performed at Harrisburg; Susanna H., born May 28, 1857, died January 14, 1867. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Castor were both devout members of the United Brethren church. Mr. Castor was an old line Whig.

John A. Castor was born on the old homestead in Wayne township. It was in an old two-storied log house of two rooms that he first saw the light. He received his education in the common schools, to which he was sent regularly. He was only thirteen years of age when his father died, leaving him the eldest of seven children, after which, desiring to help rather than to be helped, he hired out each summer as a farm hand. For the first five years he worked for Adam Sunderland, receiving as wages \$4 per month, which sum he always gave to his mother for the support of the family. He lived at home with his mother until his marriage, which occurred in Urbana, Ohio, October 9, 1872, to Ella V. Johnson, a native of Philadelphia, Pa., who had removed with her parents to Ohio, where the acquaintance begun in Pennsylvania resulted in the marriage at Urbana. Mr. Castor and his wife then took up their residence in Altoona, Pa., where he had been working as carpenter in the machine shops. They later removed to Urbana, Ohio, where, for five or six years, he worked in the locomotive and car shops. He then went to Kansas and took up a claim of 160 acres of land, which tract he greatly improved, remaining thereon until 1891. His wife died in 1890, and in the following year he sold his farm and returning to Pennsylvania, opened a store, and served as postmaster for four years at McNeal, Pa. On April 6, 1892, at McNeal, he married Miss Jennie Goshorn, daughter of Robert Goshorn, one of the early settlers of Huntingdon county. In the fall of 1895 he took up his residence on his present place of 260 acres in Dublin township; his stepson carries on the farm. During the war, Mr. Castor enlisted, in Wayne township, in Company F, Forty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers, for three

months; he served his time, came home, and in July re-enlisted for one hundred days. After serving four months he received an honorable discharge and he returned home. He is a Republican. During his residence in Kansas he was justice of the peace for four years, and secretary of the school board, during which time the free schools were inaugurated. A wide and intelligent reader, interested in the welfare of the nation, he follows closely the questions of the day. He has considerable ability as an orator, and many are the audiences that have been inspired to greater patriotism by his eloquent addresses on Memorial and Independence Days.

Mr. Castor has no children. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, holding the office of deacon for some years while residing in Altoona, Pa.

A. DORRIS STITT, Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of James N. and Isabella (Campbell) Stitt, was born in Dublin township, Huntingdon county, March 16, 1835. The grandfather, Archibald Stitt, was born in Dublin, Ireland, where he married Miss Newell, and soon after, with his wife and two small children, Mollie and John, sailed for America. On the passage they suffered shipwreck, provisions ran short, and all were on the verge of starvation. During these distresses their little ones both died and were buried at sea. Arriving in America, Mr. Stitt went to Pennsylvania and settled on a tract of land in Dublin township, Huntingdon county, which place he farmed until his death. At the time of settlement, the land was part of Tell township, but some of the people not being congenial, he petitioned and had his farm struck out of Tell and added to Dublin township. He bought his first calf at Alexandria, Huntingdon county. His first house was built of round logs. In building it, he was assisted by many of his neighbors, some of whom came as far as Burnt Cabins, and all worked with such a will that the structure was completed in one day. The grain raised on the farm was taken to Baltimore, Md., the wheat being disposed of at fifty cents a bushel; and the money realized on the crops was used in paying for the farm. Both Mr. and Mrs. Stitt died in Dublin township. They had the following children: James N.; Archibald, who

died leaving a family of two children; John W., lived on a farm in Franklin county, where he died; he had married, first, Miss Blair, then Miss Cree, later Miss Harris, and finally Miss Swan; Benjamin E., married Miss Goshorn, succeeded to the old homestead in Dublin township, and died there; Mollie, married James Harper, and both died in Dublin township; Nancy, married William Harper, both died in Dublin township; Jane, married William Hindson, both died in Dublin township.

James N. Stitt was born on the old homestead in Dublin township, Huntingdon county, and there all his days were spent. When a young man he learned carpentry and worked at that trade up to the time of his death. After his marriage to Isabella Campbell, a native of Huntingdon county, they took up their residence on part of the old homestead and there lived for many years. They afterwards made their home with their son, A. Dorris Stitt, at whose home both died, the father March 16, 1853, at the age of fifty-five years; the mother in 1857. They had these children: Eliza J., widow of David S. Peterson; A. Dorris; M. Campbell, farmer in Dublin township; Blair, a farmer who went to Mansfield, Ohio, and married there; Rhoda (Mrs. Jacob Flasher), of Shelby, Ohio; William J., a farmer in Dublin township, married Miss Ann Corbin; Isabella (Mrs. Edward McKettrick), of Wilson, Kas.; Margaret, deceased, wife of William Clymans. Mr. Stitt was a Republican and a member of the Presbyterian church.

A. Dorris Stitt attended the public schools, but was always more fond of work than of study. From boyhood his life has been characterized by energy and industry. As soon as he was old enough he undertook farming the home place while his father worked at his trade, and after the death of the latter he continued to manage it for his mother. Both parents being dead, A. Dorris took the farm at the appraisement, and has cultivated it ever since. In 1860, he was married to Miss Amanda Wilson, daughter of George and Mary Ann (Elliott) Wilson. Their children are: James W., married Annie Swan, resides in Franklin county; U. Grant, farmer in Franklin county; Riley B., at home; Cora C., at home; William D., at home. Mr. Stitt is a Republican, and has filled the office of school director and supervisor. He is a member of the Presbyterian church at Shade Gap.

and has served as trustee for a number of years.

BENJAMIN F. STITT, Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Dublin township, May 11, 1840. He is the son of Benjamin E. and Mary (Goshorn) Stitt. Mr. Stitt's father, Benjamin E. Stitt, was the son of a farmer, and spent his life in the cultivation of the soil. The educational advantages of that time were very limited. Although the distance to the school house was three miles, Benjamin walked the six miles daily. The school house itself was a very rough affair. Great cracks were worn in the floor, and under the floor was a space into which the dogs belonging to the children crept. Now and then a dog's tail would appear through a crack; a loud yelp and a cloud of dust would prove that some urchin had been too strongly tempted. As long as his father lived, Mr. Benjamin Stitt lived on the home farm, and when, after his father's death, the farm was divided between himself and his brother James N., he moved into the old house in which he resided at the time of his death. Mr. Benjamin Stitt was married in Dublin township to Mary Goshorn. Their children are: William H., died of scarlet fever, aged two; Benjamin F.; A. Hamilton, died young; Elizabeth, died in youth; Margaret, deceased; Harriet (Mrs. David Bealman), Shade Gap, Pa.; John B., farmer, Dublin township; McGuiness, died young; McGuiness (2), farmer in Kansas; Scott, died in youth; David; Emma (Mrs. Skinner), Spring Run, Pa.; and three who died in infancy. Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Stitt are members of the Presbyterian church. Mrs. Stitt survived her husband several years; both are buried in the cemetery at Pine Grove church.

Benjamin F. Stitt received his education in the public schools of his native township, patiently trudging two miles and a half through the mud and snow of unbroken country roads. While quite young, he was put to work on the farm, and was his father's assistant until he was twenty-four years of age. In 1864, Mr. Stitt went to Ontario, Richland county, Ohio, where he obtained a position as clerk in a store; two years later he was appointed collector for a steel company in Van Wert, Ohio. In 1868, Mr. Stitt returned to Huntingdon county to attend to the settle-

ment of his father's estate, intending to return to Ohio in a short time. Owing to disturbance in financial circles, Mr. Stitt decided to remain in Pennsylvania, and bought a farm belonging to his father's estate. He still resides on this place, and, being an intelligent and progressive farmer, has made many improvements which have greatly increased the value of his property. In 1863, Mr. Stitt enlisted in Company E, Fifty-third Battalion, as second sergeant. He was mustered in for six months, but was discharged at the end of fifty-six days. Mr. Stitt is a staunch Republican, active and zealous in politics. He is honored and esteemed for his many social qualities. Feeling the want of educational advantages, he is interested in providing better schools for his township. He has also served as supervisor for several terms.

Benjamin F. Stitt was married December 30, 1864, to Matilda, daughter of William and Jennie (Harris) Junk, who was born in Juniata county, Pa., November 4, 1837. The city of Harrisburg, Pa., was named in honor of some of Mrs. Junk's ancestors. Their children are: Margaret Blanche, at home, taught school for some years; William E., at home; Victoria Anna, a student at several musical colleges, now a teacher of music in Altoona, Pa.; Angela Cora Allen, died aged twelve; Maud E.; Grace Carrie; and Frank Chalmers. Mr. Stitt and all his family are members of the Presbyterian church, and take an active part in the work of their congregation; his daughter Maud is the choir-leader.

SAMUEL C. MONTGOMERY, merchant, Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born April 8, 1849, in Waterloo, Juniata county, son of Ezra and Catharine (Wetzel) Montgomery. His father, a native of Franklin county, after marriage in Lancaster City, Pa., with Catharine Wetzel, now deceased, removed to Juniata county, and still lives in Waterloo, looking after his farm near by from time to time. He had eight children, most of whom are still living.

Samuel C. Montgomery lived in Waterloo until he was twenty-four years of age. He received a good education in the public schools of his native town. When but ten or twelve years old, his father, a manufacturer of fanning mills, put him at the bench to do wood-work. In Waterloo in 1873, at the age of

twenty-four, he married Mary Ann, daughter of Robert and Catharine (Hench) Robison, both of Perry county. The children of this union are: Robert; Albert; Jessie; Chalmers; and Naomi, all at home. After marriage he began housekeeping in Harrisonville, Fulton county, Pa., following his trade for three years; in 1875 he removed to Donnelly's Mills, engaging in mercantile business. Two years after, he disposed of his stock, and in 1877 removed to Shade Gap, bought store buildings from Blair & Robinson, repaired them, and put in a stock of general merchandise. Since then he has built up a large trade. He is a solid Republican of the gold standard type and has served as school director and borough councilman. A member of the Presbyterian church, he is highly honored by all in the community because of his sterling worth and integrity.

DAVID S. PETERSON, deceased, a farmer and carpenter of Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in 1827, son of Robert and Elizabeth (Hollingsworth) Peterson. His father, a native of Dublin township, died about 1876 in the same township, aged eighty-four years. David S. Peterson was educated in the schools of Dublin township. He learned carpentry, which he followed all his life, besides farming. In February, 1856, he married Eliza J., daughter of James and Isabella (Campbell) Stitt, born July 16, 1833, in Dublin township. They settled on the place which Mrs. Peterson still owns, and on which their children were born and reared. They are: Tirzah B. (Mrs. Byers), of Neelyton, Huntingdon county; J. Campbell, a farmer in Dublin township, married to Miss Clymans; James Newell, a merchant in Monticello, Iowa; Rhoda J., at home; W. Ellis, married to Estella Ammerman, is a merchant at Munsion, Clearfield county; Lizzie F. (Mrs. John Byers), of Cumberland county; S. Dorris, married Miss Montague, has an interest in a store at Neelyton, Huntingdon county; Maggie L.; Annie E.; John W. S.; Cora V.; and Calvin D. Hays; all at home.

Mr. Peterson bought 160 acres, which he greatly improved. His death occurred in 1881. He was an active member of the Presbyterian church. A Republican in political views, he took a very active part in all township affairs; he served as school director for

many years. He had very many friends; his death was not only a sore bereavement to his family, but also a loss to the community.

GEORGE S. APPLEBY, merchant and farmer of Decorum, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born June 17, 1853, son of John and Priscilla (Montague) Appleby. His father died when he was three years old. He attended public school during the winter months until he was twenty years of age. In his twenty-third and twenty-fourth years, he taught school in Wayne township, Mifflin county. In that township, in 1884, he married Mary F., daughter of Jacob and Amanda (Morgan) Casner. His children are: Eugene H.; Eva Fay; and Wayne Casner. He resided in Wayne township two years, engaged in lumbering, after which he returned to Dublin township, Huntingdon county, and opened a general store at Decorum. He was soon after appointed postmaster, and still holds that office. He owns and cultivates a small farm in Dublin township. Mr. Appleby is a staunch Republican, and has served as auditor of his township. He is a member of the Presbyterian church at Burnt Cabins, Fulton county. His uprightness and perseverance have won for him confidence and esteem.

M. C. STITT, a farmer in Dublin township, Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, was born November 24, 1836, son of James and Isabella (Campbell) Stitt. His grandfather, Archibald Stitt, was one of the first settlers of Dublin township. He was a native of Dublin, Ireland, where he married and soon after with his wife and infant child emigrated to the United States. On the voyage they met with severe winds and finally encountered a fierce storm and were ship-wrecked. All on board were on the verge of starvation. Mr. Stitt often used to say that the sweetest bite he ever had was when nearly starving, he found a cracker in a crevice of the ship's hold and with this and a bone made soup which served to appease his hunger for a while. The little child died on the voyage. Coming to Dublin township, Huntingdon county, they first settled on a farm now owned by Samuel Woodney, and a few years later on the Mansion farm, where Mr. Archibald Stitt died in 1850. His wife survived him many years. Their children were: Archibald, Jr.; James;

John; Molly (Mrs. James Harper); Nancy (Mrs. William Harper); Benjamin; and Jane (Mrs. William Hudson). The second son, James Stitt, was born in Dublin township. He was reared on the farm, and learned carpentry, which was his principal occupation. Having inherited part of the homestead, after marriage he settled upon it, still working at his trade. He married Isabella, daughter of Mark Campbell. Their children are: Eliza (Mrs. David Peterson); Dorris; M. C.; Rhoda Ellen (Mrs. Jacob Flasher); Ann, who died young; Blair, farmer, of Ohio, died in 1895; William J.; Belle (Mrs. Edward McKittrick); and Margaret (Mrs. William Clymans), deceased. The children of Mr. and Mrs. David Peterson are: Jesse C.; James Newall; Rhoda Ellen; William Ellis; Smiley Dorris; Lizzie (Mrs. John Byers); Margaret; Annie; John; Cora; and Hayes. James Stitt and his wife lived for many years on their farm; both died on the homestead and are buried in Shade Gap. They were members of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Stitt was an old line Whig.

M. C. Stitt was born in Dublin township and educated in the public schools. He was brought up a farmer boy, but when twenty years old he started to learn carpentry, but two years later returned to farming. On November 15, 1859, he married Jane Ann, daughter of William and Jane (Carson) Flemming. Their children are: Lizzie B.; Blair H., a farmer, married to Mary J. Swan; Minnie J. (Mrs. J. M. Peterson); Minerva M., has been a teacher; William F., a school teacher; and Eva K. Mr. and Mrs. Stitt at first rented the farm of 240 acres which they now own. It then had a house partly constructed of logs, but he has since built a large and comfortable house of modern design. Mr. Stitt is an ardent supporter of the Republican party, and in his own township has served as school director, supervisor and assessor. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church, of which he is an elder.

ROBERT McNEAL, Shirleysburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of James and Mary (Glenn) McNeal, was born July 21, 1833, on the farm which he owns and on which he lives. His great-grandfather was born in County Down, Ireland, and came to America some time after his marriage, reaching these

shores about 1772. Although poor in financial resources, he was rich in the possession of five boys and four girls. He made his home on the ridge in Dublin township, Cumberland county, now Tell township, Huntingdon county, taking up over 200 acres of land. He was of Scotch-Irish extraction, and a member of the Presbyterian church, a devout Christian. He died about 1838; his wife, who was Miss Mary Cruikshank, surviving him a number of years and dying at a very advanced age. They had these children: Robert; James; Joshua; Archie; Alec, went to Bucyrus, Ohio, about 1836, and died there; Molly (Mrs. Jeffries); Peggy (Mrs. Lauther); Prudence (Mrs. William Irving); and Mrs. Stunkard. The first four brothers lived on adjoining farms near Three Springs, Pa., where they all died. Robert McNeal (1), eldest of this family, was born in County Down, Ireland, about 1770, and was a lad of twelve when his parents came to this country. He was reared on his father's farm in Tell township, and after his marriage to Miss Katy Campbell, of Path Valley, he settled on Clear Ridge, near Three Springs. He with his three brothers took up their abode in the woods, and cleared a good farm. He died in this neighborhood in 1859, his wife having preceded him to the grave. Their children were: James; Alec; Archie; John; Ellen (Mrs. Campbell); Jane (Mrs. John Bolinger), Three Springs; and Eliza (Mrs. John A. Black), Fulton county, Pa.; all now deceased.

James McNeal, father of Robert McNeal (2), was born in Tell township, March 23, 1808. He was brought up by his grandfather and received a common school education. Soon after his marriage to Mary Glenn, he settled on a farm of 111 acres in Tell township, inherited by his wife from her father, Hugh Glenn, a native of Ireland, who had come here before the Revolutionary war and fought all through it. Mr. McNeal improved the farm by the erection of new buildings and by making other changes required on a first-class place. He was a member of the Presbyterian church at Shade Gap and was elected elder, but did not serve. He died in Tell township; his wife survived him several years, dying in 1890, aged eighty-one. Their children are: Robert; Mary M. (Mrs. Harper); Martha S. (Mrs. Thomas Appleby), deceased; Catherine C. (Mrs. Thomas Appleby),

of Mount Union, Pa.; and John A. A., died in 1851, at the age of eleven.

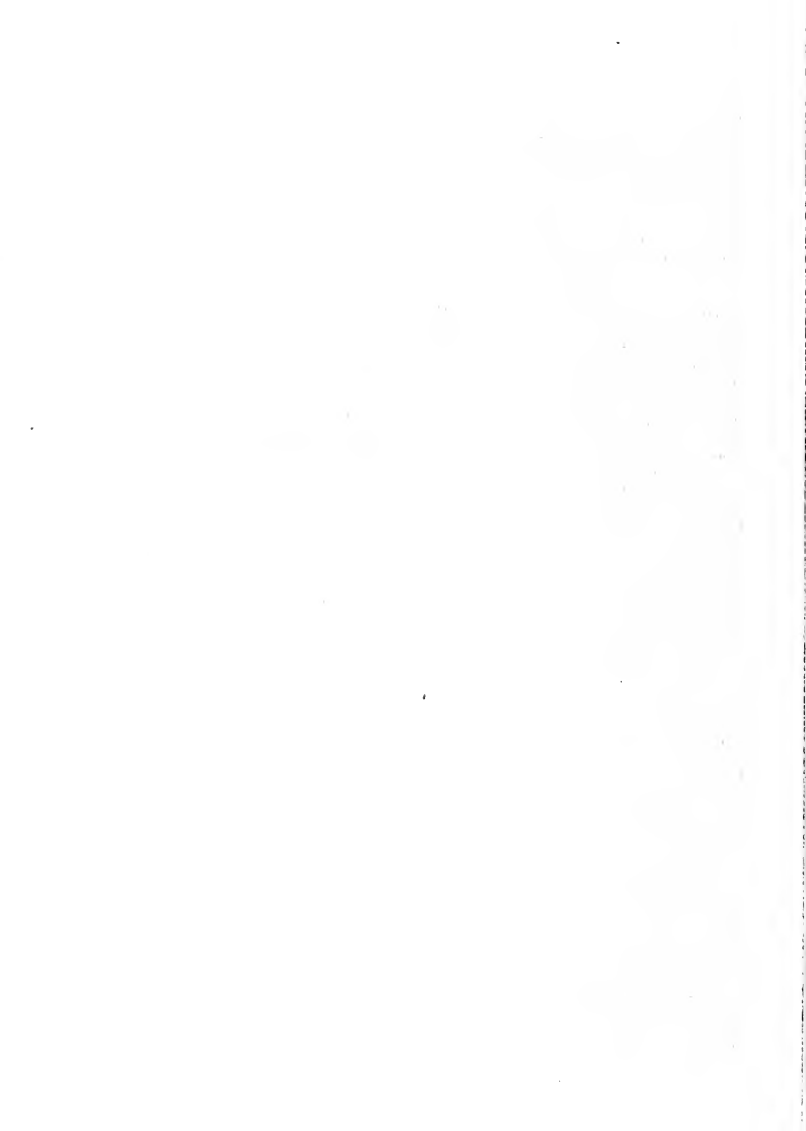
Robert McNeal attended the public schools, and when he was old enough, worked at home on the farm until his marriage to Miss Susan, daughter of James and Margaret Ford, November 11, 1856. After this he removed to William McKnight's farm, which he rented for three years, and then rented a farm near Burnt Cabins. In 1861, he sold out and removed to Shade Gap, and was here about six months, when he bought the old Wilson farm in Dublin township. Here he remained until the fall of 1863, when he enlisted at Huntingdon, Pa., in Company G, One Hundred and Forty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, Col. E. L. Dana; joined the regiment at Culpeper, Va., and with it proceeded to the front, their first operation being in Meade's retreat to Centreville Heights. They were brought up in line at Thoroughfare Gap to support Kilpatrick's cavalry, and afterwards went into camp at Culpeper and remained until May, 1864. Then they moved on and later took part in the battle of the Wilderness. Mr. McNeal was wounded in the first day's fight, May 5, the ball passing clear through the right forearm. He was sent to the field hospital, remaining there two days, when he was ordered to Fredericksburg, then to Bell Plains Landing; thence by steamboat to Washington, where he remained for two weeks, and thence to Wilmington, Del., where he lay in contract hospital. While here food was so scarce that the boys determined to write to Governor Curtin about it. They did so, and the Governor sent his wife and other ladies down to investigate. It happened that when the visitors appeared the men were eating some soup, which Mrs. Curtin asked to be allowed to taste. Mr. McNeal remonstrated, urging that he had only one spoon; but the lady insisted, and having tasted the food threw it away in disgust, saying it was totally unfit to be eaten. Consequently the wounded Pennsylvania soldiers were soon after removed to the Haddington hospital, Philadelphia. On the 3d of March, 1865, Mr. McNeal with others was taken to Washington and assigned to the Second Battalion of invalids. He was honorably discharged May 31, 1865.

Returning home he resumed farming on the Wilson farm until 1873, when he sold it to George Mills. In 1872 he bought the old

home farm of 181 acres, erecting thereon a new house. In 1891, he retired from active work, selling the farm to his son-in-law in 1892, but four years later he bought it back. Mr. McNeal is a Presbyterian, and has been for years an elder in the church. He has filled many township offices, also the office of county commissioner from 1887 to 1890. They have one child; Margaret E. Glenn, who married Samuel Goshorn, a farmer.

HENRY L. BOOK, Shade Valley, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of Samuel and Anna (Coder) Book, was born in Hull Valley, Cromwell township, December 27, 1846. His paternal great-grandfather, whose first name is unknown, came from Germany and settled in Lancaster county, Pa., where he lived until his death. The grandfather, John Book, was born in Lancaster county, where he married, and soon afterwards came to Juniata county and settled near Oakland Mills. Here he bought a farm, which he continued to cultivate up to the time of his death. His wife also died on the farm. Their children are: John, married Miss Holtzapple, and resided on a farm near Mexico, Juniata county, where he died; Samuel; David, died young; Henry, married Miss Mitchell and lived near Lewistown, Pa.; Abraham, married and lived near Oakland Mills, deceased; Daniel, married Miss Price, lived and died near Orbisonia, Pa.; Catharine, who married Lewis Evans, the former dying in Huntingdon county, the latter in Fulton county; Martha, who is unmarried and lives on part of the old homestead near Oakland Mills. Besides these there were two children who died in infancy, names unknown. Samuel Book was born on the old homestead near Oakland Mills, June 14, 1808. He attended both German and English schools and received a fair education. His youth was spent at home, and while still young he learned cooperage, which occupation he followed for several years, and then turned his attention to farming. After his marriage he resided near Lewistown, Mifflin county, where he worked at his trade. He later removed to Hill Valley, near Orbisonia, where he bought a tract of farm land, which, after cultivating it for a few years, he sold, and bought 150 acres in Tell township. To this he added 150 acres more, and with true progressiveness began the erection of two good barns and several out-







Wm. W. Boston



Edw. J. M. M.



L. E. Edwards



H. W. Baldwin



buildings. He was an industrious farmer, and very energetic, and for many years prior to his death could do as large a day's work as any young man. He many times labored all day on the farm and at night worked at his trade. Even his wife would sometimes take a hand at the farm work. During one winter he threshed with a flail over 600 bushels of grain. When he first began, wages were very low, his compensation for a day's work being often not more than twenty-five cents. Many of the boys refused to work for this, but he used to say that when night came he was by that twenty-five cents and his board ahead of the other boys. Mrs. Samuel Book died in 1883, and her husband in 1887; both are buried in Brook graveyard, in Tell township. They were devout Christians, members of the German Baptist church, of which he was a deacon for many years. He was a Republican. Their children are as follows: Edmund D., a farmer near Blain, Perry county, whose first wife was Miss Goshorn, his second, Elizabeth Long; Isaac, farmer in Juniata county, married Mary Shearer; John, died in the service during the late war, at Maryland Heights; Elizabeth (Mrs. James Seibert), Williamsport, Pa.; Samuel, who married Mary Widner; Catharine (Mrs. Jacob Long), Wormleysburg, Pa.; Henry L.; Mary A. (Mrs. Wilson Row), Hagerstown, Md.; David, farmer of Blain, Perry county, married Sarah Dobbs.

Henry L. Book attended the public schools until he was old enough to work the farm for his father, with whom he remained until after his marriage in 1870, to Miss Salinda, daughter of John and Barbara (Harnish) Silverthorn. For a short time after this he remained at home and then for two years worked for Moses Burge, of Tell township. During the next two years, he rented a farm of Mrs. Samuel McMarts. At the end of this time he again took up his residence on the homestead and farmed for his father for ten years. Then, in partnership with J. M. Blair, he opened a general store at Blairs Mills, which they conducted for two years. He then sold out and opened a general store at Richvale, but after five years he disposed of it and since then has resided on the homestead, part of which was bequeathed to him by his father. Mr. Book is a Republican, and has filled worthily many township offices. He

and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church at Waterloo, Pa.; he is ruling elder of the same. He is a close student, a lover of books and good literature. They have no children.

W. B. KLING, Nossville, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of Jacob and Nancy J. (Clayton) Kling, was born in Tell township, Huntingdon county, October 9, 1847. Jacob Kling was born in Perry county, Pa., in 1825, and in 1832 went to Huntingdon county to live with his grandmother. He married in Tell township, and after his marriage settled on a farm which he purchased and on which he still lives. He is a strong adherent of the cause of Democracy. They had a family of nine children, seven of whom are still living. Several years ago Mrs. Jacob Kling died. The family are members of the Methodist church.

W. B. Kling spent his youth in Tell township, attending school, and until his twenty-first year he stayed at home and worked on the farm. In 1870, his twenty-third year, he enlisted in the regular army at Carlisle for a term of five years. Having been assigned to Company M, Fourth Cavalry, he joined his regiment at Fort Concho, Tex., and spent one year and three months at San Antonio, Tex. In May, 1872, he was in active engagements with Indians in the Santa Rosa mountains in Mexico. He was then with General Mackenzie on the scout into Mexico in which the treaty between the United States and that country was broken, by an armed party having crossed the boundary line. This was in May, 1872; it nearly caused war between the two countries. Mr. Kling was promoted to corporal in 1874, and was discharged at Fort Concho, Tex., April 7, 1875. Returning home, he taught school for three years. In 1878 he built a store room in Nossville, but it soon proved too small for his increasing business, in consequence of which he tore it down and began in his present place. He has a full line of general merchandise and a constantly growing trade. True to his father's example and precept, Mr. Kling is a staunch supporter of the Democratic party. He has read extensively on the much agitated issue between monometallism and bimetalism. He filled the office of auditor for the township so satisfactorily that he was re-elected for a

second three years' term. Excepting one term of four years, he has been postmaster continuously since 1877.

Mr. Kling is happily endowed with versatile talents, and has many sources of enjoyment. His "bump of construction" makes him skilful in repairing watches, clocks, organs, sewing machines, in short, almost anything that can need repairing. As a hunter, he has scarcely his equal in the valley. He is very proficient in music, a ready "sight-reader," and a performer on the cornet, violin, guitar, mandolin, organ, flute and fife; he has utilized this talent by teaching vocal music, and by giving his services for ten years in the Sunday-school choir. Mr. Kling is also fond of traveling; he has visited nearly all the principal cities of the United States, besides several Mexican cities. He was present at the dedication of the monumental tomb of General Grant, April 27, 1897.

William B. Kling was married in 1876 to Bella, daughter of Thomas Gardner. Three of their children died in infancy; those surviving are: Esley, in the store with his father; Olive, at home; Violet; Rosetta; and Elmira. The family attend the Methodist church.

JOHN M. BLAIR, Blairs Mills, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of John H. and Mary (McConnell) Blair, was born at the above mentioned place October 10, 1850. His grandfather, John Blair, was a native of Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, and married Miss Jane Cree. They had a family of six children, four boys and two girls. John H. Blair, father of John M., was born near Shade Gap, February 2, 1819, and came to Tell township in 1847. He received a common school education, and married after coming to Tell township. He and his brother, A. C. Blair, formed a mercantile partnership, which they continued for several years. John H. Blair now lives a retired life at Blairs Mills. His wife died in 1874. He married again, his second wife being Lucy Noble, now also deceased. Their children are: John M.; Dr. G. A., of Gerard, Kan.; Alinda; and Haretta. John H. Blair has been identified with the Republican party all his life.

John M. Blair enjoyed educational advantages superior to those offered by the public schools. Besides attending the common schools in Tell township, he studied at Tuscarora Academy, Academia, Pa., and at Spring

Run Academy. When he was twelve years old he entered his father's store, and after reaching his majority became a partner, continuing until 1892, when he established a new store, putting in a full line of new goods. To his habit of honest and fair dealing, may be attributed the success of his undertakings. In the recent past, he erected a large hotel at Blairs Mills, and also several dwelling houses. He has an interest in the Tuscarora Valley Railroad, which ran as far as Blairs Mills in October, 1895. Mr. Blair is a staunch Republican, has been school director for nine years, and has held the office of postmaster since its establishment in 1883. On April 15, 1873, he was married to Miss Nannie, daughter of John and Barbara (Harnish) Silverthorn, who was born in Shade Valley, her parents having come hither from Lancaster county, Pa. They had three children: Holmes, died in infancy; Alda May, died at the age of nineteen. Mr. and Mrs. Blair are members of the Presbyterian church; Mr. Blair is an elder. He was chosen the first president of the Christian Endeavor Society of the Presbyterian church near Blairs Mills.

MRS. MARY C. MCCOOL, Huntingdon, Pa., wife of William McCool, was born in Smithfield township, Huntingdon county, Pa., February 8, 1849. She is a daughter of Michael and Mary (Beiland) Eley. Michael Eley was a farmer, and a native of Mifflin county. Their children are: Amos, who died in infancy; Elizabeth, residing in McKeesport, Pa.; William J., of Huntingdon, Pa.; Mary (Mrs. McCool); Louana E. (Mrs. Christian Buek), died in 1890, in Tyrone, Pa.; Sarah A. (Mrs. James Cassidy), of Huntingdon; Matilda C. (Mrs. R. M. Blatt), of Oneida township; Nancy C., died in 1886; Emma R. (Mrs. Griffith Keiper), of Huntingdon county; Rhoda, died in her twenty-second year; Juniata F. (Mrs. Wallace Long), of Oneida township, residing on the old home farm. The daughters of this marriage, with creditable diligence and filial affection, aided their parents by "living out" among the neighboring farmers' families. The father, Michael Eley, died in 1889; but Mrs. Eley still survives, is in her seventy-fourth year, and resides in Oneida township.

Mary C. Eley was educated in the common schools. She was first married in 1868, to

Elijah Coughenour, who is deceased. Their children were: Anna; Mary E.; Alice G.; and Russel. Her second marriage was to Jacob R. Kephart, by whom she has three children: Maurice B.; Elsie V.; and Miles M.

After Mr. Kephart's death, his widow was again married, to William C. McCool. To this union no children have been born. Mrs. McCool is a member of the United Brethren church, in which communion she has brought up all her children.

Jacob R. Kephart was born and reared in Clearfield county, Pa., where he resided most of his life, excepting five years in Maryland, and eight years in Huntingdon county. His first wife was Rachel Kephart, by whom he had these children: Ann (Mrs. Samuel Turner); Charlotte (Mrs. Hiram Kephart); Amanda (Mrs. Thomas Kephart); Joseph, married to Clarissa Davis; Belle (Mrs. Austin Davis); Jonathan, married to Nettie Green. All of these children reside in Clearfield county. Mr. Kephart's first wife died in 1872, and in 1876 he was married to Mrs. Mary C. Coughenour, by whom he had three children who have been mentioned in the notice of Mrs. Mary C. McCool. Jacob R. Kephart was a representative farmer and also carried on the lumber business for a number of years. His father, David Kephart, was one of the first settlers in Clearfield county.

DANIEL WOMELSDORF, Huntingdon, Huntingdon county, was born in Womelsdorf, Berks county, Pa. He is the son of Peter Womelsdorf. His grandfather, Daniel Womelsdorf (1), was a commissary in General Washington's army, and sacrificed almost all his property in the struggle for freedom; he was a gallant soldier and has a noble record. The father of Daniel Womelsdorf, Peter Womelsdorf, born in 1788, was a turner and chair-maker. On his mother's side, he was a descendant of Conrad Weiser. His children are: Isaac, died at the age of sixty-five, buried in Womelsdorf, Berks county; Mary (Mrs. Coolbaugh); William, died young; Daniel; Susan, died in Berks county; Sarah, resides in Tamaqua, Schuylkill county, Pa.; Kate (Mrs. Boas), of Tamaqua, Pa.; Rebecca (Mrs. Daniel Siegfried); and John, deceased.

Daniel Womelsdorf was educated in the common schools. He learned tailoring, but abandoned his trade, and taught school for

some years. In 1860, he was elected register and recorder of Huntingdon county, which office he held for six years. Since 1866 he has devoted his attention to truck gardening. Mr. Womelsdorf is a steadfast member of the Republican party.

Daniel Womelsdorf was married in Huntingdon county, February 16, 1846, to Hannah Hensekeeper, a native of Chester county, Pa. Their only child is John Howard; in the flood of 1889 he was imprisoned for fifteen hours in the second story of his house, and was rescued by a boatman. Mr. Daniel Womelsdorf is a member of the Methodist church in Huntingdon.

JOHN McCAHAN, Huntingdon, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born on the homestead in Smithfield township, son of Thomas S. and Rachel (Higgins) McCahan. Thomas S. McCahan, a farmer of Huntingdon county, died December 15, 1868. His wife, who was born in Williamsburg, Blair county, Pa., died in 1852. Their children are: John; Mary (Mrs. W. H. Smith), of Dumcamon, Pa.; and Rachel, who died in infancy. In 1858, Thomas S. McCahan married Sarah L. Cameron, of Huntingdon county. Their children are: Jennie; Harry, of Kirksville, Mo.; and Minnie.

John McCahan attended the public schools of Walker township, and of Huntingdon, Pa., but was unable to remain long at school. He first found employment as brakeman on the coal trains of the Huntingdon and Broad Top Railroad. He was afterwards baggage master, and for eighteen months served as engineer on the same road; no accident occurred while he had the engine in charge. Notwithstanding his success as engineer, he gave up his position and turned his attention to dairy farming, in which business he is still engaged. Mr. McCahan is a staunch Republican. He belongs to the Masonic order, Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 300, Huntingdon, Pa.

John McCahan was married in 1870, to Maria W., daughter of the late John A. Nash, editor of the *Huntingdon Journal*. Mr. McCahan was elected justice of the peace, but did not serve. He was treasurer and is now assessor of Smithfield township.

ANDREW GRUBB, McConnellstown, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Springfield township, Huntingdon county, February

16, 1822. Samuel Grubb, father of Andrew, was born in Huntingdon county, 179-, his parents being among the first settlers of the county. In his early years he began farming, in which occupation he passed the rest of his life. He was a Democrat of the old school, firm in his convictions, fearless in the discharge of duty. He married Hannah Boyer, who was also a native of Huntingdon county. Of their six children, three died young. Those remaining are: Andrew; Abraham; and Sarah (Mrs. Valentine B. Gilbaneh). The father and mother both died in the township in which they were born, and where they were well known and highly respected for their many good qualities. They were members of the Lutheran church, taking an active part in its work, and their descendants have not departed from the faith.

Andrew Grubb never received the benefit of the public schools. He attended a subscription school during the winter months, and in the summer worked on the homestead. He grew up as a farmer's boy, and spent his entire life as a farmer and stock-raiser, making many improvements on his farm. He is a man of excellent character and manly habits, which have gained for him universal respect and confidence. He is a Democrat. During the latter part of his life he has met with several painful accidents which have to a certain degree affected his health. A serious fall sustained several years ago, which resulted in a broken leg, has unfortunately made it necessary for him to use crutches.

On June 6, 1861, at Marklesburg, Andrew Grubb married Ellen, daughter of Alexander and Jane (Norris) McCall, of Scotch-Irish descent. They had two children: Harry, residing on the homestead; and Thomas, died March 26, 1897. Mr. Grubb is a member of the Lutheran church.

Harry Grubb, son of Andrew Grubb, was born in Walker township, March 3, 1867. He attended the public schools of McConnellstown and worked on the homestead farm from early boyhood. He has since gone into the manufacturing business; he has a portable saw-mill with which he saws lumber; he also does threshing, etc. In Huntingdon, October 31, 1894, he married Elinor, daughter of Lukens and Clara (McCarthy) Pollock, who reside in Huntingdon. They have one child, Carl Edgar, born August 22, 1895.

ISAAC KURTZ, McConnellstown, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Germany Valley, Huntingdon county, October 28, 1823. His father, Jacob Kurtz, of German descent, was born in Chester county, Pa., 1783, the ancestor of this well known family having emigrated to America before the stormy days of the Revolution. Jacob Kurtz spent the greater part of his life in Huntingdon county, where he was engaged in farming and other pursuits. He married Nancy Hess, born in Lancaster county, and of German descent. They had eleven children, all of whom died except a son, Isaac, and a daughter, Fannie, widow of James Lee, of Woodbury, Pa. Jacob Kurtz was a staunch old line Whig. He died in Walker township, as did also his wife. They were members of the Mennonite church.

Isaac Kurtz received his education in the public schools, taking advantage of the opportunities of the short winter term, and at other times working on the farm. His life was spent in agricultural pursuits. He was of the Republican party.

At Martinsburg, Blair county, April 22, 1847, he married Isabella Gabagen. Their children were: David, born February 4, 1848, resides in Germany Valley; Mary E., born September 19, 1849, widow of Samuel Leibensperger; Nancy J., born April 15, 1852, is the wife of Lewis Hood, of Penn township; Wilson W., born September 29, 1854, resides in Huntingdon; Margaret A., born January 22, 1860, married David Fink, of Walker township, is deceased. On June 22, 1874, Mrs. Isabella Kurtz, died. Two years later, December 14, 1876, Mr. Kurtz married again; his second wife was Hannah, daughter of Christian and Christina (Menser) Burger. To this marriage there was no issue. The Kurtz family belong to the Reformed church; they are well and favorably known, and much respected.

L. I. BIGELOW, M. D., McConnellstown, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Washington Mills, Ia., March 30, 1869, Northboro, Mass., December 15, 1839, and was a son of Dr. L. Loomis Bigelow, a well known physician of that town and State. He received his early education in his native State, and having previously read medicine

under his father, he entered Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, from which institution he was graduated with honor. After his graduation he removed to Westmoreland county, Pa., where he practised for a short time, but shortly after he went to Iowa, making his home at Washington Mills, where he built up a very extensive practise. Nine years after he came east again and resided at Belleville, Mifflin county, Pa., where he followed the profession for seven years. He died September 15, 1882, leaving a wife, several children, and many friends to mourn his loss. He was a man of the highest honor, strictest integrity, whom to know was to admire and revere. He was a Democrat of the old school and a member of the I. O. O. F. At Belleville he married Eva E., daughter of Jesse W. Hortman, a blacksmith of that place. Their children are: L. I.; Jesse H., artist in Belleville; Eliphaz Custer, an artist; Mary C.; Julia; Frederick; and Katie, who died young. Mrs. Bigelow resides in Belleville with her family.

L. I. Bigelow attended the Belleville schools, graduating in 1885, after which he taught school for one term. Desiring to study a profession, he read medicine with his uncle, Dr. Brown A. Bigelow, from whose office he entered the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Md. From this celebrated institution he was graduated in the spring of 1891, after which he attended a course of lectures at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. Thus splendidly equipped for his work, he took up his residence in McConnellstown. Dr. Orlady having died six months previous, Dr. Bigelow succeeded him, and has built up a very extensive practise, second to none in the county. During his five years' residence in McConnellstown he has performed successfully many difficult operations. He makes a specialty of plastic operations, grafting on even toes and fingers with marked success. Although the Doctor is yet a young man, his evident ability, together with his kindness and courtesy, have easily won for him an enviable place in the minds and hearts of the many persons with whom he comes in contact. He is a worthy son of a worthy sire. For four generations there has been a doctor in the family, each one of whom has made a name for himself in the profession. Dr. Bigelow is a member of the Knights of the Golden Eagle, No. 308,

McConnellstown. He votes the Democratic ticket.

LAMBERT M. ORLADY, McConnellstown, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at McConnellstown, May 5, 1860. He is the son of Martin B. and Mary D. (Neff) Orlady. Martin Orlady, the elder, was a native of Pennsylvania and a farmer. Martin Orlady, M. D., father of Lambert M. Orlady, was born in Huntingdon county in 1820. He attended the schools of his native county and at Meadville, Pa., and taught in the county. Afterwards he attended and graduated from Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, and later graduated in surgery from the Medical University of New York. He returned to McConnellstown in 1850 and began a practise which continued for forty years and was extended through the valley. He also served as school director and took an active part in politics, first as a Democrat, afterwards becoming a Republican.

Martin Orlady was married to Mary D. Neff, daughter of Andrew Neff, a farmer of Porter township. She was born November 26, 1826. Their children are: Henry, deceased; Elizabeth, wife of A. R. Robb, a farmer of Walker township; Laura, deceased; Alice, deceased wife of Alexander K. Long, of Huntingdon; Lambert M.; and Benjamin, dry-goods merchant in North Dakota. Mr. Orlady died in McConnellstown, January 8, 1891.

Lambert M. Orlady derived his education from the district school, normal school and Juniata College and the State Normal School at Lock Haven, Pa. At the age of nineteen years he began to teach school in Juniata township; he has taught in McConnellstown for fifteen years, and has chosen this important and useful profession as his life's work. His kind and cheerful manner especially fit him for his work and win for him the esteem of his associates. Mr. Orlady is a Republican, and a K. of G. E.

ABRAHAM GRUBB, McConnellstown, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born May 15, 1818, in Hopewell township, son of Samuel and Hannah (Boyer) Grubb. He is a brother of Andrew Grubb, of Walker township. Mr. Grubb's boyhood was spent on his father's

farm, working with his father in summer, and attending subscription school during the three winter months in a log school house with windows of oiled paper. At the age of twenty, he began to learn carpentry and after three years became a journeyman, filling that position for two years. Then he began business for himself in the valley, building many farm houses and barns, besides several houses in McConnellstown. He was also for several years a millwright, working in different parts of the county. He removed to McConnellstown in 1842, and built his home, a \$2,000 brick dwelling, and the workshop in which he still carries on the business. Abraham Grubb was married in 1847 in Walker township, to Rachel, daughter of John Given, a farmer of Walker township. She was born in Huntingdon county in 1826. Their children are: James, who died at the age of ten years; Elizabeth, wife of Ross Houck, of McConnellstown; Junetia; Andrew B.

Andrew B. Grubb was born in McConnellstown, February 13, 1855. He attended the township school and Dickinson Seminary, at Williamsport, Pa. Under his father's instructions, he became a skilful carpenter, joiner and millwright, and has been in the undertaking business with him in McConnellstown for nearly twenty-five years; they have been very successful. Andrew B. Grubb was married in Walker township in May, 1877, to Samantha B. Yocum, born in Juniata township in 1853, and died January 22, 1892. They had no children.

Abraham Grubb is a Democrat, and was several times elected as auditor on the ticket of that party. His son served as assessor one term and for three years as school director; he is also a K. of G. E. Mr. Grubb, Sr., was an I. O. O. F., one of the first in this county to join that society. Abraham Grubb is a devoted and consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church, which he serves as treasurer and steward. His long life of abstinence from tobacco and alcoholic drinks speaks in the cause of temperance more eloquently than words. He and his son are both teachers in the Sunday-school.

WILLIAM HEFFNER, Walker township, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Walker township, November 17, 1852. He is a grandson of John Heffner, a farmer of

Walker township, and a son of Benjamin Heffner, also of Walker township. The family is of German descent. For generations they have been farmers, and progressive ones. Benjamin Heffner cultivating with much success nearly two hundred acres of land. Among other improvements he built a fine large brick house at a cost of \$3,000 and a new barn. He married Eliza Linkenteller, a native of Williamsburg. Their children are: Samuel; John; Joseph; Allison, deceased; James; William; Franklin; Marshall; and Jennie. The mother is deceased. Mr. Heffner's second wife was Eliza Stales, widow of John Simpson. Their children are: Annie, widow of G. A. Stewart; Ellie and Mary. The father died in 1894 after a long and useful life. In the church of his choice, the German Reformed, he held the office of deacon, and later that of elder. He was a Republican. His widow died in February, 1895.

William Heffner attended the township schools in his early boyhood, but the greater part of his life has been spent in diligent labor on the home farm which he now so successfully operates, making a specialty of raising fine stock. In 1878 he married Martha Grove, who was born in Huntingdon county. Their children are: Ellie; Pearl; and Maud, deceased. In March, 1885, the mother died. Like his father, William Heffner is a Republican; in his church relations he is equally loyal, being now a deacon of the German Reformed congregation. He is an honest, hard-working man, worthy of and enjoying the respect of all who know him.

JOSEPH ISENBURG, McConnellstown, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Fox Run, now Blair, then Huntingdon county, March 28, 1825. He is a son of Henry and Elizabeth (Carlier) Isenberg. The Isenbergs, five brothers, came to this country about 1775, and were soon actively engaged in the Revolutionary war, one of the brothers being a chaplain in the Continental army. Enoch Isenberg, grandfather of Joseph Isenberg, was born in Maryland. He was a farmer, carrying his produce to market in Baltimore; he also manufactured plows, and made the first plow with wooden mould board. In 1805 he came to Pennsylvania and bought a farm near Alexandria. This farm he cleared and improved, building a distillery. His political

views were Democratic. Enoch Isenberg married Dorothy Ann Simouse. They had eleven children: George; Henry; Daniel; Joseph; Abraham; Samuel; Enoch; Catharine; Susan; Ann; and Mary. He was a member of the Reformed church. He died on the homestead farm, aged eighty-two. His wife died at the age of eighty-four. Henry, father of Joseph Isenberg, came with his parents from Frederick county, Md., to Pennsylvania and grew up on their farm near Alexandria. For twelve years he was a blacksmith. He then became a farmer, first renting near Alexandria, then for three years in Fox Run Hollow, then returned to Harts Log valley, near Alexandria, where he lived three years. He next moved to Barree, near Alexandria, remaining there three years; then took the farm of Judge Kerr, in Walker township, near Huntingdon, which he held for thirteen years. Mr. Isenberg then bought a farm of 300 acres in Juniata township. Here he resided until he retired and made his home with his daughter, Mrs. Yocum. He was a member of the Democratic party. Henry Isenberg married Elizabeth Caricher, who was born in York county, Pa. Several of their children are dead: Benjamin; Samuel; Henry, who died at the home of Joseph Isenberg; Eve; Alfred; and Daniel. Those living are: Joseph; and Dorothy Ann (Mrs. J. W. Yocum), of Juniata township. Mr. Isenberg was an influential member of the German Reformed church in McConnellstown. He died in 1869. His wife died in 1850.

Joseph Isenberg attended the subscription school at Barree, taught by John Neeshütt, for one term; he then attended for a short time a school in Porter township. His father having moved to Walker township, he next went to a school in McConnellstown, taught by Hugh Campbell. Afterwards he spent three months under Peter C. Swope and three months under John Tussey. Public schools being established about that time, he attended the school near Huntingdon, kept in a small house with slabs as seats and rough boards as desks. Here he studied for three terms, after which he worked on the farm until he was twenty-one. He learned carpentry in McConnellstown and became a contractor, building many farm houses and barns. In 1850 he erected a fine dwelling house in McConnellstown, where he still resides. Mr. Isen-

berg is a member of the Democratic party. He has served acceptably for fifteen years as justice of the peace, has been school director, supervisor of roads and tax collector for fifteen years. He is now nearly blind.

Joseph Isenberg was married April 29, 1852, to Mary, daughter of Moses Harner, of Walker township. Mrs. Mary Isenberg died February 20, 1853. He was married a second time, February 4, 1859, to Mary A., daughter of Joseph and Rachel (Madzon) Norris. Mr. Norris, a farmer of Scotch descent, had four children: Allison, living in Indiana; Mary (Mrs. Joseph Isenberg); Jackson, of Warren county, Pa.; and Washington, living in Indiana. Mr. and Mrs. Isenberg had four children: Lizzie Mary (Mrs. Charles N. McCarthy), of Huntingdon; Warren D., a lawyer, now residing at St. Louis, Mo.; Joseph N., contractor, of Altoona; and James M., was a student at Ursinus College, Collegeville, Montgomery county, and is a minister of the Reformed church at Durham, Bucks county, Pa. Mr. Isenberg takes a deep interest in church affairs, and has been deacon and superintendent of the Sunday-school for more than twenty years and an elder for twenty-five years.

WILLIAM SPECK, Huntingdon, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Walker township, July 6, 1830. He was the son of Martin and Catharine (Heffner) Speck. Martin Speck, father of William, was born in 1779, at York, York county, Pa. He was of German descent, a son of Michael Speck, farmer and Weaver. He was one of a family of eight children. His parents moved from York county to Huntingdon county, where they settled near Mill Creek on a farm which his father cultivated until his death. Martin attended a subscription school and could read both German and English. He grew up on the farm and worked for his father. When he was twenty he bought a farm in Walker township, near McConnellstown. He worked hard, clearing a large tract of land, on which he built a house and barn. At the time of his death he owned 500 acres of land. Martin Speck married Catharine, daughter of Valentine Heffner, a farmer of Walker township. She was born in Hagerstown, Md., in 1788, and died in January, 1872. They had twelve children, eight of whom are dead: Michael;

Peter; Mary, wife of Jacob Lininger; David; and four infants. The surviving children are: Abraham, a farmer near Mill Creek; John, residing at Knoxville, Ill.; Adam, residing at Saxton, Pa.; and William. Mr. Speck was well known and highly esteemed. He held all the offices of his township, and was the first school director of Huntingdon county. He was a member of the Lutheran church. His politics were Democratic.

William Speck attended a subscription school in McConnellstown, where he acquired a fair education, which enabled him to teach in different townships of the county. He grew up on his father's farm. When he was thirty-four he went to Ashland, Ohio, where he farmed for one year. Returning he bought a farm in Harts Log valley, which he cleared and cultivated for one year, and then sold it. On February 20, 1868, he bought 214 acres of land, owned by Judge Kerr. The first buildings were of logs. Mr. Speck lived in the log house five years, during which time he built a fine brick house at about \$3,000, and a brick barn costing \$2,000. He planted an orchard and made many improvements. Here he raised good farm stock, and carried on a dairy. Mr. Speck is well known and appreciated by his neighbors, having been tax collector, supervisor and assessor of his township. He is a firm Democrat. Mr. Speck is an active member of the Lutheran church, and has served as deacon, trustee and elder.

In the autumn of 1856 William Speck married Jane, daughter of Rudolph Brenneman, a farmer of Harts Log valley. Their children are: Horatio J., general foreman on the Pan-Handle Railroad, residing at Dennison, O.; Ada (Mrs. F. O. Peicht), whose husband is a lumber merchant of Charleston, W. Va.; Charles, a traveling agent; George McC., M. D., of Saxton, Pa., a graduate of Jefferson Medical College; Laura B., graduate of State Normal School at Millersville, teaching in Brooklyn, N. Y.; Daniel B., living on the homestead farm; and Annie C.

ROBERT G. LINCOLN, McConnellstown, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Walker township, September 12, 1847. He is a son of William S. and Mary (Gibbon) Lincoln. Abel Lincoln, his grandfather, a native of Massachusetts, was a sea captain. He mar-

ried Miss Blodgett, whose father, a wealthy Englishman, had settled in Washington during the Revolution. Mr. Blodgett owned large tracts of land and seventy-eight shares in the North American Assurance Company. Their children were: William S.; Thomas B.; John G.; and Julia M. (Mrs. Robert Williams), of Hollidaysburg, Pa. Mr. Lincoln died of fever in New Orleans; his widow married William Smith. By this marriage she had nine children, all deceased. William S. Lincoln, father of Robert Lincoln, was born in Huntingdon, February, 1811. He received an excellent education in the schools of New Jersey and of Philadelphia, and was, for a number of years, a printer in that city. In 1830 he bought a farm in Walker township and raised stock. He erected a house and barn valued at \$6,000, and made many improvements. Mr. Lincoln belonged to the Democratic party; he was active in county affairs and served as school director. William S. Lincoln was married at New Florence, Pa., to Mary, daughter of Robert Gibbon, associate judge of Westmoreland county. Their children are: John G., of McConnellstown; Maggie T. (Mrs. Judge Watson), Huntingdon; Robert G.; Julia A., widow of Harry Bartley, of Philadelphia; William D., residing in the county; Hattie B., wife of Andrew McNeil, a merchant of Patton; Ellen M.; and Harry; the last two died young. Mr. Lincoln was a member of the Episcopal church. He died September 30, 1884. His widow resides with her son-in-law, Judge Watson.

Robert G. Lincoln attended the public schools of Walker and worked on his father's farm. When he was nearly seventeen, he enlisted at Hollidaysburg, Pa., September 3, 1864, in the First Pennsylvania Light Artillery, Battery D, Captain Monk; went to Carlisle and thence to Washington. He was with Sheridan's army in all its engagements, taking part in the battle of Fisher's Hill and the two battles of Cedar Creek. At the time that all the guns were lost he was sick, although not out of camp; he still suffers from the effects of army life. He was mustered out at Harper's Ferry, June 28, 1865. Returning home, he worked on the farm until he was twenty-five, when he went to Pittsburg and opened a grocery store; after remaining for several months, he sold his store, returned to

Walker, and bought 200 acres of land. Here he built a house and a large barn. He made many improvements, and established a dairy of twelve head of cattle. Mr. Lincoln's politics are Democratic; he is public-spirited, and interests himself in the affairs of the township.

Robert Lincoln was married in McConnellstown, Walker township, September 26, 1872, to Martha, daughter of William Campbell, school teacher and merchant of McConnellstown. Mrs. Lincoln was born in Walker township and was of Scotch descent. Their children are: William S., living on the homestead farm; Mary; Alice C.; Bessie C.; and Robert; one child died in infancy. Mr. Lincoln is an active and zealous member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

JOHN F. HOUSEHOLDER, McConnellstown, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in McConnellstown, February 5, 1837, son of David and Lydia (Megahan) Householder. His great-grandfather, Adam Householder, was a native of Maryland, and of Scotch parentage; his son John was born in Maryland, was a farmer and took part in the war of 1812 under Capt. Isaac Vandevander. He married Mrs. White of Huntingdon county. They had three children: David; Michael; Barbara. Mr. Householder was a Democrat. He died in McConnellstown in 1854. David Householder received an education in the public schools and learned carpentry. In 1855 he met with an accident which left him a cripple for life. He was married in McConnellstown to Lydia, daughter of Jacob Megahan, who came from Ireland and settled in Lancaster, where she was born. They had two children: John F., and Jacob. The latter was born in 1846, and killed in a railroad accident March 3, 1869. Mr. and Mrs. David Householder were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. He was a Democrat. He died September 15, 1869. Her death occurred January 16, 1876.

John F. Householder attended the public schools of the township, and there gained a fair education. From 1850 to 1854 he worked as a farm laborer. He then learned carpentry and was employed in this occupation two years. He went west for a time, and after his return learned the trade of plasterer

and has made it his principal employment ever since. He worked in Huntingdon as contractor, August 5, 1862, Mr. Householder enlisted at McConnellstown in Company F, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Col. J. Higgins, Capt. W. H. Simpson. He spent nine months in service, participating in the Maryland campaign, and going all through Virginia.

He was discharged at Harrisburg, May 18, 1863. Joining the recruiting service in Huntingdon, he remained in that service until the close of the war. Mr. Householder is an active politician of the Democratic persuasion. He was school director for six years, and on January 15, 1896, received his appointment as postmaster of McConnellstown.

John F. Householder was married at Rockdale Foundry, Blair county, May 12, 1859, to Samantha, daughter of James Weaver, wagon-maker of Blair county. Their children are: William B., plasterer; Mary, wife of Samuel Hoover, of Philadelphia; John O., plasterer; James C., plasterer; David V., plasterer; George M., plasterer; Chalmers B., plasterer; Irma E.; Lydia A.; Frederick R.; Hattie M. Mr. Householder and family are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

JAMES C. WATSON, McConnellstown, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Walker township, July 24, 1823. He is a son of Samuel and Ophelia (Coleman) Watson. William Watson, his grandfather, was born in Ireland. When a young man he came to the United States and settled in Huntingdon county, where he was a coal miner and tar manufacturer. He married in Huntingdon county and had several children. Mr. Watson's politics are Democratic; he died at Shavers Creek. Samuel Watson, father of James Watson, was born at Shavers Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., February 1796. He was educated in a subscription school and was fairly well-read. In winter he thrashed grain for farmers, using the time-honored flail, in summer he worked as a farm laborer. He afterwards took charge of a distillery for John Patton, farmer and sheriff of the county. Mr. Wilson belonged to the Democratic party. He was married at Shavers Creek, to Ophelia Coleman, who was born in Shavers Creek, Huntingdon county in 1793. Their living

children are: James C.; and Willson B., judge at Huntingdon. Those dead are: Maria (Mrs. Joseph Heaton); Nancy (Mrs. Valentine Fink); Simpson; Mary Jane (Mrs. John Yocum; Samuel; and John. Mr. Watson belonged to the United Brethren church. He died in Walker township, September 2, 1857. His wife died Sunday, March 23, 1852, near Huntingdon, aged fifty-eight years, five months and seven days.

James C. Watson spent his school days in a log school house, with slab seats, rough pine benches and windows of oiled paper. He worked on his father's farm until he was twenty-five, when he rented the home farm of 133 acres, and raised fruit. In a few years he bought the farm, improved it, and lived there until 1894, when he retired, moved to McConnellstown, and bought a handsome dwelling for \$1,000. He enlisted at McConnellstown, February 29, 1865, in Company K, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Colonel Bonaffon, Capt. John Brewster. He served for three months doing guard duty, was in the hospital from fever and was honorably discharged in June, 1865. He is a member of George Simpson Post, No. 44, G. A. R., of Huntingdon. Mr. Watson belongs to the Democratic party. He is interested in the affairs of his township. He has been a member of the school board twenty years, and supervisor of roads for eight years.

James C. Watson was married in Walker, township, January 6, 1852, to Martha, daughter of Moses and Elizabeth (Householder) Hamer. Mr. Hamer was a farmer of Walker township, where Mrs. Watson was born, August 7, 1828. Their children are: Mary E., born 1856, wife of John B. Shenefeld, a farmer of Juniata township, had six children; Lizzie, born 1859; Jennie, born September 16, 1862, deceased; and Ananda, born September 1, 1866, school teacher. Mr. Watson is a member of the German Reformed church, and is greatly interested in church affairs.

WASHINGTON LANG, McConnellstown, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at McConnellstown, December 23, 1833, son of Patrick and Elizabeth (Hohn) Lang. Patrick Lang was born in Pennsylvania and was of Scotch descent. He was a tanner, but as he owned about 400 acres of land in Hunting-

don county, he also farmed and raised stock extensively. He built the first stone dwelling house, when the town was in its infancy, and was the first and only tanner in the town. He was an old line Whig, and a member of the Presbyterian church. He was married in McConnellstown, to Elizabeth Hohn, a Pennsylvanian. Their children are: George, harness-maker of Johnstown, Pa.; Washington; William, of Altoona; James, McConnellstown; Franklin, a veteran, deceased; Silas Lang, who died in the west; Rosanna (Mrs. Simon Ake), of Williamsburg, Pa., deceased; John, deceased. Patrick Lang died in McConnellstown in 1873, and his wife in 1846.

Washington Lang attended the subscription school of Mr. White, which was taught during the winter months in a little log school house with plank benches at the Branch. At the early age of eleven years, he began farm work with his father and remained with him in this occupation until his father's death. He then farmed for his mother until 1843. Then he went to Illinois and broke 120 acres of prairie land for John Fisher. He also worked at carpentry. After one year he returned to McConnellstown and took up the business of butchering, in which he was engaged for thirty years, besides farming. He built lime kilns in McConnellstown in 1875, and manufactured lime. He has a fine limestone quarry and a good farm of 240 acres, on which he has built a \$2,000 residence, and a barn, and made other improvements. As a stock raiser, Mr. Lang has also been successful. Mr. Lang is a Republican. He has served as judge of elections and assessor. He is a K. of G. E. He has been a most industrious citizen and well deserves his success.

Washington Lang was married at Altoona in 1859, to Martha, daughter of John and Jane (Horre) Snyder. She was born in McConnellstown in 1828. John Snyder was a shoemaker, of German and English descent. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Lang are: Annie (Mrs. A. Lloyd), of Huntingdon; Joseph H., of the Pennsylvania Reformatory; Harry, implement manufacturer, married Mary Martin; Green, lime manufacturer, married Mary Ward, two children; Stewart, farmer at McConnellstown, Pa., aged twenty-two; Naomi (Mrs. John Ward); Whitmer,

butcher; Maggie (Mrs. Thos. Heffner), has one child, Ralph; Galbraith, at home; Allen, deceased. Mrs. W. Lang died April, 1881. Mr. Lang is a member of the German Reformed church, in which he has been an elder for eight years. He formerly taught in the Sunday-school.

TOBIAS HARNISH, M. D., deceased, Alexandria, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born March 6, 1826, in Morris township, Huntingdon county. He is a son of Samuel and Susan (Keller) Harnish. The Doctor's paternal great-grandfather was a Swiss by birth, and came to America from his native country some time before the Revolution, settling either in Lancaster or York county, Pa., where he died. It is supposed that he was already married when he emigrated, and that he was accompanied by his wife and family. His son, Christian Harnish, however, was born in this country, and grew up in the place in which the family first settled, removing about 1790 to Huntingdon county, and taking up his residence in Morris township, on the farm still in possession of his descendants. The country was at that time little better than a wilderness, and was still infested by hostile savages. At the time of his removal to Huntingdon county, Christian Harnish had a rather numerous family; but not many years after, nearly all his children died of typhoid fever. One of the survivors was his son Samuel, father of Dr. Harnish, who was in early boyhood when the family removed to Huntingdon county. He grew up on the homestead, learned the business of agriculture practically, and continued always in the same vocation. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Harnish are: Christian, residing in Delaware; Dorothy Edith (Mrs. Robert Tussey); Catherine Ann (Mrs. Col. John Huyett), of Porter township; John, deceased; Abraham, deceased; Susan, wife of Rev. Samuel Reid, both deceased; Samuel, on the old homestead in Morris township; Dr. Tobias; Elizabeth (Mrs. Jacob F. Steiner), Clearfield county, Pa.; Lydia (Mrs. Samuel H. Keller), Wilkensburg, Pa.; Peter K., residing on the home farm, Morris township; Mary M. (Mrs. Col. Burket), Sinking Valley, Huntingdon county; and Rachel M. (Mrs. Albert Heilman), Frankstown, Blair

county, Pa. Samuel Harnish died in the prime of manhood, at the age of fifty-one, leaving this large family to the care of his wife. Nobly did she take the double burden of paternal and maternal care upon her shoulders; managing the patrimony of her children so as not only to clear it of financial encumbrances, but to increase it; educating them, and giving to such as were still of tender age the needed home training; and being well seconded in her efforts by their industry and good sense, she left, when in her turn she passed from earth at the venerable age of eighty-five, a comfortable property and many worthy representatives of the family.

After receiving such training as could be afforded by the common schools of his own neighborhood, Tobias Harnish became a student of "old Marshall," as her alumni are fond to call their *Alma Mater*, in the pleasant mountain town of Mercersburg, Pa., an institution whose chairs professional were occupied by some of the most noble and subtle intellects of their own or any day. Here he graduated with the class of '49, after which he went to Mississippi and taught in private families and seminaries for three years. About 1852, he began the study of medicine under the preceptorship of Jacob M. Gemmill, M. D., of Alexandria, Huntingdon county, with whom he read for two years. He then attended lectures at Jefferson Medical College, at that time unrivalled by any other medical school in Philadelphia. Dr. Harnish received his diploma in 1856; for the first year, he practised at Martinsburg, Pa., then for five years at Water Street, Pa., and for the rest of his life resided in Alexandria, carrying on a successful practise until the year 1893. In former years the Doctor was greatly interested in politics, and somewhat active in public affairs, having served the borough of Alexandria as councilman and as school director. From 1856, he was an adherent of the Democratic party; he cast his first Democratic vote for James Buchanan.

Dr. Tobias Harnish was first married at Water Street, April 27, 1857, to Augusta M., daughter of Anthony Stewart, whose wife had been Miss Mytinger. Mrs. Harnish died at the same place in 1862, leaving one child, Rose Stewart. On March 6, 1865, Dr. Harnish married Letitia A., daughter of Alexan-

der and Sarah (Lytle) Stitt. Their children are: Charles A., M. D., practising in Alexandria; Lettie; Walter K., graduate of Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa., class of '96, now pursuing a theological course at Princeton University; Sarah L.; Annie B.; Mary, died August 6, 1877, in her third year. The eldest son, Dr. Charles A. Harnish, was born March 13, 1866, in Alexandria, Pa. He attended the common schools until he reached the age of fourteen, and was then for two years clerk in the car shops at Altoona, Pa. For the ensuing three years, he was a student at F. and M. College, then taught a private school at Alexandria for one year, and then matriculated in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, from which he was graduated in 1891. After two years, during which he assisted his father, Dr. C. A. Harnish, in 1893, succeeded to the practise relinquished by the elder physician. He is active and zealous in his profession. He has served on the board of health; is a member and ex-president of the Huntingdon County Medical Society, and also a member of the state and national organizations of practitioners. Dr. Charles A. Harnish is a member of the Reformed church at Alexandria, as was his father also, and as were those of earlier generations, the Harnish family having been among the constituent members of that charge at its foundation. Dr. Tobias Harnish died March 21, 1897.

CHARLES P. HATFIELD, Alexandria, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born October 15, 1841, in Porter township, Huntingdon county, son of John and Caroline (Bucher) Hatfield. The Hatfield family came originally from England; they settled in the eastern part of Pennsylvania. The birthplace of Mr. C. P. Hatfield's grandfather, Samuel Hatfield, was Montgomery county, Pa.; during the greater part of his life, he resided in Chester county, where he at one time conducted a paper mill. He also had a rolling mill in that county, besides one in Huntingdon county; his iron manufacturing interests in this county were extensive, and for some years he resided in Porter township, giving them his personal supervision. In 1842, he returned to Chester county, where he carried on other manufacturing operations. His last removal was to Philadelphia; there

he spent the remainder of his life. He was first married to Miss Schrack, by whom he had six children; she died in Chester county. Mr. Hatfield was again married, in Philadelphia, to Miss Foulke. There were no children of this marriage.

Caroline (Bucher) Hatfield was a daughter of Conrad Bucher, a well-known resident of Alexandria, who died in 1852. His father, Rev. John Conrad Bucher, was a chaplain in the Continental army during the Revolution, and a pastor of the German Reformed church in Lebanon and adjoining counties. Mrs. Hatfield's maternal grandfather, Lewis Myrtinger, a native of Maryland, was also in that army, holding the office of lieutenant in Van Heer's cavalry, which was organized at the outbreak of the war, and acted as a body guard to General Washington. Lieutenant Myrtinger died in Philadelphia of yellow fever, during the prevalence of that terrific disease in 1793.

John Hatfield was born in Chester county, and acquired his education there and in Philadelphia. He came to Huntingdon county to assist his father in carrying on his iron works, was married to Miss Bucher in Alexandria, and died at his residence in Porter township, near the iron works. Mrs. Hatfield survived him many years, dying in 1884, at the age of seventy.

Their only child, Charles P. Hatfield, attended the common schools of Alexandria until he reached the age of seventeen; he then became a student at Tuscarora Academy, in Juniata county, and in 1859, entered F. and M. College, Lancaster, Pa., where he continued his studies until 1862. He then returned home, on account of the war, and became a clerk in the Juniata Iron Works, owned by his grandfather. One year later, he became partner in a general store, with J. H. Kennedy, and continued in that business for several years. During that time, he was for seven years postmaster, receiving his appointment first during President Grant's administration. Mr. Hatfield owns a farm of 239 acres in Porter township. He is a Republican, and actively interested in politics; has served as school director for more than twenty years.

Charles P. Hatfield was married December 14, 1869, at Alexandria, to Ellen, daughter of George Cryder, of Delaware, O. Their children are all deceased: Walter, who died

in infancy; Caroline; and Rebecca, who died May 11, 1896. Mr. Hatfield is an elder in the Presbyterian church.

WILLIAM S. VARNER, Alexandria, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of George and Hannah (Deviney) Varner, was born on a farm in Fayette township, Juniata county, Pa., December 3, 1840. His great-grandfather, Stoffel Varner, was born in the province of Hesse Cassel, Germany. He came to America with the Hessian troops employed by the British during the Revolution; but the love of liberty natural to every true German must soon have made him feel himself on the wrong side in fighting against the American patriots, for at Valley Forge he deserted from the British army, and fought under Washington during the remaining years of the struggle. When the war was ended, he settled in Schuylkill county, Pa., where he lived to see his one hundred and third year. His son, John Varner, born in Schuylkill county, grew up there and married Miss Bailey. He took up a tract of land in Schuylkill county, but abandoned it and moved to Juniata county; where he rented a home, but died soon after; nor did his wife survive him very long. Their children are: John, resident of Juniata county; George; Daniel, passed his boyhood in Juniata county, learned the jewelry business, went to Ohio, and afterwards to Missouri, where he died; Catherine, married and removed to a distance, has not been heard from for a long time; and David, passed his youth in Juniata county, went west, and has not been heard from for twenty-five years.

George Varner was born near Pottsville, Schuylkill county in 1816. He was still a boy when his parents removed to Juniata county. He received a limited education, married in Juniata county, and has ever since resided there; he is now living on a farm in Lack township, but has relinquished active employment. The children of Mr. and Mrs. George Varner are: William S.; Rebecca (Mrs. Daniel Lobb), Harrisburg, Pa.; Annie (Mrs. Lemuel McKinley), McCoyville, Pa.; Edward, farmer, near Mansfield, O.; Barbara; David, resides in Alexandria; Jennie (Mrs. Harvey Gray), Juniata county. Mrs. George Varner died in 1876, at the age of fifty-eight.

William S. Varner attended school during the winter terms of three months each, until

he was fourteen, when he was employed as farm hand on his father's place. He was thus occupied until the spring of 1862, when he enlisted in Company F, Sixteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, for three years, and soon after enlistment, was assigned to the army of the Potomac. This regiment was in active service until the close of the war. Mr. Varner took part in thirty-six regular engagements and one hundred and forty skirmishes. He was discharged at Lynchburg, Va., July 1, 1865. During all this gallant and perilous service, Mr. Varner was wounded four times, but none severely. He received three bullet wounds and a sabre cut on the lip, which knocked out some teeth. Returning home at the close of the war, Mr. Varner served an apprenticeship of two years and a half with John Burns, millwright, of Lack township, Juniata county. For two years after, he worked as journeyman for J. F. Ellsworth, of Williamsburg, Blair county, and Sanford Burley, of Tyrone, Pa. At the end of this time, he went into business for himself in Alexandria. His engagements call him to all parts of Pennsylvania, and into parts of New York and Maryland. His own wages as a beginner, after the war, were \$2.50 per week and board; he pays his employees \$2.50 per day, they boarding themselves. Mr. Varner is a Republican. He has never been an office seeker; is now serving his first term as school director.

In Alexandria, March 2, 1866, William S. Varner was married to Elizabeth, daughter of David and Johanna Albright, a native and resident of Alexandria. Their children are: George, born December 14, 1866, in Alexandria; Annie D., born November 4, 1869, is a graduate of Cleveland Homoeopathic Medical College, and is entering upon an engagement in a women's and children's hospital in Philadelphia; Grace S., born February 23, 1873; Edward Arnold, born October 1, 1877, died December 1, 1877; Ida Mary, born September 24, 1878; and Nellie Frances, born December 24, 1889. Mrs. Elizabeth Varner died September 13, 1891. Mr. Varner was married again, October 12, 1895, to Mary, daughter of John and Elizabeth Arnold, a native of Porter township. They had one child, Edith Margaretta, born February 19, 1895. Mr. Varner is a member and office-bearer of the Presbyterian church.

B. R. HATFIELD, Alexandria, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Porter township, September 16, 1860. His grandfather, Samuel Hatfield, was born in 1786 in Montgomery county, Pa. At an early age he went to Philadelphia and was there engaged in mercantile pursuits for a number of years. In 1838, with his sons Samuel and Benjamin R., he went to Huntingdon county, where he established his sons in the manufacture of the famous "Juniata charcoal iron," under the firm name of S. & B. R. Hatfield. Samuel Hatfield, Sr., died in 1872, aged eighty-six years. His son Samuel was born in 1818; engaged in the iron business in 1838 and retired from it in 1875. In 1892, with his wife and daughter Annie Elizabeth, he removed from his farm and iron works property to Alexandria, where he lived to the time of his decease, November 16, 1894, at the age of seventy-six years. Samuel Hatfield was one of those quiet, unassuming men whose real value to the community is likely to be underestimated. While taking no conspicuous part in political affairs, he was a staunch Republican, had the interests of his neighbors and of the community in which he lived ever at heart, and did all in his power to promote their welfare. He was an elder in the Presbyterian church for a number of years. He married Eliza, daughter of Andrew and Elizabeth (Grove) Neff, having a family of five children, as follows: John N., of Alexandria, engaged in the manufacture and sale of fire clay, at Petersburg, Pa.; Samuel M., of Mapleton, Pa., manufacturer and shipper of glass sand; Annie Elizabeth, of Alexandria; Mary (Mrs. W. S. Stryker), Porter township; and Benjamin R.; the latter attended Williamsport Dickinson Seminary in 1880 and 1881, afterwards taking a course at the Iron City Business College, Pittsburg, Pa. He then returned home, and took charge of his father's business interests, mill and farm, still remaining in the same occupation. He was married in February, 1893, to Julia, daughter of Hon. P. M. Lytle, Huntingdon, Pa.

JUDGE ROBERT ALEXANDER LAIRD, Alexandria, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of William Laird, was born on the homestead in Porter township, where he still resides, March 28, 1826. Jacob Laird, his grandfather, was among the pioneer settlers

of that township, and the farm has descended in the family since his time. Judge Laird's maternal grandfather, John Alexander, was also among the early settlers, having come from Ireland with his wife, Martha (Osborn) Laird. They settled in Porter township, where he was engaged in tilling the soil. Here he passed his life, died, and is interred in the cemetery at Alexandria. The Lairds are of Scotch-Irish stock. William Laird, son of Jacob, was born on the homestead, March 14, 1779. His father dying during William's early youth, the boy was brought up by his maternal uncle, Samuel Isop, and educated in the common schools of Porter township. The Isop family resided on the Laird place, to which William Laird fell heir at his uncle's death, on condition that he would provide for his aunt, Mrs. Isop, so long as she should live. This he did to the best of his ability, and continued throughout his life to reside on the homestead. He was married to Miss Alexander in Porter township. Their children are: Robert Alexander; Margaret, deceased; Osborn, was a furniture dealer and undertaker at Spruce Creek, where he died; John Stewart, farmer, died at Fostoria, Blair county, Pa.; Mary C. (Mrs. Edward Warren), Shreveport, La.; Sarah A., widow of William Moore, Altoona, Pa.; Milton, of Parkersburg, W. Va., was a member of Company I, Fifth Pennsylvania Reserves; and Calvin, for many years a school teacher, afterwards a teacher of music and music-dealer in Tyrone, Pa., where he died in 1871. Mrs. William Laird died on the homestead in 1847, aged forty-seven years, and her husband in 1852, at the age of seventy-three.

Robert A. Laird attended the public schools during the winter months, cultivating the home farm during the summer, and continued to do so until he was eighteen or nineteen years of age. His whole life has been spent on the homestead, which he has most carefully cultivated and improved. He purchased the place from the heirs of his father; it then contained 90 acres, to which Judge Laird has since added 180 acres, besides erecting farm buildings, planting orchards, etc. His public services have been many and varied. He has served his township as judge and inspector of elections; has been supervisor, school director, assessor, auditor and town-

ship clerk, and has held these offices for many years. From 1858 to 1871, he was tax collector, the office being then held by appointment. He has also served as U. S. gauger and storekeeper, principally at Huntingdon, Pa. In November, 1895, he was elected to the office of associate judge for five years. Judge Laird's political opinions are strongly Republican.

Robert Alexander Laird was married in Porter township, December 23, 1852, to Elizabeth, daughter of Isaac Martin, deceased, of that township. Their children are: William M., was in mercantile business in Petersburg, married Clara Hinds, died in February, 1894; Calvin, married to Jennie Stauffer, of McConnellstown, Pa.; Mary E.; Emma, teacher; Howard, educated at Juniata College, school teacher, married Clara, daughter of Samuel Smith; Alfred, at Homestead; Edward W., traveling salesman for Harrisburg Produce and Provision Co., married Ella Giles, of Petersburg; and Alice Bertha, at home.

ROBERT CUNNINGHAM, deceased, of Alexandria, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born September 10, 1809, in Porter township, Huntingdon county. His parents were Jeremiah and Elinore (Bowers) Cunningham. Jeremiah Cunningham, a native of Ireland, came to America in his youth, settled in Porter township, and was married there. His first wife was Miss Spencer; their children were: Nancy (Mrs. George Wilson), Alexandria, Pa.; and David, married Minnie Foster. Miss Bowers became the second wife of Mr. Cunningham; their children are as follows: Mary (Mrs. John Robb); Robert; Margaret (Mrs. William Robb); Hugh, married Mary Tussey. Jeremiah Cunningham died on the homestead in Porter township.

Robert Cunningham received his education in subscription schools. He learned the business of agriculture practically on the home farm, and devoted his life to that honorable and most useful pursuit. He was married in Alexandria, January 23, 1842, to Sarah, daughter of James and Deborah (Scott) Maguire. For some years after their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham resided on the farm now owned by George Sprankle; they then removed to the place where Mrs. Cunningham still lives. Mr.

Cunningham was a Democrat, but while decided in his own opinions, was liberal towards those of others. He took an active interest in the affairs of the community, and his services were sought and appreciated by his fellow citizens. He served in various offices, among which was that of school director, which he held for many terms. He was a Presbyterian, adhering firmly and intelligently to the Westminster Confession, and loyally serving his church in her enterprises. He was known as a man of sterling integrity, of kind disposition and genial manner. His death occurred December 10, 1884; he is interred in Alexandria.

Mrs. Sarah (Maguire) Cunningham was born January 29, 1820, on her father's farm in Porter township. Her father, James Maguire, who was of Scotch parentage, came to this country from Ireland when he was twelve years old, on the same vessel with the father of Robert Cunningham. He was attacked by smallpox on the voyage, and had the disease in so serious a form as to be blinded; but happily he recovered before leaving the vessel. He settled on a farm in Porter township, and there died, October 9, 1838. He also was a member of the Presbyterian communion. His daughter, Sarah, was in her early girlhood at the time of his death. The widowed mother and her young family removed to Alexandria, where Sarah attended the subscription and the public schools. She resided at home until her marriage.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cunningham are: Jennie (Mrs. Morrow Tussey), Arch Springs, Blair county, Pa., has two sons and two daughters; Louise, at home; William Ross, farmer, Yellow Springs, Blair county, married Emma Knode, and has four sons; Howard and John Scott, twins, the former residing in Porter township, married Fannie Metz, and has two children, and the latter at home; Annie (Mrs. John Lowder), Morris township, Huntingdon county; Robert, of La Moure, N. D., was formerly in mercantile business, and is now a bank officer; and Fanny D., resides at home.

WILLIAM A. WHITTAKER, Huntingdon, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born July 12, 1826, in the old stockhouse in which his father resided for many years. It was one of those built for security during the days of

Indian depredations, and was very strongly constructed. Its doors were of two-inch plank. After the cessation of those early disturbances, the port-holes were filled up with plaster, and the house was for a long time used as a dwelling. Mr. Whittaker's grandfather, John Whittaker, is supposed to have been a native of Chester county, Pa., where he was an extensive distiller. He carried on the same business in Huntingdon county, and was at one time the owner of six distilleries. He was also proprietor of two or three "keel boats," which he used in sending supplies to the numerous stores along the banks of the Juniata river. He owned a number of houses in Huntingdon, and erected the seventh one that was built in that borough; he also kept a general store. John Whittaker married Miss Shockey, and after his marriage made his home in Huntingdon; his residence was on the site of the present P. R. R. station. Mr. and Mrs. John Whittaker had several sons and daughters; their descendants reside in various parts of the county. Both died at their home in Huntingdon.

Their son Thomas Whittaker, born in Walker township in 1800, was married at the age of twenty-two to Margaret Alexander. They resided at Whittaker's Mills until 1847, when Mr. Whittaker bought another farm in Porter township, the one on which his son, William A., now resides. Mrs. Thomas Whittaker died in 1844. Their children are: John, born in 1824, took an active interest in public affairs, and held several township offices, was greatly esteemed and respected, and was for many years an elder in the Presbyterian church; William A.; Thomas, married to Lydia Steele; Eliza; Charles, ranchman in Kansas, where he has 640 acres of land; and Margaret (Mrs. Porter B. Zentmyer), of Clearfield, Clearfield county, Pa. Mrs. Margaret Whittaker dying in 1844, Mr. Whittaker married her sister, Catherine Alexander; their only child is Mary, who resides with Mr. C. A. Whittaker. Thomas Whittaker was active in township business, being a public-spirited man. He was a life-long member of the Presbyterian church. He died in 1867.

After an attendance of two or three terms at the public schools, William A. Whittaker became a pupil at the Huntingdon Academy, and there completed his education. During one term, he was under the tuition of Samuel

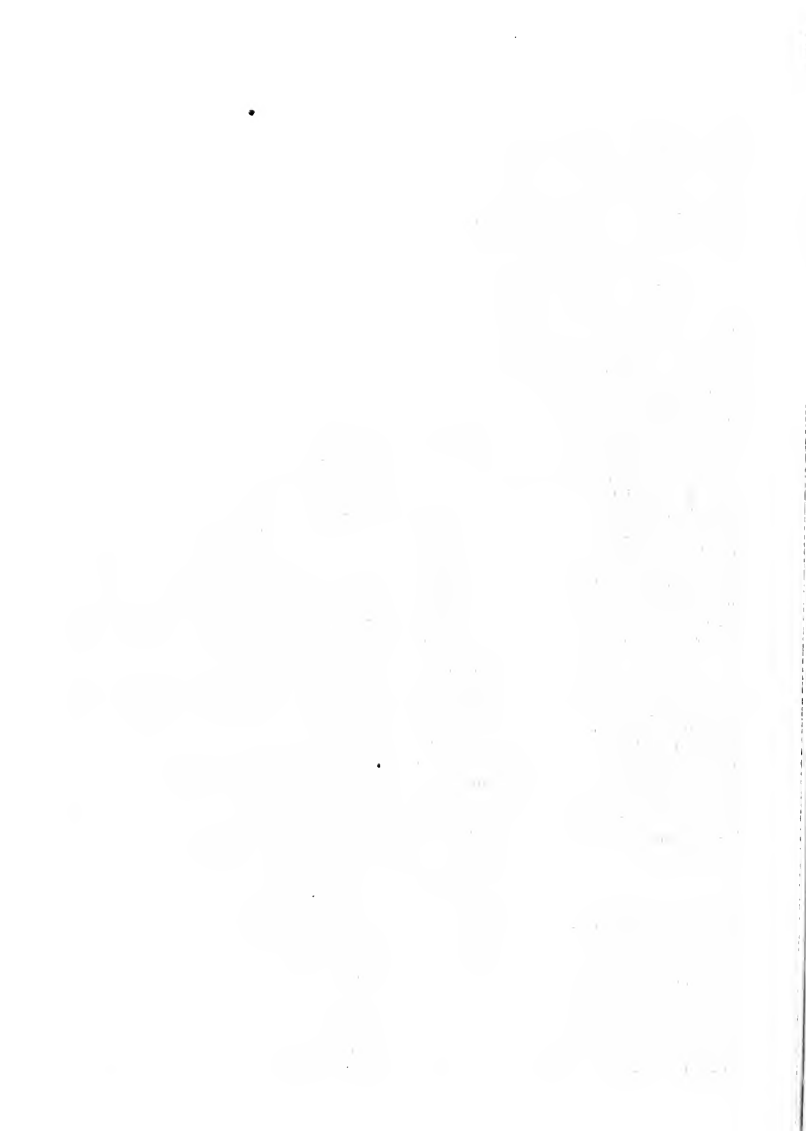
Calvin, afterwards a member of Congress. Mr. Whittaker never learned a trade, but had considerable natural mechanical talent and ingenuity; by experimenting with his father's tools, he became expert at carpentry, and is never at a loss if making or mending is to be done. In 1859, William A. Whittaker and his brother John Whittaker bought the home farm. He, William A., has always been engaged in farming, except during four years, 1851-1854, when he was employed as contractor of the Pennsylvania R. R. and Broad Top R. R. His farm contains 300 acres. He has twice suffered seriously from the kick of a horse; about 1886, when he was kicked above the right ankle, causing a fracture of the ankle bone, and again in April, 1896, when a bone in his left knee was broken. Mr. Whittaker is a strong Republican, and has held various township offices.

In 1872, William A. Whittaker married Caroline, daughter of Col. John and Anna C. (Harnish) Huyett, and widow of Reuben Oaks. Mrs. Whittaker's daughter by her first husband, Mary Oaks, is married to G. A. Beckley, a druggist, of Altoona, Pa. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Whittaker are: Frederick; Wilbur; Mabel, who died young; and Ralph. Mr. Whittaker has been for eight years an elder in the Presbyterian church.

JAMES BLACK, deceased, formerly of Alexandria, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Porter township, Huntingdon county, November 19, 1820, son of Robert and Molly (Hayes) Black. Robert Black, a native of Ireland, came to America with his parents in early youth, and grew up and married in this country. He was a general laborer. His children were: John; Robert; Molly; James; Jane; Rebecca; and Daniel; all are deceased except the eldest of the family, John, who resides in Canoe valley. The father died in Porter township.

James Black was educated in subscription schools, and grew up sharing the experiences of work and pleasure which fall to the lot of a farmer's boy. In his case, there was undoubtedly plenty of wholesome work; his parents being in straitened circumstances, James was obliged not only to labor at home, but to seek employment among the farmers of the vicinity, in order to lay up enough to buy a farm of his own. This, by industry







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and thrift, he succeeded in doing. James Black was married in Porter township, January 12, 1843, to Ann Eliza, daughter of John and Mary (McDevitt) Laird; she was born in Porter township, January 8, 1824. They resided for many years after their marriage in the same house in which Mrs. Black was born, and which Mr. Black rented. They occupied different farms until 1861, when Mr. Black purchased a tract of 128 acres, having as improvements only a very inferior log dwelling and barn. Mr. Black built a comfortable farm house, good barns and fences, and planted orchards, besides introducing other facilities. He never sought any public office, although he was decided in his political views, which were Republican, and a man whose character had won the esteem and respect of the community. His children are: William, farmer and teacher, married to Miss Allen, and has five children: Blanchard A., Florence, Mabel, George and Guy; Caroline, resides at Tyrone, Pa.; Albert A., D. D., of Bolesburg Centre, married to Miss Rupley; Daniel, gardener at the Huntingdon Reformatory, resides in Huntingdon, has two sons, Howard, and Fred; Howard, died of consumption in Colorado, whither he had gone for his health, leaving a widow and child, Esther; Henry H., farmer, of Walker township, married to Miss Steel, has one child, Benjamin P.; Frank L., farmer, of Porter township, married to Miss Isenberg; Mary; Wallace; Annie W.; and Alice M. James Black was a member of the Reformed church. He died August 22, 1890, and is buried at Alexandria. Since his death, Mrs. Black has resided on the old home farm.

FRANK L. BLACK, farmer, Alexandria, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of James and Anna (Laird) Black, was born in Porter township, February 10, 1860. He was educated in the common schools of his native place, and has since always given his attention to farming, to which pursuit he was trained from early boyhood. He is a Republican, but has never desired political preferment, finding it best to devote his whole attention to his farming interests. Since his marriage, he has resided on his present farm, of 300 acres, on which he has built a convenient dwelling and a good barn, besides making extensive improvements in the way

of constructing fences, setting out orchards, etc.

Frank L. Black was married at Yellow Springs, Blair county, Pa., November 10, 1892, to Elizabeth, daughter of Enoch and Kate (Shaffer) Isenberg. Their children are: Freda A.; Ethel May; and an infant not named at this writing. Mr. Black is a member of the Reformed church at Huntingdon, Pa. He enjoys the confidence and esteem of his neighbors and acquaintances.

GEORGE SPRANKLE, Alexandria, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Porter township, Huntingdon county, February 19, 1827, son of Peter and Fanny (Bridenbaugh) Sprankle. His grandfather, George Sprankle, was a native of York county, Pa. He was married in York county, Pa., to Miss Null, and became a resident of Morris township, where he passed his life in farming, and where he died. His wife survived him many years, arriving at the rare distinction of being a centenarian; she too died in Morris township. Their sons were: George; Peter; Jacob and Michael. Mr. Sprankle's maternal grandfather, Michael Bridenbaugh, was a German by birth; upon his emigration to this country, he first settled in Lebanon county, Pa., where he married Miss Whitmer. Some time after, they removed to Huntingdon county, and resided first on a farm near Petersburg, and afterwards in Sinking valley. After the death of her husband Mrs. Bridenbaugh resided for a number of years on the farm, and for five years had a home in the house of her son-in-law, Peter Sprankle; there, at the age of eighty-seven, she too passed away, and was interred, according to her wish, in the quiet little graveyard on the farm near Petersburg, beside her husband.

Peter Sprankle, father of George Sprankle, was born in October, 1795, in York county, Pa. He grew up on his father's farm in Canoe valley, Morris township, assisted from an early age in farm work, and obtained a common school education. He married Miss Fannie Bridenbaugh; their children are: Susan, widow of James Allen, of Porter township; Mary Ann (Mrs. Matthew Martin), deceased, her husband died in Huntingdon; John, married in Indiana, and resides there; George; Michael, farmer near Petersburg, married to Elizabeth Piper; Peter, on the

old homestead in Porter township, married to Barbara Winters. The family resided for twelve years in Porter township, between Barree and Alexandria, and later purchased the "Foot farm," in Porter township. In 1851, Mrs. Peter Bridenbaugh died of cancer, which appeared first in the form of a wart on the back of her hand. The disease making rapid and threatening progress, her arm was amputated above the elbow, but too late. It had taken such hold of her system that in two years it re-appeared in the shoulder, and caused her death. Her husband died in 1873. They were devout and excellent people, faithful to their family, their church, and the community. Mr. Sprankle was of a retiring disposition, and took no active part in public affairs. They rest as to their bodies side by side in the cemetery at Shaffersville.

Their son, George Sprankle, before he was seven years of age, attended school in the old log building on the banks of the canal near Alexandria. His parents then removed to the Loop farm, and he finished his studies in the "Loop" school-house. His eldest brother then gave his whole time to the farm; but George attended school during the winter, and assisted in the farm work during vacations. His advantages were certainly slender, but by his fondness for good reading, and his alert and thoughtful interest in current events, Mr. Sprankle has largely made up for the lack of literary culture in early life. He has a large library, consisting of well selected books, and subscribes for all the leading periodicals of the county.

George Sprankle was married in 1855, when he was twenty-eight years old, to Emily Beatty, a native of Porter township. He then rented his aunt's farm in Morris township, in the cultivation of which he was very successful. After his aunt's death, he bought the farm of her heirs. Six years later, Mr. Sprankle sold that farm to Joseph Isenberg, and removed to the McMurtrie farm, 150 acres, in Franklin township; this farm also he bought, but two years after sold it to John I. Adams, and removed to his present home in Porter township, the 119-acre farm which formerly belonged to Robert Cunningham. Since that purchase, Mr. Sprankle has added forty acres to the place, besides a grist-mill. At first, two other persons were partners with him in the mill property, but he

finally bought out their interests, and became the sole owner. He built a convenient barn, of modern style, in 1876. His present home was erected in 1868. Mr. Sprankle belongs to the Republican party. He is a member of the Reformed church of Alexandria; having no children, his kindness of heart seeks and finds expression in helping those who are in need of sympathy and aid.

MENNASSEH ISENBERG, Alexandria, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Alexandria, July 27, 1847, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Isenberg. John Isenberg, who was a native of Huntingdon county, passed his early youth in Porter township, where he received a common school education. He became a blacksmith. He married at the age of thirty-two, and for some time after resided and followed his vocation in Williamsburg, Pa. From that place he removed to Alexandria, the home of his later years. His wife's maiden name was Shedge. They had the following children: Sarah Ann, who died young; Ephraim, residing at Sandy Ridge, in the Allegheny mountains, Pa.; Mary Elizabeth (Mrs. John Shainer), Bellwood, Blair county, Pa.; Nancy Jane (Mrs. James Bryan), of Butler county, Pa.; Susanna, died in infancy; John W., laborer, Birmingham, Blair county, Pa.; George S., foreman of the Bald Eagle shops, Tyrone, Pa.; Samuel Gesler, engineer, of Butler county; and Amos K., carpenter, Altoona, Pa. John Isenberg's life, covering the greater part of a century (1807-1885), was one of industry and faithfulness. He was a diligent worker, shirking no hard tasks. For fifty years he was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, devout and active; his wife was of the same communion, and was also of the number of those whose death leaves a deeply regretted vacancy in the congregation. She died at the age of seventy-five.

After attending the common schools of Alexandria until he was fourteen, Mr. Isenberg was employed in the iron works of the Messrs. Hatfield, in Porter township. He removed to that locality in 1865, and later to Barree Forge, where he worked during the war. At the latter place Mr. Isenberg learned the business of a blacksmith, serving an apprenticeship of three years with Joseph McCarty. This time having expired, he worked as journeyman for five years in the same township, and

then returned to his former employer, Mr. Hatfield, as foreman; this position he occupied for six years. In the spring of 1879 he settled where he now resides, renting for six years, and then purchasing a dwelling and a small tract of land. Until 1892 Mr. Isenberg gave his whole attention to his trade; in that year he assumed charge of the grist-mill of George Sprankle, which he superintends in addition to the work of his smithy. In connection with the latter, he has established a coach making and repairing shop. From his youth, Mr. Isenberg has supported the Republican party. He is at present justice of the peace, having been elected in 1896.

Mennasch Isenberg was married, July 25, 1867, to Mary C. Larkins, of Barree township. Their children are: Rhoda May (Mrs. Charles Crowell), Altoona, Pa.; Rebecca McElroy (Mrs. Irwin Leaper), Petersburg, Pa.; Eleanor, died in 1892; Anna, died an infant; John H.; Blanche (Mrs. Jesse Isenberg), Alexandria; Charles Walter; and George William. Mr. Isenberg has been for twenty-seven years a member of the Methodist Episcopal church; has served on the board of stewards, and is now president of the board of trustees of the congregation at Alexandria. He has been for two years and a half superintendent of the Sunday-school. Mr. Isenberg's experiences have been varied, but always in the line of honorable and useful toil. During his earlier engagement with Mr. Hatfield, he drove on the tow-path of the canal, visiting in this way different parts of Pennsylvania and Maryland. The best of his experience is that he has always cared for the welfare of others. When a boy his earnings assisted in the support of his father's family. For this reason, he married without other dependence than his vigor and industry; by diligence and uprightness he has won respect, and placed his family in a condition of comfort.

COLLINS HAMOR, JR., formerly of Porter township, near Alexandria, was born December 24, 1837; his parents were Collins and Margaret (Beatty) Hamor. Collins Hamor, Sr., was also a native of Huntingdon county, born February 25, 1794. He was of German descent, and had excellent command of the language of the fatherland. He married Margaret Beatty, who was Irish by birth, and for sixteen years after marriage

they resided upon a farm in Harts Log valley. At the end of that time Mr. Hamor bought the present homestead of the family, a tract of 256 acres, which he cultivated until his death, March 11, 1862. His wife survived him until November 5, 1877. Their children were: Susanna, born May 18, 1821, died at the age of eighteen; Eliza, born December 24, 1823, died August 18, 1860; Jane, born December 17, 1825, married John Disert, of Porter township, resides in Alexandria; Nancy, born March 16, 1827, resides at Tyrone, Pa.; Solomon, born February 8, 1829, served in Company B, One Hundred and Third Pennsylvania Volunteers, during the war of the Rebellion, now resides in Porter township; William, born February 13, 1831, died August 25, 1866; Ellen, born January 16, 1833, married Capt. D. Ross Miller, who also served in the late war, and now resides in Tyrone; Margaret, born December 25, 1834, died June 29, 1842; Collins, Jr.; Samuel, born May 16, 1839, died July 15, 1842; Margaret and Samuel died of scarlet fever.

Collins Hamor, Jr., had a good common school education, was trained from boyhood in the business of cultivating the soil, and devoted his attention to farming throughout his life, residing upon and cultivating the homestead from the time of his marriage. He took no active part in public affairs, and when elected to the office of tax collector, declined the honor. He was a person of quiet tastes, and preferred to confine his attention to his family and business interests. He was, however, highly esteemed in the community, and especially in the Presbyterian church, of which he was a faithful and devout member.

Collins Hamor, Jr., was married February 25, 1868, to Almira Gibboney, daughter of David and Mary Ann (Foster) Waldsmith. Their children are: Ida C.; Margaret M.; William A.; and Ralph Collins. The family reside upon the homestead. The death of the father occurred February 23, 1895, while he was still in the prime of manhood, at the age of fifty-seven. His remains are interred in the cemetery at Alexandria.

Almira G. (Waldsmith) Hamor was born June 12, 1844, in Barree township, Huntingdon county. Her family removed to West township when she was ten years old; there she grew up, and lived with her parents until

she was married. Her father, David Waldsmith, was a native of Juniata county, Pa., and a farmer. He came to Huntingdon county before his marriage, and resided in Barree township; at the time of his death, which occurred in March, 1890, he was a resident of Oneida township. Mrs. Waldsmith died in 1878. Both held their membership in the Methodist Episcopal church, although Mr. Waldsmith's family and early training were Presbyterian.

DAVID A. NEFF, Alexandria, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Porter township, Huntingdon county, April 15, 1836, son of Daniel and Mary Magdalene (Huyett) Neff. He is a grandson of John Neff, who was a native of Lancaster county, Pa., married there, and early in his married life removed to Huntingdon county, and resided near Petersburg for the remainder of his life. His son Daniel, father of David A. Neff, was born in West township, Huntingdon county, January 19, 1793. He received his education in the old-fashioned subscription schools. He was married in 1819, and after his marriage took up his residence on the farm, where all the rest of his life was passed, and where his son David now resides. It is known as the Rock Vein farm. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Neff had the following children: Ann Eliza, deceased, was born February 6, 1821, and married Abraham Harnish, of Morris township; Henry, born March 16, 1822, has retired from business, and lives at Neffs Mills; Susan, born October 20, 1823, resides with her brother, David A.; Fanny, born July 9, 1825, died June 8, 1871; John Huyett, born October 9, 1827, was a farmer in West township, died December 23, 1895; Daniel Jacob, born January 3, 1831, is an attorney at Altoona, Pa., solicitor for Pennsylvania Railroad Company; William, born October 18, 1833, is a farmer; and David A. Daniel Neff was greatly respected in the community; he was known as a quiet and unassuming man, strictly attentive to his vocation; but those very qualities, coupled with his benevolent disposition, won for him the greater consideration. He was frequently called upon to serve as supervisor of roads. He was careful in the fulfillment of his religious duties, as a member of the Mennonite church. He was beloved not only by his family but by a large circle of friends and neighbors. Mrs. Daniel Neff died in 1842; her

husband on October 17, 1865, upon the homestead. Both are interred in the Neff cemetery, in Logan township.

Their son David A. Neff attended the common schools until he had nearly attained his majority. He also studied for two terms at Mooresville Academy. During the vacations he assisted in the labors of the home farm, and after his education was finished, remained on the farm. After the death of his father he farmed the homestead for a number of years, and has been ever since in possession of ninety acres of it. He continued to give his attention to farming until 1890, when he rented the farm to his brother. Mr. Neff is a Republican, and very staunch and true to his party. He was for a short time in the school board of the township. He is a member of the Reformed church at Alexandria, and has for some years borne the office of elder.

DANIEL G. NEFF, Alexandria, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Porter township, Huntingdon county, August 14, 1828. He is a son of Andrew and Elizabeth (Grove) Neff. Andrew Neff was a native of Lancaster county, Pa., born in 1787. He had the advantage of a good education, and was a farmer. His father, John Neff, removed at an early date to Huntingdon county, and here, in Woodcock valley, Andrew married; his wife was a daughter of Jacob and Magdalene Grove. They resided on the banks of the Juniata, where Andrew Neff built a home on a tract of 200 acres. He also had, with his brothers, an interest in the Ridge Land. Mr. Neff was warmly interested in the welfare of the community, and was always ready to propose or second plans for improvement; his intelligence and good judgment gave him an influential position in the township. He was a faithful member of the Mennonite church. Andrew Neff died on the homestead about 1831; his wife survived him for thirty or thirty-five years; both are interred in the Neff graveyard at Petersburg, Pa. Their children are: Benjamin, died on the homestead in 1894; Andrew G., died in Porter township, in 1894; Eliza (Mrs. Samuel Hatfield), of Porter township; Jacob, farmer, on the homestead; Mary (Mrs. Martin Orlady), McConnellstown, Pa.; Daniel G.; John, died young; David, deceased; and Harry, in the hotel business at Alexandria.

Daniel G. Neff attended first the private, or subscription schools, and afterwards the common schools, studying during the winter months, and helping in the work of the farm during the summer. He also enjoyed a fair degree of musical training, instrumental and vocal; he had the good fortune to live in the days of the old-fashioned country singing-school, the decline of which is much to be regretted, as nothing has yet been devised to take its place. Mr. Neff bought what is supposed to be the first cabinet organ introduced into this part of the country; it is of Mason & Hamlin make. The father of Daniel G. Neff having died while most of the family were in early youth—Daniel, the sixth child, was still a small boy—the affairs of the family were conducted by the mother and eldest brother, Benjamin. Daniel remained at home until he was about twenty-four, when he married, and went to live on a part of the homestead, including 130 acres. He removed to his new home his small share of household belongings, conveying them in a two-wheeled cart, with which he forded the river. Among his treasures was a little four-octave melodeon, with which his mother and family were very sorry to part. Mr. Neff at once began diligently to improve his home, to build a comfortable dwelling, erect good barns, out-houses and fences, plant orchards, etc. He has been very successful in all his undertakings. Besides his home farm, he had one containing 97 acres, on which he built a house and barn, and afterwards sold the place to his son, Andrew C. Neff. In 1895, he purchased the Blue Spring farm, containing 252 acres, and lying in Porter township, partly on the banks of the Juniata and partly on Warriors Ridge. He also owns an interest in the Ridge land, and a house and lot in Alexandria.

In 1852, Daniel G. Neff was married to Susan, daughter of John and Margaret (Mong) Neff, a native of Lancaster county, Pa. Their children are: Andrew C., married Miss Stauffer, resides in Porter township; Clara; Elmer E., studying medicine in Philadelphia; Benjamin; and Walter, cultivating the Blue Spring farm, above described. On Wednesday afternoon, September 30, 1891, the mother of the family was suddenly taken away, by disease of the heart. She was an excellent Christian woman, active in church enterprises and in charitable movements. She

was an earnest advocate of the temperance cause, a member of the W. C. T. U.

Mr. Neff has always been a staunch Republican. He takes a number of the leading papers of the country, and, watching the progress of current events, forms his opinions accordingly. He is an active member of the Reformed church at Alexandria, where his wife also held her membership. He has been for many years an office-bearer, first deacon and afterwards elder. When younger, he was engaged in Sunday-school work.

JACOB NEFF, Alexandria, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born October 12, 1820, in the homestead in Porter township in which he now resides, and is a son of Andrew and Elizabeth (Grove) Neff. His grandfather, John Neff, who, as mentioned elsewhere in these records, was a native and in his earlier life a resident of Lancaster county, Pa., came to Huntingdon county after his marriage, and resided on the place now occupied by William Stryker, near Petersburg. He acquired much land, which is now held by his numerous descendants.

Helping as a boy can on the farm, during the summer, and studying during the winter, first in the subscription schools, and later in the public schools, Jacob Neff passed his boyhood and early manhood on the homestead. About 1845 he bought a farm of 240 acres on Shavers creek, which he cultivated for twenty years. Five years after the purchase he married Susan, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Baer) Frank, of Lancaster county, Pa. He had begun on the farm with but \$400, and the brick house which he built for the reception of his young wife, together with his many other improvements, cost him \$7,000. Of course, those were days of much hard work and sometimes, perhaps, of no little anxiety; yet Mr. Neff looks back to that period as the happiest of his life. In 1865 he sold the farm of John Arnold, and removed to the family homestead, where he has ever since resided. He has given his entire attention to farming; has made extensive improvements on the old place, in the way of setting out orchards, building fences and adding various facilities. At the same time, he has not refused to do the services required of him as a citizen; has served as school director for two

terms, and for one term as supervisor. His political views are decidedly Republican.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Neff are: Samuel, married Miss Sprankle, resides with his father; Frank, also residing at home. Mr. Neff is serving as trustee of the Reformed church at Alexandria, of which he and Mrs. Neff are both active members.

ANDREW CALVIN NEFF, Alexandria, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of Daniel G. and Susan (Neff) Neff, was born in Porter township, Huntingdon county, August 20, 1854. The first school he attended was held in what is called the "old aqueduct school-house." With his recollections of that school are associated the memories of some very severe teachers. After leaving it, he went for several terms to a school at Alexandria. In the intervals of attendance at school, he assisted in the work on the home farm. Mr. Neff bought his present farm and resided upon it for two years before his marriage. He erected a good substantial dwelling and barns. The farm contains about 100 acres. Mr. Neff is a Republican. He has never sought any public office. He is a member of the Reformed church at Alexandria, and an active promoter of the work of the congregation and church at large. Mr. Neff has always been a diligent and faithful worker, in whatever line his duty required.

Andrew C. Neff was married in 1880 to Laura, daughter of Samuel and Annie Stouffer, of McConnellstown, Pa. They had the following children: Jennie, deceased; Porter S., deceased; Ethel; and Elizabeth. Mrs. Neff died in July, 1894; her remains are interred in the Neff cemetery, near Neffs Mills. Mr. Neff was married again at his home January 13, 1897, to Grace Stouffer, a sister of his former wife.

THE NEFF FAMILY.

This family, now so numerous in various parts of Pennsylvania, and in some localities in the west, originated in Switzerland, where there are very many of the name, especially in Canton Zurich. There they belong, as their descendants in America take pleasure in pointing out, to the most substantial and permanent class, the great middle class, whose lot in life is "neither poverty nor riches," but useful activity, with consequent prosperity,

moderate ambitions, and contentment. They are said to be among the most prosperous and best educated artisans of Europe, so progressive and advanced as to have made their native canton one of the earliest seats of the cotton manufacture on that continent; the product of their looms is still in demand in every market. That traits of heroism and intellectual aspirations are latent under this comfortable burgher-like aspect, is clearly proved by incidents of family history which are handed down from one generation to another, and rehearsed with affectionate and sympathetic pride. The Neffs in America are able to trace their genealogy back to the earlier half of the sixteenth century. They had their share in the struggles for liberty so bravely carried on by the little mountain country of Switzerland against the almost overwhelming power of Austria; that struggle so celebrated in song and story, which, even more than the peculiar grandeur and loveliness of the country, endears her to American hearts. Their earliest known ancestor, Adam Neff, with his good sword, rescued the standard of Zurich from the hands of the invaders, at the battle of Cappel, October 11, 1531. He was then a young man of about thirty years of age. The descendants of the name in Europe still celebrate the anniversaries of the battle—the same in which the great reformer Zwingli lost his life—and of the heroic deed of their ancestor with family gatherings, festivals, and eloquent addresses. In the next century, Barbara Neff, martyred for her devotion to the Reformed faith, lent new lustre to the name. In later times, Felix Neff, the "pastor of the high Alps," is fondly remembered for his short life of Christian zeal and fidelity to his flock, scattered over the Alpine heights, and for his self-denying missionary labors in spreading the gospel among the destitute and ignorant dwellers in remote hamlets. A celebrated publisher of Stuttgart, Germany, is Paul Neff, one of the same *freundschaft*; and the family boasts at least one distinguished artist, in the person of Timoleon Carl von Neff, painter of the picture of St. Isaac of Dalmatia in the cathedral at St. Petersburg, who died in Russia in 1879.

Representatives of three generations of the Neff family came to this country about 1717: Francis Neff; his sons Francis Neff, Jr., Henry and Daniel; and the sons of Daniel Neff, also

named Henry and Daniel. They settled near Little Conestoga creek, in Lancaster county. Hans Heinrich, or John Henry Neff, brother of Francis Neff, the first regularly educated physician in Lancaster county, appears to have settled here somewhat earlier. He was widely known throughout the county, and spoken of with affectionate, but respectful, familiarity as the "old doctor." The descendants of Franz, or Francis, Neff, are spread throughout Lancaster and Huntingdon counties, Ohio, Virginia and other parts of the United States; and the family has been allied by marriage with a great many of the most substantial and intelligent families in the country. The early settlers of the name were generally Mennonites, or members of the Reformed church; the former persuasion seems to have predominated among them. Governor Gordon, of Pennsylvania, says of them (Colonial Records, vol. 3, p. 296), that they "came into the province under a particular agreement with the late Honourable Proprietor, William Penn at London," under whom they took up lands, and that they "have generally so good a character for honesty and industry as deserves the esteem of this government, and a mark of regard for them."

Many years after the settlement by Francis Neff and his family, Rudolph and Jacob came from the Swiss canton, and became residents of Frankford, near Philadelphia. They also have many descendants in this country, and of both branches of the family representatives have not been wanting who have won for themselves most honorable social positions, and merited the gratitude of the states in which they have resided for their public services. A descendant of the Frankford branch of the family, Miss Elizabeth Clifford Neff, has commemorated her ancestry in a large and interesting work, the "History of the Neff Family."

GUSTAV ALTMAN, Alexandria, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Dessau, on the Elbe river, in central Prussia, July 11, 1839. His parents were Wilhelm and Ida (Fritsche) Altman. Wilhelm Altman was born September 28, 1819; he was a goldsmith and jeweler, and served in the German army. His first wife, who was Ida Fritsche, died in 1858. Their children are: Franz, deceased; Gustav; William, a merchant of Rochester,

N. Y.; Carl, engineer on a railroad of Bremen, Germany; Matilda (Mrs. Buzzard), of Staten Island; Otto, died in Huntingdon, Pa.; Emil, died in New York; and Ida, died in Germany. The father married again, and was living with his second wife at the time of his death, which occurred in his native place, July 17, 1875.

Gustav Altman attended school in his native town of Dessau until he attained to his fifteenth year; he then left school, intending, however, to continue going during the winters, while he went to sea in the summer. He accordingly went to Bremen to seek a berth on a sailing vessel, but without success, and he was advised to go to New York. Upon this advice he acted, his parents furnishing him with money for the voyage. Without any companion the boy set out to seek his fortune beyond the sea. The passage from Bremen to New York occupied fifty-two days; the sailing vessel was at one time becalmed in mid-ocean, and at others, she encountered very rough weather. At length, the young emigrant landed at New York, and proceeded at once to the home of an uncle, who was a farmer in New Jersey, and with whom he remained for a year and a half, working as farm hand, at \$4 a month. At the end of that time, the uncle having exchanged his farm for some property in New York, young Altman accompanied him to that State, and soon found work there in a machine shop, where he continued for a year. He and some associates then determined to go on a whaling voyage, and set out at once for New Bedford, going by boat as far as Newport, and making the rest of the journey by rail. Arrived at New Bedford, the young adventurer met with some old salts, who privately advised him to give up his project, and be content to remain a "land lubber." Their arguments prevailed, and Gustav Altman and his companions decided to return to New York. But they had spent all their capital in going to New Bedford; so they walked as far as Newport, and there went on board a boat bound for New York harbor. When the fare of the passengers was collected, the young men said that they had no money, but would willingly work their passage. They were told that there were enough of such men on board; the captain therefore compelled them to leave their coats with him, until they should be able to re-

deem them by the payment of a dollar. In the pocket of Mr. Altman's coat was a book which he had brought from his home in Germany and which he prized very highly, as it contained his diary, the portraits of his father and mother, and other mementoes of the family. He begged the captain earnestly to allow him to retain this precious wallet, but received only a hard-hearted refusal, given, it would seem, solely for the purpose of causing pain to the poor, lonely boy, as the pocket-book could have been of no great value to any one else. When he reached New York the boy was too proud to ask his uncle for the dollar with which to buy his coat; so he went directly to Honesdale, Pa., where he was employed at the coal mines by the Pennsylvania Railroad. As soon as he had earned some forty or fifty dollars, which was, of course, not for a number of weeks, he went on foot to New York, sought the steamboat captain and redeemed his coat; but, sad to say, the precious book and its contents were lost, and the unsympathizing captain, not having troubled himself at all about the article, could give the young man no idea how to find it.

Young Altman then went to see his uncle, bade him good bye, and set out to look for work. He was employed at threshing for a few days at Lewistown, Pa., after which he came on foot to Porter township, and solicited and obtained work from the farmers. For a year he worked for Samuel Neff, and the following winter for William Stryker, for board and schooling; and was afterwards with him until 1859, on good wages. Mr. Stryker wished him to remain another year, offering increased wages, but Mr. Altman declined the offer, as he had an opportunity to learn the business of a miller. When Mr. Stryker remonstrated with him on giving up \$13 per month to receive only \$4, the young man replied that he hoped to make it up after a while. For the advantage of knowing a regular business, he had the good judgment to relinquish a present gain. He at once went to work in the mills of Benjamin L. Neff; during the first year his wages were \$50; during his second, \$75; in the third year, Mr. Neff rented the mill on shares to Mr. Altman and Mark Bodley. They had conducted the mill for a year when the war of the Rebellion broke out. Gustav Altman then enlisted at Petersburg, Pa., in Company II, Fifteenth

Pennsylvania Volunteers, Capt. Joseph Johnson, for three months. The company proceeded first to Harrisburg, Pa., then to Carlisle, Pa., and then to Lancaster, Pa.; the regiment was assigned to Negley's brigade, and was under General Pattison. They were ordered to Martinsburg, Va., were in a fight at Falling Waters, then overtook the rebels under Johnson's command at Bunker Hill; from that point the Confederate troops fell back to Winchester, and the Union force went to Harper's Ferry. The "rebs" had been there before them, and "destroyed about everything in sight." At Harper's Ferry, the time of the Fifteenth expired, and they were ordered to Carlisle, where they were paid off and discharged.

Mr. Altman resumed the charge of the mill, and continued in the same until the following spring, when he went to Ohio, and worked in a mill at Massillon. After a few months, becoming dissatisfied, he went to Cincinnati, but could not find work there; and learning that the United States Government was paying teamsters \$30 per month, he enlisted in that capacity, and proceeded on transports from Paducah, Ky., to Huntsville, Ala., being assigned to the Twelfth Indiana Artillery, to take charge of their ammunition wagons at the latter point. At Huntsville Mr. Altman was attacked by camp fever, but was only kept from attending to his duties for a week. He was next ordered to Nashville, Tenn., where he became so ill that he was carried by three men to the hospital; during this attack he was many times at the point of death. On account of disability, he was discharged, and returned home. Nashville was at this time surrounded by southern troops, but disabled soldiers were allowed free passage out of the city, under a flag of truce. Reaching the rebel lines, they showed their passes at headquarters, and were obliged to hand over for inspection all letters and other papers which they carried. Among these were many letters from comrades in Nashville to friends in the north; these were allowed to pass through unless they contained matter relative to the state of military affairs. At Owensboro, on the Ohio, they boarded transports for Louisville, Ky., where Mr. Altman remained for a week to recuperate.

Returning to Petersburg, Pa., he in a short time went to work at Neff's Mills, and after-

wards at Andrew Heffner's mills, in McConnellstown, at a time when raids of southern troops were daily looked for in Pennsylvania, and the people were alert and in arms for the defence of their homes. Companies were organized, called Home Guards, for this purpose. Mrs. Heffner not wishing her husband to join one of these companies, Mr. Altman begged his employer to give him his gun and let him go in his stead, which Mr. Heffner did. The company of which the gallant young miller was one, set out to intercept the expected raiders. Their plan was to station men at certain points on the lookout for them, with bundles of straw, to be fired when the hostile body should approach, as a signal to the rest of the company. By some accident, a sentinel set fire to the straw, and the Home Guards started bravely in the direction of the light, passing through McConnellstown on their way, and throwing the good people of the place into a sad panic. In the town and along the country roads many were hiding themselves, their horses and their valuables; but the alarm soon subsided, and all settled down again in their homes. A day or two later, Mr. Altman joined Captain Thomas' company, in the Forty-sixth State Militia; they were ordered to Philadelphia, to quell some disturbances, camped there for several weeks, were then discharged and returned home.

But Mr. Altman's martial services were not yet ended. He must have inherited the blood of the ancient German warriors; he was certainly full of their spirit, for he could not stay quietly by the mill while there was war in the land. For one winter he worked at Wallace's mill, at Union Furnace; but on February 29, 1864, he once more enlisted, this time for three years, in Company C, Captain Lawson, of the Seventy-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was away to the front again, and all through the Atlanta campaign with Sherman. But just before that long march, a very interesting episode occurred. Mr. Gustav Altman went back to Petersburg and was married. No leave of absence was to be obtained, so the bridegroom-elect slipped away from his regiment, taking byways to Harrisburg in order to escape the vigilance of pickets, walking all the way there, and going from that place to Petersburg, where he was married to Margaret Guisler, daughter of Michael and Rosanna Guisler. For a week he remain-

ed with his bride, and then rejoined his regiment, which had by this time moved to Pittsburg. While stationed at Pittsburg, he paid one more stolen visit to his bride, and then returned to Pittsburg to find that his regiment had left for the front. Many others were in the same plight as himself, and they all set off to overtake the regiment, which they did not do until they reached Nashville. At Tunnel Hill, Ga., they had the first encounter with the Confederates, beginning May 7, and not ending until the morning of May 13. Then followed the fights at Resaca and Kingston; then on the 23d, at New Hope Church, Gustav Altman was in the hottest of the battle; then came the engagements at Kennesaw Mountain, and at Snycrna, where there was hard fighting; besides these, there was much skirmishing along the Chattahoochee river. On the 20th and 21st of August, they were engaged at Peach Tree Creek; on the 25th, they were employed in destroying the Montgomery railroad, and directly after, the Macon road. At Lovejoy, the regiment was engaged on September 2, 3 and 4, and on the evening of the 5th Mr. Altman was wounded at the battle of Franklin, being struck on the left arm by a bursting shell. He was obliged after the battle to go to the hospital, where he received his discharge, June 13, 1865; it was the Cumberland hospital, at Nashville, Tenn.

From once more, at Petersburg, Mr. Altman did any work that offered itself for a while, until there was an opening for him at his own trade. In 1868 he became head miller in a mill at Petersburg, Pa., where he remained for eight years. He then rented a mill in Alexandria, of James H. Dysert, and afterwards became a partner with Mr. Dysert in the milling business. This connection continued until 1888, when Mr. Altman and William M. Phillips bought the mill property, and have conducted it ever since. Mr. Altman built a brick dwelling at Petersburg, which he has since sold; he owns other property in that borough. The firm owns land and other real estate besides the mill. Mr. Altman is a Republican, and active in political work.

Three of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Altman are deceased; the surviving are: Ida (Mrs. Frank Fouse), Alexandria, Pa.; Bertha (Mrs. George Lloyd), of Porter township; and Gustav. Mr. Altman was already a member

of the Lutheran church before he left the fatherland, and he and his family still attend that church.

WILLIAM H. WILSON, Barree Forge, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born June 12, 1846, in Wheatfield township, Perry county, Pa., son of Isaac and Cillinda (Gladden) Wilson. Frederick K. Wilson, his grandfather, was by descent Scotch, but by birth a Virginian, a native of the far-famed Shenandoah valley, where he was a planter, and owned many slaves. His son, Isaac Wilson, was born in Sharpsburg, Md., where his youth was passed. For many years he was an iron moulder; he was employed by the original Duncannon Iron Company in that capacity, and during the time of his engagement with them, he bought the farm in Wheatfield township, Perry county, to which he afterwards removed, and where he died about 1849. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Wilson are: Robert, who served in the Ninth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and died of fever in a hospital at Springfield, Tenn., where he is buried; Moses G., married, employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad at Cove Station, Pa.; Harriet B. (Mrs. William Keyser), Logansport, Ind.; William H.; Joseph W., at home with his mother; Jennie, deceased, wife of M. J. Moore; George D., married, and resides in Duncannon, Pa. Mr. Isaac Wilson belonged to the Whig party. He was a devoted member of the Methodist church. His wife, Mrs. Cillinda Wilson, was a daughter of Joshua and Mary (Clark) Gladden, and was born January 1, 1818, near Halifax, in Dauphin county, Pa. Her paternal grandfather was one of the earliest settlers of Clarks valley, Dauphin county. Mrs. Wilson came with her parents to Perry county in 1835, and was married to Isaac Wilson in 1837. She was a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church for over sixty years. She was always ready with the hand of charity and words of consolation for those who were sick or in distress. She died at Duncannon, Pa., February 25, 1897, at the venerable age of seventy-nine years, one month and twenty-four days; her death is mourned not only by her family, but by all who appreciated her true Christian character.

William H. Wilson attended the common schools of his native township and of Duncannon until he was fourteen years old. He

enlisted during the Rebellion in Company A, Twelfth Pennsylvania Cavalry, as a bugler, but the regiment having its full complement of buglers, he was furnished with full cavalry equipment, much to his satisfaction, as he preferred active service to idleness. He was still no more than a boy, and enlisted in opposition to his mother's directly expressed wish, running away from home and going to Harrisburg, when he failed to find a recruiting officer near at hand. During his term of enlistment, which was six months, he took part in the second battle of Fredericksburg and the first at Winchester, Va. He was also accidentally engaged in the battle of Gettysburg. His command lying at that time at Pine Grove, Pa., he was detailed as dispatch bearer, and sent to Gettysburg. By the time he was within the Union lines, the fight had begun, and he could not return. He fell in with the Fifth West Virginia Cavalry, and, being slightly acquainted with them, he went through one day of the great battle with them. On the evening of the same day he returned to his command at Pine Grove. At the expiration of the six months Mr. Wilson re-enlisted in Company A, an independent regiment formed by Captain Sanno, who when the war broke out was a drill master at Carlisle, Pa. The young cavalryman was continually on duty, scouting and skirmishing through Virginia, West Virginia and North Carolina. He was in Virginia when the news was received of the burning of Chambersburg, Pa. His command was ordered to intercept the rebel leader, McCausland, who fired that town; they accordingly went at a breakneck pace to Chambersburg, reaching the place without a single halt. Their approach put the Confederate troops to flight. They found the people in great terror and consternation. The day—July 30—was very hot, and its sultriness was greatly aggravated by the heat from the burning buildings; after the hard and exhausting ride, it was almost unendurable. But the gallant regiment soon set out again in pursuit of the raiders, whom they overtook at Hancock, Md., and drove them from their position; following them up, they gave them a severe drubbing at Romney, W. Va.

After receiving his discharge at the close of the war, Mr. Wilson went home, and in a short time entered the employ of the Duncannon

cannon Iron Company, as apprentice to the trade of nailer. After serving an apprenticeship of three years, he remained with the company two years longer as journeyman, and then worked at his trade in Pittsburg, Pa., for one year, in Bellaire, Ohio, for eighteen months, and at Wheeling, W. Va., for eighteen months. Returning to Duncannon, he worked for his former employers until the spring of 1871, and was then for two years at Scranton, Pa., in the employ of the Hill-side Coal Company. During this time, he was for three months attached to the engineer corps, and for the remainder of the time acted as superintendent of the Forest City collieries. He assisted in laying out the town of Forest City, in erecting the first twelve houses built there, and in developing mines.

In the spring of 1873, Mr. Wilson went to Des Moines, Ia., and was engaged until 1876 with the Great Western Stock and Produce Company. He then came back to Pennsylvania, and was offered his former position as foreman for the coal company, but declined the offer, and once more entered the employ of the Duncannon Iron Company as nailer. In this position he remained until 1889, when he became freight agent for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Duncannon. In October, 1891, he entered upon his present position as passenger, express and freight agent for the same company at Barree. His diligence and faithfulness in the discharge of his official duties are well known to the company, and have won for him esteem and confidence. One of Mr. Wilson's best known characteristics is his untiring industry. He is a staunch Republican, decided in his opinions on all important principles, but liberal as to minor matters. At Duncannon, he served for three years in the borough council.

JOHN C. ARNOLD, Barree, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born September 24, 1825, in the kingdom of Wurtemberg, Germany. He is the son of George and Barbara (Walter) Arnold. His grandfather, George Arnold, was a native of Wurtemberg. Both served the required term of six years in the German army, and both passed their lives in their native country. George Arnold was a farmer; he died in Wurtemberg about 1873; his wife had passed away long before, in 1846. Their children are: John C.; Mary, who died

in Germany; and Rebecca, also deceased in Wurtemberg.

John C. Arnold was a pupil in the common schools of his native land from the age of six until he was fourteen years old, when he began to support himself as a farm hand, on very small wages; they did not amount to more than twenty dollars a year. During part of the time he lived with his parents. At the age of twenty-one he entered the German army, and served his six years, during which time the Revolution of 1848 took place; he was on duty, stationed at Baden. In the year 1852, after his discharge from the army, Mr. Arnold left Germany for Liverpool, and there took passage in a sailing vessel for America. After a voyage of eleven weeks of very rough weather, he landed in New York. When his passage money was paid, Mr. Arnold had just twenty dollars left. He came at once from New York to Alexandria, Pa., where Mr. Arnold had a friend, John Kinler, who was a laborer. On the second or third day after reaching Alexandria, the enterprising young immigrant succeeded in obtaining employment by the month on a farm in the vicinity. On February 22, 1853, John C. Arnold was married to Elizabeth Weible; the young couple went to housekeeping on a place between Alexandria and Barree Forge, where they had rented the dwelling. Here they resided for four years, Mr. Arnold still working for various farmers. At the end of a two years' engagement with Henry Swope, he removed to John Swope's farm, in Porter township, where they resided for ten years. They then went to Alexandria, and were there for one year, while Mr. Arnold was working in a stone quarry, at \$1.18 per day. At the end of that year, in the fall, he bought the place on which they now live, containing 137 acres; he has since erected fine farm buildings. The dwelling was built by Jacob Neff in 1852, and carrying brick for its construction was one of the jobs performed by Mr. Arnold during that first year in the new country. Mr. Arnold voted twice for President Lincoln, but, his vote having been challenged on one occasion, he has not cast a vote since that time, nor ever concerned himself about political matters. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold are: Mary (Mrs. W. S. Varner), Alexandria, Pa.; Rosa; Caroline, deceased, wife of F. H. Medaugh, Nashville, Tenn.; Harry;

Elizabeth; Fanny (Mrs. S. L. Work), Akron, Ohio; Charles, died young; John, in the lumber business at St. Helens, Mich.; Lewis Phillip, also lumberman at St. Helens; and Rebecca S. Mr. and Mrs. Arnold are members of the Lutheran church at Petersburg, Pa.

HENRY DAVIS, SR., Barree, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Rohrertstown, a little village one mile and a half from Lancaster, in Lancaster county, Pa., March 17, 1814. He is a son of Lewis and Catherine Davis. Lewis Davis was a native of Wales. He came to this country alone, when a young man, his brothers and sisters all remaining in the old country. He at first made his living by general labor, but was afterwards employed for many years in a distillery in Hempfield township, Lancaster county. He married in Shavertown, Pa., and had four children, but his wife died while they were still very young. After his son Henry had married, he came to Huntingdon county, and made his home with Henry for the rest of his life. He died December 3, 1861, aged seventy-five. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Davis are: Catherine, married and died in Lancaster county; Samuel, died at Shavers Creek in 1889, in his eighty-second year; Mary, married David Kinch, who died at Huntingdon Furnace, and she died at Franklinsville, Pa.; and Henry.

Henry Davis spent his boyhood days in the neighborhood of his native place. He received his education in subscription schools, but was a school boy only until he was fourteen years old. At that age he was employed in a store, where he remained for eighteen months, and then hired himself out as farm hand. In 1835, he made arrangements for learning the blacksmith's trade from his brother-in-law, David Kinch, to whom he served an apprenticeship of three years, working afterwards for two or three years as a journeyman. He and his brother Samuel, who was also a blacksmith, then opened a shop in Sinking valley, Blair county. They continued the business there for one year, and then removed to the vicinity of Shavers Creek, Huntingdon county, where they had their shop for nearly forty years. Mr. Davis has been a farmer as well as a mechanic. From the spring of 1837, a few months after

his marriage, until 1889, he resided near Shavers Creek, where he owned and cultivated a farm. He sold this farm just after removing to the place on which he now resides, and which belongs to his son, Dr. Miles L. Davis. Mr. Davis has now retired from active business. He is a Republican, warmly attached to his party. At Shavers Creek, he was for many years postmaster. He served one term as county commissioner, and helped to build the court house at Huntingdon. He has served as overseer of the poor, was justice of the peace for many years, and for a long time collector of the county tax.

Henry Davis was married in Porter township, December 29, 1836, to Catherine, daughter of Henry Walheater. Their children are: Samuel T., M. D., of Lancaster, Pa., born March 6, 1838, married October 2, 1866, to Elizabeth Fenstermacher; William, blacksmith, of Shavers Creek, born April 19, 1840, married October 2, 1860, to Mary E. Forster; Henry, farmer, of Shavers Creek, born April 5, 1842, married October 4, 1864, to Mary A. Wilson; Miles L., M. D., of Lancaster, Pa., born February 6, 1845, married March 16, 1871, to Leona E. Wilson; Mary C. (Mrs. Stewart Livingston), of Altoona, Pa., born April 6, 1848, married September 24, 1871; and John W., druggist, of Burlington, N. J., born October 2, 1858, married October 3, 1882, to Margaret Gundaker. Four sons of this family served in the Union army during the war of the Rebellion. Twice the father went to the front; once to bring home his eldest son, who was wounded at the battle of Resaca; and afterwards to Harper's Ferry, to look for his son William, whom he supposed to have been killed; to his great relief and joy, he found that the man whose life had been taken was another of the same name. Mr. Davis is a member of the Presbyterian church at Alexandria. His record is most enviable. During sixty years of married life, no unkind word has ever passed between this venerable man and his wife. Their long life, useful and full of true dignity, has won for them the affectionate respect of all who know them.

JONAS S. LOWDER, Barree, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born September 21, 1843, near Milroy, Mifflin county, ten miles east of Lewistown, Pa., son of Joel and Catherine

(Stein) Lowder. Joel Lowder was a native of Centre county, Pa., a son of Michael Lowder, born in 1819. He went to Mifflin county, Pa., when a young man. After his marriage at Bellefonte, he returned to Mifflin county, and resided there until 1846. He then removed back to Centre county with his wife and family. About nine years later, they removed again, to Franklin township, Huntingdon county, near Pennsylvania Furnace. During all these years, they had lived on rented farms, but finally they settled in Morris township, Huntingdon county, where Mr. Lowder bought a farm of 154 acres, from B. F. Wallace, on which he resided for many years. He at last sold all of the place to his son John, except twelve acres which he reserved for quarrying. He owns another farm in Ferguson township, Centre county. Some years ago, Joel Lowder relinquished business, and is leading a life of well-earned leisure on his place in Morris township. Mr. Lowder is a Democrat; he has never sought any public office. Mrs. Lowder died in 1881, and is interred at Arch Springs, Blair county, Pa. She, as well as her husband, was a member of the Presbyterian church. She was very faithful and devoted, and was deeply interested in church work, especially in Foreign Missions. She had many friends, and was highly esteemed among her acquaintances. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Lowder are: Jonas S.; John, farmer, at Union Furnace, Huntingdon county; Daniel B., farmer, Oak Hall, Centre county, Pa.; Sarah (Mrs. John A. Crawford), Arch Springs, Blair county, Pa.; Mary, (Mrs. Dr. Rothrock), Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa.; George W., bookkeeper for P. R. R. in Pittsburg, Pa.; Lydia (Mrs. George W. Bridenbaugh), Tyrone township, Blair county; and David S., clerk in the wholesale dry goods house of Hughes & Hacke, Pittsburg, Pa. Joel Lowder holds his membership in the Presbyterian church at Arch Springs, Blair county.

Jonas S. Lowder was a pupil in the common schools of his native place until he was about fifteen years old. His opportunities for an education were but slender; being the eldest of the family, and his parents in straitened circumstances, it was his duty to assist them in their efforts to gain a livelihood for the family. So, leaving school early, he worked with his father on the farm until he was twenty-

one. He was then for three years engaged in the quarries of Mr. A. G. Morris, after which he again worked for his father until the spring of 1876. That year, the Centennial Exposition year, he passed in Philadelphia. He was first engaged as one of the health officers at the Grand Exposition Hotel, which contained 1,325 rooms. This engagement lasted eight months, after which he was obliged to spend several months in Jefferson College Hospital, where he had undergone a surgical operation. When discharged from the hospital, Mr. Lowder went home, and after a short stay, came to Huntingdon county and bought the place on which he now resides; it then contained 81 acres, but he has since added considerable tracts of land to the original purchase. He owns several tenant houses at the village of Barree Forge.

Jonas S. Lowder was married, December 6, 1877, to Jennie, daughter of Jesse and Mary (McMillan) Fisher. They immediately went to housekeeping on the farm which Mr. Lowder had purchased, and have resided there ever since. Mr. and Mrs. Lowder are members of the Presbyterian church. In politics he is independent, forming his opinions and casting his vote according to his best judgment.

HENRY G. NEFF, Alexandria, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Porter township, Huntingdon county, March 11, 1833, son of Andrew and Elizabeth (Grove) Neff. Andrew Neff, farmer, was born August 20, 1787, in Huntingdon county; he died January, 1833, from the effects of a fall from his horse. Mrs. Neff survived him thirty-six years; she was born June 13, 1796, and died at the age of seventy. Their children are: Benjamin, born September 14, 1816, died aged seventy-seven years; Andrew, born September 13, 1818, died aged seventy-six years; Jacob, born October 12, 1820, resides on the old homestead in Porter township; Elizabeth, born September 27, 1822, lives in Alexandria, wife of Samuel Hatfield, ironmaster; John Grove, born November 24, 1824, died March 10, 1833; Mary, born November 13, 1826, lives in McConnellstown, widow of Dr. Martin Orlady; Daniel G., born August 24, 1828, resides in Porter township; David, born October 20, 1830, deceased; Henry G.

Henry G. Neff attended the public schools

of Porter township, and studied at Franklin and Marshall College, for one term, being prevented from taking a full course. For one year he taught school, and for two years was clerk for an iron ore company. He then bought a farm which he cultivated for many years; during this time he was justice of the peace for six years, and served as school director. In 1892, he came to Alexandria, where he is now justice of the peace. Mr. Neff is a Republican; he was a candidate for the office of county treasurer in 1890, 1892 and 1896.

Henry G. Neff was married in Porter township, January 27, 1860, to Mary F. Sprankle. Their children are: Howard L., who went to Omaha, Neb., in 1882, and is in the livery business; George, bookkeeper for a firm in Steelton, Pa.; Anna Grace (Mrs. W. B. Miller), of Groton, S. D.; Mary F., died in infancy; Charlotte S., at home; Henry G., traveling salesman at New Orleans, La.; John Scott; Samuel Reid; the last two are twins, and live at home. Mr. Neff is a member of the Reformed church, in which he has held office for many years.

SAMUEL NEFF, deceased, formerly of Alexandria, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born July 18, 1826, in West (now Logan) township. He was a son of John and Margaret (Mong) Neff, his father having been the eldest son of that John Neff, of Lancaster county, elsewhere mentioned as among the early settlers of Huntingdon county. Samuel Neff was educated in the common schools, and from early youth gave his attention to farming. In 1852, he purchased the farm upon which the remainder of his life was spent; it was formerly known as the Israel Cridler farm. His political views were Republican. Samuel Neff was married, February 23, 1858, to Elizabeth A., daughter of Richard and Sarah (Johnson) Cunningham. They had the following children: John R., born November 25, 1858; Milton C., born April 27, 1862; Allie May, born May 11, 1863, died March 9, 1864; Minnie O., born February 8, 1865, was a student at Dickinson Seminary, Williamsport, Pa., when her health failed and she was obliged to give up her studies and return to her home, where she has ever since been confined; and Mary Elizabeth, born April 21, 1867, died December 26, 1868. Samuel Neff died

November 11, 1875; his remains are interred in the Neff burying ground near Petersburg. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church at Alexandria, a sincere and devout Christian gentleman. His loss was mourned by his family and many friends. John Richard Neff died March 6, 1897.

Mrs. Elizabeth A. (Cunningham) Neff was born December 16, 1839, in Jackson township, Huntingdon county, where she lived until, at the age of eighteen, she was married. Her life since has been passed upon the farm, amid the many duties and interests that make up the life of the wife and the mother of a family. Her father, Richard Cunningham, was born in Jackson township, where his father, who came to this county from the Tuscarora valley, had settled. Richard Cunningham was a farmer. He died in Ennisville, Jackson township, where he had lived, about 1880. His wife survived him several years. Their children are: David S., resides on the old homestead in Jackson township, was married to Miss Miller, who is deceased; Mary O. (Mrs. John Gregory), of West township; Margaretta (Mrs. Thompson Martin), of Sioux City, Ia.; Sarah J., married first to George W. Pattison, who died, and she afterwards married Lewis Kingsbury, and resides in Washington, Washington county, Kas.; and Elizabeth A. (Mrs. Neff).

WILLIAM SHAW STRYKER, farmer, of Porter township, was born on his present farm, December 28, 1851, son of Peter and Jane (Newell) Stryker. The Stryker family are descended from two brothers who came over from Holland more than two hundred and fifty years ago and settled in New York. One was Peter, from whom William S. is descended, the other was John, who settled in New Jersey. Peter located in Long Island, where his descendants may still be found. The Strykers were actively patriotic in Revolutionary times. One of the family, Gen. William S. Stryker, was Adjutant General of New Jersey during the Civil war. John Stryker, grandfather of William S., was born, reared, and married in New Jersey. His wife was Elizabeth Thompson, of New Jersey, and of their children, the following ten grew to maturity: Thompson; Peter; Samuel; Mary (Mrs. Adam Lefford), of McVeytown, Mifflin county; Caroline (Mrs. Lewis Lightner), of Illinois; Joseph; William; Amelia;

Mary, widow of Judge Perry, of Rolla, Mo.; and Mahlon; all the sons but William, of Logan township, are deceased. Some time after marriage, with two blind horses and all their property in an old wagon, John Stryker and his wife moved to Huntingdon county, where they lived at Shavers Creek. Before his death, he was owner of five farms, one of which he gave to each of his sons, except Joseph, who took his share in education, practised law in Washington, D. C., and was for six years consul in Pernambuco, Brazil. For some years before his decease, John Stryker lived in Logan township.

Peter Stryker, father of William S., was born at Shavers Creek, West township, in 1820, and died March 9, 1858. He grew up on the farm, attending school in the winter. He married Miss Jane Newell, and about 1841 bought a farm in Porter township, from the heirs of his father, John Stryker. He was a very active citizen, a member and elder in the Presbyterian church and his loss was felt by all in the community. He contracted a cold while working and died one week after. His wife survived him twenty-eight years, departing this life March 7, 1886. Both are buried in the cemetery at Alexandria. Their children are: Mary, died when three years old; John, deceased; Alice, died unmarried in Harrisburg, aged forty-two; William Shaw; Lizzie, who died when sixteen; William; Margaret; and Lydia (Mrs. John Huyett).

William Shaw Stryker attended the common schools of Porter township and of Alexandria, and was for one term a student at Millersville State Normal School. When he was six and a half years old, his father died. On January 19, 1882, he was married in Porter township, to Mary, daughter of Samuel Hatfield. Their children are: Mabel E.; Annie N.; Ella H.; Eliza Neff; and Mary Janet. About 1880, he purchased his present property, consisting of 242 acres. On October 12, 1892, he lost by fire his barn, 1,000 bushels of wheat, 30 tons of hay, and much other property, but rebuilt in the following spring. For fifteen years he has served as elder in the Presbyterian church. He is a Republican, has been school director, and is now serving his third term as supervisor.

WILLIAM NEFF, farmer, of Porter township, Huntingdon county, was born October

18, 1833, son of Daniel and Mary (Huyett) Neff. His grandfather, John Neff, was born in Lancaster county. After marriage he resided in Huntingdon county, near Petersburg, where he farmed until his death in 1819. He was an earnest and devout member of the Mennonite church. Daniel Neff, son of John Neff, was born in Logan township, Huntingdon county, in 1793. He attended the subscription schools only three months in his life, but in spite of this he secured a good education by close application to books. About 1819 he bought the homestead and farmed it until he died, in October, 1865. His wife died in 1842. Daniel Neff was a faithful member of the Mennonite church, and his wife of the Reformed church; they are buried in the Neff cemetery. Their children are: Ann Eliza, deceased, married to Abraham Harnish; Henry, residing at Neffs Mills, Huntingdon county; Susan; Fanny, deceased; John H., now deceased, who resided at Shavers Creek; Daniel J., a lawyer in Altoona; William; and David A., a farmer in Porter township.

William Neff was educated in the common schools and remained on the farm until marriage. On August 7, 1862, he enlisted at Alexandria in Company F, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Captain Simpson; proceeded to Washington, and was stationed at Arlington Heights. After the battle of Antietam, the regiment was stationed for a time at Maryland Heights, then proceeded to Fairfax Station. Mr. Neff's first engagement was at Chancellorsville; after this battle he was discharged in Washington, D. C., in May, 1863. Going home he resumed work on the farm. In Adams county, December 28, 1865, he was married to Margaret Cordelia, daughter of William Howard. Their children are: Charles Daniel, graduated at Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa., then took a course of music in Boston, and is now teaching music at Albany, Mo.; William Mason, graduated in 1894 at Millersville State Normal School, and is now preparing for the profession of teaching at Franklin and Marshall College; Mary H.; Amelia C.; John Frederick; Paul Howard; and Joseph Huyett, all at home. After marriage Mr. Neff built a house on the old homestead and has resided there ever since. His farm contains 90 acres, but in addition to his own, he cultivates his brother's farm. He is

a Republican; he has served as school director for many years. He is an elder and active worker in the Reformed church at Alexandria, and possesses the confidence and esteem of every one in the community.

WINFIELD SCOTT HUYETT, farmer, of Porter township, Huntingdon county, is a son of John and Anna C. (Harnish) Huyett. His great-grandfather, Louis Huyet (so the name was originally spelled), was born in France, where it is supposed he grew to manhood. On account of religious persecution, he emigrated to Germany, and thence to America. First he settled in Washington county, Md., where he farmed and accumulated a considerable amount of land; he died in that county. John Huyett, son of Louis, succeeded to his property, and grew to manhood on the home farm in Maryland. In 1795, at the age of eighteen, he came to Harts Log valley, Huntingdon county, to take possession of the land, then comparatively a wilderness, which his father had purchased for him directly from William and Thomas Penn. Clearing portions of his extensive estate, he built a log cabin where "Stone Hall" now stands, and close by a large and beautiful spring, which still pours forth in abundance its cool, sweet water. About the year 1797, Mr. Huyett married Elizabeth Grove, who with her brother, Jacob Grove, had lately come from Lancaster county, and to the cabin by the spring he took his bride of seventeen summers. Their home, though humble, soon became a favorite resort for young and old. From Maryland, especially, many young cavaliers and maidens came in parties on horseback up through what was called the "backwoods of Pennsylvania," ostensibly for sport and to visit friends in Huntingdon county, but really to look up homes for themselves upon which to settle after they should be wedded. The Huyett home was the objective point for most of these happy travellers, and tradition says that the cabin was so large that it was never completely filled.

In 1812 "Stone Hall" was built, and in it Mr. and Mrs. Huyett lived until they passed away, he in 1833 and she in 1845. Within its great kitchen, spacious halls, and delightful shades, these children grew up: Mary, wife of Daniel Neff, of Porter township, both deceased; Daniel, never married, died in Ohio;

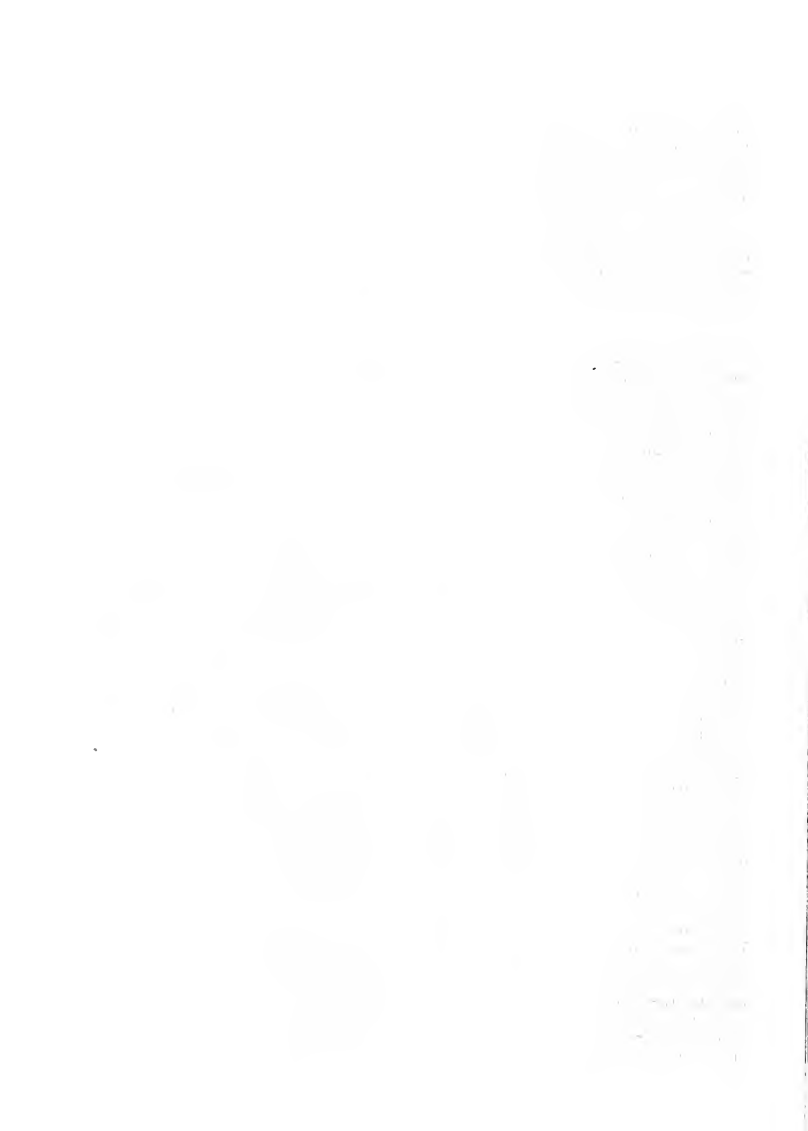
Jacob, married Catharine Piper, both deceased; William, who married Miss Grove, went to Missouri, where both died; John, father of Winfield Scott; Susan, widow of John Neff, residing at Williamsburg, Pa.; Catharine, widow of William Patton, of Washington, D. C., two of whose daughters, Mrs. Carrie Hammel and Mrs. Dr. Richard, are employed in the Pension Bureau at Washington; Joseph, married to Harriet Adams, for many years superintendent of the Insane Asylum at Rock Island City, Ill., also a surgeon in the late war.

Col. John Huyett gained possession of "Stone Hall" and its lands after his father's death, and, with the exception of three years, 1851 to 1853, spent at Neffs Mills, passed all his days at "Stone Hall." His scholastic training was only that of the public schools; but, thanks to the habit of reading, and a good memory, he obtained such an education as fitted him for any position. Except during his residence at Neffs Mills, when the farm was leased, he always gave it personal attention. During the years spent in West township, he was engaged in constructing a railroad. He also had an interest in certain steam saw-mills, on the Raystown branch of the Juniata river, and at Fostoria (the first steam saw-mills in the county), which supplied in large quantities timber for constructing canals and railroads. These enterprises were not always a financial success; sometimes the contractors were heavy losers. His last venture was in the construction of the West Pa. R. R., now a division of the P. R. R. The firm of Huyett & Seeds, one of the heaviest contractors, became insolvent. The contractors lost heavily, the Colonel himself losing over \$80,000. After this he returned to the farm; he was very progressive, and about 1847 was the first to introduce grain reapers into his part of the State. The Colonel was a Whig, and joined the Republican party at its organization. He has filled most of the township offices, and at one time was a candidate for the lower house of the State legislature. On March 25, 1834, he married Anna C., daughter of Samuel and Susanna (Keller) Harnish. Their children were: (1) Samuel Lewis, born November 12, 1836, who, 1849 to 1851, attended school at Williamsport, and who served as book-keeper for Huyett & Seeds, 1853 to 1856. In 1861 he entered the army as cap-



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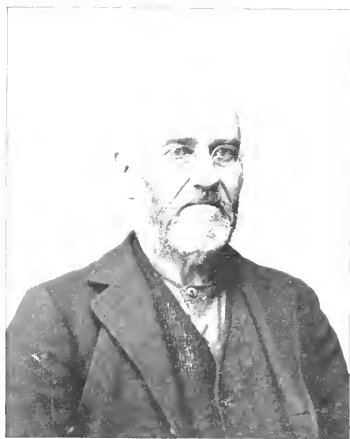
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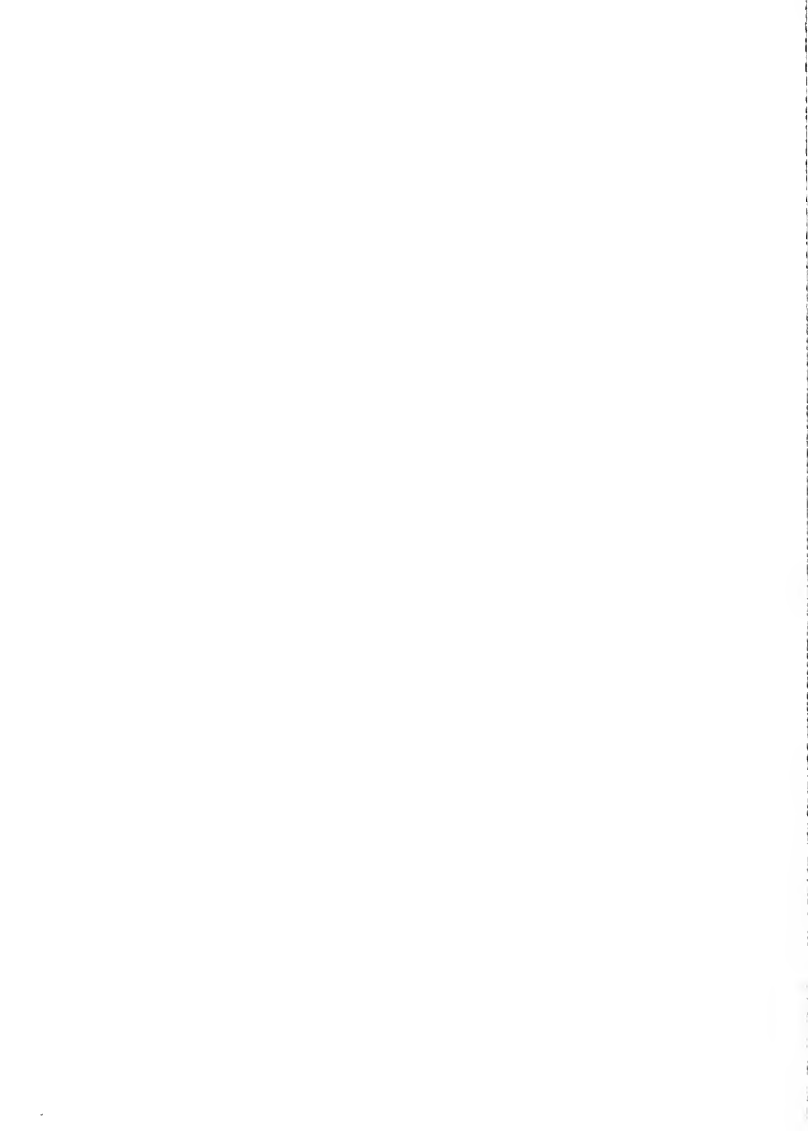
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tain of Company D, One Hundred and Tenth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, but resigned in December, 1862. During the last four years of the war he served consecutively as captain of Companies F and A, of the Nineteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry. During these four years, "Toby," a fine black horse from his father's stables was his inseparable companion. This noble animal carried him through many a hot skirmish, and after traveling over much of Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana and Texas, now lies in one of the lower bayous of the Mississippi river. After the war, the Captain, with four companies of the regiment, was retained in government service in Texas. Returning home in the latter part of 1866, he married Miss Vanetta L. Russell and has one child, Paul Burton. For twenty-one years he was in the service of the P. R. R. Company, running their store at Altoona. He is now in the employ of the Phoenix Oil Company, of Cleveland, traveling most of the time through the south: (2) Caroline, born March 17, 1838, first married to Reuben Oaks, whose children were Mary A. and William, deceased, and now the wife of William A. Whittaker, of Porter township, whose children are: Frederick O.; Wilbur Huyett; Mabel Clare, deceased; and Ralph R.; (3) William H., born February 14, 1839, and died seven days later; (4) Elizabeth H., born December 30, 1840, who is the wife of Rev. A. C. George, a minister of the Reformed church, now of Childs-ville, Bedford county, and the mother of one child, Anna Bessie; (5) Susan, born October 22, 1844, wife of Dr. J. A. Rohrer, of Altoona, Pa., whose children are: Frank A., deceased; Fannie H.; Carrie Maude; Harry, deceased; May; Ralph; and Anna B.; (6) Mary, born November 28, 1845, died December 11 of the same year; (7) Frances N., born August 5, 1847, married to Benjamin Beck, of Chewsville, Washington county, Md., whose children are: Carrie H.; Maude, deceased; Alice M.; and Annie E.; (8) Winfield Scott; (9) Alice M., wife of Jacob C. Neff, of Porter township, and mother of Blanche H.; Mabel H.; Fanny R.; Guy M.; and Maude B.; (10) John S., born February 2, 1857, married to Lydia M. Stryker, and living on a farm in Porter township; (11) William R., born April 3, 1864, and died at Alexandria, Pa.

Winfield Scott Huyett was educated in the common schools of Porter township, and was a student at Mercersburg College in 1868 and 1869. After completing his studies he began farming at home, and at his father's death, which occurred March 12, 1882, obtained possession of "Stone Hall." He married, December 24, 1872, Miss Laura E. Neff. Their children are: Charles A., born October 11, 1874, taught three terms, then prepared at Mercersburg Academy, and entered Franklin and Marshall College in September, 1896, to study for the ministry; Harry A., who died when four years old; Mary, born July 31, 1878, now at home; Anna, born April 11, 1884; Norman, born October 4, 1886; and Ella, born November 16, 1892. Mr. and Mrs. Huyett began housekeeping on the old homestead, where they lived two years; then they resided eight or nine years on a farm owned by his father above the homestead; at the end of that time he purchased the homestead from his mother and has cultivated it ever since. The farm now consists of about 145 acres. Mr. Huyett is an ardent Republican and takes an active part in politics. He has served on the school board for more than twelve years, also as assessor, judge of elections, supervisor—in fact, he has filled every office in the gift of the people of that township. He is a member of the Reformed church at Alexandria, of which he has been a trustee for several years. He is one of the most influential and useful citizens of the township.

CHARLES A. McCauley, M. D., Petersburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born near Mechanicsburg, Cumberland county, Pa., March 9, 1855, and is a son of Rev. Daniel and Hannah (Van Brandt) McCauley. The McCauley family is of Scottish origin. The great-grandparents of Dr. McCauley came to America when his grandfather, Daniel McCauley, was a boy; they settled in Virginia. There Daniel McCauley became an extensive land owner. He married, and had five children. His son, Daniel McCauley, Jr., grew up on his father's estate, received a liberal education, studied theology, and became one of the first clergymen of the Methodist Episcopal church in that section of the country. Rev. Mr. McCauley was highly endowed as to both talent and culture; his learning,

his oratorical powers, and above all, his sterling worth and devotion to principle, made him a noted man, not only in his own denomination, but beyond its limits. He favored the Republican party, and was strongly anti-slavery in sentiment. He was married in Virginia to Hannah Van Brandt, who on the paternal side was descended from an old and well-known New York family, and on the maternal side was a relative of the poet Schiller. Their children are: Catherine (Mrs. T. J. Wright), of Columbia, Pa.; Dr. Charles A.; Henry C., a professor in Harrisburg; Daniel E., bookkeeper at Steelton Iron Works; Franklin E., bookkeeper, of Reading; and two that died in infancy. After officiating for a number of years in different pulpits in Cumberland county, Pa., and in New Jersey, Rev. Daniel McCauley was compelled by an affection of the throat to give up preaching, and all active professional work, and devoted the remainder of his life to literary labor in Lancaster county, Pa., where he died in 1885.

Having been educated in private, public and high schools of Columbia, Pa., Charles A. McCauley had so well improved his opportunities that he was accepted as a teacher while still in his early teens. At the age of fourteen he had already selected his profession, and began reading medicine while teaching school. This course continued until he entered the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania. During the long University vacations, he assisted in hospitals, thus obtaining a thorough practical knowledge of his professional duties. He graduated with honors in the spring of 1887. Dr. McCauley then came to Petersburg, Huntingdon county, and began practise, succeeding Dr. S. Davis. The practise of Dr. McCauley is second to none in the county, extending as it does throughout the valley, and including many patients in the borough of Huntingdon. The Doctor has built for himself the finest brick dwelling in Petersburg. He is well known and much respected in the community, taking an active part in public affairs, especially in educational matters. He is a Republican. He holds membership in the Huntingdon County Medical Society, and in the National and State medical societies, and is also a member of the William Pepper Medical Society of the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Charles A. McCauley was married in

Columbia, Pa., February 22, 1877, to Sarah, daughter of Levi Heidler; she was born in Lancaster county, Pa., and is of German descent. Their children are: Greta W., a pupil in the high school at Petersburg; Guy Z. and Ethel, twins; and Clare M. Dr. McCauley is connected with the Reformed church.

JOHN T. DOPP, Petersburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Petersburg, February 2, 1835. He is a son of Jacob and Sarah E. (Dowler) Dopp. The birthplace of his grandfather, John Dopp, was near the city of Strasburg, in Alsace, then part of Germany. In his boyhood, John Dopp emigrated to America, and as he had no money to pay his passage, his services were sold for one year, to discharge the debt. He had crossed the ocean in a sailing vessel, and landed at Baltimore, from which place he was brought to Huntingdon. After his year's service to the master who had bought him in Huntingdon was over, he undertook driving a team between Pittsburg and Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington, at which he spent several years. He then returned to Huntingdon county, and turned his attention to farming, in which occupation he spent the remainder of his life. Mr. Dopp was a thrifty and hard working man. He belonged to the Democratic party. He married Miss Swisher, born at Hedgerville, Va. She was very fond of reading; was a Presbyterian, while Mr. Dopp was of the Catholic church. Their children were: John; Jacob; Henry; George; Sallie; Rachel; Mary; Nancy; and Joseph. John Dopp died in Huntingdon, Pa.; Mrs. Dopp died near Davenport, Ia., at the age of ninety-four. Two years before her death, her sight was renewed. Jacob, second son of Mr. and Mrs. John Dopp, was fairly well educated in subscription schools. He learned the blacksmith's trade in Indiana county, and set up a smithy at Petersburg, which became his life-long home. He was a good and useful citizen, taking an active part in borough affairs; he was for some time Burgess of Petersburg, and fulfilled his duties so as to give general satisfaction. He was married in 1834; his wife was born near Huntingdon. Their children are: John T.; Bella, wife of Capt. Joseph Johnson, of Petersburg, both deceased; Henry, deceased; Caroline, deceased;

and Mary (Mrs. C. Jurgen), deceased. Jacob Dopp was one of the constituent members of the Methodist Episcopal church, was a faithful and exemplary member, and active in the service of the church, of which he was a trustee. He was also a Sunday-school teacher. He was first a Democrat, but later in life a Republican. He died at Petersburg, October 25, 1887.

After laying an excellent foundation for his education in the common schools of Petersburg, John T. Dopp attended the academy at Shirleysburg for one term; he also enjoyed the instructions of Rev. Mr. Curren, in Petersburg. Mr. Dopp taught school in Huntingdon county for five terms. In 1861, he became clerk for Hunter & Swoope, owners at that time of the Juniata Forge and the Petersburg Flouring Mill. In 1863, he enlisted at Petersburg in Company B, of an "Emergency" regiment, and served until the regiment was disbanded. In October, 1864, he was employed at Petersburg station, P. R. R., as clerk under Mr. Hunter, then station agent for the company. On April 1, 1875, Mr. Dopp succeeded Mr. Hunter as agent, and in the same year, he received the agency for the Adams Express Company; he has ever since continued to fulfill the duties of both positions with promptness and efficiency. Mr. Dopp is a Republican, and is devoted to the spread of reforms. He takes a lively interest in educational matters; has been for some time a member of the school board, and is heartily in favor of compulsory education. He was a borough councilman for several years, and has been for a number of years chief Burgess. During his term of office, the borough has improved, not merely as to size, population and appearance, but in the more important particulars of sobriety and order. Mr. Dopp and other patriotic citizens having succeeded in banishing liquor saloons; this was done some sixteen years ago. In this movement, Mr. Dopp has the credit of being one of the factors. He is a member of the school board.

John T. Dopp was married in Huntingdon in 1863, to Sarah E. Mayer; she had been assistant in Mr. Hall's select school, and afterwards taught in the common schools of the borough of Huntingdon. Their only child is Grace G., wife of George W. Neff, residing at Steelton. Mrs. Dopp died in 1867. In

1871, at Thompsettown, Juniata county, Pa., Mr. Dopp married Josephine C. Sieber, widow of Joseph Funk. Mr. and Mrs. Dopp have two children: Edith; and Bradford B., who was drowned in Shaffers creek June 6, 1878. Mr. Dopp is a member and an office bearer in the Methodist Episcopal church, being a trustee and a member of the building committee. He has long been connected with the Sunday-school, and was for many years its superintendent.

CHARLES CAMPBELL, M. D., Petersburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Waterloo, Juniata county, Pa., October 5, 1859. He is a son of William and Sarah (Short) Campbell. His paternal grandfather was Samuel Campbell, who was of a Scotch family, but born in Ireland. With his parents and his two brothers, Charles and James, he left Ireland in 1820 for New Brunswick, Canada. There the family resided for about eleven years at St. John, Samuel Campbell who was a house painter, working at his trade. He continued in the same business in Philadelphia and in Juniata, to which place the family successively removed. In Juniata county, Mr. Campbell was also for some time engaged in hotel keeping. He was a Democrat. He had a notable talent for music, learning readily to play any kind of instrument. Samuel Campbell was married in New Brunswick to Nancy Junk; their children were: John; James; Washington; William; Margaret and Mary. Mr. Campbell was a member of the Presbyterian church. He died at Waterloo, Pa., in 1841. His son William Campbell received but a limited amount of school training, but with true Scotch perseverance and intellectual ambition, he became a self-educated man. He had Scotch thrift, too; before he was twenty years of age, he had already laid up \$1,000, from work in the windmill business and in an agency for patent rights, by which he made considerable money. He studied dentistry, and practised that profession for twenty-eight years; he is now a silversmith, residing at Shade Gap, Pa. He is a Democrat. William Campbell married Miss Waters, of Waterloo, Pa.; they had three children: Anna; Bruce; and an infant, not named; all are deceased. The mother of these children dying at Waterloo, Mr. Campbell married Sarah Short, a native of that

town, and a daughter of William Short, a farmer. Their children are: Charles; Dora, wife of Rev. William Stephens, M. E. clergyman at New Bloomfield, Perry county, Pa.; Bella, trained nurse, at R. R. hospital, Sayre, Bradford county, Pa.; Albert and Julia, twins; the former is a carpenter; Edna, deceased; and Mabel. Mr. Campbell has filled different township offices; he is a school director, and chief Burgess of Shade Gap. He is a member of the Presbyterian church.

Charles Campbell attended the common school at Shade Gap, and completed his literary training at the academy of the same place. For four terms, one in Juniata and three in Huntingdon county, he taught school. He began reading medicine under the preceptorship of Dr. Jones, of Shade Gap, Pa., studied at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Md., and graduated at the end of a three years' course, in 1882. He then practiced one year at Saltillo, Huntingdon county, and two years at Robertsdale, where he had a good practice for the Coal Co. He then practiced two years at Dalton, Ga., but the climate not being favorable for him, he came north, and in 1889, took up his residence at Petersburg, succeeding Dr. H. C. McCarthy. He compounds and dispenses his own medicine. Dr. Campbell is a member of the State Medical Society, of Pennsylvania, and of the American Medical Association. He is a Democrat. He has a delightful home, a dwelling which he has remodeled, which is fully heated by steam and is well supplied with other conveniences.

Dr. Charles Campbell was married September 27, 1883, at McCoysville, Juniata county, Pa., to Mary E., daughter of Rev. John McGill, minister of the United Presbyterian church at McCoysville, Mrs. Campbell's native place. Their children are: Edna, at school; Guy; and Raymond. Dr. Campbell is an active member of the Presbyterian church; takes a deep interest in church music, and in quite a variety of piano and other instrumental music.

HENRY RUDY, Petersburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Barree township, Huntingdon county, July 10, 1825, son of George and Isabella (Ewing) Rudy. His paternal great-grandfather was German by birth; the grandfather, George Rudy the

elder, was born in York county, Pa. He was a farmer, first in his native county, afterward in Barree township, Huntingdon county, where he purchased 200 acres of land, all in timber. With the help of his family, he cleared it all, and built upon his farm a stone dwelling and a barn. He tilled the land and raised stock. George Rudy, Sr., took part in the Revolution, being for seven years in the Continental army. He married in York county. His children were: Jacob; John; Jonas; Henry; George; Samuel; Elizabeth; Catherine; Barbara; Mary; and Margaret. George Rudy, Sr., belonged to the old Whig party. He was a member of the Lutheran church. He died in Barree township in 1833. His fifth son, George Rudy, Jr., after receiving a rather limited education in subscription schools, learned the trade of a blacksmith with his brother, Jacob Rudy. He carried on this business all his life, besides farming fifty acres in Barree township, raising stock, etc. Like his father, he adhered to the Whig party, and held his membership in the Lutheran church. His wife, Isabella Ewing, was a daughter of John Ewing, a soldier under General Washington in the Revolution. Their children are: Mary A., deceased, wife of Dewalt Slippy; Elizabeth, died young; Henry; John, served in the war of the Rebellion, and died several years after the close of the war in Ohio; Barbara, wife of Samuel K. Wharton, blacksmith, of Petersburg, Pa.; Martha (Mrs. Alexander Slippy), deceased; George, deceased; Elizabeth; Isabella (Mrs. David Bracker), of Indiana; and Sarah (Mrs. James Neil), of Huntingdon, Pa. George Rudy died in Barree township in 1842. His wife died in 1845. Mr. Rudy was a noted hunter; many a deer and bear fell by his unerring aim; many a wild turkey of his shooting—to say nothing of smaller game—helped to furnish the family larder. Henry Rudy's maternal grandmother was the Miss Elizabeth McCornick, whom the Indians captured in 1782, during the last days of the Revolution, after hostilities had ceased. Her father's residence, near which she was taken, was in the vicinity of the present site of Neff's Mills. It was three years before Mr. McCornick succeeded in finding his daughter, and bringing her home.

Henry Rudy attended subscription and public schools in Barree township. He was brought up on a farm, and learned the black-

smith trade from his father. He carried on that business first in Barree township, until he was twenty-four years old; then successively in Blair county for one year, in Centre county for seven years; near Neffs Mills, in Huntingdon county, for one year; at Monroe Furnace for one year; at Massey'sburg, Barree township, for seven years, and at Shavers Creek bridge, West township, for three years. Mr. Rudy came to his present place of residence in Logan township, in 1868; built a shop and dwelling at a cost of over \$2,500, with a barn and other improvements, costing \$600 additional. He does wood work besides the labor of the forge, and is successful in both branches of his business. Mr. Rudy has well merited his present prosperity, having begun as a poor boy, obliged after the death of his father to contribute to the maintenance of the family, besides supporting himself. He has faithfully performed his duty, and won success by his energy and his sensible and honorable management. He has been justice of the peace for twenty years, elected on the Republican ticket, and was tax collector for twelve years.

Henry Rudy was married in Barree township in 1843, to Margaret J., daughter of Matthew Gilliland, a stone mason of that township, of Scotch-Irish descent. Mrs. Rudy was born in Barree township in 1827. Their children are: Rebecca; Isabella (Mrs. Samuel Steel), of Huntingdon, Pa.; William, deceased; George, deceased; Samuel, county superintendent of common schools; Matthew, lumber merchant; Margaret, died young; Ida C.; Elizabeth, died young; Annie M. (Mrs. James Weir), of Tyrono, Pa.; an infant, not named. Mr. Rudy is a member of the Presbyterian church.

CHRISTOPHER DEAL, Petersburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Saxony, Germany, in January, 1841. His parents were Hieronymus and Catherine (Harvey) Deal, natives of Saxony, where the father was a farmer. In 1843, he embarked with his family on a sailing vessel, bound for Baltimore, Md., where they arrived after a voyage of seven weeks. From Baltimore, Hieronymus Deal came to Huntingdon, arriving on a tug boat; he took up his residence at Petersburg, where, having nothing to depend upon, no resources for the maintenance of his family

but his own labor, he rented an old house, and made his living for one winter by chopping wood and laboring on the forges of the iron works. Having by careful economy saved some money, Mr. Deal rented the Norris farm in Walker township, cultivated it for two years, then cultivated the Hance farm at McConnellstown for nine years, then the Creswell farm, near Petersburg, for three years. He now purchased fifty-five acres near McConnellstown, and settling down on his hard earned land, passed the remainder of his life in cultivating it and keeping a hotel in McConnellstown. His children are: Christopher; Stephen, residing with his elder brother; Catharine, wife of John Bardo, both deceased; and Maria. Mr. Deal was a Democrat, but of liberal views as to politics. He belonged to the Lutheran church, a man of sturdy industry and perseverance, honest and upright in his dealings. He died in May, 1887; his wife survived him for three years, dying at the house of her son Christopher in April, 1890.

After a few terms in the common school, Christopher Deal began at nine years of age to work as a farm laborer, both for his father and for neighboring farmers. He also served as team driver; by these occupations he maintained himself until 1868, when he removed to a farm which he had rented in Porter township, near Barree. There he spent twenty-one years, farming and raising stock. He purchased his present place, 115 acres, in Logan township, in 1881, which property he has improved, and cultivated it for the past sixteen years. The course of well-directed and successful effort just described suffered a short interruption in 1862, when Mr. Deal enlisted in Huntingdon in Company A, One Hundred and Forty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, Captain Campbell; he was in the battle of Culpeper Court House, Va., but was principally on guard duty, during his three months' term of service. Having at the end of that time received an honorable discharge, Mr. Deal returned to his home and continued in his vocation. He owns besides his homestead a farm now cultivated by his son-in-law, which he bought from John Frazer for \$5,000. Mr. Deal has been a diligent worker, and has met with much success. His operations in live stock have been generally prosperous; he has eleven acres of pasture land,

on which may be seen superior breeds of cattle, and he buys and sells with care and good judgment. In politics, Mr. Deal's sentiments are liberal.

Christopher Deal was first married in Tyronne, Pa., in October, 1867, to Barbara, daughter of Martin Geisler, a native of Germany, in railroad employ. Mrs. Deal was born in Porter township. The children of this marriage are: Elizabeth (Mrs. George Pheasant); Ammie, died young; Clara (Mrs. Henry Gross), of Porter township; and Emma (Mrs. Christian Rusler), of Logan township. Mrs. Barbara Deal died in 1877. Mr. Deal was again married, to Sophia N., daughter of Harman and Elizabeth (McDonald) Gross; she was born March 6, 1838, at Shavers Creek, Huntingdon county. Her father was a native of Germany, a farmer and miller; Mrs. Gross was of Scotch-Irish descent. The children of the second marriage are: George B., on the homestead; Alice; Abbie; Ellie; Florence; Kate; Maggie; Christopher H., who died young; and Olive N. Mr. Deal and wife are members of the Lutheran church.

GEORGE P. WAKEFIELD, Petersburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, October 16, 1826, son of Eli and Elizabeth (Way) Wakefield. George Wakefield, father of Eli, and grandfather of George P. Wakefield, was a Pennsylvanian by birth, descended from an English family, and was a farmer in Mifflin county, Pa. He was of the old Whig party. He was married near Philadelphia to Miss Passmore, one of a family widely spread and much respected in that part of the State. Their children are: John; Augustus; Rebecca; Eli; and George. Mr. and Mrs. George Wakefield both died in Mifflin county. Eli Wakefield received a common school education, and became a farmer and raiser of stock. In 1822 he removed to Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, where he tilled his farm of 300 acres, and operated extensively in stock. Selling out in 1840, Eli Wakefield removed again, to Brady township, to a farm of 20 acres, which he improved, and on which he resided and carried on the business of his vocation for the remainder of his life. Originally a Whig, he became later in life a Republican. His wife, Eliza-

beth Way, was of Welsh descent, a native of Centre county, Pa. Their children are: Martha (Mrs. John Rupert); Jane, widow of Samuel Metz, of Brady township; George P.; Caleb, of Philadelphia, Pa.; Ann (Mrs. James Huey); Mary (Mrs. Abraham Myers); Robert M., of Shirley township; John Bennett, deceased; Rebecca, deceased, wife of John Goodman, of Brady township. Eli Wakefield was an excellent man, and was greatly respected. He belonged to the Society of Friends. He and his good wife both died on the homestead in Brady township.

After finishing his education in the common schools of Brady township, George P. Wakefield, who was the eldest son of this family, resided with and assisted his father on the homestead until he was twenty-six. Then, being newly married, he made a home for himself and his wife by renting a farm in Brady township, which he cultivated for two years. He then rented another farm in Mifflin county, which he occupied and cultivated for two years; then another, of 140 acres, in Logan township, Huntingdon county, upon which he remained for thirteen years. Mr. Wakefield then bought his present farm of 75 acres. This he improved by remodeling the dwelling, building barns and adding other conveniences. Here he has since been engaged in agriculture and stock breeding. He owns besides 194 acres of land near his home farm, and some 38 acres in timber. He has enjoyed a good measure of success in his undertakings. That he possesses the confidence and respect of his neighbors is evidenced by the number of offices to which he has been elected. Mr. Wakefield is a Democrat, and takes a lively interest in public affairs. He has been a school director for six years; assessor for four years; being the first assessor elected in his township for a term of three years; supervisor for one year; tax collector and auditor.

George P. Wakefield was married December 18, 1851, in Brady township, to Frances, daughter of John Metz, M. D., of that township, an old and well-known physician, in extensive practise. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Wakefield are: May F. (Mrs. Joseph F. Creswell), her husband a merchant of Petersburg; George M., farmer; Keyser M., farmer; Heister C., farmer; Samuel H., on the farm; John, deceased; Harry M., deceased, and one that died in infancy. Mr. Wakefield is a mem-

ber of the Lutheran church, active and useful. He has been deacon, and is now in the eldership. He also has been a teacher in the Sunday-school.

WILLIAM L. ARMSTRONG, Petersburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Logan, then a part of West township, June 11, 1850, son of Thomas and Jane (Robison) Armstrong. William Armstrong, grandfather of William L., was of Scotch-Irish descent, but was also a native of West township. He was a farmer and stock-raiser, owning and cultivating 113 acres of land. He married in the same township, and had several children. William Armstrong was a Democrat, and a member of the Presbyterian church. He died near the homestead. His son, Thomas Armstrong, was educated in the common schools, and grew up as his father's assistant on the home farm. He continued working the same farm until 1870, when he sold out and went to Wisconsin, where he bought a farm and spent the remainder of his life. Thomas Armstrong was a man of good judgment, and was respected for his many excellent qualities. He was a Democrat. He married Jane, daughter of John Robison, who was of Scotch-Irish descent, a laboring man. The children of this marriage are: William L.; Hazeline (Mrs. Samuel Roseberry), of Sinking valley; Thomas E., residing in Wisconsin; David; Benjamin; Asher P.; Rachel P.; and Solima, who died in infancy.

William L. Armstrong attended the common schools at Shavers Creek during the winter sessions, and worked on the farm with his father in summer. He was ambitious, and by his own efforts, gave himself an education much beyond his opportunities. He made himself acceptable as a teacher, and taught school for several terms. At the end of that time Mr. Armstrong bought a farm of 140 acres, which he cultivated for five years. Then he sold that farm and bought 265 acres, known as the Davis farm, upon which he made improvements, adding various conveniences. Here he has since devoted his attention to farming and raising stock. Mr. Armstrong's present prosperity is well merited, being the outcome of his own thrift, perseverance and good business qualities. He began life without a dollar, and has diligently worked his way to a comfortable and respected position.

He is a Democrat; takes an interest in public affairs generally, and has served his township as assessor and supervisor of roads.

William L. Armstrong was first married in 1878, in West township, to Margaret K., daughter of George Wilson, farmer, of West township. Their children were: Jennie B., and one that died in infancy; Mrs. Margaret Armstrong dying on the homestead in 1888. Mr. Armstrong married Agnes E., daughter of Patrick Gettiss, farmer, of Barree township, a lady of Scotch-Irish ancestry. Mr. Armstrong is a faithful and active member of the Presbyterian church, teaching in the Sunday-school and serving his congregation as elder. He has been for several years in the eldership, and during that time has enjoyed opportunities for serving the interests of the church at large, as a delegate to presbyteries and synod.

SAMUEL PORTER, Petersburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Logan township, at that time included in West township, March 24, 1830. He is a son of James and Susan (Borst) Porter. William Porter, his grandfather, was born in Pennsylvania, of Irish and Scotch parentage. In 1765 he bought the farm originally owned by William Maclay, whose deed for the land was signed by William Penn. It was a tract of 220 acres, which Mr. Porter cleared, and on which he built a log house and barn, and resided there until his death. He belonged to the Democratic party. William Porter married in Logan township, and had seven children: Joseph; John; William; James; Rebecca; Nancy, and one whose name has not been preserved. His eldest son, Joseph, and probably also the second, John, took part in the war of 1812. Both grandparents died on the homestead. They were Presbyterians. James Porter, their son, and his father's helper on the farm, was a pupil in the old log school-house nearby, where he learned thoroughly and well the foundation branches of education, reading and writing. After acquiring a good knowledge of farming processes on the homestead, he undertook the cultivation of 50 acres on his own account. He had besides 50 acres of timber land, on which he built a house and a barn. In 1843 he sold out these properties and bought the homestead of 220 acres, the place on which he was born, and on which his son Samuel now resides. Here he erected farm

buildings and made other improvements, and devoted the remainder of his life to farming and raising stock in that place. James Porter adhered to the Democratic party. He was actively interested in township business. He strongly advocated the introduction of the free school system, and did everything in his power to promote the cause of education. Mr. Porter was a man of large figure, strong and an efficient worker. He had many friends in the township. He was married in West township to Susan, daughter of Bernhart Forst, a German by birth, who settled in West township, in the latter part of the eighteenth century. The children of this marriage are: Mary, deceased, wife of William Stewart, of Logan township; William Y., deceased, resided in Illinois; Jacob, carpenter and farmer, deceased; Sarah, deceased, wife of Jesse Henry, carpenter; Susanna, second wife, and now widow of Jesse Henry; James, deceased; George, deceased; Jane, deceased, wife of Daniel Longenecker, and Samuel. Mrs. Porter died on the homestead in May, 1859, and her husband in February, 1862. Mr. Porter was an elder in the Presbyterian church, always interested in church matters, and ready for any service in his power.

Samuel Porter attended the Johnson school, the first public school established in Logan township. He attended during the winter sessions, and learned farming by diligent practice during the summer. For any deficiency in his opportunities for education, he has very largely made up by his own study and reading. He has given his life to the all-important work of tilling the ground. At twenty-two years of age, he rented a farm of 50 acres, to which he removed from the homestead, and which he cultivated for eight years. Then, after spending two more years on the homestead, Mr. Porter, in connection with his brother James, bought a farm of 131 acres, which they improved and cultivated it for fourteen years. During this time, James Porter died, and Samuel Porter relinquished the farm to his brother's children. He now bought the homestead which had been in the Porter family for 131 years, built upon it a pleasant and convenient dwelling, costing about \$1,200, and otherwise improved the place. Mr. Porter has given especial attention to the breeding of superior blooded horses and cattle. His politics are Demo-

cratic. He has been assessor, supervisor and judge of election for Logan township. For three years he was a school director. He is a friend of the compulsory education law.

Samuel Porter was married in September, 1862, in West township, to Peninnah M., daughter of Robert and Hannah (Spencer) Armstrong. Mrs. Porter was born in West township, October 19, 1835; her father is a farmer, and both parents are of Irish descent. The only child of Mr. and Mrs. Porter is William M., born September 15, 1863. He was educated in the common schools and at the State College, Centre county, Pa., from which he graduated in civil engineering. In 1888 he assisted in laying out the railroad on Pike's Peak. He is now in Colorado. Samuel Porter is a member of the Presbyterian church, and is on its board of trustees. He is a man of influence, and is genial and companionable.

JONATHAN WALL, deceased, Petersburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born on the homestead in Logan township, July 28, 1828, son of John and Catherine (Stover) Wall. The Wall family is of English descent; John Wall, Sr., grandfather of Jonathan Wall, was a farmer near York, Pa. He brought his family and three horses to Logan township, Huntingdon county, where he bought a farm of 240 acres, and afterwards another tract of some 260 acres, so that he owned 500 acres or more, of which he cleared a large portion. He was an active man, full of energy, and capable of taking all kinds of business in hand. He built a log house for his family, and a barn. Later, he erected dwellings of frame and of stone. He was a farmer, distiller and cooper and was fairly successful. Mr. Wall belonged to the old line Whig party. He was married in the town of York, and had the following children: John; Jacob; Isaac; Arthur; Joseph; Eli; Elizabeth; Polly; Sarah; and Rebecca. Mr. Wall was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He and his wife both died in Logan, then West township. Their eldest son was John Wall, who was born in York county, Pa. He received a common school education and learned farming on the homestead. His own farm, which he cultivated until in the course of years he retired from business, was a tract of 108 acres, improved by himself. He built a dwelling and barn, and added other conveniences. On his

retirement, he removed to Birmingham, where both he and his wife died. Mrs. John Wall, whose maiden name was Catherine Stover, was born in West township, in the part now included in Logan township. Their children are: Jonathan, deceased; Samuel, deceased; Maria; Catherine (Mrs. William Schofield), of Birmingham, Pa.; Mary (Mrs. Crane); Rebecca, deceased, wife of David Garner, and two that died in early childhood. Mr. Wall first adhered to the Whig and afterward to the Republican party. He was a member of the Presbyterian church. Both he and his wife died in Birmingham.

The eldest son of their family, Jonathan Wall, Jr., attended the common school, and grew up on his father's homestead, where he always resided. After his father's removal to Birmingham, he took entire charge of the farm, and cultivated it up to a short time before his death. He improved the land and raised good stock. He was at one time supervisor of roads for the township. He was a Republican. Mr. Wall served his country in war as well as in peace. In March, 1865, he was drafted into the U. S. army, and assigned to Company K, Eighty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers. He was kept on guard duty during most of the three months that he was in the service. He was also in a company of the State Militia that was quartered at Chambersburg, Pa., and in Maryland. Receiving at the end of his time an honorable discharge, he returned to his family and the labors of his farm. Mr. Wall was a kindly and companionable man, could enjoy a hearty laugh, looked on the bright side of life generally, and liked to see those around him cheerful. He died February 11, 1897, after a very brief illness.

Jonathan Wall was married in 1856, in his native township, to Lavinia Shuck, born in West township. Their children are: John M., farmer, of Logan township; Mary (Mrs. Lewis Sanks), of Huntingdon, Pa.; Samuel, residing on the homestead; and three that died in infancy. Mr. Wall attended the Presbyterian church.

JAMES DICKEY, Petersburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Shavers Creek, Huntingdon county, March 20, 1837, son of William and Rachel (Selfridge) Dickey. His paternal grandfather, whose name he bears,

was a native of this county, of Scotch-Irish descent, and a farmer and stock raiser of West township. The elder James Dickey was an industrious worker, but a kindly and social man, liked and respected by his acquaintances. His political opinions were Democratic. He was a member of the Presbyterian church. He married Miss Christy, of Jackson township; their children are: William; James; John; Margaret; Jane; Susan; and Elizabeth. Mr. Dickey died in Barree, and Mrs. Dickey in West township. William Dickey was their eldest son, born in Barree township in 1812. He received in subscription and public schools an education which was very good for that early time. He was a farmer, working for different persons until he rented a farm, and engaged in tilling the land and raising stock on his own account. His political views were Democratic. William Dickey was twice married. His first wife, Rachel Selfridge, was born in West township. Their children were: James; Susan (Mrs. James Harleman), of Clinton county, Pa.; Sarah E. (Mrs. John Brown), of Green county, Wis.; and two that died in infancy. Mrs. Rachel Dickey died in Barree township. Mr. Dickey's second marriage was with Mary, widow of James Carmon, of Logan township; their only child is Mary (Mrs. Robert McCann). William Dickey was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and was faithful to his duties in the church and in the community; he was well and widely known, and as widely respected. In middle age, he fell into ill health; he died in Lock Haven, Pa., while on a visit.

The eldest of the family, James Dickey, grew up as his father's assistant in the work of the farm. He was educated in the public schools. At the age of fourteen, he undertook to learn shoe-making, and devoted fourteen months to that trade; but at the end of that time, he gave it up, and resumed work with his father, which he continued until he reached the age of twenty-six. He then rented a farm in West township and cultivated it for three years; then removed, first to Centre county, Pa., and spent three years on a farm; then to Buffalo county, Wis., bought 120 acres of land, and spent two years there; then returned to Jackson, now Miller, township, rented a farm and lived upon it eleven years; then bought a small farm in Logan

township, and stayed there one year. At the end of this time Mr. Dickey sold this last farm, and the one in Wisconsin, and purchased another farm in Logan township, containing 137 acres; in 1884 he improved the place, and has ever since made it his home. Beginning life without resources, Mr. Dickey has acquired a competence, and attained to a high standing in the community by his own diligence, sound judgment and upright conduct. He is regarded with confidence by those who know him; he has been elected to serve as supervisor for two terms, and in the school board for three years. He is a Democrat. Mr. Dickey belongs to the Grange, P. of H., of Petersburg, Pa. He was drafted for the army during the war of the Rebellion, but rejected on account of ill health.

James Dickey was married in Jackson township, January 29, 1861, to Rebecca, daughter of Martin and Mary (Gable) Or lady, born at Warriors Mark. Mrs. Dickey is the sister of Dr. Or lady, and aunt of Judge Or lady, of Huntingdon. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Dickey are: Catherine N. (Mrs. J. J. Borst), of West township; and Mary E. (Mrs. Keyser M. Wakefield). Mr. Dickey is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, as are also his wife and daughters.

DAVID McKENDREE OAKS, Petersburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Jackson township, Huntingdon county, June 9, 1849, son of James S. and Mary (Miller) Oaks. He belongs to the third generation born in America; his great-grandfather, John Oaks, came from Ireland, where his family, who were of Scotch origin, had settled. He came to this country, and chose a spot near Shavers Creek, Huntingdon county, as his residence, some time before the Revolution. He was already married, and brought his wife and family with him. He cleared a tract of land which he had taken up in Barree township, but removed later to Jackson township, where he built himself a house, and where he lived for the rest of his life. His son, the younger John Oaks, was also a farmer of Jackson township, cultivating over 500 acres of land and raising stock. In his early manhood he was a Whig, but afterwards became a Republican. He took a warm interest in the affairs of the township, and in the promotion of order and good living; he was a

decided advocate of temperance. He was a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married Jane Stewart, a native of Standing Stone valley, of Scotch-Irish descent. Their children are: William A., deceased, was the father of ex-Sheriff Oaks, of Huntingdon county; James S.; and Sarah S., wife of Rev. W. R. Mills, a Methodist Episcopal clergyman, both deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Oaks both died on the homestead in Jackson township.

James S. Oaks was well educated in subscription and in public schools; whatever deficiencies there may have been in the advantages offered by the schools were largely made up by his own desire for knowledge and delight in reading. His youth and early manhood were passed on the homestead. At the age of twenty-one, Mr. Oaks began business for himself on a farm belonging to his father, where he remained until 1875. In that year, he removed to Petersburg, and lived there for several years. He bought his farm in Logan township in 1873; it contained 118 acres. Mr. Oaks was a Republican. He was well known and highly respected in his own and the other townships of the county. He held at various times all the township offices, his judgment and his integrity being past question. He was esteemed as a school director; he took a wide interest in educational matters. Mr. Oaks was remarkable as one whose spirit and energy enabled him to overcome many difficulties, among which was the great drawback of ill health. He was married in Standing Stone valley, December 31, 1845, to Mary Miller, born in that valley June 6, 1820. Her father was David Miller, farmer of Standing Stone valley. Their surviving children are: John H., farmer, of Jackson township, married to Emma A. Smith, has six children: David McK.; William A., on the homestead; Mary V., at home; and Elizabeth W., at home. Mr. Oaks died June 29, 1883; his wife still survives him.

David McKendree Oaks attended the public schools of Jackson township during the winter sessions of five months, finishing his school studies with a term at an academy in Millin county. He began at an early age to work on the farm, and has continued in that business all his life. He has superintended the cultivation of the homestead since 1883, has made improvements, and given attention

to raising good stock. Mr. Oaks is a Republican. He is well regarded in the township, and has served as assessor and as tax collector. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

SAMUEL D. LONGENECKER, Petersburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Shavers Creek, March 18, 1857, son of Henry and Maria (Yocum) Longenecker. His grandfather, also named Henry Longenecker, was a farmer and blacksmith who came to Shavers Creek from his native county, Dauphin. He passed the remainder of his life in Logan township, where both he and his wife died. Henry Longenecker, Jr., was born at Shavers Creek. He has been all his life a laboring man; he now resides at Cottage, Huntingdon county. His wife, Maria Yocum, was also a native of Shavers Creek, where she died in 1888. Their children are: Jacob, farmer, of Logan township; Samuel D.; William, deceased; Nancy, deceased, wife of Frank Archey; Miles, of Logan township; David, lawyer, of Jackson township; and Martha. Mr. Longenecker is a Democrat. He is a member of the Presbyterian church.

Only the advantages of the common school fell to the lot of Samuel D. Longenecker, which, however, he has well supplemented by observation and reading, earning the name of being "self-educated." At sixteen years of age he was a farm laborer, receiving twelve dollars per month; after working in this way for five years, Mr. Longenecker learned the business of a blacksmith, and followed that vocation for two years; he then conducted a saw-mill for P. H. Shurz for one year, and afterward worked for John Bulick in the lumber business, for three years; then for ex-Sheriff Irvin for five years. During his engagement at the saw-mill he had the misfortune to lose a finger in running the machinery. After leaving Mr. Irvin, Mr. Longenecker was for three years foreman of the planing and shingle mill of D. Gring & Co., after which, in 1892, he went into business for himself. Purchasing an engine and a threshing outfit, he began the manufacture of lumber of all kinds, and attends to threshing. Being a diligent business man, honorable and trustworthy, as well as popular among his neighbors for his genial manners, Mr. Longe-

necker is succeeding well. His politics are Democratic.

Samuel D. Longenecker was married in Logan township, in 1884, to Elmira, daughter of Thomas Yarnall, deceased; he was a farmer of Centre county, Pa., where Mrs. Longenecker was born. The children of this marriage are: Blanche M., born August 7, 1887; and Marian V., born February 14, 1892. Mr. Longenecker is a member of the Presbyterian church.

DAVID BARRICK, Petersburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born near Newville, Cumberland county, Pa., November 19, 1809, son of Henry and Mary (Naylor) Barrick. The Barrick family originated in Holland; they settled as immigrants in Maryland, long enough ago to be classed among the "good old stock" of that State; they always held a responsible position in the community. Henry Barrick is supposed to have been born in Maryland, but grew up and was educated in Huntingdon county. He learned the blacksmith's trade in Woodcock valley, near Huntingdon, and followed that calling in Huntingdon and afterwards in Cumberland county, where he married, and resided for several years. Then he kept a store for some time in Concord, Franklin county, Pa.; this was during the war of 1812, in which he was for a time engaged as a soldier. He next had a store and a tan-yard at Newton Hamilton, Pa. In 1831, Mr. Barrick removed to another part of the valley, bought and improved a farm, and there passed the rest of his life. He married Mary (Naylor) Weigel, a widow, of York, Pa.; she had four children by her first marriage. The children of Henry Barrick are: David; William, a farmer, deceased; Mary A., deceased, wife of John Keil; John, farmer, resides at Licking, O.; Elizabeth, deceased, wife of John Rusler. Mr. Barrick was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His politics were Democratic. Both he and Mrs. Barrick died in Mifflin county, Pa.

Recalling his boyhood days, David Barrick describes the school-house where he was educated as a log building with a greased paper as a substitute for glass in the windows; the only school books a spelling book and an arithmetic—a no reader. The sessions were limited to the winter months, and, it being a "subscription school," each pupil paid the

teacher two dollars per quarter for his instructions. When a half-grown boy, David Barriek assisted his father in the tannery by grinding bark. He also worked for him on the farm, and continued to do so up to the age of twenty-two. Then Mr. Barriek began business in a tanyard of his own, at Hollidaysburg, Blair county. He was succeeding well, and had a plant which, with its contents, was valued at more than \$2,000. This was entirely swept away by the flood of June 18, 1838. But this loss was as nothing to the far greater and sadder loss of his wife and their two little children, who were carried away with the property, and drowned. Mr. Barriek sold out his interest and what remained of his property, and removing to Shavers Creek Manor, Huntingdon county, where he kept a store for four years with fair success. But his health suffering from confinement to the store, he sold it, and bought a farm of 500 acres in West township, on which he resided for twenty-five years, building two fine dwellings and making many other improvements. He farmed extensively there, raising the largest crops in the valley. In 1872, Mr. Barriek sold his farm, bought a handsome brick dwelling and two lots in Petersburg for \$4,000; he has ever since resided there, enjoying well earned leisure and repose. He is energetic and progressive, interested in the improvement and general welfare of the community, especially in educational affairs; he has been in the school board, besides holding other offices; he was a candidate for the State legislature at one time, but was defeated. Mr. Barriek is a public-spirited and useful citizen.

David Barriek's first wife, to whom he was married in November, 1833, in Mifflin county, near Lewistown, was Mary Kyle, a native of that county; their children, who were drowned with their mother, at Hollidaysburg, Pa., were: Jane A.; and James N. Mr. Barriek's second marriage took place at Shavers Creek, in 1841. His wife is Eliza J., daughter of William Myton, born in September, 1820. Their children are: Jane A., deceased, wife of John M. Johnson, farmer, of Barree township; David H., residing at present in Florida; Wilbur, died young; William M., dealer in horses, residing in New York City; and Elsie O., who died young.

ABRAHAM GRAFFIUS, Petersburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born on the Raystown Branch, near Huntingdon, Pa., February 28, 1828, son of Abraham and Catharine (Rough) Graffius. The Graffius family had its origin in Switzerland. This family is noted in the county, as being widely spread, and extensively intermarried with others of the most extensive and most respected families. John Graffius, father of the elder and grandfather of the younger Abraham Graffius, was one of a large family of brothers and sisters, of whom a part, at least, seem to have been born in the fatherland, but all married and had families in America. John Graffius married Miss Correll, of York, Pa., and had eight children, of whom Abraham was the fourth. John Graffius died January 1, 1826. Abraham, his son, rented his father's farm on the Raystown Branch, cultivated it and raised stock. His wife Catharine, daughter of Henry Rough, was born in Woodcock valley, and married there. Her father was a carpenter. The only child of this union was the son, Abraham Graffius, Jr. The father died in May, 1830. Mrs. Graffius afterwards married John Aurandt, of Canoe valley, Blair county, Pa., and had two children: Josiah, coal miner; and Rachel, deceased, wife of John Carothers. Mrs. Aurandt died in Blair county, April 17, 1862. She was a member of the Reformed church.

Abraham Graffius, the younger, attended public school and subscription schools in Catharine township, Blair county. He was brought up by his grandfather, Henry Rough, and remained with him until he was fourteen; then he worked on a farm in Catharine township as a laborer, and made his living by work of this kind until he attained the age of thirty. Having saved a small sum of money, he now, in 1860, rented a farm in Yellow Springs, Blair county, for three years; then for two years more kept a hotel in the same county, near the Juniata river; and for two years he farmed and kept a hotel in Water Street, Huntingdon county. In 1867, he bought the Petersburg Hotel, for \$4,500, and has ever since conducted that house, with the addition of a lively stable. Offering good accommodations, and making every effort to please the public, Mr. Graffius is very successful in his business. His genial and courteous manner

assures his guests of their welcome. Mr. Graffius has been much in demand for public service; he has been supervisor, tax collector and assessor; was a member of the borough council for three years, and chief Burgess for two terms. He is a Republican.

Abraham Graffius was married in 1850, at Yellow Springs, Blair county, to Rachel Sisler, born in Catharine township, Blair county, in 1830. Their children are: Margaretta K., deceased; Jennie; Sisler P., residing at Petersburg; Clara C. (Mrs. Gilbert Neff), of Logan township; and Hiram P., who read law with George P. Orady, Esq., of Huntingdon, was admitted to the bar in 1885, and is now practising in Altoona, Pa. Mr. Graffius and his family attend the Lutheran church.

JOHN GRAFFIUS, Petersburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in the valley of Shavers Creek, August 18, 1815. He is a son of Martin and Margaret (McGuire) Graffius. Nicholas Martin Graffius, founder of the family in America, and great-grandfather of John Graffius, emigrated with his family from his native province in continental Europe, in 1750, and settled in York, Pa. The family was of the Huguenot faith. After a residence of twenty years in York, they removed to the spot then called Standing Stone, Bedford county, but now within the borough of Huntingdon. Here Nicholas Martin Graffius died. His eldest son, Nicholas, was not more than a boy when he came to this country. When Nicholas reached manhood, he married Elizabeth Correll, of York, who was of German descent, and fixed his residence on the Juniata river, within the present limits of Porter township. He had bought 300 acres of land, to which he came in the spring; with split rails he made a sort of pen in which to live during the summer. By the time winter came he had built a small log cabin with clapboards for a door, holes in the walls for windows, and one in the roof for a chimney. Mr. Graffius cleared his land, and farmed it for eight or ten years. Then, the Indians becoming troublesome, the family was obliged to remove to Maryland. A year later they returned to their primitive homestead in one of the first wagons ever brought into this region. Soon after, Mr. Graffius sold his land in Porter township and bought 240 acres on Shavers Creek, now in West township. On this prop-

erty he built a small log house which, in the course of a few years, had to give place to a larger one—the last house in which its builder lived. He cleared a great portion of his land, raised stock, besides cultivating it, and was something of a hunter besides. He added a distillery to his other industries. Mr. Graffius was a Whig. His children were: Catherine; Mary; Jacob; Margaret; Martin; Abraham; Susanna; Elizabeth; Esther; Charlotte; Lydia; and five that died in early childhood. Nicholas Graffius died in West township, August 22, 1822; his wife died January 23, 1843.

Martin, son of Nicholas Graffius, attended subscription schools which were as homely as the rough but healthy life of this pioneer family. But primitive as his surroundings doubtless were, he learned to read and write well. He was a farmer and distiller; owned and cultivated over 200 acres in what is now Henderson township, and was also a stock raiser. He built himself a house and a barn. Mr. Graffius was a Whig; he cast his first presidential vote for Thomas Jefferson. He was in the army during the war of 1812. Martin Graffius was a hardy and industrious man, just the right one for a pioneer; he was successful in his undertakings, and was liked and respected in his neighborhood. His wife Margaret, daughter of Hugh and Patience (Lyon) McGuire, was born in Doe Run, Chester county, Pa. Mr. McGuire was a farmer of French and Irish descent, and her mother was of a family of English Friends. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Graffius were: Nicholas, deceased; Elizabeth, deceased, wife of D. Harris; Jacob, died in Indiana in 1845; Abraham, died in 1878; Matilda, deceased, wife of David Kessler; John; Margaret, deceased, wife of Andrew Neff; Margaret, died young; George, died young; and one that died in infancy. Mr. Graffius attended the Presbyterian church. Martin Graffius was born in Frederick, Md., in 1781, and died in Henderson township, Huntingdon county, in 1853.

John Graffius attended subscription schools in the log school house, as his father had also done. He farmed on the homestead until he was twenty-seven, besides working as a "hand" for neighboring farmers. At that age, he came to Petersburg, and worked for some time as a carpenter. Selling out his interest, he removed to North Henderson, Warren county,

Ill., where he bought a farm and cultivated it for four years. On account of his wife's ill health, Mr. Graffius sold his farm, returned to Huntingdon county, and came to reside in Petersburg, where in 1875 he bought a handsome brick dwelling; this house he altered and beautified; he has since worked at carpentry. Mr. Graffius was justice of the peace for fifteen years, besides serving the township as tax collector, and for several years in the school board. His politics are Democratic. His life presents a record of honorable industry and fair dealing, and he is a highly respected member of the community.

John Graffius was first married in 1843, in West township, to Margaret, daughter of Alexander Steel, a farmer of Scotch-Irish descent; she was born in Derry, Ireland. All of their three children died in their infancy. Mrs. Graffius died in Petersburg in March, 1878. Mr. Graffius, in December, 1879, married Sarah, daughter of Lewis and Elizabeth (Thompson) Hutchinson; she was born at Shavers Creek; her father was a farmer, and of Scotch-Irish extraction. The marriage took place at Petersburg. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Graffius are: Jane S.; Margaret; John L.; and one that died very young. Mr. Graffius is a member of the Presbyterian church, and a teacher in the Sunday-school.

THOMAS E. DICKSON, Petersburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Warriors Mark township, March 14, 1829, son of James and Catherine (Conrad) Dickson, Samuel Dickson, grandfather of Thomas E., was Irish by birth, and came to America, residing at first in Lancaster county, where he gave his attention to farming. He afterwards removed to Warriors Mark township, where he bought 150 acres of land, and cultivated it during the rest of his life. Samuel Dickson had been highly educated, with a view to his entering the ministry of the Presbyterian church; but having lost an eye, he did not carry out his plan. Taking up farming, he cultivated what is known as the "lead-mine farm." He was always very fond of debate, and had oratorical powers of a very high order. He was the equal of any man in the county in a discussion, and often rode from Birmingham, Pa., to Huntingdon in order to take part in one, on some subject that he was interested in. Mr. Dickson had a very large

and well-chosen library. He enjoyed the high regard of all who knew him. He married Delia Cox, of Lancaster, Pa. Of their twelve children, James was the oldest. Samuel Dickson and his wife both died in Warriors Mark township. Mr. Dickson was an old line Whig. His son James Dickson was educated in the common schools. He learned the business of milling, and carried on that vocation in Warriors Mark township and in Blair county throughout his life. His wife, Catherine Conrad, was born in Warriors Mark township. Their children are: John M., deceased; Daniel, deceased; Margaret (Mrs. Benjamin Calderwood), of Warriors Mark; Deborah, deceased, wife of Joseph Flack; Thomas E.; Anna, deceased; Martha (Mrs. William Robeson); Elizabeth (Mrs. Samuel Creswell); Samuel, of Spruce Creek; David, deceased; William, deceased; and James, deceased. James Dickson died in Birmingham, in 1873. His wife survived him until 1893.

Thomas E. Dickson attended school in Snyder township, Blair county. He worked by the month for farmers until he attained the age of twenty-two, when he rented a farm in Warriors Mark township; after cultivating it for two years he rented another farm near Birmingham for three years. He then worked at farm labor for a year in Warriors Mark township, and in the furnaces for two years. Mr. Dickson then entered the employ of the P. R. R. as laborer; in 1875 he was appointed track foreman, and removed to Petersburg; he has ever since held that position, and most creditably and satisfactorily performed its duties. In 1865 Mr. Dickson enlisted, on February 11, at Hollidaysburg, Blair county, in Company B, One Hundred and Ninety-second Pennsylvania Volunteers. Mr. Dickson was for nine months in the army, was in long marches, and in skirmishes, and spent much of the time in doing guard duty. He was discharged at Harper's Ferry, and mustered out in August, 1865. He is a Republican. He served his borough for a term as councilman. Mr. Dickson is exemplary in his conduct, a good citizen, and greatly respected.

Thomas E. Dickson was married in 1854, at Huntingdon, to Sarah J., daughter of George Miller, blacksmith, of Jackson township, where Mrs. Dickson was born. Their children are: William P., in railroad employ; Samuel E., track foreman, P. R. R.; James

M., deceased; Annie (Mrs. James A. Nelson), of Centre county, Pa.; David L., school teacher; and Laura M., deceased. Mr. Dickson is a faithful member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

OWEN F. BRUNER, merchant and justice of the peace at Petersburg, Logan township, Huntingdon county, was born June 8, 1840, near Duncannon, Perry county, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (McGowan) Bruner. His grandfather, Jacob Bruner, born in Cumberland county, of Swiss descent, was a farmer and miller, and spent his last years in Duncannon, Perry county. Jacob Bruner (2) was born at Landisburg, Perry county, attended the public schools, and then began the milling business in Duncannon. Later he became a cattle dealer, and is still living in Altoona at the age of eighty-five. He was married in Chester county, Pa., to Elizabeth, daughter of Alexander McGowan, a plasterer of Chester county, also a farmer and local preacher in the Methodist church. Their children are: Owen F.; and Sererah J., deceased, wife of Theodore Renner, of Petersburg. Mr. Bruner is a Republican, and a member of the Methodist church. His wife died July 5, 1895, at the age of eighty-three.

Owen F. Bruner attended the home schools and the Cumberland Valley Institute, and then taught school one year in Perry county. He was then clerk in a wholesale notion house in Philadelphia for four years. About this time he enlisted in an independent troop, participated in a skirmish in West Virginia, was at Chambersburg when that town was burned, and was afterwards in West Virginia when four hundred Confederates were captured. After nine months' service, he was discharged in January, 1864. For the next thirty-three years he lived at Petersburg, Huntingdon county, being a cattle dealer in that and neighboring counties. He has since been in the mercantile business in Petersburg. In 1865, Owen F. Bruner married, in Petersburg, Mrs. Mary Wilson, who was born in Cambria county, and died in 1892. In 1893 he married Rebecca, daughter of David Isenberg; he had no children by either marriage. In 1883 he was elected justice of the peace on the Republican ticket and has filled the office ever since; his decisions have always been sustained by the higher courts. He was also a member of

the town council for three terms. He teaches in the Sunday-school of the Methodist church.

MILTON W. ISENBERG, Huntingdon, Huntingdon county, Pa., born in Alexandria, Huntingdon county, August 22, 1847, is a son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Stonerod) Isenberg. Samuel Isenberg was born in Frederick, Md. The family settled in Huntingdon about 1826, and afterwards removed to Alexandria, where he was educated in the common schools, learned carpentry and cabinetmaking, and worked at these trades until 1857. He then purchased a farm in Shirley township, and spent the remainder of his active life in its cultivation. He filled the offices of supervisor and school director, and was a worthy and honored citizen. He died aged eighty years, December 13, 1890. His wife, a native of Mifflin county, resides in Huntingdon.

Milton W. Isenberg was educated in the common schools of Alexandria and of Shirley township, and at the seminary in Shirleysburg. He passed a few winters in teaching, and the summers in farm work. In 1872, he began mercantile business in Altoona, Pa. Having bought a farm in Shirley township in 1878, he was for twelve years a farmer. In 1890, he was elected register and recorder, and re-elected in 1893, without opposition. He is also clerk of the Orphans' Home, a faithful and competent official. He has been a member, and the secretary, of the school board of Shirley township. He is a Republican. Mr. Isenberg belongs to Standing Stone Conclave, I. O. of H., and to the P. O. S. of A.

Milton W. Isenberg was married in Altoona, Pa., February 26, 1874, to Emma, daughter of Lawrence P. and Delilah Work. Two of their children died young; those surviving are: Mabel S.; Edith W.; and Frederick M. Mr. and Mrs. Isenberg are members of the Reformed church.

CASSIUS N. McCLURE, a farmer and stockman, Petersburg, Logan township, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born June 7, 1848, on his present farm, son of William and Mary (Neff) McClure. His grandfather, Andrew McClure, was the son of one of three brothers who came from Ireland, settled in Pennsylvania, took part in the Revolutionary war, and after that settled in Luzerne county. Andrew McClure, a millwright by trade, left

Luzerne county and came to Huntingdon county with only seventy-five cents, part of which he divided with his nephews. He worked at his trade in Porter township, drove a team between Philadelphia, Pittsburg and Baltimore. Later, he bought a tract of land, cleared and improved it, building a log house. After spending over twenty-five years on this place, he moved to Alexandria, where he owned a house and lot, and afterwards to Mercer county, Pa., where he died in 1878. He married Sophia Shively, of Centre county, Pa., and had six children: William; Mary (Mrs. Philip Bousbaugh); Eliza (Mrs. James Kinkade); Henry, a physician; Caroline (Mrs. James Hilenan); and David, of Mercer county, Pa. Mr. McClure was a staunch Republican. His wife died in Mercer county in 1872. Both were members of the Lutheran church.

His son, William McClure, born in Porter township, was like his father, a millwright, for eight or ten years. Then he opened a store in West township near Neff's Mills, forming a partnership with Isaac Neff, which lasted four years. He next turned his attention to farming and stock raising in Logan township, and at the time of his death owned over 900 acres. One time he conducted a mill and a distillery. He married in Logan township, Mary, a daughter of John Neff, a miller. Their children were: John, deceased; Anna M. (Mrs. J. Burns), of Bellwood, Blair county; Alice, deceased, wife of William Lefford, of Warren, Pa.; Cassius N.; Susan (Mrs. W. D. Heyskell), of Clearfield county, Pa.; Milo S., on the homestead; Bertha N. (Mrs. Martin Morris), of Huntingdon, Pa.; and Benton R., on the homestead. Mr. McClure was a Republican. His wife was a member of the Presbyterian church. They both died on the homestead, she in 1877 and he in 1887.

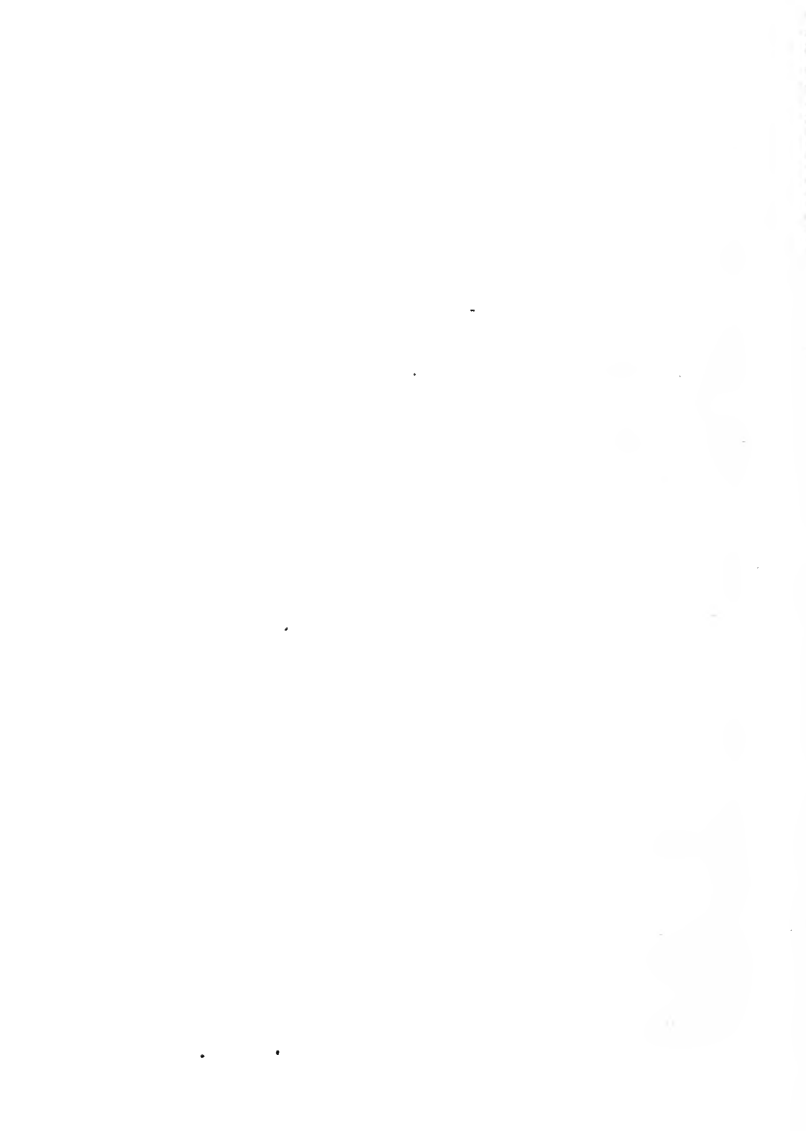
Cassius N. McClure attended the public schools and Bellwood Academy, in Blair county, and then worked on the homestead until he was twenty-nine years old. Then he rented a farm from his father for nine years, after which he took charge of the homestead farm of 188 acres and has cultivated it ever since. In 1873, in Philadelphia, he married Miss Julia Spencer, born in that city in 1849, daughter of Joshua Spencer, a cabinet maker. They have two children, Mary and Margaret.

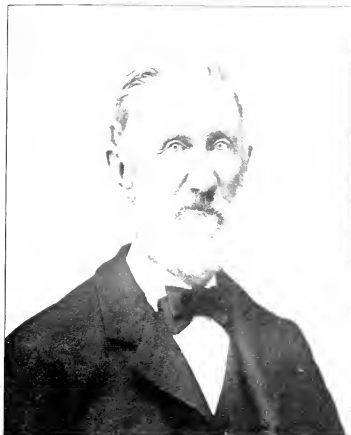
Mr. McClure is a Republican; he served six years as school director, and one term as supervisor. He is a member of the Presbyterian church.

JOHN EBERLE, Cottage, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Petersburg, Huntingdon county, July 10, 1817. He was a son of Jacob and Catherine (Hewitt) Eberle. His grandfather, Henry Eberle, was of German descent. He was a blacksmith, and resided near Lancaster, Pa. He was a man of intelligence, and had a good German education. During the Revolution, he made swords and bayonets. In 1785, he removed to Huntingdon county, and, taking up his residence near Barree Forge, made implements of iron for the Forge, besides carrying on the usual work of the smithy. He belonged to the Whig party. Henry Eberle married Barbara Kaufmann, of Lancaster; their children were: John, who died in Canada; Christopher, of Petersburg; Henry, residing in Ohio; and Jacob. Mr. Eberle died in Petersburg in 1822; his wife died at Barree Forge. Their youngest son, Jacob Eberle, who was born in Elizabethtown, Lancaster county, Pa., was educated in the subscription schools of that county, and learned the trade of blacksmith with his father. When the family removed to Huntingdon county, Jacob Eberle fixed his residence in Petersburg, where he continued to work at his trade, and manufactured axes and other tools for the mills. Removing to West township, he continued in the same business, besides farming 200 acres of land, and raising stock. He built a house and barn upon his land. He was a man of strong frame and robust constitution, a good hunter, but fond of his home. He was the first collector of the free school tax in West township, for which he collected \$1,900. Mr. Eberle was originally a Whig, and in the change of party lines and names, became a Republican. His wife was the daughter of Nicholas Hewitt, a farmer of West township. Their children are: John; Mary A., deceased wife of Joseph Hewitt; Jacob K., M. D., residing in Illinois; Elizabeth, wife of Peter Burkart, of Iowa; Kate, in West township; and six who died in childhood. Jacob Eberle died in West township in 1861; his wife died in the same place.

Attending school during the winter, and







William Ewing



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giving his help about farm labor during the summer months, John Eberle, by industry and attention, gained a very fair education. His teacher in Petersburg was James McMurtrie; but he owes much to his own intelligent efforts. He remained on the homestead until the death of his father, and for a short time after. He then rented a farm of 130 acres on Clover creek in Blair county, where he resided for six years; after which he removed to Marklesburg, in 1877, and went into mercantile business with his son-in-law, G. W. Confer. Two years later, Mr. Eberle went to Petersburg, and was in business there for two years. He then returned to Marklesburg, bought out the store in which he had formerly had an interest, and conducted it for three years. In 1887, Mr. Eberle embarked in the business at Wilsonstown, which he has ever since conducted. He was post-master for four years, under President Harrison. Mr. Eberle is a Republican, and is active in party affairs; has been delegate to county conventions. He has also been in the school board. Besides all his other activities, Mr. Eberle is fond of outdoor life; inheriting his father's skill in hunting, his trophies have been numerous; he can boast of having shot seventy deer and six bears, and tells the history of his encounters in a lively and interesting way sometimes in amusing newspaper articles. He is also an accomplished fisherman. In 1840, Mr. Eberle made a trip to New Jersey, on horseback, returning to Shavers Creek in the same way. He accompanied Peter Stryker on a visit to his relatives, making at the same time a two weeks' stay in Lancaster, with some relatives of his own. He has the distinction of having shipped the first carload of sheep from Petersburg to Philadelphia. He is an active and useful man, much respected and esteemed.

John Eberle was married, February 1, 1844, in West township, to Minerva, daughter of John Heney, who is a carpenter, and of Scotch-Irish descent; she was born in Barree township. Their children are: Anna M. (Mrs. Robert Davis), of West township; Irene (Mrs. G. W. Confer), of Minneapolis, Minn.; Milroy, died young; and J. Byron, born March 29, 1859.

J. Byron Eberle was educated in the common school, which he attended during the winter, and in subscription schools, open during the

summer season. His entire business life has been with his father, whom he has assisted both on the home farm and in his mercantile enterprises. He has served as assistant post-master and as auditor of the township. He was married in 1893, in West township, to Anna F., daughter of Gerard Johnson, farmer; Mrs. Eberle was born in Logan township. The children of this marriage are: Violet J.; and Arnor Confer.

WESLEY GREGORY, farmer, Neffs Mills, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born May 4, 1837, in West township, son of Wesley and Jane (Myton) Gregory. The Gregory family is of Scotch-Irish origin. John Gregory, father of Wesley (1), was born in Greene county, Pa., and removed to Indiana with his family; but his son Wesley returned to the east, and settled in Huntingdon county. John Gregory had nine children; he died in Indiana; his wife returned to Pennsylvania, and died at the home of her son, Wesley. Wesley Gregory was educated in the common schools; he afterwards farmed 200 acres in West township. For some time he cultivated a farm for his meale, and then bought it of him. His marriage to Miss Jane Myton, occurred in West township. Their children are all deceased except Wesley. The others were: Samuel; John; Noble; Elizabeth; James; Rebecca; and two who died in infancy. The parents were members of the Methodist Episcopal church; the father died in 1841, and the mother in 1869.

Wesley (2) received his education in West township, attending school taught by John Walker and others. He became an experienced farmer, and remained on the homestead until he was twenty-nine, helping his widowed mother and his brother Samuel. At this age, he purchased the farm on which he now resides. It contains 120 acres; and has erected a fine dwelling at the cost of \$2,000, and made other improvements. He owns two good farms, containing 200 acres, besides 400 acres of timber land. He began life poor, and has achieved a success of which he may justly feel proud. During the war of the Rebellion, he was an "emergency man," first under Captain Johnson, then under Captain March, holding the rank of first sergeant in Company F, Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers. He takes an active interest in politics.

Mr. Gregory was elected county commissioner of Huntingdon county on the Republican ticket, in 1887. During his term of office occurred the memorable flood in 1889, by which thirty-four wooden and iron bridges were swept away. He was for nine years school director, and also served as tax collector.

Wesley Gregory (2), was married in 1867, to Louisa, daughter of James Myton. Their children are: Ralph; Emma, deceased; and one who died in infancy. Mr. Gregory is a Methodist, and has worked much in the Sunday-school.

JAMES F. THOMPSON, Mooresville (P. O. Neffs Mills), Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in West township, February 28, 1833, son of John and Hester (Foster) Thompson. The Thompson family is of Scotch-Irish ancestry; but Thomas Thompson, grandfather of James F., was a native of this country. He was a blacksmith of Barree township, and removed to Venango county, Pa., where he died. His wife died in West township. John Thompson, his son, was born in Barree township, and learned his trade from his father. He was a blacksmith, residing first near Neffs Mills, and afterwards building himself a dwelling and a smithy at Mooresville, where he spent the remainder of his life, the last few years of which were passed in repose, and enjoyment of the fruits of a life of honorable industry. For three years, he was a steward of the county almshouse. He was justice of the peace from 1842 to 1867, and during those fifteen years solemnized no less than fifty-four marriages. Mr. Thompson was a Whig, and later a Republican; he took an active part in politics. He married Hester, daughter of Arthur Foster, farmer of West township, where she was born. The children of this marriage are: Elizabeth (Mrs. Lewis Hutcheson); Jemina (Mrs. Charles Wolverton), of Indiana; Adolphus, died in Indiana; Amanda, keeps house for her brother, James F.; Wesley, blacksmith and J. P. in Jackson township; James F.; Mary (Mrs. Henry Koehler); Stewart, in Altoona; Peninnah (Mrs. Edward Myers) of Shireleysburg; Hester (Mrs. James Johnson), of Altoona; Asbury, of Cambria county, Pa.; and two who died in infancy. John Thompson was a faithful and consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church,

and was much esteemed for his many excellent qualities. He died in Mooresville in 1867, having survived his wife for two years.

James F. Thompson attended the public schools of his township, but is largely self-educated. Until he reached his majority, he worked in the smithy with his father. At twenty-one years of age, he went west, and found steady and profitable employment as a journeyman for two years. Returning to his home, James F. Thompson and his brother Wesley bought out their father's interest, and carried on the business in partnership for two years; then James F. purchased his brother's interest, and continued the business alone, working at wagon-making and repairing besides the other work of the shop. Mr. Thompson was a director of the poor for three years. Since 1868, he has been justice of the peace, and in all that time has had but two of his judgments reversed by the higher courts. His record shows forty-one marriages solemnized before him. He was for some years tax collector; is a Republican, interested and active in public affairs. Mr. Thompson is a substantial and useful citizen, duly appreciated by his fellow citizens.

In 1856, in West township, James F. Thompson was married to Elizabeth, daughter of Lewis Snyder, farmer, of Huntingdon county, who was of German descent. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson have nine children: Esther S. (Mrs. F. Stewart), of Petersburg, Pa.; Seward H., of Huntingdon, Pa.; William, of Saxton, Pa.; Sydney A., artist, Petersburg, Pa.; Mary O. (Mrs. Clayton Montgomery), of Barree township; Amanda E.; Edgar J., painter, Petersburg, Pa.; Jennie, deceased, and an infant who died unnamed. Mr. Thompson is a member and an officer of the Methodist Episcopal church; he is a trustee of his congregation. He is also a Sunday-school teacher.

GEORGE W. LUPFER, M. D., Mooresville (P. O. Neffs Mills), Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Markelsville, Perry county, Pa., November 15, 1856, son of Jesse K. and Sarah (Riedorff) Lupfer. His great-grandfather, Casper Lupfer, was a native of Switzerland; who settled first in Lehigh county, Pa., afterwards at New Bloomfield, Centre township, Perry county. The town of New Bloomfield was laid out upon the Casper Lupfer farm, and received its name from the

circumstance that the fields, at the time of its establishment, were in full bloom. Casper Lupfer owned a large tract of land at that place; he was both farmer and stock raiser. He died in that township. His son, Samuel, the Doctor's grandfather, was born here. He, too, was a farmer. He had a very good German and English education. Besides farming, he worked in his younger days at the trade of blacksmith; he made the first iron gratings for the windows of the Perry county jail. In his later years, he cultivated a farm of 200 acres in Juniata township, Huntingdon county. Samuel Lupfer was a Democrat, and took a lively and intelligent interest in politics. He was elected supervisor of the township. He was a citizen of influence and good repute. He married Susan Keiser, of Lehigh county; their children are: Jesse K.; Mary, deceased, wife of John S. Kerr; Susan (Mrs. Samuel T. Watts), of Perry county; Margaret (Mrs. Charles Whiteketel), of Perry county; Samuel P., died just after his graduation from Jefferson Medical College, and before beginning practise. Mr. Lupfer was a member of the Reformed church; he was successively deacon and elder. He died in Perry county. His elder son, Jesse K. Lupfer, was educated in the common schools of Perry county. He was for twenty-five years a carpenter and joiner, contractor and builder. He afterwards undertook farming, in Juniata township, cultivating 200 acres of land, raising stock, etc. He made some improvements upon his property. He is a Democrat, and has held all the township offices. His wife, Sarah, daughter of John Riedorff, a farmer of German descent, living in Perry county, was born in that county, February 23, 1830, and was married in the same vicinity. Their family consists of twelve children: George W.; William H., contractor, of West township; Samuel, farmer, in Illinois; Alice; Ellen (Mrs. Staples), of Baltimore, Md.; John W., died in childhood; John W. (2), of Lincoln, Neb.; Jesse K., farmer, in Illinois; Jennie, married and residing in Maryland; Frank, farmer, in Illinois; Maggie, deceased; and Oliver, deceased. Jesse K. Lupfer some time ago relinquished active work, but he and his wife still reside on the homestead. He has been deacon and is elder, in the Reformed church;

he is also a worker in the Sunday-school, having been both teacher and superintendent.

Until he was fifteen years of age, George W. Lupfer lived on the homestead, in Juniata township, Perry county, and attended the public schools. At that age, he was sent to the New Bloomfield academy. He afterwards studied three terms at Millersville State Normal School, and then taught school for two terms in Perry, and two terms in Northumberland county. He added to his resources by learning carpentry from his father; by working at that trade for two years, he saved some means wherewith to gratify his ambition for a professional career. Having read medicine with J. D. Shull, M. D., of Williamsport, Pa., Mr. Lupfer entered the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Md., and graduated in 1881, with honors. He then practised as the partner of his former preceptor, who had by this time removed to Markersville, Perry county, for a year and a half. In 1882, Dr. Lupfer removed to his present home, Mooresville, succeeding Dr. Borst, now of Mount Union. He is now in successful and extensive practise, his services being much in demand throughout the valley. The Doctor is a Democrat. He has been judge of elections, and a member of the school board of his township. In 1893, he received from President Cleveland an appointment as post-master at Neffs Mills.

Dr. George W. Lupfer was married, August 5, 1884, to Mary M., daughter of John Gregory, farmer; she was born at Cottage, West township.

SAMUEL GREGORY, M. D., Cottage, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Cottage, November 14, 1871, son of John and Mary O. (Cunningham) Gregory. His grandfather, Wesley Gregory, and his father, were both also natives of West township, and were farmers. The latter owned and cultivated 200 acres of land, and raised, bought and sold live stock. His politics were Republican. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and took a live and active interest in church work. John Gregory was married at Emmisville, Huntingdon county; his wife, Mary O. Cunningham, is a native of that place. Their children are: Sarah, deceased; David W., a dealer in grain, residing in Indiana; Elizabeth, wife of J. S. Myton, farmer; Anna,

wife of E. O. Shuman, of Independence, Ia.; Richard C., farmer and stock dealer, West township; Laura, deceased; Eliza B., wife of C. S. Moore, farmer, West township; Mary A., wife of Dr. G. W. Lufser; and Dr. Samuel. The father died at Cottage, in 1881. Mrs. Gregory still resides at Cottage.

Samuel Gregory attended the public schools of West township, and worked on the home farm. He was next, for two terms, a student at Stone Valley academy; then he taught school for two terms, attending the West Chester State Normal School in the intervals between terms. This course ended, Mr. Gregory taught school for three years at Mooresville, during which time he read medicine with Dr. G. W. Lufser. At the end of that time, he became a student at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Md., where he attended lectures for three winters, occupying the vacations in medical readings and in dealing in stock, in which he was fairly successful. He graduated with honors in the spring of 1896. Dr. Gregory's politics are Republican. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and takes part in church enterprises; has been a pupil in the Sunday-school, and belongs to the Epworth League.

JOSEPH OBURN, Mooresville (P. O. Neffs Mills), Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Jackson township, August 16, 1842, son of Joseph and Mary (Randolph) Oburn. He is the fourth in direct line of descent to bear the same name. His great-grandfather, Joseph Oburn, fought in the Revolutionary war. He came to Huntingdon county, then a part of Bedford county, a few years before the war. Traditional anecdotes prove him to have been a man of sterling worth, and of a very liberal and generous disposition. He was of Scotch-Irish ancestry; he farmed extensively in Jackson township. His son, Joseph Oburn (2), succeeded to the same occupation, tilling the ground and raising cattle, &c. He married a Miss Logan, of the family for whom Logan township is named; their children were: Margaret, wife of John McElwee, a soldier of the war of 1812; Mary (Mrs. John Harkness); Ann (Mrs. Thomas Husting); Sarah; Joseph; and David, who died in infancy. Joseph Oburn (2) was a Whig. He was an enterprising and successful farmer, and a member of the Baptist

church. He and his wife both died in Jackson township. The only son who survived him, Joseph Oburn (3), was well educated in the common schools and in subscription schools, grew up on the farm, and retained it after his father's death. It then contained 58 acres; Mr. Oburn also owned a farm of 116 acres, improved under his own supervision. The dwelling which he built was constructed of brick burned on his own farm, and cost \$2,500. He was a Republican, taking a deep and active interest in public affairs, especially during the war of the Rebellion. He was elected to all the offices in the gift of his township, being a popular citizen, and known as an energetic and indefatigable worker, and withal a man of sound judgment. Joseph Oburn (3) was married in Jackson township, to Mary, daughter of William and Mary (Rupman) Randolph; her father was a shoemaker, and of Scotch-Irish descent. Their children are: William, residing on the homestead; Harrison, merchant, of Altoona, Pa.; Joseph; Mary, wife of Jefferson Miller, of Barree township; Margaret, wife of Rev. John Horning, of Hazleton, Pa.; Amanda, wife of William Kantner, of Altoona; John; Daniel; Sarah, died young. Both the father and the mother died on the homestead. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Joseph Oburn (4) received his school education in the common schools of Jackson township; from the age of nine years, he worked much of the time on the farm; but by his own efforts, he acquired sufficient education to pass examination for a school teacher. He taught in Jackson and Barree townships, and lived on the home farm until the war of the Rebellion called for the patriotism and the strength of the young manhood of America. Then Joseph Oburn enlisted, in February, 1864, in Company C, Forty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Col. J. I. Curtin, Captain Trout, of Lancaster, Pa. The company went first to Hollidaysburg, thence to Carlisle, and thence to Nashville, Tenn. Mr. Oburn was in the battles of the Wilderness, Cold Harbor, Spottsylvania C. H.; on the 6th of June, 1864, he was captured and taken to Libby prison; after three weeks spent there, he was taken to Andersonville and four months later, to Florence, S. C., where he passed the last three months of his cap-

tivity. He was then paroled, came first to Maryland, and then on furlough to his home. He remained there three months, but as soon as health permitted, was again with the army. During the whole term of his enlistment, he was faithful to duty, not regarding danger or difficulty. He was discharged at the close of the war, in 1865. Mr. Oburn has since suffered much from the effects of exposure and privation in camp and in prison.

After his return to his home, Mr. Oburn remained for two years on the farm. In 1867, he began business as a storekeeper at Mooresville, where he did well. He removed to McAlevys Fort, in 1869, and was there engaged in mercantile business for two years; in 1871, he returned to Mooresville, where he has carried on his business with a good share of success for twenty-four years. He has purchased a comfortable home, of fine appearance, and has two farms, containing 350 acres, besides 200 acres in timber. He has made various improvements on his property. Having begun life without resources, Mr. Oburn has by diligence and good management obtained a competence, and may now enjoy the fruits of his labors. He is a Republican, interested in politics, but not an office-seeker.

Joseph Oburn (4) was married December 9, 1869, in West township, to Mary F., daughter of John H. Neff, a farmer of that township. Their children are: John N., born September 16, 1870, educated in the township public school, at Dickinson Seminary and at Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., and is now studying medicine; Addie C., at home; Anna M., at home. Mr. Oburn is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and takes an active part in church enterprises. He is a Sunday-school worker, has been teacher and superintendent; is a class leader, recorder, and trustee of the church.

Harrison Oburn, brother of Joseph Oburn (4), enlisted in Company C, Forty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, at the beginning of the war, and after serving three years, re-enlisted in the same regiment and served until the close of the war. He participated in all the most important engagements of the war, was taken prisoner and imprisoned for about four months in Salisbury, N. C., and was twice wounded. After his discharge he returned to his home and farmed for about two years.

He subsequently removed to Altoona, and did business as a merchant; he still resides in that place.

ALEXANDER McCALL, Neffs Mills, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born near Huntingdon, Pa., August 12, 1844, son of James and Rachel (Deans) McCall. The McCall family belongs to the thrifty, intelligent Scotch-Irish stock, so prevalent in the interior of Pennsylvania. Alexander McCall, father of James McCall, was born in this State, and was a farmer and stock raiser in Woodcock valley, where he died, and where his son James was born. James McCall was also a farmer and breeder of stock; he cultivated land in various parts of the county. Rather late in life, he bought a farm in Henderson township. His wife, Rachel, daughter of Thomas Deans, a farmer of German descent, was born in Juniata township, Huntingdon county. Their children are: Catherine; Alexander; Ellen; Thomas, deceased; Mary (Mrs. Luden Deans), of Huntingdon; Matthew, deceased; James, deceased; Michael; and William; the two last-named died in childhood. Mr. McCall was a Republican. He was a member of the Reformed church. He died in June, 1877; his wife died in 1881, in Henderson township.

Alexander McCall (2) received no educational advantages except those afforded by the common schools of his township, and began a man's hard-working life at the age of fifteen, clearing land, cutting logs, and the like, on his father's farm. But his intellectual activity did not cease with his school days, and he has in great measure made up for his lack of opportunities. He had barely entered his twentieth year when, in August, 1863, he enlisted under the flag of the Union at Harrisburg, in Company D, Two Hundred and Fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Colonel Matthews, Capt. T. B. Reed, of Petersburg. The regiment went first to City Point, Va., and thence to Bermuda Hundred. They were in the engagements at Fort Steadman and at Petersburg, and in a number of skirmishes. Mr. McCall was much of the time on guard duty; he was obliged to pass a week in hospital, ill from the effects of exposure. He was eleven months in the service, being discharged at Harrisburg, in June, 1864. He took part in the grand review at Wash-

ington, D. C., and then, returning home, lived on the homestead until he was twenty-two. For a year after that, he worked out as farm laborer, and then rented a farm in Union township, in Smiths valley, and began on his own account. He remained there two years, and was then successively in Brady township for one year, in Union again one year, again in Brady four years, in Juniata two years, in Miller nine years, and in Jackson township four years. From Jackson he came to West township, where he is still engaged in farming and raising stock. He has taken his place among the solid and respected citizens of the community; has been elected to the offices of supervisor and tax collector. Mr. McCall is a Republican. He belongs to Cummings Post, No. 380, G. A. R., at McAlveys Fort; also to Grange No. 358, P. of H.

In the fall of 1866, Alexander McCall was married in Henderson township, to Anna M., daughter of Simon White, of Huntingdon; she was born in Juniata township. Their children are: Thomas, of Portage, Pa.; Ida R.; Ella B. (Mrs. Joseph Bigelow); Laura C., deceased; Maggie C.; James, school teacher; Annie; Mary; Grace; and John. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

DAVID EDMISTON, Cottage, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at McCahans Mills, near Birmingham, Huntingdon county, August 19, 1819, son of John and Elizabeth (Smith) Edmiston. His grandfather, John Edmiston, Sr., was English by birth, and came to this country before the Revolutionary war. He first resided in Ohio, and was a hunter and furrier. He was what was then called a "king's man;" that is, while he would not fight against the colonies, he could not bring himself to fight against England. John Edmiston was married in Ohio, and had two sons, whose descendants are to-day among the citizens of Ohio. But, on account of his Tory proclivities, his wife, who was an ardent Whig, separated from him. After the war was over, Mr. Edmiston removed to Blair county, Pa., where he was occupied in hunting and in agricultural labor. He married there a second time; a Miss Edington, of a Scotch-Irish family, became his wife. Their children are: Mary; Rebecca; Margaret;

Nancy; Eliza; John; Philip; Samuel; Isaac; and one that died very young. Mr. Edmiston died near Altoona, before the "pumpkin flood." His second wife survived him until 1870, when she was killed in Clearfield, Pa., by the fall of a porch, being at the time eighty-six years of age. They were members of the Baptist church.

Their eldest son, John Edmiston, Jr., after his education in the common schools was finished, learned the trade of a blacksmith, in Lewistown, Mifflin county. He followed this vocation in Huntingdon county, and afterwards, for the rest of his life, in Cambria county, Pa. His last work was the manufacture of hoop iron. His political opinions were Democratic. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Samuel Smith, farmer, of Huntingdon county. Their children are: Margaret, deceased, wife of Philip Williams; Mary, deceased, wife of John Whake; David S.; John, deceased; William, of Altoona, Pa.; Miles, deceased; Loyal, of Centre county; Elias, deceased; Samuel, deceased; and P. Rhodes, deceased. Mr. Edmiston died in Canal township, Cambria county, in 1862; his wife died in Indiana county in 1870. He was an excellent man, and much respected, a member of the Baptist church.

To the lot of David S. Edmiston fell the sort of training that makes sturdy and efficient workers, undaunted by labors or hardships. His education, so far as books are concerned, was acquired in subscription schools, and in the old-fashioned log public school which he attended in the winter season, warming himself in the afternoons and evenings at the forge where he helped his father regularly, from the time when he was so small that he had to stand on a block to blow the bellows. By the time he was twenty-two years old, he was quite ready to carry on the business for himself, which he began to do at that age, at Barree Forge, Huntingdon county; here he spent seven years, and was then in the business successively at Chipton, Blair county, two years; at Hatfield, Huntingdon county, one year; at Petersburg, same county, five years, and at Warriors Ridge, two years. He then worked as journeyman for a time at Henry Shoup's place, in Juniata township, after which, in March, 1855, he removed to his present home.

This work was interrupted by the great

need of the Union for defenders, which caused Mr. Edmiston's enlistment, August 16, 1862, in McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pa., in Company K, One Hundred and Forty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, Colonel Deaney, Capt. J. S. Little. Mr. Edmiston was mustered in at Nicholson, Wyoming county, Pa., from which place the regiment moved to Virginia. Here he had part in all the engagements of the Army of the Potomac, its battles and skirmishes, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, &c., until, during the battle of the Wilderness, he received a bullet wound in the leg, and was compelled to spend four months in a hospital. He was with the army until the close of the war, and doubtless received his discharge with a pleasant sense of having performed his duty well and faithfully, and not in vain. Mr. Edmiston was forty-five years old when he left his wife and family for the battlefield.

David S. Edmiston was married, March 23, 1843, near Petersburg, Pa., to Mary, daughter of Henry Wallatter, a farmer of German descent; she was born at Water Street, Huntingdon county, July 19, 1824. Their children are: Miles, of Johnstown, Pa.; John H., at home; Elizabeth (Mrs. Henry Nolder), of West township; William, deceased; Samuel, deceased; Albert, deceased; George, of Belleville, Pa.; Ithamar, of Petersburg; Ellen; Annie (Mrs. Henry Schilling), of West township. Mr. Edmiston is a Republican. His family attend the Lutheran church, but he is a member of the Presbyterian denomination. He is a good and respected citizen. Mrs. Edmiston died July 11, 1892.

JOHN H. EDMISTON, second son of David S. and Mary (Wallatter) Edmiston, was born in Jackson township, Huntingdon county, Pa., July 16, 1847. He attended the common school. At thirteen years of age he began work with a farmer, at first simply for board and clothing. He continued to be engaged as "farm hand" for twenty-five years, in different parts of the county, but principally in Porter and Logan townships. In March, 1885, he bought his present farm of 139 acres from Richard Cunningham. He has greatly improved his property, building a barn at a cost of \$1,000, and adding other necessities and conveniences. He raises and deals extensively in stock. He is a Republi-

can; has been one term in the school board of his township. Mr. Edmiston is the mainstay of his father's declining years; he is much respected as a good man and a useful citizen.

WILLIAM L. QUINN, M. D., Wilson-town (P. O. Cottage), Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in West township, September 25, 1871, son of William and Susan (Le Van) Quinn. His grandfather, whose name was also William Quinn, was a native of Maryland, and of Scotch-Irish descent; he was a shoemaker. His political adherence was to the Whig party; and he was a member of the Presbyterian church. His first wife was a Miss Muthersbaugh, by whom he had four children: James; William; Edgar; and Mary A. After the death of his first wife, William Quinn married a Miss Rice; her children were: Jacob; Lemuel; Henry; John; Nancy; Emma; Melissa. He died in Fairfield, Huntingdon county, where his second wife also died. His second son, William Quinn, was born in 1823, received a common school education, and learned the trade of his father, at which he worked all his life in Wilson-town. His politics were Republican. He took some part in the affairs of the community, and evidently enjoyed the confidence of his fellow citizens, being elected auditor, and member of school and election boards. William Quinn (2) was married, October 2, 1845, to Ann Clayton, a lady of Scotch-Irish family; their children were: Agnes, wife of Robert Armstrong, farmer, of Logan township; Lydia; and George, both of whom died young. His wife dying, July 13, 1850, Mr. Quinn was again married, in 1855, to Miss Le Van; she is the daughter of Peter and Rebecca (Gran) Le Van; her father was a merchant, of French descent. Her children are: Wallace C., M. D., of Jefferson county, a graduate of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Md.; Lillie (Mrs. John Baumgardner), has five children, Lottie, Nannie, Eva, Grace, deceased, and Gertrude; William; Theodore, deceased; Florence A., deceased; Luther Le Van, deceased; and Anna M., deceased. The father died in 1887. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and a faithful participant in the work of the church and Sunday-school.

William L. Quinn, M. D., was educated in the public schools of West township, and

at the State Normal Schools of Huntingdon, Lock Haven and Millersville, Pa. During the winters of three years, he taught school in his own township, and in vacation times, read medicine with Dr. George W. Lupfer; for two years besides, he read with his brother, Dr. Wallace C. Quinn, in Jefferson county. He matriculated at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, in Baltimore, in 1892, and graduated in the spring of 1896, with honors.

Dr. Quinn belongs to the Republican party. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

DAVID H. MILLER, Petersburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Porter township, Huntingdon county, December 3, 1849, son of John and Margaret (Eneyart) Miller. His grandfather, Henry Miller, was of German descent; he was a farmer, first of Walker and afterwards of Porter township. He died in McConnellstown at the age of eighty-two, and is buried in that place. His son, John Miller, was born in Walker township, October 6, 1820. He was occupied in farming and raising stock in Porter township, where he owned over 300 acres of land. He sold his farm and business there, and removed to Beavertown, Blair county, Pa., where he is now living a life of retirement and leisure. Mrs. John Miller is a daughter of David Eneyart, farmer, of Porter township, where she was born. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Miller are: Margaret (Mrs. L. Heilman), residing near Orbisonia, Huntingdon county; Elizabeth (Mrs. L. Hewitt), of Blair county; David H.; John C., of Kansas; Alice (Mrs. Calvin Sorriek), of Blair county; Mary C., deceased, wife of Joseph Hear; and Samuel, died young. Mr. Miller is a Democrat; he is a member of the Reformed church.

David H. Miller attended school in Porter township, and worked on the farm with his father until he was sixteen years old. Then, like many ardent and patriotic youths, he enlisted, February 10, 1864, in Company B, Seventeenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, Col. J. Q. Anderson, Capt. John M. Donahoe. He was in the engagements at Todds Tavern, Spottsylvania, Yellow Tavern, Newcastle Ferry, Old Church Tavern, Cold Harbor, Trevilian Station, White House Landing, Jonas Bridge, Cedar Creek, Berryville, Shep-

erdstown, Smithfield, Opequan Creek, Winchester, and near Gordonville. Mr. Miller was present at Lee's surrender. He was also in an engagement near Strasburg, and in the celebrated march "through Georgia" from Atlanta to the sea. He was discharged at the close of the war, August 16, 1865, at Louisville, Ky. It was a rich and varied experience for a boy of sixteen, and one whose dangers required to be met by a robust frame and a stout spirit.

At the close of this service, Mr. Miller returned to Porter township, and remained there until he was twenty-five years of age. He then went to Indiana for a short time; then returned to Porter township and rented a farm, which he cultivated until 1885, when he bought his present homestead in West township. It was known as the Reed farm, and contains 167 acres, partly in timber. Mr. Miller has made some improvements, and raises stock, besides farming. He was at one time constable of Porter township for five years. He has from boyhood been obliged to work hard; by cheerful determination and perseverance, he has secured a comfortable and respectable position for himself and his family. Mr. Miller is a Republican. He takes an active interest in the affairs of his community.

David H. Miller was married in Porter township, in 1869, to Henrietta C., daughter of Philip Bouslaugh, of that township. Their children are: Lemuel G., on the homestead; and Harry W., also at home. Mr. Miller is a member of the Reformed church, and teaches in its Sunday-school.

HENRY NEFF, Neffs Mills, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Porter township, Huntingdon county, March 16, 1822, son of Daniel and Mary (Huyett) Neff. His ancestor, Franz Neff, a native of Switzerland, took refuge from religious persecution, he being a Mennonite, first in Alsace, and later in America, settling in Lancaster county, Pa., on Neffs run, a tributary of the Conestoga. There he led the peaceful life of a farmer, and there his son John was born, who came not many years after his marriage to Huntingdon county, took up and cultivated land, and raised his numerous family. John Neff was accompanied to this county by his brother Jacob, who also settled here, on the banks of the Juniata,

and by another brother, who afterwards went to Virginia. John Neff began housekeeping in his new home in a log house, cleared his land, raised live stock, etc., and was among the most thriving and influential pioneers. He was a quiet and unassuming man, and devoted to his family. It was before the Revolution that he came to Huntingdon county, and although he took no active part in the war, he was interested in the questions of the day, and during the formative period that followed the close of the war, adhered to the Whig, or Federalist, party. He married Miss Musselman. Their children were: John; Andrew; Jacob; Daniel; Isaac; Henry; and Nancy. John Neff and his wife both died near Petersburg.

Their fourth son, Daniel Neff, was born January 19, 1793, in Porter township, and educated in the simple, old-fashioned log school house, the instructions being given in the German language. Daniel Neff passed his life in farming. He cultivated 250 acres of land. Daniel Neff was married in Porter township to Mary M. Huyett. She was descended from a Huguenot family, who on coming to this country, settled first in Maryland; she was born in Porter township, December 8, 1798, and was a sister of Col. John Huyett, so well and favorably known. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Neff are: Anna, wife of Abram Harnish, of Morris township; Henry; Susan, residing in the old homestead; Fannie, deceased; John Huyett, died recently; Daniel Jacob, lawyer, Altoona, Pa.; William, residing on the old homestead in Porter township; and David A., also on the home farm. Daniel Neff was, like his father, a Whig, but took no active part in political affairs. He was a man of very quiet habits, and a member of the Mennonite communion. His wife was of the Reformed faith; she died April 26, 1842, at the age of forty-three. Mr. Neff died on the homestead, October 17, 1865.

In the log-built home provided by Daniel Neff for his young wife, Henry Neff, their second child, first saw the light. He was brought up in the simple and unpretending habits of the country in which he lived, to attend the old log school house that served from generation to generation, and to assist in the work of the farm. Though plain, the school was in the main well kept, and an ambitious boy, such as Henry was, may obtain more amid simple surroundings than many do with

the most showy advantages. Here he prepared himself for teaching; and while passing his winters in that vocation, he carried on his own studies with interest and success. In 1852, at the age of thirty, Mr. Neff removed to Neffs Mills, in West township, where he combined the labors of farming and running a saw-mill. For the past forty years he has conducted a flour mill very successfully. He has changed it to a roller mill, adding improvements at an expense of about \$2,500. On farm improvements, he has spent \$3,000. In 1856 he built a fine, convenient dwelling of brick burned on his farm. He cultivates 76 acres. The mill is in the enjoyment of a large country custom. Mr. Neff has been nearly all his life a dealer in grain. He has been for a number of years postmaster at Neffs Mills, under various changes of administration and of party control. His own political preferences are Republican. He was warmly interested in the maintenance of the Union during the Rebellion, and contributed in money and in other ways to the support of its cause. He is also deeply interested in the general welfare of his community, in public improvements and in education. He was for two terms county auditor.

Henry Neff was married in West township in 1854, to Isabelle M., daughter of William Oakes, a farmer and large land-owner of that township, of Scotch-Irish descent. She was born in October, 1825, in Barree township, and died February 8, 1856, at the age of thirty. They had one child, which died in infancy. Mr. Neff was married again, December 31, 1861, to Amelia McCord, a widow, whose maiden name was Miller; she is a native of Lancaster county. Their only child is Anna Kauffman, born October 22, 1863, married to William Harnish, Esq., attorney-at-law, Lancaster, Pa., has one child, Helen. Mrs. Amelia Neff died January 7, 1896. Mr. Neff is a member of the Reformed church.

THOMAS HAMER, JR., farmer, Cottage, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Porter township, November 22, 1830, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Hicks) Hamer. Thomas Hamer, Sr., was born in Lancaster county, and was of German descent. When a young man, he settled in Huntingdon county, farming and raising stock in Porter and West townships. He married Miss Elizabeth Hicks, a native of

Huntingdon county. Their children were: Susan, deceased; Elizabeth (Mrs. William Piper), deceased; Mary, deceased wife of George Whittaker, a printer; Hetty (Mrs. David Sheesley), her husband a farmer in Logan township; Ann (Mrs. Edward Roberts), of Illinois; Collins, of Illinois; George, deceased, who served in the late war; and Jacob, of Illinois. Both parents died in Logan township. Mr. Hamer was a Republican. He was a member of the Presbyterian church.

Thomas Hamer, Jr., attended the public schools, and assisted his father on the farm, where he remained until he was twenty-two. He then rented a farm in West township, was afterwards two years in Illinois, then back in West township, then spent one year in Blair county, and finally came to West township in 1891, where he has since remained. In Logan township, in 1858, he was married to Miss Melinda Waldsmith, who died in 1883. They had eight children: George, merchant, Petersburg, Pa.; Allison; Mary and Hewitt, twins; Emma, widow of Mordecai Johnson; Annie; Carrie; and Clara, who died at an early age. Mr. Hamer is an ardent Republican. He is a Methodist, and takes an active part in church work, rendering valuable service in the Sabbath-school.

JOHN T. HENRY, merchant and postmaster, Cottage, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in West township, April 13, 1852, son of Mordecai and Louisa (Thompson) Henry. His grandfather, John Henry, was of Scotch-Irish descent, a carpenter and farmer in Barree and West townships. Mordecai Henry, father of John T., was born in Barree township, August 31, 1818. He learned plastering, and afterwards he owned and cultivated a farm of 216 acres of land in West township, where he made many improvements on the place, and gave attention to stock raising. He was married in West township, to Louisa C., daughter of Joseph Thompson, a carpenter. They had five children: Joseph, of Davenport, Iowa; John T.; Anna; Richard, stock dealer and farmer on the old homestead; W. Scott, a miner of Colorado. His politics were Democratic; he served six years as justice of the peace, and was school director and supervisor, and held other township offices. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, in which he held various offices. He

was universally esteemed and respected, and his death, on May 7, 1896, caused deep sorrow in the community.

John T. Henry was educated in the public schools, and assisted his father on the farm until the age of twenty-seven, at which time he embarked in the mercantile business. For four years he continued in Barree township, meeting with fair success, after which he moved to Fairfield, and opened a general store. He also attended to repairing watches for six years. In 1893, he was appointed postmaster of Cottage. He was married in 1879, to Anna M., daughter of William Livingston, born in 1852, in Miller township. They have one child, Mordecai, born July 14, 1881, who assists in the store. Mr. Henry is a member of Lodge No. 837, I. O. O. F., of Petersburg. He is a Democrat, and has served six years as school director and one term as tax collector. He worships with the Presbyterian church. By his energy and thrift, he has succeeded well in business; he is respected and esteemed by his neighbors.

HENRY H. SUMMERS, Entriken, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Lincoln, then Hopewell, township, June 2, 1834. He was the son of Henry and Sarah (Boyer) Summers. His paternal grandfather and grandmother, Henry and Barbara Summers, were natives of Maryland, of German descent, and removed from Hagerstown, Md., to Woodcock valley, Huntingdon county, about 1780; the grandfather died in 1809, and his wife in 1827. He was a farmer and stock raiser, and owned a farm of 300 acres in the valley. He married in Hagerstown, and had seven children: Daniel; Jacob; Henry; Mary; Catharine; Margaret; and Susan. He was a good man, esteemed and respected by his neighbors. He died in Woodcock valley. His son, Henry Summers (2), father of Henry H., was born in Hopewell township, in 1792. He was all his life a resident of Hopewell, owning and cultivating over 150 acres of land, on which he made many improvements. He gave considerable attention to the breeding of stock. Henry Summers was an old line Whig. He won the regard and confidence of the community, so that he was chosen for various township offices. His wife, Sarah Boyer, was born in Penn, then Hopewell, township, daughter of Henry Boyer, farmer. Their children are:

Jacob, deceased; Catharine, deceased, wife of Jacob Garner; Barbara, deceased, wife of Christian Fouse; David, deceased, was a soldier, a member of Company K, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers; Sarah, wife of Rev. Joseph R. Foelt, of Marklesburg, Pa.; Hannah, wife of Daniel Harris, of Altoona, Pa.; and Henry. The father was a member of the Lutheran church. He died in Woodcock valley in 1845. Sarah, his wife, died in 1872.

Henry H. Summers first attended subscription schools in the Summers school house in Lincoln township, where his teacher was an old man known as Master White, and afterwards the newly established common schools. He was a student at Cassville Seminary for one term, and at the academy of Juniata county, thus acquiring an excellent education. For five terms he was himself a teacher. He grew up on his father's farm, which was his home until he was twenty-one. His father died when Henry H. Summers was twelve years of age. On reaching his majority he engaged in mercantile business in Marklesburg, in partnership with J. G. Boyer, and carried on the business for four years, with fair success. He then rented a farm in Hopewell township, which he cultivated for three years. On February 28, 1865, Mr. Summers enlisted at Hollidaysburg, Pa., in Company K, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Colonel Bonaffon, Captain Brewster. He spent seven months in service of his country, and was discharged in September, 1865; during this time he was much of the time on guard duty. Returning to Pennsylvania, Mr. Summers purchased 80 acres of land in Lincoln township, on which he built a dwelling, stable, etc., and made other improvements. After working this farm for four years, he sold it and bought the farm of 200 acres on which he now lives, which included some timber land. Here he built a barn and other convenient structures, and is engaged in farming and stock raising. From 1858 to 1862 Mr. Summers was postmaster at James Creek, Penn township. He has been assessor, auditor and supervisor of Lincoln township. He is an ardent reformer in politics, a believer in "16 to 1." Mr. Summers is a member of the Grange, and is in demand as a lecturer. He takes an interest in the study of natural

phenomena, and is weather reporter for his neighborhood.

Henry H. Summers was married in Lincoln, then Hopewell, township, in 1858, to Elizabeth Beaver, of that township. Their children are: Blair S., deceased; John H., of Blair county, Pa.; Sarah (Mrs. John C. Steinbach), of Lincoln township; David M., farmer of Lincoln township; Florence, at home; Milton, deceased; Jane (Mrs. Hossen Boyer), of New York; Melchior M., teacher, residing on the homestead; George, at home. Mr. Summers has been deacon, and is elder in the Lutheran church; also Sunday-school teacher and superintendent; he has held all church offices. For a number of years he was leader of the choir. Mr. Summers is a good worker in every sphere, and an influential man.

JOHN G. GARNER, Entriken, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Penn township, August 22, 1840, son of Philip and Margaret (Morningstar) Garner. Philip Garner, son of John Garner, was born December 15, 1807. His education was rather limited as to English branches, but more complete in German. He was all his life a farmer, in Penn and Lincoln townships. He owned some 400 acres in Penn township, on which he erected a dwelling, a barn and other buildings; after improving and cultivating this farm for some time, he sold it, and bought 137 acres in Lincoln township, which he farmed for the remainder of his life; he was fond of horses, a thoroughly competent and reliable stock raiser. Mr. Garner was a Republican. He enjoyed the respect and confidence of the community in which he lived, and was elected to the offices of constable, supervisor of roads, school director, collector of taxes, etc. His wife was a native of Penn township. Their children are: Philip, enlisted for the war of the Rebellion in the Sixteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, was captured, and starved to death in the prison at Salisbury, N. C., in 1863; Frederick, of Juniata township; Mary J. (Mrs. William Morningstar), of Henderson township; William, of Penn township; John G.; Michael, of Oklatonua; James H., commissioner of Huntingdon county; Margaret A., deceased; Barbara E. (Mrs. L. Morningstar); Susanna, deceased, wife of Edmund Goss, of Clearfield county, Pa.; and one that died in infancy.

Philip Garner, the father, died June 26, 1896; he was a member and an office-bearer in the Lutheran church, and a citizen of good repute. His wife died April 18 (Easter Sunday) 1897, aged eighty-nine years, six months and four days.

Attending the public schools of Penn township, and helping in the cultivation of his father's farm, John G. Garner passed his boyhood and attained his majority. In 1861, he enlisted for the defense of the Union in Company C, Fifty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, Col. J. R. Brooke, Capt. (Dr.) J. H. Wintrobe. Mr. Garner was in the service for nine months, during which time he participated in several minor engagements, but suffered much from cold and exposure, and was ill for a time in the hospitals at Alexandria, Va., and White House, Va. Upon his discharge, which he received in Virginia, he returned home and continued farming, in Penn township. In 1864 Mr. Garner re-enlisted in Company G, Forty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers, as corporal. He passed three months in the service, principally on detail for guard duty. Having once more returned to Penn township, he found employment with the Huntingdon and Broad Top R. R. as repairman, for six months. He then went to Ohio, still in railroad employ, remained there two months, and then came back to Pennsylvania and to the employ of the Huntingdon and Broad Top R. R. Several years later, with money saved from his pay in army and railroad service, Mr. Garner bought a farm of 130 acres, on which he has made improvements, and where he still resides. He is fond of horses and cattle, and is an extensive stock raiser. Mr. Garner is a Republican, as are also his sons. He has been a member of the election board, and in February, 1897, was elected a school director. He is a member of the G. A. R. post at Marklesburg. He is a genial gentleman, and highly respected.

John G. Garner was married near Worcester, O., December 31, 1863, to Jane B., daughter of Jacob Showalter, of Huntingdon county. She was born in Juniata township. Their children are: John B., deceased; Philip E., deceased; Harry S., born September 3, 1867, educated at Entriken, has been all his life a farmer and railroad employe, is member and chaplain of the Grange, also of the Farmers' Alliance; Grant, railroad em-

ployee, married Minnie A. Smith, of Hopewell township; Minnie M., deceased; Milton H., born May 28, 1876, farmer on homestead, was married March 15, 1896; May E. (Mrs. Kyler), of Lincoln township; and Margaret A., at home. Mrs. Garner died April 6, 1889. Mr. Garner is a member of the Lutheran church, a good citizen and much esteemed.

JOHN E. KETTERMAN, Entriken, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in York county, Pa., December 26, 1828, son of George and Mary (Bush) Ketterman. His grandfather, George Ketterman, was also a native of York county, and was of German and French descent. He was a farmer, and lived and died in York county. George Ketterman, Jr., father of John E., was also a farmer of York county, in his younger days, but later in life became a silversmith. His wife was a native of York county. Their children are: John E.; Elizabeth, widow of Mr. King; Randolph, of York county; Jacob, of York county; Annie (Mrs. Hanna); George, deceased; Henry, pastor of a Lutheran church in York county; Louisa, deceased; Albert, of Indiana; Margaret (Mrs. Geutzler); Rebecca (Mrs. David Hoke); and Catherine (Mrs. Klinefelter). Mr. Ketterman was a Democrat, and a member of the Lutheran church. Mrs. Ketterman died in 1887, and her husband in 1895, in York county.

John E. Ketterman was educated in York county. He became a carpenter, builder and contractor, and bridge builder. He removed to Huntingdon county in 1847, and in 1848 took up the business of surveying, in addition to his other occupations. He was elected county surveyor in 1887, and filled the office very creditably and with satisfaction to all for six years. In 1868, Mr. Ketterman purchased a small farm in Lincoln township, on which he erected a dwelling and a barn, and where he still resides. Though farming his land, he has not relinquished the business of surveying. Mr. Ketterman was postmaster in Tod and Lincoln townships for twenty-eight years; for fourteen years he was book-keeper and assistant manager of Paradise Furnace. He is a justice of the peace of Lincoln township, having been elected in 1885. He is recognized as an impartial and clear-headed dispenser of justice. He is a Republican; he was formerly identified with the I. O. O. F.

In 1848, John E. Ketterman was married in Penn township, to Elizabeth Snare, a native of that township. She died in 1876. In 1879, Mr. Ketterman was again married to Margaret Shontz, widow of E. P. Brumbaugh. Their only child is John H., at home. Mr. Ketterman is a member of the Reformed church, has been deacon and is an elder. He has been both teacher and superintendent in the Sunday-school. Mr. Ketterman is a useful and respected citizen.

Mrs. John E. Ketterman was born in Penn township, in 1837. She is a daughter of Christian and Mary (Buckwalter) Shontz. Both parents are of German descent; Mr. Shontz is a farmer. A brother of Mrs. Ketterman's is Rev. Jonas B. Shontz, a Reformed pastor of Chambersburg, Pa. The family is one of the useful and influential ones of the county. Mrs. Ketterman's first husband was Eli P. Brumbaugh, of Lincoln township. They had five children: Franklin, of Phillipsburg, Pa.; Annie, widow of Dr. R. L. Dartt, of Bellefonte, Centre county, Pa.; Charles, of Jersey Shore, Pa.; Lettie (Mrs. Erwin Watson), of McCConnellstown, Pa.; and Elizabeth (Mrs. Lewis Shultz), of Lincoln township. Mr. Brumbaugh died in 1875; four years later, Mrs. Brumbaugh was married to Mr. Ketterman. She is a good wife and mother, and has many friends in her church and in the community.

WILLIAM S. FOUSE, Entriken, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Lincoln township, June 6, 1853, son of Adam and Margaret Jane (Simonton) Fouse. Adam Fouse was born in Blairs Cove, near Beavertown, Blair county, Pa. He learned carpentry, and worked at that trade in his native county. When he removed to Huntingdon county he became the owner of a tannery in Lincoln township, which he carried on with success for a number of years. He afterwards bought a farm of 165 acres in the same township, built upon it and otherwise improved it, and continued tilling the land and raising stock until within two or three years of his death. About 1868, Mr. Fouse was elected county commissioner for Huntingdon county, on the Republican ticket; he always adhered to that party. His wife, Margaret Jane Simonton, to whom he was married in Lincoln township, was a daughter of Jefferson Simonton, farmer

and tanner of that township. Their children are: Mary A.; Benjamin, farmer, of Huntingdon county; William S.; Nancy (Mrs. John Greaser), of Blair county; and Naomi. Adam Fouse was a lifelong member of the Reformed church; he was for many years in the eldership; he was a worker, as teacher and as superintendent, in the Sunday-school. He was a man of exemplary life; never entered a liquor saloon, never used tobacco in any form; he was held in respect and in the kind regards of his neighbors and associates. Mr. Fouse died in September, 1884; his wife still lives on the homestead in Lincoln township.

William S. Fouse was educated in Lincoln township. He learned tanning with his father, and continued to work at the business until his father went to farming. William remained on the farm until he was twenty-two; he then rented a farm of 100 acres in Penn township, and began cultivating it on his own account. He was for three years on this first farm; he then rented others in the same township, on which he continued working until 1883. In that year he removed to the paternal homestead; there he continued for eight years, then rented a farm in Penn township for two years, and lastly bought his present farm, containing 700 acres, in Lincoln township, of William McMurrie. He has made various improvements, and is still engaged in cultivating the soil and raising stock. Mr. Fouse has been a member of the school board of the township, and filled the office of supervisor. He is a Republican.

William S. Fouse was married at Everett, Bedford county, Pa., in 1875, to Martha J., daughter of Samuel Shell, of Marklesburg. Their children are: Herman; Mary Jane; Keturah P.; and William. Mr. Fouse is a deacon in the Reformed church. He was trained in the Sunday-school, and has been a teacher there. Following his father's excellent example, he has been no patron or visitor of saloons, but endeavors to maintain a consistent course of life. He enjoys the respect and good will of the community.

DAVID H. FISHER, Entriken, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Tol township, February 25, 1831, son of John C. and Mary A. (Snare) Fisher. Ludwig Fisher, his grandfather, was of German descent, and born in

Maryland. He farmed in Bedford and Fulton counties, Pa., and owned coal lands on Broad Top. He married a Miss Carothers, of Bedford county; their family consisted of ten children. Their son, John C. Fisher, was born in McConnells Cove, Fulton county. He was first a farmer at Broad Top, Bedford county, removing later to Tod township, Huntingdon county, where he bought a farm in 1840. This land was all in timber when he made the purchase; it comprised 128 acres. He cleared and improved his property, and cultivated it for the remainder of his life. His politics were first those of the Whig, and afterwards those of the Republican party. He held several township offices. Mr. Fisher was married to Miss Snare in Tod township. Their children are: Catherine, deceased; John A., deceased; Joseph, of Johnson county, Mo.; Jennima, widow of Christian Fisher; David H.; Jacob, deceased; Andrew, deceased; Mary, deceased, wife of Samuel E. Brode. Mr. John C. Fisher was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He died on the homestead in 1862. His excellent wife survived him until 1889, when she died at the home of her son, David H. Fisher.

This son attended one of the old log school houses of Tod township and lived with his parents on the farm until he reached the age of twenty. He then learned carpentry in Lincoln township; he has continued nearly all his life in that vocation, having become a contractor and master builder. Mr. Fisher has erected some dwellings and other structures in various parts of the county; among these are some of the finest barns in Hopewell and Lincoln townships. He purchased a farm of 60 acres in Lincoln township; after cultivating it for five years, he sold it, and went to Iowa, where he remained for some months. On his return, he enlisted at Hollidaysburg, Blair county, in Company K, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Colonel Bonaffon, Capt. J. C. Brewster. This was in 1865. Mr. Fisher served for seven months, being much of the time on guard duty. He was discharged at Nashville, Tenn., in September of that year, returned home and resumed work at his trade. In 1866, he bought his present residence, a farm of 150 acres. He has built upon it an octagonal dwelling and a barn, and added other improvements. Mr. Fisher also bought the James Entrekim homestead, of 150 acres,

which his son-in-law has under cultivation. These gentlemen also raise live stock. Mr. Fisher has found time for much public service. He was for nine years in the school board, and was its treasurer. In 1879, he was elected justice of the peace, in which office he continued for seventeen years, fulfilling its duties most creditably; it is enough to say that his judgments were invariably sustained by the higher courts. He is a Republican, and polled his first vote for James Scott in 1852. He is now a member of the People's party, and was a delegate to the Omaha convention. He has attended all the conventions held in his own county and State. He adopted the motto "16 to 1." Mr. Fisher is a member of the Farmers' Alliance, and of the Grange; in the latter he has served as lecturer and as chaplain.

David H. Fisher was married in 1856, at Huntingdon, to Mary, daughter of Jacob Brendle, farmer and blacksmith of Lincoln township, where Mrs. Fisher was born. Their children are: Rose (Mrs. Calvin S. Fouse), of Lincoln township; Samuel H., farmer, Lincoln township; Margaret E. (Mrs. H. T. Entrekim); Jean M. (Mrs. Linnard W. Trecede), of Hopewell township; Kate (Mrs. Orlando Reed), whose husband is in railroad employ; Lettie (Mrs. Irvin Morningstar), of Lincoln township; Rush C., on the homestead; Elizabeth, was killed by a log that rolled upon her; Lillie, deceased; and one that died in infancy. Mr. Fisher is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and a teacher in the Sunday-school; has served as superintendent. He belongs to the building committee, and is steward of the church. Mr. Fisher is of a genial and kindly nature, and enjoys the respect and good will of the community.

GEORGE T. WALLACE, Aitch, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born January 20, 1838, in Morris township, Huntingdon county, son of Samuel P. and Susan (Rathford) Wallace. Michael Wallace, his grandfather, was Scotch by birth, and came to this country in early manhood, settling in Warriors Mark township. There he became the owner of a paper-mill near Laurel Springs, which he bought about 1820, and which, when he had erected a new building of stone for the paper manufacture, he converted into a clover-mill and luscied oil factory. He had near the same

spot a store and a public house, besides a plaster mill. After conducting these various interests for about seven years, he returned to Morris township, where he had resided for some time before his settlement in Warriors Mark, and bought a farm. He also purchased the Union Furnace, built and conducted a grist mill, and opened a store, to which industries, in addition to the cultivation of his farm, he devoted himself for some time. He remained the rest of his life upon the farm. Michael Wallace was an active business man, and a useful and respected citizen. His politics were those of the old-time Whig party. He was a member of the Presbyterian church. He married a Miss Wait. Their children were: Samuel P.; Mary; Benjamin; Robert; Susan; and Thomas. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace are both dead. Their son, Samuel P. Wallace, was a farmer; he owned and cultivated some 700 acres in Morris township, which he greatly improved, building a brick dwelling, a barn and other conveniences. He was also interested in the manufacture of iron in Morris township, and was a fairly successful man. Among his other pursuits should be mentioned his attention to the raising of cattle and horses. He was a Whig, and afterwards became a Republican. He was supervisor and school director for his township, and director of the poor for the county. Samuel P. Wallace married Susan Rathford, a native of Lancaster, of German family; their marriage was solemnized at Sinking Valley, Blair county, Pa. Their children are: Frances Mary (Mrs. Wilson Dysart), of Lee county, Ill.; Elizabeth; George T.; William, farmer, of Blair county; Caroline (Mrs. David Wray), of Bellewood, Blair county; Clara (Mrs. John Templeton), of Tyrone, Blair county; Samuel P., of Ohio; J. Elliot, merchant, of Altoona, Pa.; Cornelia N. and Henry N., died young. Mr. Wallace was a member of the Presbyterian church, and took a lively and active interest in church work; he was an elder. He won the respect and good will of all as a good husband and father, and a true friend to all in need. He died on the homestead in 1868; his good wife still survives, living among her children.

George T. Wallace attended the common schools of Morris township, and remained with his father on the farm until he was eighteen; he then worked for two years on the Pennsyl-

vania Railroad, after which he went to Lee county, Ill., and was employed for a time as a farm hand. In July, 1861, he enlisted in Chicago, in the battalion of cavalry attached to the Thirteenth Illinois Infantry, and known as Bowers' Battalion; he was enrolled in Company C, under Colonel Weymons and Captain Miller. On the 9th of August Mr. Wallace was in the battle of Wilson Creek, Mo.; he was also in the engagements at Pea Ridge and at Pittsburg Landing, and several minor fights. He was hurt by being thrown from his horse, December 20, 1861, but recovered, served two years, and was mustered out at St. Louis, Mo., in June, 1865. He went home, only to re-enlist, August 19, of that year, in Company M., Nineteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry. Mr. Wallace was in all the twenty-four battles in which this regiment had a share. He was wounded twice at Nashville, Tenn., and twice on December 19, was taken prisoner, but was discharged. He was mustered out at Baton Rouge, La. He then came back to Morris township, but soon went to Cold Spring Forge, Blair county, as clerk and manager of the iron works there. Four years later he left that place for the Altoona car shops, where he was employed for three years and a half; then he was in the Huntingdon car shops for four years. Mr. Wallace then rented a Juniata township farm for one year, afterwards one in Penn township for two years. He then bought his present residence in Lincoln township, a tract of 108 acres. The purchase was made in 1878. He has built a comfortable and convenient house and barn, at a cost of over \$2,000, and made other improvements. He is stock raiser as well as farmer. Mr. Wallace is a Republican. He was a school director for six years, and supervisor for twelve years. He is a member of the Union Veteran Legion of Huntingdon county.

George T. Wallace was married in Lincoln township, in 1874, to Luey, daughter of Jacob Summers, farmer, of Lincoln township, where Mrs. Wallace was born. Their children are: Jacob S., born May 3, 1875, a teacher, was educated in the township schools and at Juniata College, Huntingdon, Pa.; and George E., born September 25, 1877. Mr. Wallace has been deacon and is elder in the Reformed church. He is a teacher, and the assistant superintendent of the Sunday school.

RALPH P. SMITH, Cassville, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Union township, Huntingdon county, September 7, 1854; his parents were Samuel and Catherine (Swope) Smith. The Smith family had its origin in "brave little Holland," and were accordingly Dutch. Levi Smith, grandfather of Ralph P., married Mary Pheasant, a lady of German descent. Both belonged to the thrifty and courageous pioneer families of Union township. Their children were: Samuel; George; Annie; Rosa E.; John P.; Mary; Isaac; James; Elizabeth; Abraham, who was killed fighting for his country in the battle of the Wilderness; David; Miles; and Leonard. Levi Smith was a farmer, and a sensible and faithful man in all relations of life. He was elected to various township offices; among the rest, to the important and responsible position of school director. He belonged to the old Whig party, and when party lines and names changed became a Republican. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which he was looked upon as a worthy example; was a class leader, a teacher and for some time a superintendent of the Sunday-school, and above all, so consistent in his life as to inspire confidence and respect. He died where he had lived, in Union township, in 1873, from the effects of an accident. His excellent wife, now an octogenarian, still survives him.

Samuel Smith, eldest son of Levi Smith, was born in Union township, September 5, 1830. He was educated in the common schools of Union township, and at Cassville Seminary. He became early acquainted with farming in a practical way on the homestead of his father. He afterwards cultivated his own farm, containing 120 acres, in Union township, on which he made valuable improvements, building a fine frame dwelling, a barn, etc. In 1895 he sold that farm and removed to Brady township, where he bought another, consisting of 320 acres, on which he has made improvements, and which he is still cultivating. Mr. Smith is a stock raiser, as well as a farmer. A worthy son of his father, the respect felt for him by his fellow-citizens has led to his being elected to all the offices in the gift of the township. He is a Republican, and was elected in 1881 on the party ticket to the position of county commissioner. He was justice of the peace in Union township,

and now holds the same office in Brady township. He is a member of the Methodist church, and in his younger days took a very active part in its affairs. Samuel Smith was married in Union township, to Catharine, daughter of David and Isabella (Wright) Swope, a well-known farmer of that township, and of German descent. Their children are: Ralph P.; Isabella (Mrs. Mattison Swope), of Union township; Jennie (Mrs. James Kidder), of Jackson township; Josephine (Mrs. Milton Myerly), of Union township; Harrison, in railroad business, married May Snowden; Clara (Mrs. Howard Laird), of Porter township; Samuel, farmer, of Union township; Julia; Edgar, farmer on homestead.

The public and select schools of Union township afforded Ralph P. Smith his educational opportunities. At an early age he began farm business on the homestead. In his early teens he was a teacher; at the age of thirteen he taught for a term in Union township; the next year he was teacher at Springfield mines, Blair county, for a term; then one term in Penn township, and one term in West township. During the summers he perfected his own education by attending school. At eighteen years of age Mr. Smith rented a farm of 176 acres, in Cass township, for ten years, to which he removed. After his lease was out he bought the farm on which he now resides, and on which he has made some important improvements, building a fine dwelling, barn and other valuable additions to the convenience and appearance of the place. Mr. Smith also deals in live stock. That Mr. Smith's standing in the community is not inferior to that of his father and grandfather is indicated by the number of offices to which he has been chosen. He has been in the school board for several terms, and for nine years its secretary; also supervisor, tax collector, assessor, and for several terms auditor of the township. He is a Republican. He belongs to the P. O. S. of A., and to the Grange of Tod township.

The experience of Mr. Smith speaks well for early marriage, where the choice falls upon a true "helpmeet." He was but eighteen when, on September 10, 1872, at Petersburg, Pa., he married Amanda, daughter of Jacob and Sarah (Shock) Fisher. She was born at Pine Grove, Centre county, Pa., January 5, 1851. Her father was of German descent,

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a miller and farmer of West township; his wife's ancestry was also German; they were the parents of six children. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Smith are: Elmer, a farmer of Tod township, married Ella J. Wright, has one child, Edna M.; Lottie E., a teacher; Clement V.; Denver C.; Beulah M.; Carrie A.; William, still a child; and an infant, who died. The parents have spent a life of cheerful, diligent and successful labor together, and have well earned the comforts and pleasures they enjoy. Notwithstanding her large family, and the cares of a farmer's wife, Mrs. Smith has leisure to be a genial companion, and a member with her husband of the Farmers' Grange. Mr. Smith takes an active part in the work of his denomination, the Methodist; is teacher and superintendent in the Sunday-school.

ABRAHAM W. PHEASANT, Cassville, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Trough Creek valley, Cass township, September 15, 1828, son of Samuel and Annie (Saylor) Pheasant. Samuel Pheasant was one of the Maryland settlers of this region. He was of German descent; he was a young man when he settled on a farm of sixty acres in Trough Creek valley, which, with thirty acres of timber land, he had purchased. He built a house and barn on his farm, made various improvements, and there spent his life, cultivating the soil and raising stock for sale. Miss Annie Saylor, who became his first wife, was born in Cass township, and was of German descent. Their children are as follows: Mary (Mrs. Levi Smith); Elizabeth, wife of Andrew Smith, both deceased; Sarah, deceased, wife of Abraham Shoop; Rachel (Mrs. Amandus Davis), of Brady township; John, farmer, of Union township; David, of Union township, married Sarah Shore; Abraham W.; Annie (Mrs. Joshua Gosnell), of Cass township; Christian, of Union township; Samuel, of Union township; Isabelle (Mrs. James Wright), of Union township. Mrs. Annie Pheasant died at the homestead, September 22, 1853, at the age of fifty-eight. Samuel Pheasant was again married; his second wife was Mary Baumgardner. Their children were: Alfred, a farmer of Cass township; Elmer, also a farmer, of Cass township; Jane (Mrs. P. Rowland); and Samantha. Mr. Samuel Pheasant was an excellent man, respected

and trusted in the community and in the church. He was chosen for several public offices, supervisor, school director, tax collector, etc. He was a Republican. In the Methodist church, of which he was an active member and a class leader, he was elected trustee. He died at his home, October 30, 1874, aged seventy-eight.

After his education in the public schools of Cass township was finished, Abraham W. Pheasant began business life with his father on the home farm, where he remained until he arrived at the age of twenty-four. He and his brother David then, as partners, purchased a tract of 113 acres in Union township. After cultivating it for four years, A. W. Pheasant sold his interest in it, and bought a farm of 115 acres in Cass township, upon which he built two dwellings and two barns, and made other improvements. He there carried on stock raising in connection with his farming operations. In 1874, he removed to his present place of abode, a tract of 66 acres, which he farms in addition to the original 115 acres and another farm, containing sixty-three acres, also in Cass township, which he bought in 1882. On all these farms Mr. Pheasant has built substantial houses, both dwellings and farm buildings, and made other valuable improvements. He also built a residence in Mapleton, which he rents. Thus from very modest beginnings, by diligence, economy and judicious enterprise, Mr. Pheasant has worked his way to a position of honor and influence, and while increasing his wealth and opportunities for good of himself and his family, has by upright dealing preserved the regard of his neighbors. He is a Republican, and takes a deep interest in politics. He has been school director for five years; supervisor for three terms; judge of elections for one term; auditor for three years; constable for one term, and tax collector and assessor of the township, each two terms. He is a member of the Farmers' Grange of Cass township, of which he has been chaplain for five years.

Abraham W. Pheasant was married in 1852, in Union township, to Emeline, daughter of Philip and Sarah A. Curfman, a native of Cass township. Their children are: Calvin J., farmer of Cromwell township, married Susan Curfman; Frank, a blacksmith of Cass township, married Jennie Clark; and Harry B., residing at home, has attended the Hunt-

ington State Normal School. Mr. Pheasant, like his father, is a devoted and faithful member of the Methodist church. He is a class leader, is treasurer of the church, and has been steward for twenty-three years. He is a Sunday-school teacher, and a manager of experience and judgment.

James F. Pheasant, Latta Grove, Cass township, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Cass township, December 29, 1856, son of Abraham and Emeline (Curfman) Pheasant. He attended school in Cass township, and in Cassville, and began his career as a farmer on the homestead with his father. He then farmed for himself in Cass township for more than ten years, having under cultivation over 200 acres of land. In 1876 he learned blacksmithing in Cassville and Mill Creek, where he spent two years and a half. In 1878 he began farming on his own account, and has ever since followed the same calling. He is a Republican; has served on the election board, and as inspector of elections.

James F. Pheasant was married November 2, 1876, in Cass township, to Annie J. Clark, born in Newburg, Tod township. She is the daughter of Thompson Clark, of Tod township, who was killed at the battle of Antietam. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Pheasant are: Gertrude, wife of L. R. Smith, teacher, of Cass township; and Abraham H., at home.

MICHAEL STEVER, Latta Grove, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Cass township, April 5, 1832, son of Joseph and Rebecca (Bongardner) Stever. His grandfather, George Stever, was a native of Berks county, of German extraction. Coming to Huntingdon county, he settled near Cassville, where he owned a considerable tract of land, on which he made various improvements, including the building of a dwelling house and barn. He married Miss Mathias, of Maryland. Their children were: Adam; Philip; Joseph; David; John; Sarah; Catherine; Elizabeth; and Mary. George Stever belonged to the Whig party. He was a member of the Lutheran church. Both he and his wife died on the homestead. Their son, Joseph Stever, spent his life in Cass township, where he owned over 115 acres of land, on which he erected the necessary farm buildings, and a residence, and made other improvements. He raised stock, besides tilling the ground. He was a Republi-

can. His wife, Rebecca Bongardner, was born in Cass township. Their children are: Abraham and Isaac, twins, deceased; Jacob, deceased; Philip, of Fairfield, Ia.; Michael; George W., of Cass township; Israel, deceased, resided in Iowa; Matilda (Mrs. Isaac Dill); Levina (Mrs. John White), of Mifflin county; Henry, resides on the homestead; Sarah, housekeeper for her brother Michael; John, deceased, resided in Iowa; and two children who died at an early age. The parents both died at the homestead, the mother in 1866, the father in 1879. He was a member of the Lutheran church.

Michael Stever attended the common schools of Cass township, and began his life work with farm labor, at which he was occupied when the war of the Rebellion broke out. He enlisted at Mount Union, June 26, 1863, in Company A, Twenty-second Pennsylvania Cavalry, Capt. John D. Fee, and served for six months; was discharged in February, 1864, and went home, but re-enlisted August 27, of the same year, in the Third Heavy Artillery, Company F, under Colonel Roberts and Capt. J. A. Blake. Mr. Stever was at Camp Hamilton. After serving nine months he was discharged June 13, 1865. Returning home he continued to be occupied with farm work until 1891, when he began keeping a grocery store at Latta Grove. In May, 1891, he was appointed postmaster, the first to keep the Latta Grove P. O., which he still manages. He has built himself a fine residence, a store, a barn, etc., his improvements costing about \$1,500. Mr. Stever has been supervisor, school director, judge of elections, and jurymen. He is a Republican. He is connected with the G. A. R., the I. O. O. F., and the P. O. S. of A. He also belongs to the Grange. Mr. Stever is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and has taught in its Sunday-school.

HENRY STEVER, Latta Grove, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Cass township, October 23, 1842. He is of German descent, and is a son of Joseph and Rebecca (Bongardner) Stever, and a brother of Michael Stever, postmaster of Latta Grove. Henry Stever attended school in Cass township, after which he worked with his father on the farm, until his enlistment for the defence of his country in 1863. In June of that year he became a member of Company A,

Twenty-second Pennsylvania Cavalry, at Mount Union, serving under Major B. M. Morrow and Capt. J. D. Fee. He spent eight months in the service at this time, not going into battle, but on detail duty, and was discharged February 14, 1864. In the August after his discharge, he again left his home and enlisted in the Third Pennsylvania Heavy Artillery. During this enlistment, Mr. Stever spent over nine months in doing guard duty. He was discharged finally at Fortress Monroe, Va., June 9, 1865. After his return home he continued on the homestead, but spent one summer in the West, and a year at Mapleton, Pa. The rest of his life he has spent on the homestead, which he bought in 1874, and has ever since cultivated. His improvements have been many and serviceable; the planting of the orchard, the erection of out-houses, etc. He has given some attention to stock raising. He tills more than 180 acres, having besides 75 acres of timber. Mr. Stever is a Republican. He was for three years a school director; is a member of the Grange of Cass township, of P. O. S. of A., No. 662, Cass township, and formerly belonged to the I. O. O. F. His life and all his most diligent work have been given to the farm.

Henry Stever was married in Cass township, December 24, 1868, to Melinda, daughter of Abraham Taylor, of Trough Creek valley, farmer, stone mason and coal dealer. She was born in Tod township. Their children are: Frank W.; Rachel E. (Mrs. M. D. Walker), of Smithfield, Pa.; and Jesse H., of Cass township. Mrs. Stever died of disease of the stomach, July 25, 1892. Mr. Henry Stever is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, of which he is a trustee; he has served in the Sunday-school as teacher and as superintendent.

Frank W. Stever, son of Henry and Melinda (Taylor) Stever, was educated in the common schools of Cass township, and has spent his life on the homestead, which he cultivates. He has also worked in the employ of the Huntingdon and Broad Top R. R. He married Sarah Monihen, of Cass township. Their children are: Elda C.; and Homer. Mr. Stever is a Republican. He is a member of the P. O. S. of A., of Latta Grove, and of the A. P. A., of Saltillo.

A. CLAYTON GREENLAND, of Calvin, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Blair county, near Altoona, Pa., son of Aaron W. and Jane C. (Shore) Greenland. A century or more ago, his great-grandfather, Moses Greenland, who was of English parentage, removed to Cass township from Washington county, Md., and bought over 350 acres of land, which he farmed, dividing the estate among his three sons, Nathan; Caleb; and Joshua. Caleb, born in Maryland, was the grandfather of Mr. A. C. Greenland. By the removal and division of land above described, he became a Cass township farmer, owning and cultivating 120 acres of his patrimony, besides a farm in Smith valley, same township. He was intelligent and enterprising, and made many improvements. He was a stock raiser as well as farmer. Caleb Greenland was an old-line Whig. He was supervisor of Cass township for two terms, besides holding other offices. He married a Miss Lovell, of Cass township, but born in Maryland. Their children were: Margaret (Mrs. Joshua Edwards); Mahala (Mrs. Jordan Wright), of Union township; Catherine (Mrs. William Brown), of Clay township; Amou W.; Abel, who died young; Mary, deceased; and another son, who died, aged twenty-two. Both grandparents died on the farm where the grandfather first lived. He was a Baptist, a good and consistent man, and much esteemed.

His son, Amou W. Greenland, continued for a number of years to farm with his father. He then went to Blair county, where he was for two years engaged in hauling in and about Altoona. He then settled in Logan township, Blair county, where he was occupied with farming for the remainder of his life. His wife, to whom he was married in Cass township, was a daughter of Capt. Abraham Shore, of that township. Their children were A. Clayton; and one daughter, who died in infancy. The father died July 5, 1853. The mother died at the home of her son in Cass township, July 15, 1883.

It was at the tender age of nine months that A. Clayton Greenland lost his father. He grew up under his mother's guardianship in Cass township, attending first the common schools, and afterwards the excellent Seminary at Cassville. At fourteen years of age he began his business life by working for the

neighboring farmers for scanty wages. In this way he spent seven years, and then went to Altoona, Pa., where he learned stone masonry, and was employed in it for two seasons. After this he returned to his farm, his present residence in Cass township, which he bought in 1874. It contains 140 acres. This farm he still cultivates, and upon it he has made many improvements. In 1889 he took up the lumber industry in addition to his farming and stock raising. He owns a portable steam saw-mill and manufactures lumber, etc., with fair success. He has 400 acres of timber land in Cass township. As may be readily seen, Mr. Greenland is a most enterprising farmer, and truly "diligent in business." He is a charter member of the P. O. S. of A., Camp No. 350, of Calvin. His fellow citizens have frequently chosen him to offices; he has been school director for one term; was elected justice of the peace in 1894; was auditor of the township for three terms, and also township clerk. All these posts he has held to the satisfaction of all concerned, being faithful and energetic in the performance of duty. His political views are Republican.

A. Clayton Greenland was married in Cass township, December 18, 1872, to Martha B., daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Harbaugh, born in Bedford county. Her father is a farmer of Cass township. Their children are: Harper L., on the homestead; and Geddie J. Mr. Greenland attends the churches of different denominations, but is most partial to the Baptist church. He is popular and generally respected.

JAMES M. E. SMITH, farmer, Calvin, Pa., was born in Cass township, Huntingdon county, September 3, 1848, son of George and Elizabeth (Eaststep) Smith. George Smith was born in Cassville, Cass township, December 20, 1810, was a son of George and brother of Jesse P. Smith, of Tod township. He was educated in the public schools and became a tailor and farmer. He farmed and improved 84 acres of good land in Cass township. George Smith (2) was married in Union township, to Elizabeth, daughter of Jacob Eaststep, who was of German descent. They had one child, James. Mr. Smith was a Whig and later a Republican. He served as supervisor school director and justice of the peace. As a local minister in the Methodist Protestant

church, he rendered efficient service, preaching in Cassville and other places. His death, which occurred December 20, 1894, cast a gloom over the community.

James M. E. Smith attended the Locust Grove school in Cass township. He assisted his father in the cultivation of the homestead until 1890, when he moved to Union township. Here he conducted a farm of 230 acres, which he subsequently sold and has since successfully cultivated the homestead. In 1871 James M. E. Smith was married to Mary, daughter of Joseph Harbaugh, of Cambria county. Their children are: Lucy E. (Mrs. Philip Parks); Rhoda (Mrs. John Smith); Annie (Mrs. William Wright); George; Laura B.; Edna; Joseph; Merlie, deceased; and one who died in infancy. Mrs. Smith died April 12, 1892. The loss caused by her death was keenly felt. Mr. Smith is a member of the P. O. S. of A., of Calvin, and is a Republican. His mother resides with him and is now seventy-nine years of age.

KEEFER W. MIERLY, farmer, Page, Cass township, Huntingdon county, was born July 24, 1846, in this township, son of Abraham and Mary (Greenland) Mierly. His grandfather, Michael Mierly, was born in Washington county, Md., of German ancestry. Coming to Huntingdon county, he settled in what was then known as Union township, and bought a farm of 247 acres. Later he bought another farm of 140 acres in Cass township. In his last days he removed to Cassville, and lived a retired life until his death. His wife was Miss Bumgardner, of Maryland, and his children these: Michael; Solomon; John; David; George; Abraham; Israel; Catharine; Mary; Elizabeth, and Rebecca. Mrs. Mierly died in Union township. He was a Whig, a member of the Lutheran church; he died at the home of his son, Solomon Mierly, in Cass township. His father, Abraham Mierly, was born in Trough Creek valley, Union township. He married Miss Mary Greenland, of Cass township. Their children were: Keefor W., the only one of the children now living; Michael; Ephraim; Lavina; and Nancy, who had married A. L. Smith. Mr. Mierly was a Democrat. He died in 1886; his wife in 1877. Both were members of the Baptist church.

Keefor W. Mierly attended school in Cass

township and began life on the farm. In Petersburg, Logan township, in 1869, he married Elizabeth, daughter of John Shoop, a farmer in Union township. They have these children: Loretta B.; and Emma M., a school teacher, who was educated at the Huntingdon County Normal School, and at Roaring Spring, Blair county, Pa. Mr. Mierly, a Democrat, has served for six years as school director. He also belongs to the Grange in Cass township.

DR. ALFRED J. HAMILTON, physician and surgeon of Cassville, Cass township, Huntingdon county, was born October 31, 1845, in Shirley township, Huntingdon county, son of Robert and Nancy (Bard) Hamilton. His grandfather, William Hamilton, who was of Scotch-Irish descent, was a foundryman in Blair and Huntingdon counties. He died in Petersburg, Pa. His wife was Miss Butler, they had thirteen children. Robert Hamilton, father of the Doctor, was born in Blair county, and was first a charcoal burner at Paradise Furnace, but in later years was connected with the tannery business at Concord, Franklin county. He died at Orbisonia, Pa., in 1878. He was an old-line Whig, and later a Republican. In religious faith, he belonged to the Methodists. His wife, who died at Orbisonia in 1880, was Miss Nancy Bard, born in Huntingdon county of Scotch-Irish ancestry. Their children are: Hester A. (Mrs. Isaac Sechrist); Henderson; Margaret, died in infancy; Martha (Mrs. Thomas Kelly), Orbisonia, Pa.; Alfred J.; and Robert, who died in the army near Richmond in 1864.

Alfred J. Hamilton attended first the public schools of Cassville, later Cassville Seminary, and Martinsburg Seminary. At thirteen he began working as a farm hand in Tell township; he next worked eighteen months in a tannery at Mount Union, then four months in a stone quarry at Warriors Ridge, then at lumbering in Clearfield county. In 1864 he enlisted at Harrisburg in Company F, Nineteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, under Captain Hewitt. He participated in the battle of Nashville and in several minor engagements. In Arkansas a bullet passed through his coat, but without hurting him. In June, 1865, at New Orleans, he was mustered out and returned home, his health being seriously impaired by army life. Having saved up a lit-

tle money he expended it in broadening his education, after which he taught school at Mapleton, Orbisonia, Sinking Valley and in Shirley and Cass townships, of Huntingdon county. During the summer season he worked at bark-peeling and railroading. In 1867 he began to read medicine with Dr. G. W. C. James, of Orbisonia, and soon after entered the medical department of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, where he was graduated in 1870. After practising a short time at Mapleton, he became the partner of Dr. Robert Hunter, at New Grenada, Fulton county. Dr. Hamilton came to Cassville in 1874, and has practised there ever since. His practise extends through several townships; he was the regular physician for the Soldiers' Orphan School at Cassville. He is a specialist in diseases of the eye and has skillfully performed several delicate operations. In Cassville in 1874 he married Miss Martha S. Gehrett, born at Three Springs, daughter of Jacob Gehrett, who was of German descent, and who died in the Civil war. Their children are: Mary F.; Rebecca G.; Weir M.; George C.; Luey A.; and Nancy, who died in infancy. Mary F., the eldest daughter, graduated at Millersville State Normal School, July 30, 1896, and is now a teacher. Dr. Hamilton is a loyal Republican; has been Burgess of Cassville, member of the council, and school director. He is a member of the G. A. R. at Cassville, of Grange No. 444, Tod township; of the A. P. A., No. 177, Tod township, and of the P. O. S. of A. Dr. and Mrs. Hamilton are highly respected by a wide circle of acquaintances.

SAMUEL B. GREENE, postmaster, Hares Valley, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Cass township, March 17, 1842, son of Thomas C. and Frances (Baker) Greene. The ancestors of the family were English. George Greene, a farmer, and a great-great-grandfather of Samuel B., came to this country and settled near Baltimore, Md., early in the seventeenth century. Among his children were: Thomas; George; Elisha; Charles; Isaac; Clement; and Millie; all these came later to Pennsylvania and settled at Donation, Huntingdon county. They brought their negro slaves with them, and controlled them until the abolition of slavery in Pennsylvania. One or two children remained in Maryland.

The great-grandfather, Thomas (1), was born in Baltimore county, Md., in 1740, and became a farmer in Maryland. In 1784 he removed to Springfield township, Bedford, now Huntingdon county, and settled on a tract of 351 acres, on part of which Saltillo now stands. After clearing the land he erected a house and barn, a saw-mill, and sometime between the years 1785 and 1797 a grist-mill. In addition an extensive orchard was planted, and he engaged in distilling various liquors. At his death he owned 1,800 acres of land, which were divided among his children. He was married in 1763 to Helen Wright, a native of Maryland, but of Irish descent. Their children were: George; Susan; Thomas; Isaac; Nancy; Mary; Abraham; Elizabeth; Elisha; John; Rebecca; and Caleb, who was born in Pennsylvania. Mr. Greene was a Whig. He served as tax collector in 1790. He was in fellowship with the Methodist Episcopal church. He died in 1816, and was buried, as was also his wife and children, on the farm in the apple orchard, burial places being as yet private; this place is reserved forever as a cemetery.

John, Abraham and William Wright, brothers of Helen Wright, wife of Thomas Greene, settled in Clay township, Huntingdon county. John was a squatter on the Three Springs tract of land, warranted by James Ralph, of Philadelphia, in 1762. Wishing to purchase part of the land, Mr. Wright set out on horseback for Philadelphia, but in the meantime Col. George Ashman, who had settled on the same tract of land, was apprised of Wright's intention, and by hard riding on one of his best horses reached Philadelphia in advance of Wright, and bought the whole tract of fifteen or eighteen hundred acres of Mr. Ralph. Mr. Wright then bought a large tract of land in Trough Creek valley, where many of his descendants still live.

Thomas (2), grandfather of S. B. Greene, was born in Baltimore county, Md., in 1775, and moving to Huntingdon county, engaged in farming on a tract of 170 acres in Cass township. He erected a log house and barn, and made other improvements. He was very fond of hunting and killed many deer and bears. Mr. Greene was also extensively engaged in raising fruit. His marriage with Margaret, daughter of John Campbell, occurred in Cass township in 1801. Their children were: Robert; Jane; Rebecca; Harriet;

Nancy; Thomas C.; Margaret; Andrew; and Isabella. The father-in-law, Mr. Campbell, was born near Belfast, Ireland, in 1738, and settled in Northumberland county, Pa., in 1770, where he farmed his land until driven away by the Indians. He then settled in Huntingdon county, and subsequently died on his farm in Licking county, Ohio. Mr. Greene was a Whig. He was a believer in the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal church. His death occurred on the farm in 1850, and that of his wife in 1835.

Joseph Campbell was a powerful man, 6 ft. 4 in. tall, and weighed 240 pounds. He could lift a forge hammer, which weighed 700 lbs. He was expert with the shillalah, and upon one occasion, while living in Hares valley, he rushed out and killed a large bear which was in the act of killing one of their hogs. John Campbell, father-in-law to Thomas Greene (2) with his sons, Joseph, James and John, emigrated in 1810 to Licking county, Ohio, where he bought a farm of 700 acres, now owned by his grandson, William Campbell.

Thomas (3), the father of Samuel B., was born in Hares valley, Pa., in 1816. He received his education in the subscription schools, and began life on the farm with his father. He spent his entire life on the homestead, being aided in the work of cultivation by his brother Andrew, who owned part of the place. He built a dwelling house and barn, and made other improvements. At the time of his death he owned 170 acres of land. He was married in 1841 to Frances, daughter of John and Hannah (Charlton) Baker, the former of German, the latter of Irish descent. She was born in 1818. Their children were: Samuel B.; Martin, who served in the Second Pennsylvania Reserves, and died in the Confederate prison at Salisbury, N. C.; Hannah M.; Walter; Arnold, a stone mason and contractor in Huntingdon; Frances; and Rhoda. Mr. Greene was a Democrat. His death occurred April 13, 1886, on the homestead. His wife still resides on the old farm.

Samuel B. Greene received his education in the public schools of Cass township, the select school at Three Springs, the seminary at Rainsburg, Bedford county, and the Alexandria Normal School. He mastered well the art of farming, and then learned carpentry, at which trade he worked for twenty-five summers, his winters being spent in teaching

school and surveying in Blair, Bedford and Huntingdon counties. At the death of his father, he, with his brother Walter, took charge of the homestead, and has conducted it ever since. He built a fine barn at a cost of about \$1,500, and has made other improvements. Mr. Greene is a Democrat. He has served for several terms as school director. He was appointed postmaster at Hares Valley in 1892, and is competent and obliging.

In 1874 Mr. Greene married, in Snyder township, Blair county, Miss Rachael Keller, of Sinking valley, a daughter of Emanuel Keller, who was a blacksmith. They had one child, Edwin, deceased. Mrs. Greene died in February, 1875. Mr. Greene's church fellowship is with the Methodist Episcopal denomination.

JAMES MONIHEN, farmer and stockman, of Latta Grove, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Tod township, May 20, 1834, son of Patrick and Sarah (Foeshey) Monihen. Patrick Monihen was born in Ireland, of Scotch-Irish descent, came to America when a young man and settled in Huntingdon county. After working for some time as a laborer he found employment at Paradise Furnace, Tod township, but after a short stay removed to Huntingdon, Pa. There he enlisted in the standing army, and has never been heard from since. In Huntingdon county, he married Miss Sarah Foeshey; of their three children, only James is now living. Thomas and William having died young. Mrs. Monihen was married, secondly, to Henry Alexander, of England, a stone cutter by trade. She died in 1884 at the home of her son James.

James Monihen attended the common schools, then worked out as a farm hand, and later learned hoop-making and coopering. In February, 1864, he enlisted at Holliday-burg in Company C, One Hundred and Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Colonel Rodgers and Capt. J. C. Hamilton commanding. He fought at the battles of the Wilderness, Spottsylvania, Cold Harbor, at Petersburg and in other engagements. At the last named place he had his skull broken by a shell and lay over a year in the hospital in Washington, D. C. On May 23, 1865, he was at the grand review in Washington, and soon after returned to his native county. After spending some time in Cromwell township, while slowly gathering

strength, he bought a farm of 130 acres, erected buildings, and otherwise improved it. He was married in Cass township to Anna, daughter of Michael Dell. They had these children: Hettie (Mrs. William Sipe); Henry A.; Hannah (Mrs. George Shore); Sarah (Mrs. Frank Stever); Miles J.; Rhoda; Mary, deceased; James, died in infancy; Winfield S., deceased; and four others, who died very young. Mr. Monihen is a Republican. He has served as school director for six years, and as constable. He is a very active member of the United Brethren church, a teacher in the Sunday-school and a class leader. He belongs to Camp No. 662, P. O. S. of A., and to Grange No. 935, P. of H. He began life as a poor man, and by his own efforts has risen to a position of competence and influence, and is personally highly respected.

GEORGE E. KNODE, M. D., Marklesburg, Huntingdon county, Pa. (P. O. James Creek), was born in Alexandria, Huntingdon county, October 9, 1864. He is a son of Daniel P. and Mary E. (Hewitt) Knode. His great-grandfather, Jacob Knode, was born in Germany, but was of Swiss descent. Emigrating to this country, he settled in Maryland, where he gave his attention to farming and raising stock. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary war. Jacob Knode married in Maryland, and had children, who all remained in that State, except his son Henry, grandfather of the Doctor. Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Knode both died in Maryland. Henry Knode also was a farmer; he took part in the war of 1812, as a lieutenant. Removing to Pennsylvania from Maryland, he bought an extensive tract of land in Porter township, Huntingdon county, which he improved and cultivated; he was also a stock raiser, noted for the excellence of his horses and cattle. Mr. Knode was among the most progressive men of his township. His politics in early life were Democratic, but he became in later years a Republican. He married a Miss Huyett, of German descent, a native of Maryland, where the marriage took place. Their children were: Lewis, deceased; Daniel, deceased; Jacob, deceased; William, deceased; Joseph, deceased; Maria (Mrs. C. Harnish), of Delaware; and Amelia, widow of Mr. Sharer, of Logan township, Huntingdon county. Henry Knode died in Porter town-

ship, as did his wife also, at the age of ninety-four. He was a member of the Reformed church, prominent in the congregation at Alexandria. His son, Daniel P. Knode, was a pupil in subscription schools in Porter township, but owed his education largely to his own ambition and taste for reading. He was nearly all his life engaged in farming, which was his earliest business; but within twenty years of his death, he removed to Alexandria, and was for two years engaged in carriage building, but was then obliged to relinquish business on account of ill health; he resided in Alexandria for the rest of his life. He had been extensively engaged in farming, especially in the cultivation of fruit; he had ten acres of vineyard, from which he made wines. Mr. Knode was married in Mercer county; his wife, Mary E., daughter of Daniel and Ann (Roller) Hewitt, a lady of German descent, is still a resident of Alexandria. Their children are: Albert, enlisted during the war of the Rebellion in Company C, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and died during the war; Jane (Mrs. W. J. Myers), of Alexandria, Pa.; D. Hewitt, of the State of Washington; William, of Colorado; Lemuel, died in infancy; Ella (Mrs. R. P. Rooper), of Alexandria; Elizabeth (Mrs. Arthur Eggleston), of Alexandria; Frank, resides in Harrisburg; Dr. George E.; and Fannie, at home. Mr. Knode held several township offices, and was a member of the school board in Alexandria; his politics were Republican. He was, like his father, a useful member of the Reformed church; a good man, and one who had many friends. He died in December, 1889.

George E. Knode attended the public schools of Alexandria, and graduated with honors in 1881. He then taught school in West township for one term, and for five years in Blair county; for three years he was principal of the Williamsburg high school. He then matriculated in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, and attended lectures during one winter. During the following year, he was principal of the Alexandria high school, after which he returned to Philadelphia and finished his course in medicine at the University, graduating in May, 1893. He made his own way through this course of study by devoting his vacations to various business employments. After

graduation, Dr. Knode came to Marklesburg in July, 1893, succeeding Dr. J. H. Wintrose. He enjoys a large practise in Marklesburg and the surrounding country; has performed several difficult surgical operations. The Doctor puts up his own medicines. He is a Republican. He belongs to Harts Log Lodge, No. 286, I. O. O. F., Alexandria, and to Alexandria Castle, No. 150, K. G. E.

Dr. George E. Knode was married in Athens county, Ohio, June 5, 1895, to Elizabeth, daughter of Peter and Mary (Wolfe) Howard, of that county. Mr. Howard is a farmer, and is of English descent. Dr. Knode is a member of the Reformed church. He has been a Sunday-school teacher. In Alexandria, he was an active promoter of the missionary society, which has grown considerably in numbers, and is very successful. He is a genial gentleman, and has already won very largely the confidence and esteem of the community.

WILLIAM REED, Marklesburg (P. O. James Creek), Huntingdon county, Pa., was born near Rainsburg, Bedford county, Pa., February 11, 1826. He is the son of George and Ellen (Hessiser) Reed. George Reed was of German descent; he was a farmer and hotel keeper of Bedford, a native of that county, where his wife was also born. William is their only child. George Reed died in Bedford county. He was a member of the Lutheran church. Mrs. Reed was married again, to Jacob Skyles; they had twelve children: Delilah (Mrs. Charles McCalifs), Altoona, Pa.; Mary (Mrs. John May), of Martinsburg, Blair county, Pa.; James, residing at Martinsburg; Rev. Nehemiah, a pastor of the Reformed church; John, farmer, of Blair county; Jane, widow of Z. Richards, of Everett, Bedford county; Ellen, deceased; Elizabeth; Calvin, saddler, of Martinsburg; three who died in infancy. Mrs. Skyles, now verging on four score and ten, still lives in Martinsburg.

William Reed attended the schools of Martinsburg, Blair county, and began business by doing farm work, at the age of seventeen. He learned harness-making with his stepfather, and worked at that trade until April, 1851, in Martinsburg; he then removed to Marklesburg, and began business on his own account as a saddler and harness-maker, in

which occupation he has since continued. He has by diligent attention to business and honorable dealing, attained to a very fair measure of success. He has built two dwellings in Marklesburg, his own residence, which cost \$1,600, and is a very desirable house, and another, at a cost of \$1,000, besides a workshop. Mr. Reed belonged to that patriotic band, so largely made up of the hardy youth of Penn township, which went from Marklesburg in September, 1861, Company C, of the Fifty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, Colonel Brooke, and Capt. (Dr.) J. H. Wintrose, and in which Mr. Reed enlisted on the 17th of that month. He took part in the battles of the Wilderness, of Antietam, and of Fredericksburg, in the Seven Days Fight, and at Richmond, in short in all the engagements fought by the army of the Potomac. He was ill for a short time during his period of enlistment, but was not in the hospital. After spending three years in the service, he received his discharge at Petersburg, in 1864, and returned to continue work at his trade. Mr. Reed belongs to George Simpson Post, No. 44, G. A. R., of Huntingdon. He was formerly a member of the I. O. O. F. He has served for a number of years as councilman; was for nine years a school director; supervisor of roads for one term, and Burgess for one term, always having been elected on the Republican ticket.

William Reed was married in Blair county, in 1850, to Nancy, daughter of B. Young, a farmer of that county, of German descent. Their children are: Mary E., deceased; William H., at Harrisburg; George, deceased; John, deceased; Annie (Mrs. B. F. Grove), of Saxton, Bedford county, Pa.; and Harvey A., of Kansas City, Mo. Mr. Reed is a member of the Lutheran church, and was a teacher in the Sunday-school.

ANTHONY J. BEAVER, Grantsville (P. O. Aitch), Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in that part of Hopewell township now called Lincoln, September 27, 1832, son of Samuel and Hannah (Shultz) Beaver. Anthony Beaver, grandfather of Anthony J., was born at South Mountain, Franklin county, Pa., and was a cooper and farmer. He removed from Franklin to Blair county, where he was engaged in farming; from Blair county he removed to Hopewell township,

Huntingdon county; there he continued to farm. His wife was Miss Clapper, of Blair county, and their children were: John; Samuel; Henry; Anthony; Elizabeth; Mary; Catharine; Hannah; Esther; and Annie. Both grandparents died in Hopewell township. Their son, Samuel Beaver, was a cooper and carpenter, and resided in Penn township. During the latter part of his life, he was also a farmer. He owned and farmed over 100 acres of land in Penn township, on which he built a house and made various improvements. He was a Democrat; he was elected to the school board, and held other township offices. Samuel Beaver was married in Hopewell township, to Hannah, daughter of Henry Shultz, a farmer of Hopewell, now Lincoln township, where he settled in 1797. Mrs. Beaver was a native of that township. Their children are: Sarah A., died young; Jackson, deceased; Anthony J.; Susanna, deceased; John, deceased; Henry, deceased; David, deceased; Samuel, of Williamsport, Pa.; William, of Penn township; Mary (Mrs. Franklin Snare), of Penn township; Hannah C., deceased; and two that died in infancy. Mrs. Beaver died in 1869; Mr. Beaver, May 18, 1885, in Penn township. He was a member of the Reformed church, in which he was an elder.

Having been educated in the public and subscription schools of Penn township, Anthony J. Beaver continued on the home farm, attending to its cultivation, until he reached his majority. He then farmed with his brother Jackson, in the same township, for two years. The war for the Union had now broken out; the stalwart young patriots of Pennsylvania were all astir, and, touched with the same generous glow, Mr. Beaver enlisted in Company C, Fifty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, Captain Wintrose's well-remembered company, under Col. J. R. Brooke. It was in September, 1861. Proceeding to the seat of war with his regiment, Mr. Beaver was in most of the engagements fought by the army of the Potomac; the Seven Days battle, Fair Oaks, Peach Orchard, Harrison's Landing, the Second Bull Run, Antietam, Chancellorsville, and Gettysburg, besides several skirmishes. In the retreat from the Rapidan, he was struck by a piece of shell, which caused the loss of his right arm, and was in the hospital at Grace church, Alexan-

dria, Va., from that time, October 14, 1863, until the following March. He was then attached to the Veteran Reserve Corps, and remained in Washington, D. C., until August, 1865. Mr. Beaver was then discharged, and returned to his home in Penn township, where he has ever since resided. In the same year, he was elected associate judge on the Republican ticket, by a vote which, in his own township, only lacked a single one of being unanimous. He served two terms in this office; then, in 1871, he bought a farm of 205 acres in Penn township, which he tilled for twelve years, building upon it a dwelling house, etc., and planting an orchard. In 1884, he removed to Grantsville, Penn township, where he had purchased a fine brick dwelling, and where he has ever since lived in well merited leisure and comfort. He is a Republican, and has taken an active part in politics, but has held no township office, though he has been judge of elections. Mr. Beaver enjoys the respect and kind regards of his neighbors and acquaintances.

Anthony J. Beaver was married in Altoona, Pa., in 1869, to Martha, daughter of David Shoup, a stone mason, of German descent. Mrs. Beaver was born in Tod township. Their children are: Milton S., printer, of Huntingdon, Pa.; Annie (Mrs. Joseph E. Beatty), of Huntingdon, Pa.; Samuel H., a student at the Normal School, in Huntingdon; and Mary J., at home. Mr. Beaver is a member of the Reformed church, in which he is an elder.

JOSEPH E. NORRIS, Marklesburg (P. O. James Creek), Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Penn township, December 23, 1869, son of Jackson and Mary (Bowers) Norris. Joseph Norris, his grandfather, was of Scotch-Irish descent; he owned and tilled a large farm in Penn township. He was a Democrat of the earlier type. He and his wife both died in the township in 1876. His son, Jackson Norris, was also a farmer, and gave attention to raising stock, also to teaming. He was a renter. His wife, Mary Bowers, is a daughter of Isaac Bowers, a farmer of Penn township. Mr. and Mrs. Norris have had eight children: Jennie (Mrs. J. R. Shultz), of Lincoln township; Isaac, carpenter, of Huntingdon, Pa.; Sarah (Mrs. S. U. Donelson); Joseph E.; Clara, deceased; Annie,

deceased; Ida, deceased; and Carrie, deceased. An attack of typhoid fever having seriously impaired his health, Mr. Norris is at present under expert treatment. His wife resides in Marklesburg.

Joseph E. Norris was educated in the common school, and at summer subscription schools. He remained on the farm with his father, rendering him such assistance as a schoolboy is capable of giving, until he was fourteen. Then he began school teaching, being the youngest teacher in the county, but certainly not among the least efficient, as he was retained for three terms in Penn township, and afterwards for two terms in Blair county. He then exchanged the school room for the field, doing farm work for two years. For a few months, he was in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, at Altoona, Pa., after which he was bookkeeper for five years in a wholesale grocery in the same town. In April, 1895, having purchased the interest of J. G. Beaver in a general store at Marklesburg, he began business there in partnership with his brother-in-law, S. U. Donelson; they have conducted the business ever since, meeting with most gratifying success. Mr. Norris has been assistant postmaster since 1895. He is a Democrat; is a school director, and treasurer of the board.

At Altoona, October 2, 1893, Joseph E. Norris was married to Mary E. Powell, of Dudley, Pa., who is of English descent; she was born in Maryland. They have a son, Glenn P., born in December, 1894. Mr. Norris is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church; was superintendent of the Sunday-school for four years. He is an active member of the church, taking a deep interest in her work. He was a class leader in the church in Marklesburg for one year; is steward of the church and parsonage, and also recording steward. Mr. Norris is an exemplary citizen, and has the good will of the church and community.

CHARLES E. COLLER, Marklesburg (P. O. Aitch), Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Mechanicsburg, Cumberland county, Pa., March 24, 1859, son of Abraham and Martha A. F. (Campbell) Coller. His paternal great-grandparents were born in Berks county; they lived at one time in Adams county, and came thence to Perry county;

the great-grandfather was a silversmith. Their children were: Henry; Samuel; John; David; Jacob; Jonathan; Susanna; Catharine; Rebecca; Mrs. Kerns; Mrs. Hollenbaugh; and William; all were married. The family is of German descent. Jonathan Collier, who was the grandfather of Charles E. Collier, removed from Perry county to Mifflin county, where he died. He married Margaretta Albright, who also was of German descent; her father owned a farm of more than 200 acres in Perry county, and was a clock maker. Her brothers and sisters were: John; Abraham; Jacob; Isaiah; Mrs. Mary Hubler; Mrs. Elizabeth Smith; Mrs. Lydia Thatcher; Mrs. Elvina Shull; Mrs. Louisa Mealster; Mrs. Abbie Collier; and George Albert; all are deceased. Their parents are buried at Loysville, Pa. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Collier were: Abraham; and Matilda J. (Mrs. Biddle), of Cumberland county. Mrs. Jonathan Collier died in McVeytown. Mr. Collier was a Democrat, and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His son, Abraham Collier, was for twenty-two years foreman for the Huntingdon and Broad Top Railroad, and lived in Marklesburg. Before that time he had been in the employ of the Northern Central Railway Company. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His politics were Republican. He married Martha A. F. Campbell. Mrs. Abraham Collier was born in Perry county in 1841. They had six children: Charles E.; Eliza; William, in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company; Dollie E. (Mrs. Benjamin C. Keith), of Bellwood, Blair county, Pa.; Sarah M., deceased; Elmer N., in the employ of the Huntingdon and Broad Top Railroad Company. The father died at Marklesburg, June 16, 1888. Mrs. Collier was again married, to Joseph Detweiler, of Lincoln township, where she now resides.

Charles E. Collier attended the public schools of Marklesburg and Grantville. While a youth, he worked for farmers, and at brick making, the latter in Grantville. In 1875, when sixteen years of age, he was employed with his father as track hand on the Broad Top railroad, in which capacity he continued to serve for four years. In 1879, he was made agent for the same company at Tatesville, Bedford county, Pa., where he

spent several months. In January, 1880, he was transferred to the station at Marklesburg, where he has ever since been passenger agent for the company. In the same year, Mr. Collier was appointed agent for the Adams Express Company, and has always fulfilled the duties of that position to the satisfaction of that company and its patrons. He is popular as an official and as a citizen. Mr. Collier served the township for one term as tax collector, and one term as treasurer of the school board. He was for a number of years a member of the Order of G. T., at Marklesburg; and belongs to Marklesburg Castle, No. 322, K. G. E. He was its representative at the Grand Castle, K. G. E., at Harrisburg, Pa., May 11 to 14, 1897. He is a Republican.

Charles E. Collier was married at Hollidaysburg, Pa., November 3, 1889, to Julia B., daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Sorriek, born at Williamsburg, Blair county, Pa. Her father is a farmer of that county, and is of German descent. Mr. and Mrs. Collier have two children: Paul E.; and Carroll S.

JACOB F. HOOVER, Grafton, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Penn township, April 27, 1826. He is a son of John and Catharine (Fink) Hoover. The Hoover family is of German origin; the ancestor of this branch settled in Maryland some time in the eighteenth century, and from that state Ludwig Hoover, grandfather of Jacob F., came to Penn township, Huntingdon county, then called Hopewell township, Bedford county, in 1795. He bought of Robert Lee a farm of 160 acres; a place which was at a somewhat earlier time the scene of a massacre by the Indians. Mr. Hoover had been a farmer in Maryland, and continued the same business, with stock raising, in Huntingdon county. He was of the Democratic party. Ludwig Hoover had been married before he left Maryland, to Miss Geisser, a native of that state, of German descent. Their only child was John Hoover. Ludwig Hoover and his wife died in Penn township. He was a captain of State militia in Huntingdon county, and a member of the Grange. The son, John Hoover, was born in Washington county, Md. Like his father, he made farming his occupation, and also conducted flax, hemp, linseed oil and chopping mills in Penn township. He owned and cultivated 500 acres of arable land, besides the

same extent in timber. His politics were the same as those of his father. John Hoover was married in Penn township, to Catherine Fink, daughter of a farmer of Penn township. Mrs. Hoover was born in Berks county; the family is of German descent. The children of this marriage are: Ludwig, deceased; Valentine, deceased; Solomon, deceased; John, deceased; Elizabeth, deceased, wife of Benjamin Grove; Catherine, deceased, wife of David Stover, of Juniata county, Pa. The parents died on the homestead. John Hoover was a consistent member of the Reformed church, active in church enterprises. He was successively deacon and elder.

Jacob F. Hoover has been all his life a farmer. His education, acquired at a subscription school in the old-fashioned log school house, was limited. He continued until he was thirty years old to be his father's assistant on the homestead; at that age, he took a part of the home farm to work on his own account, and has ever since cultivated the same land. He now farms 150 acres, and has 130 acres in timber on the mountain. The improvements made by Mr. Hoover, including a handsome brick dwelling, barns, etc., have cost him over \$5,000, all made by his own industry. He is an enterprising farmer, using plenty of good machinery; he deals in cattle, and other live stock. Mr. Hoover is a Democrat, and has several times been elected to office on his party's ticket. He has been assessor for his township, and for a number of years was school director. In 1884, he was elected commissioner of Huntingdon county, by a large majority, and filled that office very efficiently. Mr. Hoover visited Kansas and Nebraska in 1883, and in 1893, he went on a pleasure trip to Oklahoma.

Jacob F. Hoover was married in Penn township, in 1856, to Martha Simonton, a native of Hopewell township. Their children are: Annie, wife of George W. Barrick, of Spruce Creek, a miller; Franklin Scott, farmer, of Oklahoma; Elizabeth, wife of Elmer W. Snyder, residing in the State of Indiana; Cyrus, farmer, in Oklahoma; Catherine, died in early childhood; and Maggie, wife of Charles Carmer, of Ohio. Mrs. Martha Hoover died in 1871. Mr. Hoover was again married in Penn township, to Mary E. Shaffer, born in Cass township. Their children are: Minnie M.; Della A.; Clarence B.; Ernest W.; Roy T.; and Jacob F. Mr. Hoover has been both

deacon and elder in the Reformed church, and is active in church work. He is a genial and kindly man, and is held in high esteem in the community.

WILLIAM WHITE, JR., Grafton, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Philadelphia, Pa., September 24, 1856, son of William White. The elder William White is of Scotch descent, a native of Ireland; he emigrated from Ireland with his parents when he was a boy, and settled in Philadelphia. He was formerly employed as a railroad man, but is now, since 1876, in the employ of the city of Philadelphia. He has been three times married. The children of his first wife are: James Lewiston, machinist; William; and Bella, wife of A. Leonard, of Byron, Ill. The first Mrs. White died in Philadelphia in 1858. Mr. White's second wife was Elizabeth Feenkerd; she had no children, and died in Philadelphia. Mr. White afterwards married her sister, Amanda Feenkerd. Their children are: Alexander, of Altoona, Pa.; and Martha (Mrs. Robert Preston), of Orange, N. J. Mr. and Mrs. William White, Sr., still reside in Philadelphia. Mr. White is a Republican, and belongs to the Episcopal church.

The younger William White, when a child, went to Champaign county, Ill., with his grandfather. There he attended school, and while still young, worked on a farm. When the boy was eleven years of age, they returned to Pennsylvania, and resided in Perry county, where William continued to attend school and to work on farms. Two years later, he went to live in Shamokin, where he remained until 1877, working as a miner in coal mines. He then removed to Perry county, and there mined iron ore for eight years, and was a contractor. He was then engaged in teaming at Newport, Pa., for a year; next he was employed for four months by the P. R. R. upon bridge work. In 1888 Mr. White came to reside in Penn township, Huntingdon county, as contractor for Marshall Bros., in their ore mines. A year later, he was promoted to general superintendent. In both positions he has performed his duties intelligently and thoroughly, showing himself worthy of the confidence reposed in him. Besides this engagement, Mr. White conducts a farm of 120 acres, cultivating the land and raising stock. He has been all his life a diligent and faithful worker,

is a man of agreeable manners, and is enjoying well-earned prosperity. Mr. White is a member of Newport Lodge, No. 102, I. O. O. F. His politics are Republican.

William White was married in Newport, Perry county, Pa., in 1879, to Caroline, daughter of Daniel Reichdorf. Mrs. White is a native of Perry county, and is of German descent. Her father was in the army, and was killed during the war of the Rebellion. The children of Mr. and Mrs. White are: Bella; Sarah; Albert; James, who died young; Esther; Mary; Marguerite; Ruth; and Grace. Mr. White is a member of the Episcopal church, and has been a teacher in the Sunday-school.

SAMUEL W. GILL, Aitch, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Penn township, Huntingdon county, November 22, 1838, son of Robert and Lydia (Norris) Gill. Robert Gill was a native of the northern part of Ireland, near Belfast. He was a blacksmith. At twenty-one years of age he came to this country with his brother William, in a sailing vessel, landing in Philadelphia after a voyage of six weeks. He first found employment at his trade for a year at Williamsburg, Blair county, Pa., and after that in Penn township, where he followed the same calling for several years, and also farmed for his father-in-law, John Norris, remaining altogether fourteen years. He then purchased a farm of 200 acres in Hares valley, Clay township. This place he greatly improved, building a house and barn and adding various facilities for agricultural work. He cultivated this land for six years, then rented it and removed to Marklesburg, where he opened a smithy, and labored at the forge for twelve years. Mr. Gill then removed to a farm in Penn township, and later bought the one now owned by Nathan Snare, on which he resided for eleven years. In 1866, having bought a farm in Bart county, Neb., Mr. Gill removed there, but in the same year he died and was buried there. His brother William fixed his residence in Tyrone, Blair county, Pa., carried on the business of a blacksmith and died in that town. The children of Robert and Lydia (Norris) Gill are: Sarah A. (Mrs. Thomas Marlin), of Washington; John D., of Phillipsburg, Centre county, Pa.; James, of California, deceased; Allen, of the State of Washington; Mary J., deceased,

wife of Alexander Corbin, of Nebraska; Samuel W.; George W., enlisted in Company C, Fifty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, died November 28, 1862, and is buried in the Military Asylum Cemetery, Washington, D. C.; Thomas H., of Nebraska; Isabella (Mrs. William Olinger), of Nebraska; Elizabeth (Mrs. Frederick Michael), of Nebraska; Robert, of the State of Washington; and one that died an infant. Mrs. Robert Gill died in Nebraska. Mr. Gill was a Democrat. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Samuel W. Gill received his education in the common schools of Penn township, and of Marklesburg, Pa. He learned his father's trade, and worked at the forge for fourteen years. He then spent three years on a rented farm in Penn township, now Lincoln township. On September 16, 1861, occurred one of the greatest events of his life, his enlistment at Marklesburg in Company C, Fifty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, Col. J. R. Brooke, Capt. John H. Wintrode. From Camp Curtin, at Harrisburg, Pa., the regiment went to Washington, D. C. Mr. Gill was also at camp California, and in the battles of Fair Oaks, the Seven Days, the Second Bull Run, Antietam and Fredericksburg. At the last named place, he received a bullet wound in the arm, and was in the hospital at Washington City for one month. After a fifty days' furlough, he returned to the Washington Hospital, and was there for a month more; then he rejoined his regiment at Falmouth, Va. He was in the battle at Chancellorsville, and returned after that defeat to Falmouth. He was also at the great battle of Gettysburg, where he was wounded in the leg. This obliged him to spend three months in the hospital at Baltimore, from that place he was sent to the convalescent camp in Virginia, after which he again joined his regiment, and re-enlisted for three years. Mr. Gill was detailed for picket duty on the Rappahannock; was under fire for two weeks in the Wilderness; and at Spottsylvania Court House was taken prisoner, but rescued by his comrades. He took part in the battles of North Anna, South Anna and Poe River. At Cold Harbor he was under fire for two weeks, day and night; during that fight, the Union army being repulsed, Mr. Gill was left alone on the field, and was obliged to hide in a picket-hole, where he passed three days with no nourishment but ten crackers. In

March, 1864, Mr. Gill was made corporal; at Cold Harbor he received his promotion to the rank of sergeant. At Ream's Station, August 21, 1864, Sergeant Gill was captured and taken to Petersburg, where everything in his possession at the time was taken from him, and he was sent to Libby prison. Three weeks later he was transferred to Belle Isle, where he was held for six weeks, and then again transferred to Salisbury, N. C., where he spent a weary five months. Wasted by hardships and privation until, having lost sixty pounds in weight, he was reduced to a walking skeleton, Mr. Gill was at length paroled. One week he passed in the hospital at Richmond, Va.; then three weeks in the hospital at Annapolis, Md.; two weeks more in Baltimore, in the hospital, when he received the welcome furlough which allowed him to spend thirty days at home. That brief rest over, he was once more for two weeks in the Baltimore hospital, and then for a month at the fort on Federal Hill. Then he rejoined his regiment at Alexandria, Va., and after three weeks was discharged, June 18, 1865, as a prisoner of war. Mr. Gill is one of those to whom their country owes a deep debt of gratitude; but after all, the veteran whose patriotism and courage have sustained him through so many thrilling experiences, finds his best reward in the consciousness of duty faithfully and nobly fulfilled.

Once more at home, Mr. Gill turned his attention for a year and a half to lime burning, after which he bought a small place in Penn township, and resided on it for four years. Then for three years he worked as a farm laborer, after which he took up his abode on his little estate, and worked as repairman for the Huntingdon and Broad Top R. R. In 1879, six years after, he purchased his present farm, where he has ever since resided. He has much improved the place by buildings, etc., and now cultivates it, and raises and deals in live stock. Mr. Gill is a Republican. He has served his township as judge of elections and supervisor of roads.

Samuel W. Gill was married in 1865, in Huntingdon, to Annie, daughter of Jacob and Hannah (Beaver) Stover. Mrs. Gill was born in Walker township, Huntingdon county, September 17, 1843; her parents are of German descent; Mr. Stover is a native of Blair county; he cultivated his farm in Walker town-

ship; he died several years ago. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Gill are: Clara J. (Mrs. Andrew Merritt), of Saxton, Bedford county, Pa.; Frank S., farmer; James M., farmer; Mary B., wife of Isaac Galhagan, a farmer of Walker township; Wesley N., of Illinois; Clement W., farmer; Lydia H.; Cora A.; John J.; and Andrew W. Mr. Gill is a member of the Reformed church, and has been a teacher in the Sunday-school. He is a worthy and esteemed citizen.

SAXTON SNARE, Aitch, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born August 25, 1853, in Tod township, Huntingdon county, son of Jesse and Susan (Abbott) Snare. The Snare family is of German origin, but has been in America for at least three generations, as Saxton Snare's grandfather, Conrad Snare, was born in Huntingdon county. The name has undergone two transformations; originally Schure, it was afterwards contracted to Snure, and finally completely anglicised into its present form. Jesse Snare was born in Hopewell, now Penn township. He was a stone mason, and worked at that trade all his life. He resided first in Tod and later in Penn township, but his work was in demand throughout the entire county. Jesse Snare also owned a farm of 72 acres, on which he built a barn and other structures. His wife, Susan (Abbott) Snare, was born in Tod township, where they were married. Their children are: Silas, deceased; Leah, widow of Sylvester Stinson, of Penn township; Remick, of Missouri; Mahala, deceased; Saxton; Simpson, of Penn township; and Annie (Mrs. Geiss), of Altoona, Pa. Mrs. Snare died in 1859; her husband survived her until 1887. He was a Republican, and a member of the Lutheran church, a good man, esteemed and respected by those who knew him.

Saxton Snare was educated in the common schools of Tod, Lincoln and Penn townships, and began to earn his living by working for farmers. After being occupied in that way for three years, he applied himself to learning the business of stone cutting and masonry, and has ever since followed that calling, besides farming the homestead. He works principally in Huntingdon county, but has traveled in the far West, visiting Missouri, Colorado, New Mexico and other States. He has thus far avoided the snare of matrimony.

and as he has some housekeeping ability, he has led a rather comfortable and independent bachelor life for several years. He is a Republican. Mr. Suare is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He is a skilful workman and diligent; is successful in his business, and has the friendly regard of his acquaintances.

SAMUEL KISSINGER, Aitch, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born May 20, 1819, in Washington county, Md., son of George and Mary (Fry) Kissinger. George Kissinger was a native of Huntingdon county, of German descent. His wife, Mary (Fry) Kissinger, died when their only child, Samuel, was but three days old. The father and son were then separated, a member of the mother's family taking charge of the child. After some time, George Kissinger married again, but died when his son Samuel was about nine years of age, in Washington county, Md.

The relative who had taken Samuel Kissinger kept him until he was nine years old, when he was bound out by the Orphans' Court at Hagerstown, Md., to Isaac Clymer, cooper. Mr. Kissinger remained with his master until he reached his majority, attending school for only a short time, but learning his trade. Isaac Clymer removed from Maryland to Huntingdon county, Pa., when young Kissinger was fourteen. When he became of age Mr. Kissinger opened a cooper shop on his own account in Penn township, and worked at the trade continuously for twenty-five years. He began business with the small capital of ten dollars, and that was borrowed. By industry and economy, however, he succeeded in his enterprise, and was not long in repaying the loan in full. Later, he bought with his savings a little farm of 50 acres, cleared and improved it, and built upon it a frame house and barn. As he was able, from time to time he added to his farm, until now he owns more than 200 acres in Penn township, all under cultivation. He gives to this farm and to raising and dealing in stock his principal attention, but still works to some extent at his early vocation. Mr. Kissinger's success is an encouragement to all who may have their own way to make in the world, without other resources than their own simple determination to persevere, to work faithfully and act honorably. The same success is possible to all

who use the same means. Mr. Kissinger, though a respected citizen, has never sought or held any public office. He is a Democrat.

Samuel Kissinger was married in Penn township in 1842, to Mary Suare, a native of Penn township. Their children are: Elizabeth, deceased; Delila J. (Mrs. Isaac Lampe), of Huntingdon, Pa.; Margaret, deceased, wife of W. Black, of Huntingdon; George, died young; Catherine, now housekeeping for her father; and Lucinda (Mrs. T. Martin), of Nebraska. Mrs. Kissinger died in Penn township in 1895. Mr. Kissinger is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He is a teacher in the Sunday-school. For seven years he held the position of superintendent.

JACOB MAGILL, Aitch, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Penn township, Huntingdon county, October 29, 1838, son of Charles and Elizabeth (Grubb) Magill. His paternal grandfather came from his native country, Ireland, in his boyhood, and settled in Huntingdon county, where he farmed for the rest of his life, and where he died. Charles Magill was a stone mason of Huntingdon county, and pursued that vocation all his life, although he farmed to some extent besides in Penn township, where he died in 1876. Elizabeth Grubb, who was married to Mr. Magill in Penn township, was born in that county; her father was a farmer. The children of this union were: John, farmer, of Penn township; Jacob; and Samuel, residing with his brother Jacob. Mrs. Magill died in Penn township in 1868. Charles Magill was a Republican. He was a consistent and faithful member of the Lutheran church, deeply and actively interested in the welfare and work of the church. He was a deacon, elder and teacher in the Sunday-school.

Jacob Magill attended the common schools of Penn township, and grew up as his father's assistant on the farm, where he lived until he was twenty-one years old. He also learned with his father the trade of stone cutter and mason. He was employed for two years by the Huntingdon and Broad Top R. R., and at the end of that time enlisted in Company C, Fifty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, Col. J. R. Brooke, Capt. John H. Wintrobe, on October 16, 1861. He went with his regiment into Virginia, and was a participant in all the battles of the army of the Potomac from the

Second Bull Run to May 22, 1864, at Fair Oaks, in the Seven Days' fight, at Antietam and Fredericksburg, on the Rappahannock, at Chancellorsville, and in the terrible days at Gettysburg; at Bristoe Station, Mine Run and the Wilderness. In the last-named battle, Mr. Magill was wounded for the third time. He had before received bullet wounds in the foot and in the leg. He now lost the index finger of the left hand, and was in the hospital for two months. His term of service having expired, he was discharged early in 1865, and went home, no doubt with the happy consciousness of a hard and dangerous duty well performed, to console him for the service he had made for his country. Mr. Magill returned to his masonry work, which he carried on for two years, and then went to Dent county, Mo., where he and his brother Samuel bought a farm and cultivated it for seven years. Selling out at the end of that time, he returned to Penn township, and bought his present homestead, 100 acres of good arable land, on which he erected a fine dwelling at a cost of \$1,000, and made other improvements. He still cultivates this farm, raises and deals in live stock, etc., with success. He is a Republican; has not sought or held any public office.

Jacob Magill was married in Penn township, to Elizabeth, daughter of Jacob Boyer, a farmer of Penn township. The marriage took place in 1881. Their children are: Catharine; and George W.

JOHN M. GARNER, Aitch, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Penn township, March 18, 1836, son of John and Mary (Morningstar) Garner. The original name of the family, which is of German origin, was Gartner, or Gardener. As this is one of the most extensive families in the central region of Pennsylvania, a brief resume of its genealogy will not be out of place here.

JOHN MICHAEL GARNER, born in 1728, at Witttemberg, Germany, came to America at ten years of age; he was married September 24, 1769, to Catherine Seiss, a native of Switzerland, and lived near Antietam Creek and Sharpsburg, Md., till the autumn of 1783, when he removed with his family to Huntingdon county, and bought a farm on which he and his wife resided for the rest of their lives. Their children were: I. John;

II. John Michael; III. John Matthew; IV. Susan; V. Anna Mary; VI. George; and VII. John Philip.

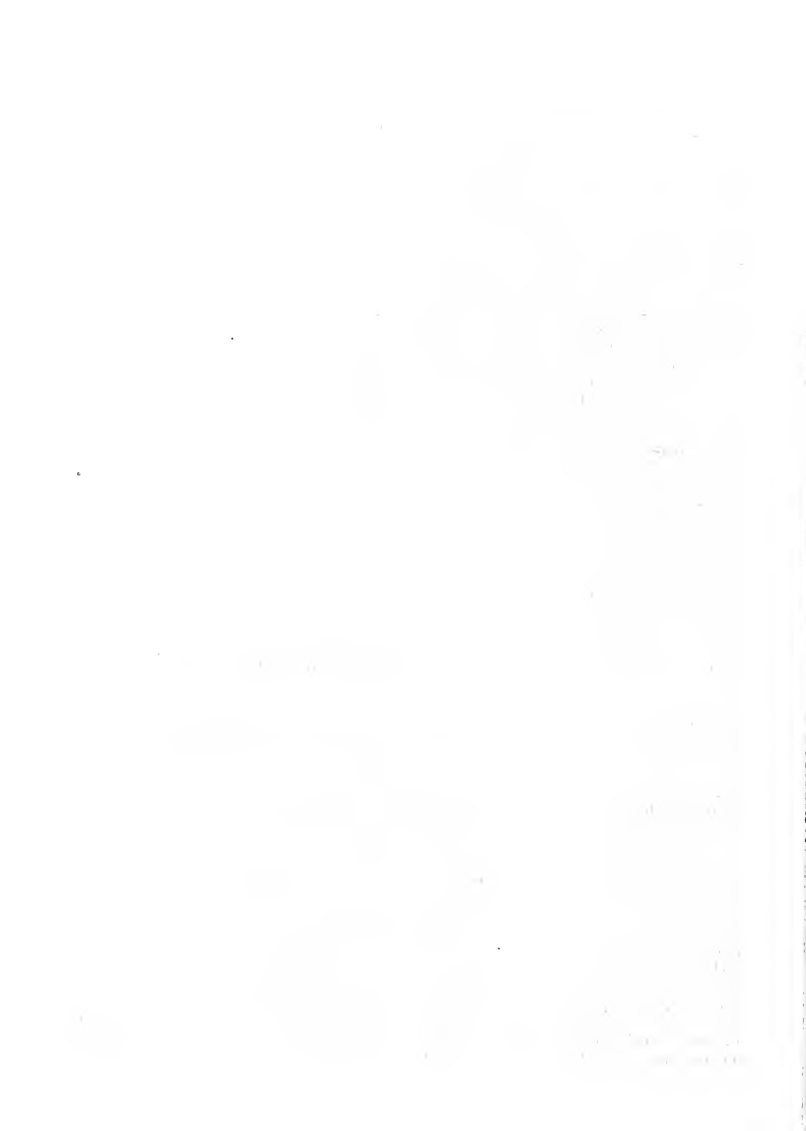
I. The eldest son, John, born near Sharpsburg, February 10, 1772, married Mary, daughter of Henry Freed, a native of Maryland, and one of the largest land-owners in Huntingdon county. Their children are: Catharine, deceased; John, married Mary Morningstar, April 21, 1822, had nine children; Michael; Matthew, deceased; Jacob, deceased; Philip, married Margaret Morningstar, ten children; Susan, deceased, wife of Matthew McCall, two children; Mary, second wife of Matthew McCall, ten children; and Henry, married Mary Weight, six children.

II. John Michael Garner, born June 1, 1774, married Catharine Acker; their children are: Elizabeth (Mrs. John Miller), has six children; Mary (Mrs. Henry Smith), seven children; Susan (Mrs. Adam Fouse), nine children; Catharine; Barbara (Mrs. Jacob Hetrick), ten children; Margaret (Mrs. Samuel Hetrick), thirteen children; Magdalene (Mrs. George Hetrick), ten children; George, married Elizabeth Sorrick, eight children; John; married, first, Catharine Sorrick, afterward Mary Boyer, six children; twins, one that died an infant, and Philip, married, first, Elizabeth Hefner, afterwards Eliza Postein; Henry; and Jacob, married, first, Ellen Eberhart, afterward Susan Eberhart; and thirdly, Catharine Garner, six children.

III. John Matthew Garner, born September 21, 1776, married Mary Brumbaugh, and had children: Catharine (Mrs. John Beaver), had eleven children; Susan (Mrs. Henry Boyer), six children; Elizabeth (Mrs. James Isett), eleven children; John, married, first, Ellen Norris, afterward Mrs. Mattie Adams, twelve children; George, married Rachel Sorrick, six children; and Samuel B., married Susanna Sorrick, five children.

IV. Susan Garner, born August 22, 1780, married to Daniel Stover, and had children: Elizabeth (Mrs. Garman), has three children; Catharine (Mrs. Wall), eleven children; Jonathan, married Miss Boyer, ten children; Martha (Mrs. Smith); Mary (Mrs. Hamer); Daniel, deceased; Nancy; Jacob, married Miss Weight, seven children; and Frances (Mrs. McDermott), nine children.

V. Anna Mary Garner, born March 21, 1783, married to Jacob Grubb, and had chil-





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dren: Elizabeth (Mrs. Charles Magill), has three children: Abraham, married Mary Norris, two children; Andrew, married Catharine Norris, five children; Catharine (Mrs. William Parks), twelve children; Susan (Mrs. Jacob Heffner), two children; Mary (Mrs. Joseph Heffner), two children; Jacob, married Eliza Acker, two children; twins, Samuel and John, the former married Elizabeth McCull, has seven children, the latter deceased; and Sarah (Mrs. George Linsinger), three children.

VI. George Garner, born October 8, 1785, married Catharine Smith, and had children: Elizabeth (Mrs. Henry Acker), has seven children; Henry S., married, first, Sarah Heffner, two, and secondly, Angeline Anderson, three children; Hannah (Mrs. Isaac Heffner), five children; Solomon, married Mary Bowers, two children; David S., married, first, Rebecca Wall, afterwards Mattie Wall, eight children; and then Elizabeth Kephart; Catharine (Mrs. J. George Metz), nine children; and Andrew deceased.

VII. John Philip Garner, born September 1, 1790, married Catharine Fouse, and had children: Jonathan, deceased; Elizabeth (Mrs. John Acker), had eight children; Margaret (Mrs. Jacob Hoover), two children; Sarah (Mrs. Henry Preightel), nine children; Daniel, married, first, Margaret Auperly, afterward Elizabeth Sorriek, twelve children; Frederick, married, first, Margaret Sorriek, three children; and afterward Fanny Shiffler, one child; Adam, married Catharine Summers, three children; Benjamin, married Catharine Sorriek, four children; Philip, married Susan Acker, four children; William, married Eve Sorriek, nine children; Michael F., married, first, Elizabeth Showalter, six, and afterward Alice ———, two children; and Catharine (Mrs. Abram Meyers), ten children.

Members of this family are found in the churches of eight denominations. Over forty of its men served as soldiers in the war of the Rebellion.

The father of these seven sons and daughters, John Michael Garner, was a blacksmith. His father, with whom he came to America, died in Maryland, and was buried in the cemetery at Antietam. John Michael died in Huntingdon county. He was one of the earliest settlers of Penn township. He was a Democrat. He was an excellent old man, a

member of the Lutheran church, and much liked. His eldest son, John Garner, was also a blacksmith, and farmed and raised stock on 161 acres in Penn township. He, too, had been a Democrat all his life, and a staunch one, but it is said of him that on his deathbed he called his sons together, and enjoined it upon them ever after to vote the Republican ticket, which injunction they have faithfully obeyed. John Garner was a Lutheran. He was a good man, kind and honorable, and was much respected.

His eldest son, John Garner, Jr., was born June 23, 1800. He had only a German education, there being no English schools at that time, except subscription schools, kept no more than six weeks in the year. He was a farmer and blacksmith, but gave his attention principally to farming in Penn township, where he owned and cultivated some 220 acres and raised stock. His wife, Mary (Morningstar) Garner, was born in Walker township, and was of German descent. Their children are: Catharine, deceased, wife of George Otto; Margaret, widow of Daniel Weight, now resides with her brother, John M. Garner; Mary, died young; Frederick, deceased; Matthew, deceased; Christina, deceased; John M.; Barbara, who keeps house for John M.; Nancy, died young. John Garner was a loving and kind father and a good neighbor, and was highly esteemed. He was all his life a Republican. He belonged to the Lutheran church. John Garner died in Penn township, January 1, 1868.

John M. Garner attended one of the old-fashioned log school houses with slab benches, when the common schools were open only three months during the winter, affording but slender opportunities for education. He remained on the homestead, assisting his father in the work of the farm, until the war of the Rebellion broke out. He enlisted, September 16, 1861, in the Fifty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, Company C, Col. J. R. Brooke and Capt. J. H. Wintrobe. His enlistment was at Marklesburg. Mr. Garner was in the battles of Seven Pines, Fair Oaks, the Seven Days, the Second Bull Run, Antietam and Fredericksburg; then, receiving at the last-named place a bullet wound in his hip, he was detained for two months in Ward D, of the Military Hospital at Washington, D. C. Receiving a furlough, he was transferred to a

hospital in Philadelphia, and remained there two months. He then spent one month in camp and was discharged May 16, 1863. In August, 1864, Mr. Garner re-enlisted, in Company D, Two Hundred and Fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Colonel Matthews, Captain Reed; and in the battles of Fort Steadman and of Petersburg. On April 6, 1865, Mr. Garner received well-merited promotion, being made sergeant. The company was mustered out of service June 2, 1865, and after being present at the grand review in Washington, D. C., Sergeant Garner returned to his home, having given about three of the best years of his life to the noble work of saving his country in her peril.

For some six months after his return, Mr. Garner worked on the Huntingdon and Broad Top R. R. He then went to Davenport, Ia., where he was employed on a farm for seven months. Returning to the homestead in Penn township, he has ever since given his attention to its cultivation. He now owns over 214 acres of land, on which he raises stock, besides farming the land. He has spent more than \$3,300 in cash upon improvements. Mr. Garner is a Republican. He has served the township as supervisor of roads and in other offices. Mr. Garner is a citizen of acknowledged worth and enjoys the esteem of his neighbors. Beginning life with but small opportunities for education, his intelligence and ambition would not suffer him to remain in ignorance. He always employed what leisure he could command, even amid the scene of army life, for improvement. This wise course has helped to give him his present good standing in the community. He is a member of the Lutheran church, holding the office of deacon.

JOHN A. ISETT, James Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born on the homestead in Penn township, May 2, 1851, son of James K. and Elizabeth (Garner) Isett. James K. Isett was a native of Huntingdon county, a farmer and distiller. He was bound out when very young to a farmer named Moore, in Walker township, Huntingdon county, and remained with his master until he reached his majority. He then came to Penn township, and worked for Matthew M. Garner, as a distiller. After his marriage to the daughter of Mr. Garner, he began business on his own ac-

count, cultivating a farm belonging to his father-in-law. Several years later, having purchased 145 acres in Penn township, he removed his property, and resided upon it for the rest of his life, farming the land and raising stock. His wife, Elizabeth Garner, was a native of Penn township, and belonged to one of the pioneer families of the township. Their children are: Matthew, who enlisted in Company C, Fifty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was killed at the battle of Gettysburg; Mary A., deceased, wife of William Huston, of Iowa; John, died young; George W., of Marklesburg; James M., of Smith county, Kansas; Samuel G., also of Kansas; Luther, died young; John A.; Benjamin F., farmer, Huntingdon county; Henry H., of Denver, Col.; and Jennie (Mrs. Dewalt Lynn), of Huntingdon. Mr. James K. Isett was a Republican, and was actively interested in political affairs. He served the township as justice of the peace, supervisor and school director. He belonged to the Lutheran church, in which he was an elder; he also taught in the Sunday-school. Mr. Isett was an excellent man, highly respected. He died in July, 1863, and Mrs. Isett at Marklesburg, in March, 1889.

John A. Isett was educated at the Bower school in Penn township. He began life on the homestead, and lived nearly always in the same place. He worked for Grove Bros. in the iron mines of Penn township for eighteen years. He was for two years manager of the Patterson mines, and was contractor in the mines for eight years. In 1891, Mr. Isett bought the family homestead. He has greatly improved it, and has made his home upon the property ever since, engaged in its cultivation and in raising stock. He has been all his life a faithful and diligent worker, and has naturally been successful in accumulating a competence, and in attaining to a respectable position in the township. He was for one term supervisor. His politics are Republican. Mr. Isett is popular with his acquaintances.

In Penn township in 1873 John A. Isett was married to Rachel, daughter of Reuben Wall, a farmer of Penn township. Mr. Wall died at Mr. Isett's home in 1895. Mrs. Isett was born in Berks county, Pa. The children of this marriage are: Gertrude M.; and James Guy, at home. The family belong to the Lutheran church.

GEORGE B. BRUMBAUGH, minister and merchant, James Creek, was born on the old homestead in Huntingdon county, July 12, 1834, son of Jacob and Rachel (Boyer) Brumbaugh. His great-grandfather, Jacob Brumbaugh (1) born in 1734, was a native of Germany, and in 1750 came to this country and settled in Berks county, Pa., but afterwards removed to Huntingdon county. George Brumbaugh, son of Jacob (1), was born in 1768, in Pennsylvania, came with his father to Huntingdon county, and settled on a tract of 400 acres, on which he erected two dwellings and made numerous other improvements, and farmed the land, besides conducting a saw-mill. He married Miss Bowers, a native of Huntingdon county. Their children were: Isaac; Jacob; and John. Both Mr. and Mrs. Brumbaugh died on the homestead. The former was a pioneer minister of the Brethren church. Jacob Brumbaugh (2), the father of George B., was born July 4, 1806, in Huntingdon county, and was educated in subscription schools, where he acquired an excellent knowledge of English and German. He chose farming as his occupation, purchased 200 acres of the homestead, and greatly increased the value of his land by improvements. He erected, in 1844, a bank barn 45x82 feet, one of the finest of its kind in the county.

Jacob Brumbaugh was married in Penn township to Rachel, daughter of Henry Boyer. Their children are: Henry, farmer, residing near Chambersburg; George B.; Dr. A. B.; Abraham, deceased; Rebecca (Mrs. Robert Mason); Mary, widow of John Foust; Catharine (Mrs. John Rogers), Huntingdon; Rachel, widow of Rufus Zook, of Mifflin county; and Jacob, a professor in the Brethren's Normal College, Huntingdon, Pa. Jacob Brumbaugh was a Republican. He served efficiently as supervisor and director of the poor. He was a consistent member of the Brethren church. His death and that of his wife occurred on the homestead.

Rev. George B. Brumbaugh attended the public schools in Penn township, but is practically a self-educated man. Until the age of sixteen he remained on the farm and then taught school successfully for six terms. For several years he cultivated a farm of 145 acres in Penn township, after which he embarked in the mercantile business in Marklesburg. For a time he was interested in the lumber busi-

ness, having built and conducted a saw-mill in Tod township, where he now has 2,000 acres of timber land.

Rev. Mr. Brumbaugh was married in 1855 to Martha, daughter of Daniel Grove, born in 1833. Their children are: Amanda, deceased; Martin G., president and teacher of pedagogies in the University of Pennsylvania; Frank, mail agent on Broad Top R. R.; and Irvin, who is in his father's store. Mr. Brumbaugh is a Republican. He served as postmaster of Marklesburg from 1866 to 1884, and was assistant postmaster four years. He also served as auditor. He has always taken a deep interest in spiritual affairs and since 1855 has been a valuable minister in the Brethren church, and is a member of the church council.

HARRIS RICHARDSON, farmer, Sarah, Penn township, was born in McConnellstown, Pa., September 4, 1833, son of William and Catharine (Kypser) Richardson. His father was of Scotch-Irish descent, and was a native of Huntingdon county. His life was spent in farming and in keeping hotel. He also paid some attention to the business of auctioneering. His wife was born in Harts Log valley. Their children were: Thomas, deceased, who fought in the Mexican and Civil wars; Margaret, deceased, wife of William Enyeart, of Indiana; Mary J. (Mrs. Samuel Shell), of Grantville; Rebecca (Mrs. David Jones), of Logansport, Ind.; Rachel and Eliza, deceased twins; Harris, of Sarah, Pa.; William, of Altoona; Catharine A. (Mrs. D. Wiley), of Iowa. Mr. Richardson was a staunch Democrat. For eleven years he served as constable of Hopewell township. He was a lover of good horses. His death occurred about 1837, and that of his wife in 1892.

Harris Richardson received his primary instruction in the public schools of Hopewell township. At the early age of four he was bound out with John Detweiler, of Lincoln (then Hopewell) township, and worked on the farm without remuneration until he was twenty-one years of age. In 1844 he moved to Fulton county and rented a farm of 72 acres, on which he remained until 1865. During this period he was afflicted with white swelling and lost the heel of the left foot. Returning to Huntingdon county, he bought a farm of 100 acres, to which he soon added

22 acres, improved the same by the erection of various buildings, and remained there eighteen years. Subsequently he bought 300 acres of land in Penn township, and also a flour-mill known as the James Creek mill property. He has since sold the mill to Joseph Grubb, and has disposed of all but 120 acres of the farm. He owns also a farm in Lincoln township, on which his son resides.

In Fulton county Mr. Richardson was inspector of elections. For two years he served as constable in Lincoln township. He was a candidate for the position of director of the poor in 1869, and in 1871 was elected justice of the peace, which position he held thirteen years. While in this office he officiated at the marriage of seventeen couples. In 1871 he was elected director of the poor for three years. He was chosen supervisor in 1873, and the following year was elected assessor and school director of Lincoln township. From 1880 to 1883 he served as school director, and was again elected in 1884 for three years. He was elected county treasurer in 1881 for a term of three years, and performed the duties with honor to himself and satisfaction to the public. For fourteen years he was treasurer of the school board of Lincoln township. He was judge of elections in 1884. He was chosen constable of Penn township in 1889, and in the same year was paster and folder in the State Senate at Harrisburg, where he spent one hundred and ten days. In addition, Mr. Richardson has been assessor of Penn township three years, mercantile appraiser of Huntingdon county, and has been elected county auditor for a term of three years.

Harris Richardson was married December 31, 1854, near Warfordsburg, Fulton county, Pa., to Sarah, daughter of Baltzer Hendershot. Their children are: Susan; John T.; Sarah C. (Mrs. Henry J. Boyer); Isabella (Mrs. David Frederick), Blair county; Mary J. (Mrs. L. B. Garner), Smithfield township; Isaiah L.; Maggie A.; Ida M. (Mrs. J. G. Goswell), Tod township; Martha (Mrs. Ellsworth Dell), Grantville; and one who died in infancy.

Although compelled to pass one-third of his life on crutches, Mr. Richardson has worked hard, and with the tender assistance and hearty co-operation of his estimable wife, has achieved an enviable degree of success.

JOHN W. HOUSEHOLDER, wagon manufacturer, Markleysburg, Pa., was born January 3, 1855, in the town where he now resides. He is a son of John and Catharine (Vandevander) Householder. His grandfather, Michael Householder, was born at Antietam, and removed to McConnellstown, where he engaged in farming and also in driving a stage to Philadelphia. He married Miss Martha Westbrook. They had six children: Margaret; Elizabeth; John; Levi; William; and Mary A. Mr. Householder was an old line Whig. He and his wife both died in Markleysburg. John Householder, the father of John W., was born in McConnellstown, Huntingdon county, September 13, 1807. Early in life he learned the trade of wagon-making with Isaac Vandevander, of McConnellstown. Part of his busy life was spent in farming in Walker and Penn townships. He was the first wagon-maker in Markleysburg, and it was in this town that he spent the greater part of his life, and died in 1880. He was married October 27, 1836, in Walker township, to Catharine, daughter of Isaac and Mary (Enyeart) Vandevander, born December 15, 1815. Her mother's ancestors were natives of Holland. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Householder were: Martha (Mrs. G. W. Gorsuch), of Martinsburg, Blair county; William J., deceased; Harrison, deceased; Washington, deceased; Rebecca (Mrs. J. H. Anderson), Colorado; Vandevander, deceased; Matilda, deceased; Mary E. (Mrs. A. B. Frank), of Markleysburg; Sarah A. (Mrs. G. W. Isett); Margaret J., deceased; John W.; and Nannie B. (Mrs. H. H. Davis), of Graf-ton, Pa.

Mr. Householder took an active part in political affairs, was justice of the peace for twenty years, and county commissioner from 1864 to 1867, elected on the Republican ticket. He was a consistent worker in the Methodist Episcopal church, and was class leader and Sunday-school superintendent for many years. His wife resides with her son, John W. Householder. This son received his education in the public schools of Penn township, and learned wagon-making with his father, in whose employ he remained until he was twenty-six. He continued the business a year after his father's death, and then took a pleasure trip of four months to Colorado. The next two

years he was employed as carpenter for the Broad Top R. R., and then embarked in his present business in Markleysburg.

He has built many houses in the valley, one of which is his own residence, a house costing upwards of \$1,400.

John W. Householder was married in 1880, in Markleysburg, to Annie B., daughter of Washington Shultz, of Lincoln township, now deceased. Their children are: Ada; John C.; and Grace V., deceased. Mr. Householder is a member of Atlas Castle, No. 322, K. of G. E., Markleysburg. He is a Republican and has served as councilman for ten years.

ALLISON H. CRUM, farmer, Markleysburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born near Paradise Furnace, Tod township, Huntingdon county, September 5, 1840; son of Nicholas and Minerva (Honek) Crum. His great-grandfather, Nicholas Crum, was a native of Germany and a pioneer settler in Tod township. Here he erected a log house, a barn, and in 1785 a flour-mill, one of the first mills in the county. While taking a load of flour to Baltimore he died suddenly at Columbia, Pa., and was buried there. His son, Henry Crum, was a native of Huntingdon county, and a miller. He married Miss Hannah Kelley, born near Cassville, and of Scotch-Irish descent. Their children are: Anthony, Nicholas; Washington; Ellen; Miranda; Margaret; Silas; Mahala and Catharine. Mr. Crum was an old line Whig, and a member of the Lutheran church. He died in 1830, his wife in 1827. His brother Frederick took part in the war of 1812. His second son, Nicholas Crum, was born in Tod township, Huntingdon county, in 1809, and educated in subscription schools. He became a thorough business man. For twenty-five years he was associated with Reuben Trexler, of Paradise Furnace, in the milling business. Late in life he purchased a farm of 330 acres in Tod township, on which he planted an orchard and made many improvements. Nicholas Crum was married to Miss Minerva Honek, of Union township, June 3, 1838. She was a daughter of Elijah Honek, a farmer of Scotch-Irish descent. Their children were: Mahala, who died in infancy; Allison H.; Sarah A., deceased wife of A. Plummer, of Markleysburg; Huston E., of Warrensburg, Mo.; Orbison B., of Denver, Col.; Henderson, deceased; Jack-

son, of Altoona; Nelson, deceased; Madison M., of North Dakota; Simpson A., of Pittsburg; Watson, of Bennis Creek, Cambria county; and Ida L. Mr. Crum was an old line Whig; he helped to form the Republican party in Tod township, and served as auditor, supervisor and school director. He was a deacon and elder in the Lutheran church. He died near Grants Mill, in Mifflin county, July 23, 1878. His wife resides in Markleysburg.

Allison H. Crum received his primary education in the public schools of Tod township, in a log school house with the slab benches so common in the early days, and completed his training at the Cassville Seminary. For ten years he assisted his father in the mill and then worked six years on the farm. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company H, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Col. Jacob Higgins and Capt. H. H. Gregg. He was discharged May 11, 1863, at the expiration of his term, and re-enlisted February 26, 1864, in Company K, Twenty-second Pennsylvania Cavalry, under Colonel Higgins and Capt. J. H. Boring; was discharged as sergeant October 31, 1865. He participated in the battles of Antietam, Chancellorsville, Maryland Heights, Snicker's Gap; Winchester, August 17, 1864; Opequan Creek, Berryville, Charlestown, where his horse was shot from under him, near Halls town; Martinsburg, August 31, 1864; Stephens' Depot, Darksville; Martinsburg again on September 18, 1864; also Winchester, September 19, 1864; Fisher's Hill, Mount Jackson, Brown Gap, Mount Vernon and Cedar Creek, October 19th, 1864. He was promoted to corporal June 16, 1864, and made sergeant in 1865. During his long and active service he was never sick or wounded, but was wounded in 1869 by the accidental discharge of a gun in his own hands.

Allison H. Crum was married in March, 1866, to Mary M., daughter of Amos Clark, of Tod township. They had two children: Arthelda Celesta, deceased; and one who died in infancy. Mrs. Crum died under touching circumstances July 31, 1868. On September 19th, 1871, Mr. Crum married, secondly, Mary J. Boyer, by whom he had six children: Holly C.; Melvin B., killed by lightning in 1895 while engaged in ploughing; Eddie, deceased; Charles N., on homestead; Mabel C., deceased; and Henry H.

Mr. Crum was a member of George Simpson Post, No. 44, G. A. R., of Huntingdon, and the A. P. A. Council of the same place. He is an active Republican, and was candidate for sheriff in 1895, was school director twelve years, burgess of Marklesburg one term, member of the town council four terms, and also street commissioner. He has served as deacon in the Lutheran church and has been a teacher in the Sunday-school for twenty-five years. At this writing is serving his fifth term as Sunday-school superintendent. He is corresponding secretary of the Woodcock Valley Sunday-school Association, and takes a deep interest in educational matters. Through the efforts of Mr. Crum the Matthew G. Isert Post, No. 635, G. A. R., of Marklesburg, has been organized, and to this Post Mr. Crum has since been transferred.

ALBERT J. HALL, Trough Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Lincoln township, then part of Hopewell township, September 14, 1845. He is a son of Thomas L. and Catherine (Harker) Hall. His grandfather, Laban Hall, who was of English descent, came from Maryland to Huntingdon county when a young man. He had learned bell-making, and followed that vocation in Penn and Tod townships. In his later life he became a farmer and stock raiser. He was a Whig, and was among the early "grangers." Laban Hall was married to Jenima Clark, of Hopewell township. Their children were: Antha; James; Thomas; Elijah; Laban, Jr.; and twin girls, Sarah and Mary. Mr. Hall died in Tod township; his wife in Henderson township, but she is buried in Union township. They were connected with the Methodist Episcopal church. Thomas L. Hall, their third child, was born in Penn township, received a common school education, and mastered well the trades of stone masonry and shoemaking. He worked principally in Hopewell, Penn and Tod townships, and afterwards turned his attention to farming and stock raising, in Penn, Lincoln and Tod townships. He owned in the last-named township 80 acres of good arable land. Thomas A. Hall was a public-spirited and useful citizen. He served in various township offices, was constable, tax collector, member of the school board and justice of the peace. He also belonged to the State militia. He be-

longed first to the Whig, afterwards to the Republican party, and took an active part in politics. Mr. Hall was forty-five years of age when he enlisted for the war against rebellion, August 2, 1862, in Tod township, and was mustered in at Harrisburg, Pa. He went through the nine months' service in Company I, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was wounded in the battle of Antietam, September 17, 1862, by a bullet, in the left arm. He was for some time in the hospital. The wound resulted in the loss of the use of his left arm, and finally was the cause of his death.

Thomas L. Hall was married in Hopewell township, now Lincoln, to Catherine Harker, a native of that township, and of German descent. Their children are: Margaret (Mrs. Reuben Donaldson), of Missouri; Jenima; Albert J.; Susanna, deceased, was the wife of William Beaver, a farmer of Penn township; Hannah, widow of Milton M. Greene, of Tod township; Laban J., enlisted in Company B, One Hundred and Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, was killed at Spottsylvania, May 12, 1864; Catharine (Mrs. William Parks), of Lincoln township; Thomas J., stone mason, of Montana; Emma (Mrs. Samuel Shoop), of Altoona, Pa.; Reuben E. E., farmer of Tod township; U. S. G., of Blair county, Pa., has been in railroad employ; Melinda; Mary J.; Maria, deceased; and five that died in infancy. Mr. Hall was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, a Sunday-school officer and worker. He died in Tod township, January 6, 1886, leaving to his family the memory of a brave and conscientious servant of his country, and of a faithful and kind husband and father. Mrs. Hall still resides in Tod township.

Their third child and eldest son, Albert J. Hall, was educated in Tod and Hopewell townships, and as his first business learned farming, working for the Penn township farmers; he was for three years in the employ of John Hoover, at eight dollars per month. He then learned stone cutting, stone masonry and shoemaking, and worked at all three trades at intervals until 1862; he was then seventeen, but was a true American boy of the times, no more able to resist the call of the country for defenders than his father was. He enlisted in Tod township, in Company I, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers,

Col. Jacob Higgins and Capt. W. F. Thomas. This was in the nine months' service; he was at Chancellorsville and Antietam; was wounded at Antietam in the shoulder and right leg, and spent four months in the hospitals at Hagerstown, Chambersburg and Harrisburg. He was discharged May 18, 1863, and returned home, but re-enlisted on the twenty-second of January, 1864, in Hopewell township, in Company B. One Hundred and Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Col. Isaac Rodgers and Capt. John M. Skelley. During this term of enlistment he was in the battle of the Wilderness, at the engagement of North Ann River, of Cold Harbor, and all the other battles of the Army of the Potomac, until he was again wounded, March 20, 1865, near Hatcher's Run; this time he was shot through the elbow, which made necessary a two months' stay at the hospital in Washington, D. C. After this he rejoined his regiment, was discharged at the expiration of his term, June 18, 1865, and went home. There he worked at his different trades until 1871, when he bought a farm of 150 acres in Tod township, of which he cleared over 70 acres, and made many improvements; he also purchased a tract of 134 acres in Tod township, which is in a high state of cultivation. In addition to farming and stock raising, Mr. Hall also takes contracts for mason work, and has constructed a number of foundations with wood work in Tod township, and bridges elsewhere in the county. He is an industrious man of business, and progressive in his ideas. He also finds time for the affairs of the community; is much interested in politics, his views being Republican; has been a delegate to conventions at Huntingdon; also tax collector of Tod township.

Albert J. Hall was married, October 7, 1866, in Tod township, to Mary E., daughter of Henry S. and Louisa (Houck) Greene, born in that township March 4, 1845. Mr. Greene is a farmer and school teacher of Tod township; he was born in Blair county, Pa., in 1823, son of Samuel Greene, who was a descendant of General Greene, of New York. Mrs. Greene is a daughter of Adams Houck, farmer, of Tod township. They still reside in that township, and all of their eight children except two are living. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Hall are: Guy H., born June 24, 1873, educated in Lock Haven and at Wil-

liamsport, where he graduated in 1895, has taught school in Tod township; James Garfield, born May 6, 1880, resides on the homestead; Ivy M., died when nine months old. Mr. and Mrs. Hall are working members of the Methodist Episcopal church; he is busied in many departments of its enterprise; is a Sunday-school teacher, and has been superintendent; has been a class leader for twelve years, and is also a member of the building committee. Mrs. Hall is a member of the missionary society, and is one of those who can be depended upon to "lend a hand" whenever it is needed. Diligent and faithful work has made them successful in their personal affairs; while willingness to work for others also has given them a high place in the esteem of their neighbors.

JOSEPH A. BAKER, Trough Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Tod township, July 25, 1858. He is a son of Benjamin F. and Agnes (Henderson) Baker. His grandfather, John Baker, was of German parentage, but a native of Pennsylvania. He had enjoyed a good English education, and was a school teacher in Huntingdon county. He was also justice of the peace of Penn township, and ranked among the most influential men of the township. He adhered to the Whig party. He married a Miss Royer, of Penn township; their children were: Allie (Mrs. Amos Clark); Israel; Benjamin F.; Esther (Mrs. D. Miller); Maria (Mrs. James Applebaugh); Rose Ann (Mrs. John Henderson); Washington; and Isabel. Both grandparents died in Penn township, the grandfather while his children were still very young. They were members of the Lutheran church. Benjamin F. Baker was born in Penn township, which then formed part of Hopewell, in 1822. Losing his father at so early an age, his opportunities for school training were very limited. When he was nine years old he was obliged to work for a farmer of Penn township, for his board and clothing; he continued at the same place until he was seventeen. He then went to Williamsburg, Blair county, where he learned carpentry with David Rule, receiving six cents a day. He was four years with Mr. Rule, and at the expiration of his time his savings from this small stipend amounted to sixty dollars. After that he worked at his trade on his own account in Tod township,

and helped to support his mother and sister. He worked at cabinet-making, as well as carpentry. He now bought four acres of land in Newburg, Tod township, which he laid out; there he built a house and shop, where he lived and worked for a number of years. In 1861, he bought a farm of 187 acres, which belonged to Maj. James Steel. Mr. Baker also bought another farm, of 150 acres, in Tod township, and cultivated it in addition to the other. With all the cares of his farm, his improvements, and the raising of stock, he yet found time and opportunity to work at his trade. Thus by diligence and economy, combined with judicious management, he rose from poverty to competency, and an influential position in the community. He was in earlier life a Whig; afterwards, having attached himself to the Republican party, he was active and successful in promoting its interests in Tod township. He was a member of the township school board, and held other offices. Mr. Baker was a good man, and was highly respected. He was married in Tod township to Agnes, daughter of John Henderson, a farmer of Scotch-Irish descent. Their children are: James M., deceased; Martha J. (Mrs. Simon Cohn), of Lincoln township; A. Scott, shoe dealer, of Pittsburg; John A., deceased; Lucinda (Mrs. Simon Putt), of Bedford county, Pa.; Clara A. (Mrs. C. S. Heeter), of Tod township; Joseph A.; and George B. McC., residing on the homestead. Benjamin F. Baker was a member of the Lutheran church.

Joseph A. Baker attended the common schools of Tod township, and began life on the farm where he has worked all his life. Since the death of his father, Mr. Baker, in connection with his brother, has taken charge of the homestead. They have more than 140 acres of land under cultivation, a thriving and productive farm; besides raising and dealing in stock to a very profitable extent. He is a member of the K. G. E. of Saxton; is a Republican, and has acted as judge of elections. He is not married.

George B. McC. Baker was born in Tod township September 21, 1861; he attended school in the same township, finishing with a term at the high school of Coatesville, Pa. He has been all his life engaged in the all-important work of tilling the soil, and has been his brother's partner on the homestead farm since

1880. He was for three years in the school board of Tod township. He was married, September 12, 1889, to Elva M., daughter of B. F. Glasgow, of Union township. They have one child, Walter C., born May 28, 1891.

Both these brothers, though young, are skillful and experienced farmers, and diligent in business. They are members of the Methodist church, of excellent reputation, and esteemed and respected by their neighbors and acquaintances.

REUBEN H. CRUM, postmaster, Salter, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born on the home farm, in Tod township, March 6, 1835, son of Frederick and Catherine (Snare) Crum. His grandfather, Nicholas Crum, was German by birth, and was a farmer of Tod township. Friedrich Crum was born at Paradise Furnace, Huntingdon county. He enjoyed good educational opportunities for his day. Residing in Tod township, he was both farmer and miller; had 82 acres under tillage, and gave attention also to the raising of stock. He was a Whig, and afterwards a Republican. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Friedrich Crum are: Samuel, of Castleton, Ill.; Daniel, of Saxton, Bedford county, Pa.; Naucy (Mrs. Bryson Honck), of Tod township; Ellen (Mrs. Joseph Fisher), of Johnson county, Mo.; Reuben H.; George W., farmer, of Tod township; Margaret (Mrs. John H. Clark), of Saxton; Elizabeth (Mrs. John W. Lytle), of Coalmont, Huntingdon county; and one child that died in infancy. Friedrich Crum died on the homestead, November 29, 1876; his wife died December 9, 1877.

The education of Reuben H. Crum was carried on in the public schools of Tod township and at Cassville Seminary, which he attended for five terms. He taught schools in Tod, Carbon and Lincoln townships, Huntingdon county, and for one term in Blair county, alternating this occupation with farm work, to which he gave his summers. He resided on the homestead until 1874, when he went into business at Coalmont, Huntingdon county, as a dealer in general merchandise; after carrying on this business for four years with fair success, he returned to the homestead, where he has ever since lived and worked. He has been diligent and successful in cultivating the estate, in making improvements and in raising stock. Mr. Crum is a Republican; he was

elected justice of the peace for fifteen years on the party's ticket; was school director four years while at Coghout; has been auditor for two terms. He is a member of the Grange of Tod township. Mr. Crum is a man of good judgment and sound sense, esteemed as a worthy member of society.

Reuben H. Crum was married in Tod township, in 1861, to Alice J., daughter of Amos Clark, a farmer of that township. Their children are: Emerson R., clerk of U. S. courts, Helena, Ark.; Millie M.; Willis E., died at the age of twenty-seven. Mr. Crum holds his membership in the Methodist Episcopal church; he is a Sunday-school teacher, and was for several years superintendent. He has also been an officer and class-leader in the church, a consistent member and faithful worker.

BENJAMIN F. HOUCK, deceased, was among the most respected citizens of Tod township, Huntingdon county, Pa. He was born in Cass township, son of Elijah and Delia (Corbin) Houck. His grandfather, William Houck, was a native of Maryland, and a pioneer settler of Tod township; he owned a coal mine on the present site of Robertsdale, in Carbon township. He came to Tod township in 1787, and erected a log-mill. He married Ellen Hall; their children were: Ross; Elijah Washington; Adams; James; William; Sophia; Mrs. S. Sarter, christian name unrecorded; Mrs. Croft, christian name unrecorded; Antha (Mrs. M. Green), of Johnstown, Pa. Their home taking fire, Mrs. William Houck was burned to death. Mr. Houck died at the age of eighty-two. His son Elijah was a farmer and stock raiser. He married Delia Corbin; their children are: Allison, died in Minnesota; Wealthy, widow of Dr. Bird, of Shirleysburg, Pa.; Minerva, widow of Nicholas Crum, of Tod township; Sarah A. (Mrs. John Benson), of Tod township; Benjamin F. and Joseph, twins, the latter found dead in Kansas; and Elijah C., a member of the Baptist church in Reynolds, Ill. Elijah Houck removed to Ohio, where he cultivated a farm in addition to the one near Shirleysburg, Huntingdon county; he died in Ohio. He was a Whig, and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Benjamin F. Houck attended the common

schools of Tod township and the seminary at Cassville, Huntingdon county. He taught school nearly all his life, in Huntingdon county and in Washington county, Md., which was his home at the time of his death. He was married in Tod township, in 1861, to Mary B., daughter of Nicholas Benson; she was born in Tod township October 4, 1834. Their only child, Clysses S., was born in Washington county, Md., in February, 1864. The young husband, esteeming the honor and safety of his country beyond his own comfort and pleasure, had enlisted in Company II of Coles' Regiment, Maryland Volunteer Cavalry. He was promoted to be captain of Company I, and was in several engagements. At Charlestown, Va., August 22, 1864, while urging his men forward, he was shot in the head by a citizen. For his courage, his exemplary conduct, and those qualities which render a man popular, Captain Houck was greatly esteemed by his comrades. His loss was deeply regretted by his comrades. It was sadly mourned also in the Methodist church, in which he was a consistent member and a diligent Sunday-school worker; to the wife, thus numbered among that vast army of women who made the greatest of sacrifices to patriotic duty, it was unspeakable.

Their son, Clysses S. Houck, was educated in the public schools of Tod township, his mother having returned to the home of her girlhood. After a course of preparation at the Huntingdon Normal School, he taught school for some time, but is now a civil engineer, with J. M. Africa, of Huntingdon, Pa. He married Ida Cohn, of Entriken, Pa. Their children are: Madeline; and Jennie M., who died at an early age, in Milford, Ill.

Nicholas Benson, father of Mrs. Mary B. Houck, owned and cultivated a large farm in Tod township. He married Ellen Hall, of Tod township. Their children are: Nancy, wife of Jacob Prough, both deceased; John A., farmer, of Tod township; Fleetwood, deceased; Perry O., of Tod township; Sarah, deceased, wife of William Feaster, of Huntingdon; Samuel, deceased; Mary B. (Mrs. Houck); Wilson, of Tod township; Rachel, deceased; Harrison W., of Tod township; Ellen C. and Elizabeth A., twins, the former widow of Jacob Fisher, the latter wife of Daniel Nangle, of Tod township. Mr. Nicholas Benson was a Whig. Both parents are de-

ceased; Mrs. Benson lived to the good old age of ninety-one.

REUBEN T. BAKER, Trough Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Tod township, June 23, 1843, son of George W. and Elizabeth (Housholder) Baker. His family are of good German stock, with a record of patriotic service to the United States. Mr. Baker's paternal great-grandfather and grandfather were both soldiers, the former in the Revolution and the latter in the war of 1812. George Housholder, his maternal grandfather, was killed in the battle of Antietam, in the Rebellion, at the age of sixty. John Baker, the paternal grandfather, was a farmer of Penn township, married to Rebecca Royer; his son George W. Baker was also a farmer, first in Penn, afterward in Tod township, where he passed the remainder of his life. He owned and tilled a farm of 167 acres, on which he built a house and barn and made other improvements. He was also a stock raiser. He was married in Penn township to Elizabeth Housholder, born in that township. Their children were: Rosanna, deceased, wife of Jonathan Brindle; Reuben T.; Andrew J., deceased, was in Company K, Pennsylvania Cavalry, but was killed at home; Catharine (Mrs. Matthew Beaver), of Ohio; Benjamin H., of Stonertown, Bedford county, Pa.; Rev. George W., pastor in the Methodist Episcopal church, is in Kansas; John, farmer, of Tod township; Samuel, farmer, of Hopewell township; Ettie B. (Mrs. R. Lynn); Martha, died in childhood; Bruce, principal of the high school, Indiana, Pa. George W. Baker belonged to the State militia in Tod township. He was a Republican; he served the township as supervisor and as auditor. He died at the homestead in 1886. His wife is still living, in Hopewell township, and is seventy-two years of age.

After attending for a number of years the common schools of his native township, Reuben T. Baker began work on the home farm, and continued it until he reached the age of eighteen, working also for several months at carpentry. Then war came; and he enlisted in Tod township, August 25, 1862, in Company I, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Colonel Higgins and Capt. W. F. Thomas. He spent ten months in the service, and was in sev-

eral engagements, including the battle of Chancellorsville. During his term of enlistment he was ill for six weeks. He was mustered out in June, 1863, returned home and continued work as a carpenter until August 18, 1864, when he again enlisted in Tod township, for one year, in Company D, Two Hundred and Fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Colonel Matthews and Capt. T. B. Reed. During this term Mr. Baker was in the battles of Fort Steadman and Petersburg; he was present at the surrender of Lee, and at the grand review in Washington, D. C. Being discharged at Harrisburg in June, 1865, he went home and resumed the business of his trade. Two years later he turned his attention to farming. Mr. Baker now bought 217 acres under cultivation, at a cost of \$7,000; he had only \$25 to pay in cash, and had to borrow money to meet the recurring payments of interest. All has been paid off, \$8,000 of the money being interest. Mr. Baker has worked that farm for more than thirty years; he built upon it a frame dwelling, costing nearly \$2,000, and made other improvements. He also bought the homestead in Tod township, comprising 167 acres, and added some improvements to it. He is a stock raiser and general dealer in stock. Thus Mr. Baker, by a combination of thrift and industry, judicious management and courageous enterprise, has acquired abundant means, though beginning life with limited resources; and in so doing, has obtained a position of influence. He has been a member of the school board of his township for nine years, and has been its secretary for two terms. He has also been supervisor, tax collector, and for four years treasurer. He is a Republican, and is a member of the A. P. A. and of the Grange of Tod township.

Reuben T. Baker was married, July 3, 1866, in Cass township, to Harriet E., daughter of John Whitney, manager of a mine in Tod township, and of English descent. Mrs. Baker was born in Tod township. Their children are: Viola U. (Mrs. R. E. E. Hall), her husband a farmer of Tod township; Lorena C. (Mrs. B. A. Benson), of Jeannette, Westmoreland county, Pa.; Mary A. K. (Mrs. W. Sherman McClain), of Tod township; Reuben E., of the homestead; and two who died in early childhood. Mr. Baker is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, of which he is trustee, and was for several years

steward. He has also been both teacher and superintendent of the Sunday-school.

CALVIN S. HEETER, Trough Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born September 14, 1852, in Tod township, son of John and Sarah A. (Honek) Heeter. His great-grandfather was a pioneer of Huntingdon county, who settled within the present limits of Tod township, at the very beginning of this century. He devoted his attention to farming in Woodcock valley, where his son, George, grandfather of C. S. Heeter, was born. George Heeter continued farming in Woodcock valley, and owned in addition another farm of over 200 acres in Tod township. He was also a stock raiser; was an enterprising man, making many improvements on his properties. He married Mary Keith, of Huntingdon county; their children were: Frederick; Adam; John; James; Ann; Barbara; Mary; David; Elizabeth; and Catherine. George Heeter was a Whig, and later became a Republican. He and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Both died in Tod township. Their son, John Heeter, had but a limited education; like his father, he was a farmer and stock raiser. He owned more than 140 acres in Tod township, which he improved and cultivated. He was a Republican. His wife, Miss Honek, was born in Tod township, where she still resides; she is seventy-four years of age. Their children are: Alice and Mary, twins; Martha (Mrs. Frank David), of Tod township; Calvin S.; Jane (Mrs. H. M. Moore), of Tod township. John Heeter died in Tod township about 1858.

At the time of his father's death, Calvin S. Heeter was only six years old. His education was therefore limited; he attended the common school of Tod township until he was twelve years of age, but was then obliged to begin to make his own living. He received from some of the farmers of Tod township, for his services, \$50 per year, with the privilege of attending school for four months yearly. He continued to work for wages until he attained to his majority. He then began farming on his own account. He rented a farm of 105 acres, which he cultivated for seven years; then he bought the farm and built upon it a house and barn, besides making other improvements. He has shown the good "staying qualities" of thrift, industry, fair

dealing and perseverance, and has thus been able to arrive at success. He takes an interest in public affairs, and is a good and useful citizen. That this is appreciated is shown by his having been chosen to fill various offices; school director, for two terms, and assessor for two years; for four years, he was steward of the almshouse. He is a member of the A. P. A. He is a Republican. Mr. Heeter is a genial companion, and is much esteemed.

Calvin S. Heeter was married in Tod township in 1875, to C. Agnes Baker, daughter of Benjamin F. Baker, deceased. Their children are: Nellie B. (Mrs. R. R. Myers), of Shirley township, Huntingdon county; Carrie; and Annie Pearl. Mr. Heeter belongs to the Methodist church, in which he has held the office of steward.

EPHRAIM HORTON, Trough Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born near Fairplay, Hopewell township, Bedford county, Pa., November 2, 1845. He is a son of Henry F. and Charlotte P. H. (De Vall) Horton. The Hortons are of Scotch-Irish descent. Josiah Horton, grandfather of Ephraim, was a native of Norris-town, Montgomery county, Pa., who removed to Bedford county, Pa., where he farmed and raised stock, owning above 150 acres, which he cleared, improved and cultivated. He married Miss Fluke, of Bedford county; their children were: Henry; John; Samuel; Abner; and Martha (Mrs. A. Evans), of Iowa; besides two children who were killed by a stroke of lightning. Josiah Horton was a Whig, and later a Republican. He died in Tod township and his wife in Bedford county. Their son, Henry F., pursued his father's vocation, farming; he owned and tilled some eighty or more acres in Tod township. He was a worthy and industrious man, and was respected and liked by his neighbors. He was a Republican. His wife was Charlotte P. H., daughter of Asa De Vall, of Bedford, Pa. Their children are: Ephraim; Sarah A. (Mrs. Jacob Shoup), of Altoona, Pa.; Maggie E., deceased; Wilson, deceased; and Emeline, deceased. The mother died in Tod township, in 1862, and the father in the same place, in 1871.

After receiving his school training in Bedford county and in Tod township, Huntingdon county, Ephraim Horton learned and practised the trades of carpentry and mason work

in Huntingdon. Ten years were spent at these trades, and then Mr. Horton turned his attention to farming. He bought a farm in Tod township, and since his father's death, has cultivated the homestead. Besides farming, he raises and deals in stock. He is a Republican, "dyed in the wool." He has been for two years in the school board. Mr. Horton is a good neighbor, a fair dealer, and is well liked.

Ephraim Horton was married in Shirley township, Huntingdon county, December 6, 1877, to Jennie M., daughter of W. F. Clark, of Shirley township, farmer; she is a native of the township, born on the homestead. Their children are: Granville B.; Othor A.; and Talmage D. Mr. Horton takes an active part in the work of the Methodist Episcopal church, of which he is a member.

CLAYTON E. BENSON, Eagle Foundry, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Tod township, November 3, 1858. He is a son of Perry and Mary A. (Baker) Benson. Perry Benson was born in the same township, in June, 1829, son of Nicholas Benson, a farmer of the township. He attended the public and the subscription schools of his native place, and learned farm work on the homestead until he was thirteen. Then for five years, he worked for the neighboring farmers. When he was eighteen, he went to Woodbury, Bedford county, Pa., and learned carpentry. After spending two years and a half there, he returned to Tod township, where he made carpenter work and contracting his vocation for life. In 1869, he bought a farm in Tod township, containing 100 acres, 80 of which are under cultivation. He has improved the place, and carries on stock raising as well as tillage. He is a Republican, and has served on the school board, and as tax collector. Perry Benson was married in Tod township to Mary A., daughter of Israel Baker, of Morris, afterward of Tod township. They have three children: Calvin W., carpenter, Tod township; Clayton E.; and William M., teacher, Huntingdon, Pa., has been superintendent of schools. Mr. Benson is a member and active worker in the Methodist Episcopal church.

The school education of Clayton E. Benson was obtained in the common schools of Tod township and at Juniata College, Hunting-

don, where he spent two years. He then taught for six years in different parts of Huntingdon county, and in Hopewell township, Bedford county. For the next six years, he taught school near Dayton, Ohio, during the winter terms, and spent the summers in an engineer corps on the Santa Fe railroad. Then he spent six months, engaged in surveying, at Ottawa, Ill.; and then, in 1891, returned home. A half year passed at home; then Mr. Benson went to Milford, Ill., to work on the C. and E. I. R. R. Once more, in the fall of 1892, he came home, and took up the business of surveying in his native State. In 1895, he was employed by J. Murray Africa, on the Pennsylvania Midland railroad. This engagement lasted a year, and at its termination he returned to Tod township, where he is engaged at surveying. His thorough preparation, intelligence and skill have made him successful in both professions, teaching and surveying. He is a Republican. His church connection is with the Methodist Episcopal denomination.

WILLIAM H. BENSON, Eagle Foundry, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Tod township, November 12, 1840, son of Nicholas and Ellen (Hall) Benson. Nicholas Benson was a farmer and stock raiser of Tod township. The farm which he cultivated, and on which he had himself directed the improvements, comprised above 140 acres. His wife, Ellen (Hall) Benson, was also a native of Tod township. Their children are: Nancy, wife of John Prought, both deceased; John A., of Tod township; Fleetwood, deceased; Sarah, deceased, wife of William Feaster, of Huntingdon, Pa.; Perry, farmer, of Tod township; Mary, widow of Benjamin F. Honck, of Tod township; Wilson L., of Tod township; William H.; Elizabeth A. and Ella C., twins, the former wife of D. H. Naugle, Tod township, the latter widow of Jacob Fisher; and two that died in infancy. Nicholas Benson's death was caused by the rolling of a log upon his breast, in 1842. His death was greatly regretted; he was a good man, and popular among his acquaintance. He was a Whig, and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His wife died in 1889.

William H. Benson attended school in Tod township. He afterwards spent four years in working for the farmers of the township, and

then learned carpentry with his brother. At this trade he worked for six years; Mr. Benson then rented a farm in Tod township for two years; after which he bought a tract of 106 acres, in the same township, which was partly improved. He further improved it by erecting a house and a barn, at a cost of \$3,000, and adding other needed conveniences and facilities. He is a stock raiser as well as a cultivator. About this time, he spent three months in Cambria county, Pa. Mr. Benson takes an active interest in the affairs of the community. He has been a school director for two terms. In 1878, he was elected county commissioner, his vote running ahead of the ticket of his party—the Republican—by more than five hundred. He was formerly a member of the I. O. O. F. He belongs to Trough Creek Grange, No. 444, P. of H.; to the A. P. A., of Mount Union; and to the P. O. S. of A., of Trough Creek.

William H. Benson was married in Tod township in 1863, to Sarah A., daughter of Solomon Honck, farmer, of Tod township. Their children are: Frank H., farmer, of Tod township; Berton A., a mechanic, of Westmoreland county, Pa.; Flora A.; and Annie M. Mr. Benson is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and a superintendent of the Sunday-school.

HENRY S. GREENE, Trough Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Blair county, then forming a part of Huntingdon, May 15, 1823. He is a son of Samuel L. and Elizabeth L. (Stewart) Greene. John Greene, the father of Samuel L., and grandfather of Henry S. Greene, was a brother of the well known Revolutionary general, Nathaniel Greene. The family is of English ancestry, and settled in the province of Pennsylvania at an early date. John Greene, as well as his brother, was a soldier under Washington. Peace being restored, he passed the remainder of his life at Brandywine Manor and Greene Hill, Chester county, Pa. He had two children, of whom Samuel L. was the elder, born at Brandywine in 1789. The younger was Keziah, wife of O. M. Conlter, of Ohio. John Greene and his wife both died at Brandywine Manor. Samuel L. Greene had an excellent education, above the average of his times. He was a man of intelligence,

and shared the taste for writing that seems to have been hereditary in the family, to judge from the graphic productions of Professor Greene, grandson of the General, and therefore second cousin of Samuel L. Greene. The latter gentleman, however, did not devote his life to literature, although fond of indulging in verse, but followed the modest callings of shoemaker and plasterer. He was lively and humorous, and a very genial companion. He was a Whig, and an admirer of Henry Clay. Late in life, he took up anti-Masonic principles. Samuel L. Greene was married in Scotts valley, Blair county, to Elizabeth Lafferty, daughter of Alexander Stewart, of Philadelphia, a farmer of Scotch-Irish descent, whose grandfather had fought in the French and Indian war. Her ancestral line can be clearly traced as far back as 1200 A. D.; the family originated in the Scotch Highlands. Mrs. Greene was born in 1795, within the present limits of Blair county, then Huntingdon. Their children were: Perry S., died in 1896, in Illinois; Johnston A., died in August, 1895, in Iowa; Allan J., of Davenport, Iowa; Henry S.; Maria, deceased, wife of Cyrus Mateer, of Mifflin county, Pa.; and Maxwell J. Samuel L. Greene died in Catharine township, Blair county, in December, 1828; his wife in the same place, in 1866.

In a log school house in "Polecat Hollow," Blair county, its windows glazed with oiled paper, its benches slabs of wood from the adjacent forests, brought in without too much nicety of preparation; the bears that roamed those forests lending some spice of excitement to break the monotony of school life, under the old master, John D. Tussey; under such auspices as these, Henry S. Greene acquired the rudiments of education. Yet, unpromising as such a beginning might seem, and although his father died when the boy was but five years old, who was already trotting by that father's side in the fields, learning lessons of work; although, obliged to support himself, he learned to be carpenter, millwright and bridge builder, and worked hard nearly all his life, still Mr. Greene found time to make intellectual acquisitions, having a good general education, and even reading Greek and Hebrew. He fixed his residence in Tod township, in 1843; there he worked at carpentry; the first barn built by him in the township was his own. He bought in 1849, a farm in that part

of the township which is now Carbon township. After cultivating it for nine years, he sold it in 1858, and removed to another farm of 128 acres, which he improved and has since cultivated, and which is his present home. Farmer, stock raiser, constructor of mills and bridges; and a teacher for fourteen years in Tod township, again school director for thirty-one years; Mr. Greene has certainly done good service to his generation, and by such diligence as well as by his affable and genial manners, deserves the esteem in which he is held. Mr. Greene has taken an active part in politics, being an ardent Republican; in early life, he was a Whig. He has been mercantile appraiser of the county, and supervisor, auditor, and assessor of the township.

Henry S. Greene was married in Tod township, June 16, 1844, to Louisa, daughter of Adams Houck, farmer, of Hopewell township, where Mrs. Greene was born, August 9, 1826. Their children are: Mary E. (Mrs. A. J. Hall), of Tod township; Milton Monroe, deceased, was in the United States army in the war of the Rebellion; Eugene H., underwriter, St. Paul, Minn.; William E. E., architect and contractor, of Minnesota; Americus Vespucius, school teacher and manager of the game of base ball, Cherokee, Iowa; Frances M. (Mrs. Hilary Chilcoat), of Randolph county, Mo.; Sarah M., died of smallpox in 1862; and Adin S., school teacher, lost his leg on the P. R. R., April 22, 1895, and his thumb in a saw-mill, May 7, 1894, is now at home.

Maxwell I. Greene, youngest brother of Henry S. Greene, was a printer and editor. He was also a historian, author of a "History of Kansas," and of the "Book of the World." He was fond of travel; visited all, or nearly all, parts of Asia and Africa. He was last heard from in London, England, where it is thought that he died. Some poems composed by him in his boyhood and early manhood, and still preserved as relics by his family, give evidence of precocious talent, displaying much poetic fancy, and an aptitude for versification which, if cultivated, would certainly have given him a high rank among authors.

JONATHAN EVANS, Eagle Foundry, Huntington county, Pa., was born at Broad Top, Bedford county, Pa., October 26, 1822. He is a son of Joseph and Hannah (White)

Evans. The great-grandfather of Jonathan Evans, Joseph Evans, was born in Pennsylvania, of a family of Welsh immigrants. His son, Amos Evans, father of Joseph, and grandfather of Jonathan, was born in 1747, in Norristown, Montgomery county, Pa., but came to Bedford county, and there spent his life. He was a cooper and distiller; he also cleared and cultivated a farm on Broad Top. He belonged to the Society of Friends, and was an intelligent and well-educated man. He was of the "old line" Whig party; ran for Congress in Bedford county, but was defeated by four votes. He was a justice of the peace. Amos Evans married a lady named Margaret Evans, but not at all related to his family. Their children were: Nathan; Miles; Aaron; Joseph; Elizabeth; Mary; and Abigail. The fourth of this family, Joseph, was born at Broad Top, in April, 1792. He was fairly well educated, and taught school in Bedford county. He had some poetic talent. He combined the occupations of cooper, farmer and miller, at Broad Top. Joseph Evans was an old line Whig, and when party lines changed, became a Republican. He took an active part in politics, being endowed with the social and oratorical qualities that fit a man to be a leader among his fellows. He was the first justice of the peace elected under the new law. Mr. Evans was of a very hospitable disposition. His wife, Hannah White, whom he married in Bedford county, was born in Pottsgrove, Pa., and was the daughter of Thomas White, an immigrant from Ireland. Mr. White is remembered as having taken part in the "Boston tea party," that event so significant in the history of the American Revolution. He was farmer, nail-maker, and soldier in the Continental army. Mr. White was born in May, 1739, and died September 13, 1820; his wife, Elizabeth Jones, whom he married in 1771, was born June 24, 1754, and died February 2, 1844. They were the parents of twenty-one children. They gave three sons to the war of 1812: Ezekiel; Thomas; and John; the first named was killed in battle. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Evans were: Elizabeth, deceased, was the wife of D. Barnett; Aaron W., deceased; William, deceased; Miles, deceased; Septimus, deceased; Levi, deceased; Jonathan; Lemuel, deceased, was a general in the State militia, and fought in the war of the Rebellion; Mary, deceased,

wife of D. Fluke; Margaret A., widow of William Anderson, of Nebraska; Zerah, deceased; Hannah, deceased wife of D. Young. Joseph Evans was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, was class leader, superintendent and teacher in Sunday-schools, and a diligent worker in all departments of church enterprise. His wife died in 1864, at Broad Top; and Mr. Evans died at the same place in 1875.

"The log school house" and some subscription schools were the scenes of Jonathan Evans' education. He began business life on the homestead farm, the cleared part of a tract of 1,000 acres. On this place he remained until April 2, 1855, when he removed to Huntingdon county, and settled in Tod township. Besides his other employments, he had for seven years taught school in Bedford county. He now devoted himself to farming and stock raising, making a specialty of breeding first-class working horses. He erected necessary farm buildings, and made various improvements on his property; he has lived for the rest of his life in Tod township. Mr. Evans has held many positions of responsibility and influence. He was lieutenant in the Pennsylvania State Militia; was school director and auditor, in both Bedford and Huntingdon counties, also assessor; he was jury commissioner for one term of three years, and was elected county commissioner in 1871, on the Republican ticket, by the largest majority ever obtained in the county. He was postmaster for twelve years, from 1880, and justice of the peace for twenty years. Three of his brothers were justices at the same time with himself. Certainly few citizens have received more evidences of esteem and confidence from the community in which they lived, than Mr. Evans.

Jonathan Evans was married, June 1, 1843, to Elizabeth Griffith, of Broad Top. Their children are: Solomon, deceased; Sarah J., deceased wife of James W. Taylor, of Tod township; Wilson, deceased; Mary M. (Mrs. Eli Keith), of Tod township; Amy (Mrs. William Taylor); Joseph F.; John A., deceased; Amos, farmer and school teacher, Cass township, Huntingdon county; Simpson B., preacher of the Methodist Episcopal church, Williamsport, Pa.; Charles T., lumber dealer, Robertsdale, Pa.; Hannah A.; Olive; one child died in infancy. Mr. Evans is an ac-

tive and devoted member of the Methodist Episcopal church; is a trustee, and has labored faithfully in the Sunday-school, both as teacher and as superintendent. He is held in grateful regard for his exemplary life and long services.

Joseph F. Evans, son of Jonathan Evans, was born at Broad Top, June 1, 1853. He attended the common schools of Tod township, Juniata Collegiate Institute, Martinsburg, Pa., and the State Normal School, Shippensburg, Pa., where he graduated in 1875. He taught school for twenty-one years in Huntingdon and Bedford counties; besides helping candidates for the same profession out of his own long experience, in summer normal schools. He now farms the homestead for his father. He is a Republican; he was auditor of his township, and ran for the office of county superintendent of schools, but was defeated. He belongs to the A. P. A., Council 1, Eagle Foundry. Joseph F. Evans was married in Hopewell township, Bedford county, in 1877, to a native of that county, Susan, daughter of Eli and Margaret (Ake) Eichelberger; her father is a miner of Broad Top. Their children are: Wilbert Ira, at home; Chloe G., at home; Jonathan L.; Bessie E.; Eli V.; Edison H.; Lena B.; Mary L.; and Twilla P.

JAMES McCLAIN, Eagle Foundry, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Trough Creek Valley, Huntingdon county, November 21, 1852, son of Isaac and Sarah X. (Shoop) McClain. His grandfather, Samuel McClain, was a native of Huntingdon county, and of Scotch-Irish stock. He was a farmer and miller, and owned several acres of land in Tod township, where he passed his life. He was a faithful and active member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His son, Isaac, followed the same vocation. He owned more than 300 acres of land, and combined stock raising with his other agricultural operations. His politics were Democratic. Isaac McClain was twice married; his first wife was Ellen Thompson, of Tod township; they had one child, Wilson, who died when four years old. Mrs. Ellen McClain died in 1850. His second wife was Sarah X. Shoop, born in Huntingdon county, September 4, 1826. Their children are: James and Oliver, twins, both farmers of Tod township; Ellen (Mrs.

John W. McClain), of Tod township; Susan J. (Mrs. Miles B. Wright), of Kansas; Mary E. (Mrs. John E. Henderson), of Kansas; and John W., farmer, of Illinois. Isaac McClain, like his father, was a consistent member of the Methodist church, deeply interested in her welfare, and active in her work. The McClains have been among those whose steady and conscientious lives not only exemplify the power of high and fixed principle, but also give healthy moral tone to the community. Isaac McClain died February 27, 1880; his wife still resides in Tod township.

James McClain, the worthy successor of these two good men, was educated in the Greene school of Tod township. He shared the agricultural labors of his father until he arrived at his majority; he then rented G. W. Reed's farm in Tod township, and cultivated it for four years. Then, after working one year for wages, Mr. McClain rented the homestead, farmed it for two years, and finally, in 1881, purchased the farm of 147 acres on which he has his home. In 1889 he lost his house by fire, since which time he has built a large brick dwelling, at an expense of more than \$1,500, in addition to his other improvements. He has been very successful as a stock raiser, and in buying and selling stock. His politics are Democratic. He is connected with Grange No. 444, P. of H.

James McClain was married in Cass township, in 1883, to Jennie R., daughter of Andrew Crottsley, farmer of Penn township, where Mrs. McClain was born. Their children are: Mary A.; Harmon H.; Helen L.; Miles Ray; and Lizzie M., who was but an infant when she died. Mr. McClain is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church; has been for half his lifetime a teacher in the Sunday-school, and has since served as superintendent.

SAMUEL W. COOK, Eagle Foundry, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Broad Top, Tod township, March 31, 1831, son of Isaac and Rachel (McClain) Cook. The Cook family are English by descent, but the grandfather of S. W. Cook, Isaac Cook, Sr., was born in Pennsylvania. He came to Huntingdon county, and made his residence in Tod township. He married Sarah Elder, and had a family of children. He died at Broad Top. Both he and his son, Isaac Cook, Jr., were

farmers. The latter was born at Flouertown, Montgomery county, Pa., but passed all his years of activity in this county, where he owned more than 500 acres of land on Broad Top, most of it being coal land, he sold it, and bought another farm in Tod township, where he carried on his operations as farmer and stock raiser; he also owned and ran a mill. He was a good old-style Democrat. Mrs. Isaac Cook was a native of Broad Top; their children were: Samuel W.; James, farmer, of Tod township; John, deceased; William, farmer, Tod township; Susan, deceased; Oliver, of Tod township; and Solomon, of Tod township. Mr. Cook was a man of good principles and irreproachable life, a Methodist, devoted to his church, and a teacher in his Sunday-school. He died in 1876, and his wife in 1894, both in Tod township.

Samuel W. Cook received a common school education in his native township, and began life as a worker with his father, on the home farm, where he remained until he was twenty-five. From that time to the present, he has cultivated his own farm of 100 acres in the same township. He has carefully improved his land, erecting a dwelling and farm buildings at a cost of some \$3,000. Stock raising, lime burning, etc., add to the profits of his farm work. He owns a tract of 88 acres besides his home place, and not distant from it. Mr. Cook has worked diligently all his life, and has well earned the success that has crowned his labors. He is of genial and kindly manner, and enjoys the kind regard of many friends. He is a farmer of progressive ideas, a member of Grange No. 444, P. of H. He adheres to the Democratic party.

The marriage of Samuel W. Cook with Eoline, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Curfman) Gosnell, took place in Tod township, in 1857. Their children are: Leonard C., of North Dakota; and Jane (Mrs. Andrew N. Cutchley), of Tod township. Mr. Cook is a faithful member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

ELI KEITH, Eagle Foundry, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born on the homestead in Tod township, Huntingdon county, December 1, 1841, son of George and Sarah (Plummer) Keith. Adam Keith, his great-grandfather, was of Scotch-Irish parentage, a farmer and stock raiser of Hopewell township. He re-







Eli Keith



moved from Trough Creek Gap, at the forge, to Tatnam's Run, where he spent the remainder of his life. His political views were those of the Whig party. His church connection was with the Methodist denomination. He married and had three children: John; Mary (Mrs. George Heeter), of Tod township; and Elizabeth (Mrs. O. M. Cypher), of Hopewell township. The eldest of this family, John Keith, carried on the same occupations that were his father's, with the addition of the work of a smithy. In early youth, he was very fond of dancing, being of a lively disposition; but he nevertheless grew to be a good working member of the Methodist Episcopal church, careful to promote its interests; he built a church at his own expense in Hopewell township. John Keith was twice married; his first wife was Elizabeth Russell, descended from one of those German families who settled early in Woodcock valley. Their children were: Jacob; John; Adam; Elizabeth; George; and Henry. Mrs. Elizabeth Keith died in Hopewell township in 1816. Mr. Keith's second wife was Miss Donaldson, of Scotch-Irish descent; the children of this marriage are: James; Lewis; Thomas; Peter; and Mary (Mrs. Peter Brumbaugh). John Keith was a Whig. About 1854, he removed to Wisconsin, where he continued farming until his death, in 1858.

George, son of John Keith and father of Eli, was born in Hopewell township, October 7, 1814. He attended one of those log school houses with paper windows, which, in spite of their homeliness, have sent forth such powerful influences for good. Often, the boy went to school with only a handkerchief tied about his head, instead of a hat. Here, of course, whether in public school or subscription school, the education was as plain as the lives and home surroundings of the sturdy mechanics that filled the slab benches; but the characters there developed were generally as sturdy as their physical organizations; and that such was the case with young Keith, is easily inferred from his brief story. His first share in men's work was on the home farm, with his father. At eighteen years of age, he was employed to chop cord wood for the furnaces, during the winter, at the rate of thirty-seven and a half cents a cord; he also worked for the neighboring farmers. With the money thus earned, he bought two young

colts. In January, 1837, he bought a farm of 250 acres in Tod township, having only \$500 cash with which to pay for it. The farm was the property of Rev. Thomas Larkins, of the Methodist church, and was valued at \$2,500. Here George Keith began life, with a little furniture and his two colts. All the farm was in timber; but with many a vigorous stroke, he cleared it—hard work and the pay all in the future. With cheerful perseverance he worked on until the debt was paid, and all the necessary buildings were erected. Thus the young farmer and stock raiser secured the homestead in which he passed his married life, and brought up his family. In Hopewell township, in the fall of 1836, he married Sarah, daughter of Eli and Sophia (Plummer) Plummer, born in that township in 1810. Her father was a farmer, of Scotch-Irish descent. During the Revolution, when a boy, he was captured by the Indians, and taken to Canada. He was the grandfather of John Plummer, of Tod township. The children of George and Sophia Keith are: Eli, now the only surviving member of the family; Harriet P., died at the age of nineteen; William, died in infancy; Martha B., died at the age of twenty; and Sophia, also deceased. George Keith was in early life a Whig, afterwards a Republican. He was appreciated by his fellow citizens, and elected to various offices in his township—school director, and auditor, supervisor, assessor and tax collector. In the affairs of the Methodist church, of which he was a member, he was particularly interested. He contributed towards the building of two churches at Eagle Foundry. His house was always open to the clergy, and was a true home for them. Notwithstanding an impediment in his speech, his kind disposition and genial hospitality made his companionship sought. He taught in the Sunday-school, was superintendent, trustee, and steward of the church. The experience of poverty had not made him niggardly, but on the contrary had opened his heart towards all in need, so that he was ever ready to lend a helping hand. Shortly after the "golden" wedding anniversary was past, the wife of George Keith died, in October, 1887; in March, 1888, he, too, passed away.

Eli Keith was well educated in the common schools of his township, and began his life-work with his father, in the place where it has

ever since been carried on—the home farm. After the death of his father, Mr. Keith took entire charge of the farm. He has been thrifty, judicious and successful, and now has one of the most beautiful and comfortable homes in the township, erected upon a fine lawn, and supplied with hot and cold water, and other modern appliances. In 1890, he bought another farm, containing 160 acres, in Tod township, which he rents; he also owns 400 acres in Kansas. Mr. Keith is a member of Grange No. 444, P. of H., of Tod township; of Council 171, A. P. A., Eagle Foundry; of Lodge No. 579, I. O. O. F., Broad Top City; and of the F. and A. M., of Rockhill, Huntingdon county. He is a Republican, and has served for three years on the school board of the township.

Eli Keith was married in 1871, to Mary M., daughter of Jonathan and Elizabeth (Griffith) Evans, of Tod township; she was born March 13, 1849. Their children were: M. Blanche, who died April 15, 1897, and one child that died while an infant. By Mr. Keith's activity in the promotion of good enterprises, and the wholesome influence which he exerts in the community, he maintains well the honorable reputation of his family.

ROBERT M. MARTIN, East Broad Top, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born April 2, 1855, in Tod township, son of Michael J., and Catherine (Weasman) Martin. Michael J. Martin was a native of Bavaria, Germany, a man of excellent education, who learned book-binding in his native land. He came to this country in a sailing vessel, landed at Baltimore, August 25, 1858, and from that city went to Hagerstown, Md. From Hagerstown Mr. Martin went to Huntingdon county, where he met his brother, Joseph S., who was a tanner, and with whom he worked in the tannery. He took up and bought about 4,000 acres of land, a part of which he cleared, and embarked in stock raising. During the war of the Rebellion, he made money by butchering. Mr. Martin also bought 1,200 acres of land in Nebraska; he was an industrious and successful worker all his life. His politics were Democratic. He was a member of the Catholic church. Michael J. Martin was married December 16, 1847, in Tod township, by Isaac Cook, J. P., to Catherine Weasman, also a native of Bavaria, Germany, born Jan-

uary 25, 1830, who came to this country November 13, 1847. Their children are: John, of Central City, Neb.; Mary (Mrs. R. Maher), of Bedford county, Pa.; Anthony, of Thayer county, Neb.; Mina (Mrs. H. Mears), of Portage, Cambria county, Pa.; Robert M.; Susan (Mrs. Albert Scott), of Oberlin, Kas.; James F., of Oberlin, Kas.; Valentine, of Colorado; Josephine, in the convent at East Columbus, Ohio; Joseph, partner of Robert M.; Charles J., farmer, of Kansas; Michael J., died young; and William A., of Oberlin, Kas. Michael J. Martin died on the homestead, March 11, 1886; his wife, whose age is about sixty-four, survives him.

Robert M. Martin attended the common schools of Tod township and the select school at Chestnut Grove, Lancaster county, Pa. His course of studies being ended, he first worked four years in the tannery, on wages, and then engaged in farming and in the bark business, in which he has been very successful. He has also done well as a stock raiser, breeding fine horses and cattle. He has for several years carried on a butchering business. In 1895, Mr. Martin, in partnership with his brother, Joseph, embarked in the lumber business. In 1893 he made a contract with the Cresson Pipe Line Company, of Pittsburg, Pa., which yielded him fair profits. Mr. Martin owns 4,000 acres of land in Huntingdon county, of which he cultivates over 200 acres; also a farm in Kansas, of 1,610 acres. He is full of enterprise, with business qualities which enable him to carry on at once, and with ease and success, a variety of different undertakings. His politics are Democratic. He has been elected to various township offices; has been inspector of elections; constable for four years; and assessor for one year.

Robert H. Martin was married in Tod township, January 22, 1896, to Rebecca, daughter of Abraham Harshey, of Fulton county; Mrs. Martin is a native of Huntingdon county. Mr. Martin is a member of the Catholic church. They have one child, Paul Joseph, born June 11, 1896.

JESSE P. SMITH, East Broad Top, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Hopewell township, Huntingdon county, March 9, 1812, son of George and Mary (Manince) Smith. His grandfather, Andrew Smith, a

native of Switzerland, came to this country early in life, settled and began farming in Baltimore county, Md., uniting the business of tailoring to his agricultural work. He spent the remainder of his life in Baltimore county. His wife emigrated to this country from Germany, and was a "redemptioner;" that is, coming without means, her services for two years were sold, to pay her passage money. George Smith learned tailoring from his father, and worked at that trade in Baltimore county. He married there, and removed to Hopewell township, Huntingdon county, where for some time he continued in the same occupation. In the fall of 1812, he bought a farm where Cassville now stands; here he still worked at tailoring, his sons attending to the work of the farm. In 1829, Mr. Smith sold this farm, and removed to Tod township, where he bought and improved 98 acres of land, and where he passed the latter part of his life. He was a Whig. His church membership was in the Methodist denomination. Mr. Smith had considerable talent as a vocalist. His wife, a native of Maryland, was a lady of French descent. Their children are: Eliel; William; Daniel; Sarah; Levi; George; Jesse P.; Andrew; Isaac; Elizabeth S.; Barton; Mary M., and one that died in infancy. George Smith died at the homestead in December, 1839; Mrs. Smith, in Cass township, Huntingdon county, in 1855.

Jesse P. Smith enjoyed no more advantages in the way of education than were afforded by the log school houses of that early day. He attended the Stever school, in Cass township, which, like many others, had lights of paper and rough slab benches. This school he attended during only a month or two of each year. When the time for this limited school training had passed, the boy began working on his father's farm, and continued in the same place and the same employment until he was forty years old. He then rented a farm in Cass township; after remaining upon it one year, he purchased, cleared and improved 100 acres in Tod township, a dwelling and barn being among the improvements. On this place he remained until 1884, and then went to reside on a small farm near Cook's mill, which is still his home. Jesse P. Smith was married in Cass township, January 16, 1840, to Susan Gherrett, born in that

towship. Their children were: Thomas, a farmer, of Tod township; and James, who died young. Mrs. Susan Smith died December 27, 1843, at the age of twenty-three; she was born in 1820. Mr. Smith married again in 1844; his second wife was Sarah Robinson, born in Tod township, August 28, 1820, daughter of Vincent and Susan (Hess) Robinson. Her father was a farmer, of Scotch-Irish extraction; her mother was of German descent. The children of this marriage are: Samuel H., of Washington, D. C., was a soldier in the late war; Mary S. (Mrs. Solomon Cook); Jesse R., lawyer, of Scottdale, Westmorland county, Pa.; Eliza Jane; Isaac N., in railroad employ, resides at Mount Union, Pa.

At fifty years of age, Mr. Smith enlisted for the defense of the Union against rebellion, in Company I, Twelfth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Colonel Taggart and Capt. James Baker; he served eight months. Mr. Smith participated in the famous "Seven Days' Fight." During a large part of his term of enlistment, he was on guard duty, which so seriously affected his health that he still suffers from the consequences. He was for about two months in the hospital at Fortress Monroe, Va. He was discharged at Fortress Monroe, in November, 1862. Notwithstanding the hardships he then underwent, and their bad effects on his physical condition, Mr. Smith, octogenarian as he is, would willingly go again, if it were necessary, to fight in his country's cause. Nor was the father of the family the only one to respond to the call of patriotism. His sons, Thomas G. and Samuel H. Smith, served in the One Hundred and Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, for about fourteen months; the latter was wounded in the leg, from the effects of which he lost the use of his foot. Mr. Smith is a Republican. He served his township two years as supervisor. Himself and family are members of the Methodist Protestant church, in which he is an enthusiastic and persevering worker. He has lent a hand in every department of service; has been class-leader, Sunday-school superintendent and teacher, and steward of the church. In the affairs of church and State, as well as in his own personal business, Mr. Smith has never shrunk from difficult work, nor turned back for fear of hardships. He has well earned the comforts that surround him, the respect

of his acquaintances, and the approval of his own conscience. He is withal intelligent and agreeable in conversation, and is a genial companion.

WILSON EDWARDS, East Broad Top, Huntingdon county, Pa., is a native of Tod township, born on the farm which has been the family homestead for three generations and which is known as "The Tomahawk Improvement," on July 11, 1830. He is a son of Joshua and Barbara (Barnett) Edwards. His grandfather, John Edwards, an Englishman by birth, came when a young man to America; his first dwelling place here was in the State of Maryland; the next in Huntingdon county, and the next at Morrisons Cove, Bedford county, Pa. At the last named place, he settled on some land, but was driven off by the Indians. He then returned to Maryland; after living there for some time, he again came to Huntingdon county, and settled some time previous to the Revolutionary war, on the tract of land where Wilson Edwards now resides. He took up about 300 acres of land, on which he built a log house and barn; he also built two other log houses on his farm. John Edwards was married, July 17, 1770, to Mary Walker; their children were: Robert, born May 10, 1771; John, born September 13, 1776, died in August, 1779; Joseph, born February 20, 1777; Rachel, born in 1778; Mary, born August 13, 1784, died February 18, 1785; Joshua, born July 29, 1787; John W., born October 18, 1789. John Edwards and his wife both died at the homestead, and are buried in Tod township.

Joshua Edwards, son of John, was born on the homestead, where he spent his life, a farmer, like his father. To farming he added the occupation of stock raising and carling. He was a very estimable man, widely and favorably known. In 1836, he built a fulling mill, a log structure, on Trough creek. Joshua Edwards was married, October 24, 1811, in Tod township, to Barbara Barnett, born August 27, 1777, at Broad Top. Their children were: Allen, born September 13, 1812; Elizabeth, June 28, 1814; Philip, September 5, 1815; Mary, twin sister of Philip; Rachel, born March 3, 1818; Nancy, September 17, 1819; Margaret, October

15, 1820; Sophia, February 28, 1822; John W., August 12, 1825; Joshua, February 27, 1827; Jesse, September 26, 1828; Wilson, July 11, 1830; and Barbara, July 11, 1832. Joshua Edwards was a Whig, and afterwards a Republican. He served the township as supervisor. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He died January 24, 1856, and his wife December 6, 1865. He was a good man, well known throughout the vicinity, and liked as well as he was known.

Wilson Edwards received his education at the Mount Pleasant school, in Tod township. He worked on the homestead until he was twenty-five years old, and then went to Marklesburg, to learn carpentry with Anthony Beaver. After one year spent in that place, he returned to the homestead, and has ever since remained there, cultivating its fields and raising stock. He has now over 150 acres under tillage. At times he works at carpentry and cabinet-making. Mr. Edwards has been chosen for various services to the township; has been judge of elections; was supervisor of roads for three terms; has been for ten years in the school board, and is its president. He is a Republican.

Wilson Edwards was married at Broad Top City, August 16, 1855, to Mary, daughter of Jesse and Anne (White) Cook, born March 22, 1832. Her father is a farmer of Broad Top City, of English descent; her mother, a daughter of Thomas White, one of the men who took part in the "Boston tea party." Mrs. Edwards has seven brothers and sisters: Catharine; John; Anthony; Thomas; Jane; Martha; and Henry. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Edwards are: Jesse, born August 15, 1856, deceased; Henry A., born October 1, 1858; George H., September 8, 1860; Thomas W., July 1, 1862, deceased; Barbara A., January 15, 1864; Flynnes S. G., March 31, 1864; Oliver C., January 27, 1868; Howard E., April 18, 1870; Charles W., May 11, 1872. Mr. Edwards is a member of the Methodist Protestant church, a steward and class leader of his church. Mr. Edwards has good "staying qualities;" is steady and persevering; he is also enterprising and judicious, and has thus become successful in his vocation, and attained to a useful and influential position.

OLIVER E. COOK, East Broad Top, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Broad Top, January 19, 1812, son of Isaac and Rachel (McClain) Cook. He attended school at Broad Top, and in the rural schools of Tod township. Until he became of age, he remained on the farm and was his father's assistant in its cultivation. After that time he learned the trade of milling at Bellwood, Blair county, Pa. After a short stay in that place, Mr. Cook returned to Tod township, and worked at his trade. In 1864, he began business on his own account in the well-known mill on Trough creek called Cook's mill, a familiar feature of that part of the township for nearly a century, but now so improved that its original proprietor would scarcely recognize it. Mr. O. E. Cook has conducted the mill for over thirty years, and has one of the finest mills in Huntingdon county. He owns besides 130 acres of land in Tod township, which he bought, and has improved with a dwelling and other buildings, including barn. Mill and improvements together have cost about \$10,000. Mr. Cook also owns a saw-mill, and manufactures lumber with fair success. Both mills are run by water power. Some of the lumber manufactured comes from a farm owned by Mr. Cook in Fulton county. He is also station agent for the East Broad Top R. R., at Cook's Station; has held this position since 1875; and was postmaster of East Broad Top in 1878. Mr. Cook is a business man of activity, clear-headed and attentive, so that he carries on his own various enterprises, and attends to the duties of his appointments without confusion or difficulty. He has also been tax collector for the township, and assistant assessor; he is a Democrat. He formerly belonged to the I. O. O. F., but is not now a member of any secret society.

Oliver E. Cook was married in 1870, in Fulton county, to Margaret J., daughter of Samuel F. Geisinger, of Fulton county, Pa. She was born in Huntingdon county. Their children are: Mary N.; R. Mertie; Susan L. (Mrs. P. C. Bennett), of McKeesport, Pa.; and O. G. Mr. Cook is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

HARRISON TAYLOR, Todd, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Tod township, June 26, 1848, son of Isaac and Nancy (Elias) Taylor. Isaac Taylor is a farmer of that township; his wife is deceased.

Harrison Taylor attended the school at Pleasant Grove, Tod township, commonly known as Taylortown school, and kept in an old-fashioned log house. He was a school boy for only two months of each year, on account of ill health. After leaving school, he continued to work on the home place until he was twenty years old; he then left home, and worked two years on the farm of Eli Keith. He then rented the homestead from his father, containing 146 acres, and cultivated it for eight years, after which he rented another farm in the same township, which he has managed ever since. Mr. Taylor owns both arable and timber land in Tod township; from the latter he manufactures lumber. The farm which he bought is of 70 acres, so that he is farming 240 acres; the timber land is a tract of 84 acres. He manufactures his lumber at Greenland's saw-mill, which he rents. Mr. Taylor also deals successfully in live stock. He is an active business man, full of enterprise and energy. In 1895, he built a store room, hall and dwelling, costing over \$1,500. He is a member of Grange No. 444, P. of H.; of Mount Her Lodge, No. 736, I. O. O. F., Cassville; of the P. O. S. of A., No. 366, Todd; of F. and A. M., Cromwell; and of Council No. 171, A. P. A., Todd. Mr. Taylor is a Republican. He is a genial and companionable person.

The marriage of Harrison Taylor with Sarah, daughter of Nathan G. Horton, farmer, of Tod township, took place in 1876. Their children are: Charles, on the homestead; Seibert A.; and Roy. Mrs. Taylor died on the farm in 1892, from a paralytic stroke. Mr. Taylor and his family attend the Methodist Episcopal church, of which Mr. Taylor is a trustee.

SAMUEL SAYLOR, Todd, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Tod township, September 1, 1822, son of Matthias and Elizabeth (Pheasant) Saylor. His paternal grandfather was a farmer in Cass township, and was married to Mary Swope, by whom he had two children; Amie (Mrs. Samuel Pheasant), and Matthias. When his son was only four months old, Mr. Saylor, beginning one day to fell trees for the purpose of erecting a log barn, was struck and killed by the first tree that he cut. Thus left an orphan at a tender

age, Matthias Saylor grew up to an inheritance of hard work, upon which he entered early in life. He was a sturdy and industrious man, and won the esteem and respect of his neighbors. He worked his own farm of eighty-four acres in Cass township, on which he built a house and barn, raised good hve stock, and enjoyed a fair measure of success. His wife was the daughter of Samuel Pheasant, farmer, of Cass township; she was born in Maryland. Their children are: Annie, deceased wife of Lewis Corbin, of Cass township; John, deceased; Sarah, deceased wife of George Myerly, of Cass township; Samuel; Elizabeth (Mrs. Joseph Harbaugh), of Cass township; Cornelius, of Tod township; George, of Cass township; Levi, deceased; William, deceased; Rachel, died young; one child that died in infancy. Mrs. Matthias Saylor died in Cass township in 1888. Mr. Saylor was in his younger days a Whig, in later life he adhered to Republican principles. He was over-seer in Cass township in 1854. He is deceased.

Samuel Saylor was a pupil in subscription schools in his native township, kept in a primitive log building, with equally primitive plank seating. He also attended the public schools. He worked with his father on the home farm until he was twenty-two; then he rented a farm in Union township, and cultivated it for one year, after which, in 1845, he removed to his present home. He had bought 150 acres of land, only four acres of which were cleared. Here the young farmer and his bride of only a few months went to work together with a will. For fifteen years they lived in a little log cabin, bearing many hardships and privations with cheerful patience and determination. They began without furniture, and with scanty provision of the necessaries of life, even of bed clothing. Very gradually prosperity came. Mr. Saylor often had to cut his logs at night and haul them to the saw-mill the next day, in order to get a living, and to meet the payments on his farm, for which he was in debt. Other work was undertaken in addition; butchering, which he carried on for fifteen years in Tod township; stock raising, etc., as capital for his different enterprises was obtained. Thus, by laborious days, by economy and perseverance, all the debt was at length paid, and thirty acres added to Mr. Saylor's land in Tod town-

ship, also now under cultivation. And how much of a farmer's success, in such a history, is due to the faithful and diligent wife, cannot be estimated.

The wife, in this case, is Susanna, daughter of John Keith, of Cass township, to whom Samuel Saylor was married, November 10, 1844. She was born near Baltimore, Md., in 1825. Their children are: Rachel A. (Mrs. Peter Rickabaugh), her husband, a farmer of Tod township; Eliza J. (Mrs. Edward Tobin), of Chicago; and Mary B. (Mrs. Daniel Menslager), of Cass township. They have twenty-four grandchildren, and twenty-five great-grandchildren. The "golden wedding" of Mr. and Mrs. Saylor was celebrated in 1894, on which occasion more than a hundred relatives were present. A married life of more than fifty years of peace at home and with surrounding neighbors and friends is indeed a "golden" record. Mr. Saylor, who is a Republican, was for nine years supervisor of his township. The family attends the Church of God; Mr. Saylor was Sunday-school teacher for six years, and superintendent for four years; also deacon, elder, trustee, and member of building committee. He contributed \$600 to the building fund, thus ensuring the erection of a substantial and comfortable house of worship. This good couple have well earned the comforts that surround their ripe age.

J. NEWTON McCLAIN, Todd, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Smith valley, Cass township, September 4, 1852, son of Samuel and Esther (Barnett) McClain. His grandfather, Joseph McClain, was of the worthy Scotch-Irish immigration that formed so large a part of the material for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. He resided at Broad Top, and was a teamster on the pike. His children are: Samuel; John; Caroline; Nancy; and Mary A. The father dying when Samuel was four years old, Samuel was bound out to Wesley Edwards, at Cook Mill, Tod township. He remained there seventeen years. He had been promised a horse, with a saddle and bridle, and a suit of clothes, at the expiration of his term of indenture; but failing to receive the horse, he went to law for it, and at the end of ten years' litigation gained his suit. Mr. McClain now removed to Smiths valley, Cass township, bought a farm of over 200 acres, cleared 150 acres,

built a dwelling and a barn, and otherwise greatly improved the place. At an advanced age he gave up farming, removed to Saltillo, built the Saltillo Hotel, and conducted it for many years. Some time before his death, he gave up active business, but still resided in the hotel, where he died September 28, 1888. He was a Republican; was elected school director, constable, tax collector, and to other offices. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel McClain are: Oliver, of Fulton county, Ohio; Catherine (Mrs. Samuel Keith), of Bedford county, Pa.; Mary E. (Mrs. John D. Crotley), of Cass township; John W. and James, twins, both farmers of Tod township; J. Newton; Amanda B. (Mrs. Clayton Honck), of Tod township; David E., merchant, of Saltillo; Ida J. (Mrs. Thomas Shaver), of Pittsburg, Pa.; Sarah A., died young; and a child that died in infancy. Mr. McClain was a good father and a kind husband; ambitious for his children and solicitous for their true welfare, he gave them a good education and brought them up carefully. Although a hard working man throughout nearly all his life, he found abundant leisure for church work; being warmly attached to his denomination, the Methodist Episcopal, he served the congregation as trustee and steward and as teacher in the Sunday-school. Mrs. McClain died at Saltillo September 13, 1894.

J. Newton McClain attended the common schools of Cass township, and afterwards the select school at Cassville. He began business life on the home farm, where he remained until 1880, having at that time had entire charge of the farm for four years. In that year he removed to a farm of 121 acres which he had purchased in Tod township. Only a part of this land was cleared. Mr. McClain cultivated over ninety acres. In this farm he invested his own hard labor, and more than \$2,500 in buildings and other improvements. The result is a home which is not only comfortable, but so tasteful as to be an ornament to the neighborhood. Another farm of Mr. McClain's in Cass township contains 56 acres, and is to some extent improved. He is an intelligent farmer, progressive in his methods; is a member of the Grange of Tod township. Mr. McClain also raises and deals extensively in a variety of live stock, not only horses and

cattle, but mules, swine, etc. Mr. McClain is a Republican.

On March 16, 1876, J. Newton McClain was married to Melissa C., daughter of John and Mary (Griffith) Horton; the father a farmer of Tod township. The children of Mr. and Mrs. McClain are: Mary E.; and Myrtle A. The family share in the activities of the father. Mrs. McClain is a member of the Grange with her husband. They attend the Methodist Episcopal church; and while Mr. McClain has served the Sunday-school both as teacher and superintendent, and has been steward for ten years, his elder daughter, Mary, is organist of the church. From their pretty home many good influences flow out.

GEORGE W. REED, farmer and blacksmith, Eagle Foundry, was born in Minersville, Huntingdon county, Pa., February 22, 1837; son of James P. and Lydia (Crawford) Reed. The grandfather of Mr. Reed was Isaac Reed, of German descent, and was engaged in the lumber business, owning a small mill. James P. Reed was born in Puttstown, July 27, 1811, and was a farmer, lumberman and millwright. He was married in Hopewell, now Lincoln township, by Esquire Entriken, to Delilah Crawford, born November 4, 1812. Their children were: George W.; Levi, Minersville; Charles, died March 23, 1896; Rosanna (Mrs. James Finlay), of Maryland; Matilda (Mrs. George Richardson); Kate (Mrs. David Cypser), Johnstown, Pa.; Rachel (Mrs. Amon Wright), of Dudley; Barbara, died December 22, 1856. Mr. Reed was a member of the Presbyterian church. His politics were Republican. James P. Reed died April 4, 1876, his wife January 3, 1894, both on the homestead in Minersville.

George W. Reed attended the public schools of Dudley, and assisted his father on the farm until he was twenty-two. The next year he spent in Huntingdon and Blair counties. He then learned blacksmithing at Eagle Foundry, remaining two and a half years. He also acquired a knowledge of moulding and pattern making, and for some years he conducted a shop in Dudley and Minersville. He was next in the service of the Krimble Coal and Iron Company, Riddlesburg, Bedford county, for eight years. In 1877, he bought a farm

of 100 acres in Tod township, formerly owned by Azariah McClain. Mr. Reed has a smithy on his place.

George W. Reed was married in 1862 to Jane, daughter of Azariah McClain, farmer, of Tod township, of Scotch-Irish descent. Their children are: Mary (Mrs. William Cresswell); Minnie (Mrs. Isaac Baker), of Kansas; Essie; and Charles. Mr. Reed belongs to the orders of A. P. A., P. O. S. of A., F. and A. M., and I. O. O. F. He is a Republican. He has served as school director six years, and as treasurer of the school board. He is a Presbyterian.

GEORGE W. McCLAIN, Eagle Foundry, Pa., was born April 11, 1830, in Tod township, son of James and Nancy (Cook) McClain. Samuel McClain, his grandfather, was a native of Maryland, who moved to Tod township, Huntingdon county. He was a farmer and miller. He was married twice and was the father of twelve children, all of whom grew to manhood and womanhood, save one. Mr. McClain was a Democrat. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He died in 1838. James McClain was born in Tod township in 1804, and attended the subscription schools. He assisted his father in the mill and on the farm until his marriage, then rented a farm for two years, and then moved to the farm of 125 acres on which George W. McClain now resides, and there passed the remainder of his life. He married Nancy Cook, daughter of Isaac and Rebecca (Stephens) Cook. Their children are: George W.; Solomon C.; Sarah A., deceased; Rachel, deceased; Margaret (Mrs. Ezra Heeter); Isaac A., deceased; and Wilson L., deceased. In politics Mr. McClain was very liberal; he was a Whig. He served as class leader and steward in the Methodist Episcopal church. His death occurred in 1854.

George W. McClain attended the public and subscription schools of Tod township; remained on the farm until his father's death; he and his brother, Solomon, then had charge of the homestead for seven years. In 1864, George W. purchased his brother's interest in the place, and has conducted it ever since. Mr. McClain attended Cassville Seminary, and then taught three terms in the public schools of Tod township and one term in Carbon township. He has served as school direc-

tor and for two terms as assessor. He was a candidate for the nomination for associate judge on the Republican ticket, and although he received more popular votes than his opponent, was defeated. He is an active member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He is associated with the A. P. A., and Grange No. 444, P. of H., of which he has served as secretary, treasurer and master. His mother, Mrs. James McClain, was married, secondly, to George Hoffman, a native of Germany. She died June 20, 1896, at the venerable age of ninety-one, having lived to be the oldest person in the township.

BRYSON HOUCK, retired farmer, Trough Creek, was born in Tod, then Union, township, Huntingdon county, Pa., May 17, 1813, son of Michael and Sarah (Clark) Houck. His grandfather, Jacob Houck, was a native of England, came to this country and for many years conducted the mill owned by Oliver Cook. He died there. Michael Houck was born in Maryland, and spent the major part of his life at farming in Tod, then Union, township. He was also a mason. He was married in Tod township to Sarah, daughter of Neal Clark, who, being an early settler in the county, had many experiences with the Indians. Their children were: Lloyd; Neal; Lazarus; William; Bryson; Elizabeth; Margaret; and Eliza. Mr. Houck was a Whig. He belonged to the Methodist Episcopal church. He died on the well known Adam Keith farm in 1830, and his wife died August 19, 1861. Mr. Houck rendered valiant service for his country in the Revolutionary war.

Bryson Houck attended the subscription schools of Tod township. For eight winters he taught school, and served later as school director. He assisted on the farm, and after his father's death he and his brothers managed the place for a few years. For some time he worked for wages for farmers in Blair county, near Warriors Cove, and then was engaged in chopping wood for the Paradise Furnace for three years. He then bought forty acres of timber land, of which he has twenty acres under cultivation. He was married December 24, 1846, to Nancy, daughter of Frederick Crum, born in 1829. Their children are: Clara, deceased wife of H. Neville; Walker L.; James L.; Catharine (Mrs. Amos Hess); Frederick; Nancy, widow of Henry Nugent;

Amanda; Celva, of Coalbourn; Isadore, deceased wife of Adam Wright; Jane (Mrs. Isaac Weaver); Abner; Effie; and two who are deceased. Mr. Honck is a Republican and has served as assessor. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

L. BRINSLEY BAKER, Todd, Pa., was born July 22, 1868, in Huntingdon county, Pa., son of Andrew J. and Mary T. (Taylor) Baker. A. J. Baker was a son of Washington and Elizabeth Baker and a brother of Reuben T. Baker; he was educated in the public schools of Tod township, and was a farmer until the beginning of the Civil war. He enlisted in February, 1864, in Company K, Third Pennsylvania Pro. Cavalry, and participated in all the battles in which his company engaged. August 21, 1864, he was wounded at Charleston and was taken to the field hospital at Sandy Hook, where he remained until October 31, 1865. Returning home he worked at carpentry, and at Eagle Foundry, June 5, 1868, met with an accident which resulted in his death. Andrew J. Baker was married to Mary T., daughter of Isaac Taylor, a farmer of Tod township. They had but one child, L. Brinsley. Mrs. Baker is now the wife of Dr. W. H. Johnson, of Robertsdale, Huntingdon county. Mr. Baker was a Republican. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

L. B. Baker was educated in the public schools and at the Huntingdon Normal School. He was disabled by lameness for certain kinds of work. He sold books in Huntingdon county, and later served as nurse in a Centre county hospital. He spent three years on a farm and then embarked in general mercantile business.

L. Brinsley Baker was married in Cass township, October 30, 1892, to Miss Mary E. Mosser, a native of Fulton county. Their only child, Lolo Beatrice, is deceased. Mr. Baker is a Republican and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

DAVID A. GRIFFITH, Eagle Foundry, Pa., was born at Broad Top, Bedford county, March 30, 1848, son of John and Jane (Dunlap) Griffith. Frederick Griffith, his grandfather, was of Irish descent, was a farmer, and was a pioneer settler of Bedford county. He had three children: John and Thomas, twins;

and Frederick. John Griffith was born in 1802, in Bedford county. His occupation was farming; he was in this business in Bedford county until 1853, when he purchased a tract of 982 acres in Tod township, Huntingdon county. This land, after improving it, he divided among his children. He also had 136 acres in Cass township. John Griffith was married to Jane Dunlap, born in Bedford county, January 23, 1803. Their children were: Elizabeth (Mrs. Jonathan Evans); Mary M. (Mrs. John Horton); Sarah J. (Mrs. Andrew Anderson); William T.; Rosanna; Ruhannah (Mrs. Josiah Horton); Anos; Margaret (Mrs. Isaac P. Keith); Reuben A.; David A.; all deceased except Mrs. John and Mrs. Josiah Horton, and D. A. Mrs. Griffith died in March, 1871. Mr. Griffith married, secondly, Miss Rebecca Kinton, of Bedford.

Mr. Griffith's life is worthy of emulation. Beginning life as a poor boy with but one horse and a few pieces of furniture, he acquired by hard work and economy a substantial amount of property, owning at his death more than 1,000 acres of land. In political matters he took a great interest, held all the township offices and served three years as director of the poor, being elected on the Republican ticket. His work in the Methodist Episcopal church, as class leader and Sunday-school superintendent, illustrates well his goodness of character. He died on the homestead June 15, 1891.

David A. received his education in the public schools of Bedford and Huntingdon counties, and spent his boyhood days on his father's farm. In 1869 he assumed control of the homestead of 156 acres, and has operated it ever since. He was married April 7, 1870, to Miss Mary P. Myerly, born in 1845, and a daughter of Adam and Sarah M. (Honck) Myerly, the former of German descent, the latter of Scotch-Irish descent. Mr. Myerly had a family of two children: Adam B.; and Mary. To Mr. and Mrs. Griffith were born these children: Bertha, wife of Isaac McNeal; Arrilla B.; Emma, deceased; John O.; Ira H.; Martin E., deceased.

Mr. Griffith was elected county commissioner in 1888 on the Republican ticket, receiving a majority of 700 over his opponent. In this position he rendered efficient service, erecting bridges destroyed by the flood. He has served as inspector of elections, six years

as school director, as tax collector and as assessor.

His fraternal relations are with the following organizations: Mount Hor Lodge, No. 736, I. O. O. F., of Cassville; Lodge No. 444, of the Grange, and the A. P. A. Mrs. Griffith is a member of the Lutheran church, while Mr. Griffith has served as class leader two years, steward two years and as Sunday-school superintendent in the Methodist Episcopal church.

ISAAC TAYLOR, Todd, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Tod township, March 2, 1815, son of John and Eva (Barnett) Taylor. His grandfather, John Taylor, Sr., was a native of York county, Md., of Scotch extraction. He was a shoemaker; he came to Huntingdon county and settled in Tod township, over a hundred years ago, and bought a large tract of land, which he partially improved, building for his dwelling a log house with a plank floor, and a chimney constructed of mud and wood. He added barns and other improvements. John Taylor married in Maryland; his wife was Margaret Sword, a Marylander of German descent. They had five children: John; George; Jacob; Philip; and Eva. Mr. Taylor was a Whig. Both he and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mrs. Taylor lived to the age of ninety-seven. Their eldest son, John, born before they left Maryland, passed his life on the homestead in Tod township; he was a farmer and stock raiser. He was first a Whig, afterwards a Republican. The wife of John Taylor, Jr., Eva Barnett, was a native of Bedford county, Pa. Their children were: Philip; Mary (Mrs. Peter Curfman); Susanna, wife of Rev. Martin De Forest, clergyman of the Methodist Episcopal church; Elizabeth (Mrs. John Curfman); Barbara; Margaret (Mrs. Abraham Elias); Abraham; Isaac; Jacob; and Simeon; all deceased except Mrs. De Forest and Isaac. Mr. Taylor was a worker for his church, the Methodist Episcopal; was class leader, steward, teacher and superintendent of the Sunday-school. Both parents died on the homestead.

Isaac Taylor attended subscription schools in Tod township, and has been all his life a farmer, owning three farms in Tod township. Besides farming and stock raising, Mr. Taylor has had charge of a school in Tod township

for four terms. He has also been supervisor, justice of the peace, tax collector and assessor; he served in the school board for forty years. He is a Republican.

Isaac Taylor was married in Tod township, November 3, 1840, to Nancy, daughter of Henry Elias, a farmer of Tod township. Their children are: Maria (Mrs. Jacob Shumann), of Cassville; Rev. William M., of the Methodist Episcopal church, in Nebraska; Frank, farmer, of Tod township; Harris D., of Tod township; Dr. Z. B., of Orbisonia; Whitney H., M. D., of Broad Top City; Asbury B., farmer, of Tod township; Kate A. (Mrs. Monroe Miller), on the homestead; Mary T., wife of W. H. Johnson, M. D., of Robertsdale, Pa.; and John H., who died very young. Mrs. Taylor died in 1889, on the homestead. The family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church; Isaac is class leader, trustee and steward of the church; has been Sunday-school teacher, and at present superintends the school. He is a kind hearted and useful man.

ISAAC P. KEITH, retired farmer, Eagle Foundry, was born February 3, 1836, in Tod township, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of Adam and Elizabeth (Plummer) Keith. The Keith (originally Keck) family is of German descent. Adam Keith, great-grandfather of Isaac, was a pioneer settler of Penn township. His son, John Keith, was a farmer in Lincoln and Hopewell townships, and spent his later years in Grant county, Wis. He first married Miss Russell, by whom he had five children: John; Adam; George; Henry; Elizabeth. Mrs. Keith died in Hopewell township, and Mr. Keith was again married and had five children: James; Lewis; Thomas; Peter; and Mary. Mr. Keith was active in church work, and erected a house of worship for the Methodist Episcopal congregation at a cost of over \$900. He was a Republican. His second wife died in Wisconsin. Adam Keith, father of Isaac P., was born in Lincoln township, and educated in the public schools of Hopewell township. He assisted his father on the farm until he became of age, and afterwards farmed in Tod township; also owned farm land in Lincoln township and coal lands in Clearfield county. Adam Keith married Elizabeth, daughter of Eli Plummer. Their children are: Mary, deceased wife of Levi Evans; and Isaac P. Mr. Keith was a Republican; he served

as school director. He took an active part in the Methodist Episcopal church, and was steward, trustee and class leader. His death occurred in 1881; his wife's in 1884.

Isaac P. Keith attended subscription and public schools, and aided his father on the farm until he was twenty-one. Until 1892, he farmed in Tod township. He then purchased a farm of 162 acres, and has also the homestead consisting of 300 acres, and a farm in Lincoln township.

Isaac P. Keith was married in 1858 to Margaret Griffith, of Broad Top, Bedford county. Their children were: Amanda B., who died at the age of fifteen; Rosanna G. (Mrs. Scott Martin); Lorena J. (Mrs. I. D. Edwards); Franklin A., married Martha J. Baker, has three children. Mrs. Keith died in 1877, and her husband married, secondly, in 1883, in Chicago, Delina, daughter of Thomas Griffith, of Fulton county. Their children are: Minerva M.; I. Phillip; and one who died in infancy. Mr. Keith is a Republican; he served as auditor three years. He is a member of Grange No. 444, P. of H., and of the A. P. A. of Eagle Foundry. He has been steward, trustee and Sunday-school superintendent in the Methodist Episcopal church.

FRANK B. CHANEY, farmer, Cornpropsts Mills, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Miller, then Barree, township, Huntingdon county, October 17, 1860. He is a son of Andrew M. and Nancy (Harper) Chaney. Mr. Chaney's ancestry is Irish, his grandparents having been natives of that country. The family of his father and mother consisted of five children: Ada M., wife of James Williamson, resides in Kansas; Flora, not married, resides in Altoona, Pa.; W. H., married to Elmira Barney, resides in Miller township; Frank B.; Amanda, died July 17, 1885. Mrs. Andrew M. Chaney died twenty-four years ago; her husband survived her until 1892.

F. B. Chaney was educated in the common schools of Miller township. His occupation, from the beginning of his business life, has been farming. He has twenty acres of good land, from which he secures abundant crops. Some years ago he spent four months in farming in Dakota. In his present arrangements, Mr. Chaney shares the profits of the agricultural enterprise equally with his brother. He

is a Democrat; has never held any public office except on the election board.

Frank B. Chaney has been twice married; his first wife was Alice, daughter of Christian and Matilda Peightel, of Miller township. She died, leaving no children. Mr. Chaney was married again, to Julia M. Henderson, of Miller township. They have one child, Julia, born April 15, 1893. Mr. Chaney is not a member of any church, but inclines towards the Methodist Episcopal.

JOHN P. COUCH, Cornpropsts Mills, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Miller township, Huntingdon county, April 17, 1857. He was the only child of Edward and Catherine (Peightel) Couch, both natives of Miller township. His mother died October 9, 1870; his father still survives, and resides with his son.

John P. Couch attended the common schools of Miller township. When his school education was ended he learned carpentry, at which he still works. He used also to work at plastering. He was always diligent, honest and true; taking care to deal faithfully in every respect with his employers. He owns the farm on which he resides, and which he cultivates himself, never shirking the hardest labor. Mr. Couch's political opinions are Democratic.

John P. Couch was married in September, 1891, to Mollie, daughter of Martin and Annie Hoffer, of Miller township, a lady of German descent. Their only child is Harry X. Mr. Couch is a member of the Baptist church at Cornpropsts Mills.

JOHN COX, farmer, Cornpropsts Mills, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in the parish of Tamlough, O'Kelley, county of Londonderry, Ireland, March 10, 1823. He is the only child of Edward and Mary (McCahan) Cox, natives of Ireland. Edward Cox was a farmer, and in the winter a distiller. He came to America in 1824, but Mrs. Cox did not come until her son John had reached his majority. Mr. Cox died February 9, 1863, and Mrs. Cox January 31, 1886, both on their homestead in Miller township.

John Cox received his education in the Irish common schools. He has been all his life a farmer; for fifty-three years he has been a citizen of Huntingdon county. Mr. Cox

would have served his adopted county in the army during the war of the Rebellion, but objection was made to him on account of the loss of his front teeth, which had been broken by accident. He was formerly a Whig, and is now a Republican. He has served the township as school director, supervisor and tax collector. Mr. Cox is connected with no secret societies, but is a member of the Farmers' Group, P. of H.

John Cox was married in 1852 to Rachel Gamble, who was Irish by birth, and came to this country in 1849. Their children are: Edward, married Elizabeth Blair, and died in Huntingdon, leaving three children; Mary Jane, resides in Philadelphia; Rachel G. (Mrs. Martin Wallace), of Wyandotte, O.; J. L. resides in Nebraska; Catherine Amelia (Mrs. George McCool, Jr.), of Miller township; Sarah A., of Huntingdon; Nancy J., at home; William; and John, Jr. Mr. Cox is a member of the Protestant Episcopal church of Huntingdon.

ALEXANDER M. MYTON, farmer, Cornpropsts Mills, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in West township, Huntingdon county, October 29, 1829, son of Samuel and Elva (Montgomery) Myton, also natives of West township, where Samuel Myton was a farmer. Their children were: John, deceased, was married to Jane Cunningham; Alexander M.; Isaac, deceased, was not married; Mary (Mrs. David Forecy), of Clearfield county, Pa.; Jane; David; Samuel; and Thomas. Samuel Myton died in 1849.

A. M. Myton received a common school education in West township. His first business was farming, and he expects to continue in the same most useful occupation until his life's end. During the war of the Rebellion he was out for a time in service in the "Home Guards." He is always interested in the welfare of the county, and serviceable to its interests. He is a Republican, and a member of the Royal Arcanum. He has been supervisor, and served a number of times on the election board.

Alexander M. Myton has been twice married. His first wife was Anna Carroll; the children of this marriage were: William, died in infancy; and Elizabeth (Mrs. Ervin Gregory, of Washington, D. C.). Mrs. Anna Myton died in 1832. Mr. Myton's second wife was

Mary Rudy, of West township. Their children were: Thomas, died aged seven years; John, of Harrisburg, Pa.; Charles; and Jennie, the last two at home. Mr. Myton is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church at Cornpropsts Mills.

HARRY AULT, Cornpropsts Mills, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Frankfort, Germany, August 20, 1833, son of William Ault, also a German by birth. His mother's family name was Gregor. William Ault was for seventeen years a printer, and then became a farmer. He was a Catholic, but his wife was a Lutheran, confirmed at the age of fourteen. Their children are: Adam, resides in Germany; Harry; Frantz; Charles; and Jane.

Mr. H. Ault was educated in Germany, finishing his course at the University of Heidelberg; he taught in the musical department of the University, being an accomplished musician, skilled to play upon all instruments. He embarked for America March 1, 1857, and has met with success in his business affairs in this country. He owns the farm on which he lives, and has the contract for carrying the mail between Huntingdon and Cornpropsts Mills. He is a Democrat, and works industriously for the interests of his party.

The first wife of Harry Ault, Sara Fessler, to whom he was married in Germany, died in Huntingdon, Pa. She left one child, Caroline. His second wife was Miss Caroline Mercer, of Huntingdon. They have five children: John; Max; Mertrie; James; and Alexander; all living at home. Although a Catholic by birth and education, Mr. Ault is not now a member of any church.

WILLIAM L. COUCH, Cornpropsts Mills, Huntingdon county, Pa., a resident of Miller township, was born November 29, 1820, one-half mile from his present home. His father was F. Andrew Couch, a carpenter and gunsmith, native of Chester county, and his mother, Rebecca (Green) Couch, was born in Oneida township, Huntingdon county. Their children were: Ellen, wife of Grafius Miller, both deceased, resided in Huntingdon; William T.; George, died in 1889, in McVeytown, Pa., his wife, Maria McVey, now residing in Ohio; Caroline, wife of Alexander Port, of Huntingdon county; John C., married to Martha Duff, resides in Cincinnati,

O.; Napoleon, deceased, was married in Pittsburgh; Mary, died at the age of seventeen. Mr. F. A. Couch died in 1846, his wife in 1853.

W. L. Couch was educated in the common schools of Miller township. After leaving school, he assisted his father in his business, driving a team for him. Continuing in the same line of occupation, he has ever since been a farmer. He is a serviceable citizen, taking an interest in county affairs; has done his best to improve the county roads. He is a Republican; has been elected to the offices of school director, tax collector and supervisor.

William L. Couch was first married to Sarah Smith, who died in 1854. Their children are: Andrew, married to Anna Miller, residing in Miller township; Gratius, married to Margaret Miller, living in Altoona, Pa.; and John, married to Alice Haffner, and residing in Miller township. Mr. Couch's second wife was Mary E. Miller, daughter of Thomas Kronauer and Sallie (Eitelberger) Miller, Germans by descent, but Americans by birth. McVey Couch, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Couch, married Miss Evans, and resides in Miller township. When Mr. Couch attends church, he prefers the Methodist Episcopal.

JAMES BLAIR, Cornpropts Mills, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Ireland, September 11, 1843, son of David and Jane (McCool) Blair, who were natives of Ireland. His mother died in March, 1894; his father is still living on the home farm. Their children are: James; Ellen (Mrs. J. R. Henderson), Miller township, her husband being the miller at Cornpropts Mills; Sarah A. (Mrs. John H. Fisher), resides in Kansas; Elizabeth B. (Mrs. E. L. Cox), Huntingdon, Pa.; Martha (Mrs. T. H. Crownover), Miller township; and John, married to Mary Green, Onieda township.

James Blair began his education in the public schools of Onieda township, and completed his course in the high school at Mooresville, Huntingdon county. He was for some time a teacher, but later turned his attention to farming. He has for seventeen years been engaged in mercantile business. He is a member of the Democratic party.

James Blair was married to Martha, daughter of David and Rebecca (Wilson) Foster, of Huntingdon county. Their children are:

Anna J. (Mrs. John L. Kidder), of West township; John S., at home; C. E., of Lock Haven, Pa.; Rebecca May, at home, attends school in the winter; Herbert E., at home; and Elmer LeRoy, attends school in Miller township.

HON. THOMAS O. MILLIKEN, Cornpropts Mills, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Barree township, Huntingdon county, February 16, 1848. He is the son of John and Elizabeth (Crownover) Milliken. Mr. Milliken's father was born in the northern part of Ireland; he died in 1871. His wife was a native of Huntingdon county; she died in 1856. Their children are: Thomas O.; Jennie G., living in Philadelphia, Pa.; and Robert H., died in youth.

Thomas O. Milliken received a good education in the public schools of Philadelphia and entered Pierce's Business College. After completing his education, he taught in Canada and Pennsylvania. Mr. Milliken is a member of the Republican party. He has held various township offices; has been justice of the peace and member of the House of Representatives from Huntingdon county.

In 1872, Thomas O. Milliken married Mary, daughter of George and Hannah Hazzard, of Huntingdon county. Their children are: Jennie, teacher in Philadelphia; Emma, attending the Normal School in Philadelphia; Ella, a student in the Girls' High School in Philadelphia; and Carl, at home. In 1886 his wife died. In 1893, he married Mary, daughter of Jacob C. and Caroline (Green) Miller, of Miller township.

CHRISTIAN BUSH, farmer, Juniata township, post-office, Huntingdon, Pa., was born on his father's farm about two miles from where he now lives, August 5, 1862. He is a son of August and Catharine Bush. His mother's family name was Rudolph. Mr. Bush's parents are Germans by birth. They had the following children: Valentine, who married Harriet Garner, of Juniata township, and is a farmer of Juniata township; William, who married Ada Yeeman, of Walker township, and resides in Juniata township; Silas, who is married, and is mentioned elsewhere in this book; John, who married Jennie Shenefelt, and lives in Juniata township; Lizzie and Jennie, twins; two who died when infants; Mary, who married John Hoffner, a farmer

of Juniata township; and Rudolph, who is at home.

Christian Bush was educated in the common schools of Juniata township. He began his active life as a day laborer on the farm, and has made farming his life business. He is a director of the Home Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and also holds another important office in that company. Mr. Bush is a Republican and always works hard for the success of his party. He was married in 1882 to Sadie Ridenour. Mr. and Mrs. Bush have three children: Ralph Luther; Elsie Blanche; and Gladys Mabel. As a faithful member of the Methodist Episcopal church he is bringing his children up in that organization.

SILAS BUSH, farmer of Juniata township, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in the same township, but a few miles distant from his present place of abode. His parents were August and Anna (Rudolph) Bush, natives of Germany. Their children were: Valentine; William; Silas; Christian; Lizzie and John, who are twins; Mary Ridenour, and one who died in infancy. August Bush and his wife are both deceased.

Silas Bush was educated in the common schools of Juniata township. He has devoted his life to the business on which all others depend, that of tilling the ground. He has served one term as school director. His politics are Republican. Silas Bush has been twice married; first, to Jennie Parks, of Juniata township, who died September 29, 1891, and is buried in the graveyard of the White church. Her only child was named Annie Garner. Mr. Bush's second wife was Katie Gorsuch. They were married February 25, 1895; no issue. Mr. Bush is a member of the Reformed church.

ADAM BAGSHAW, Huntingdon, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born on Chess Creek, Clearfield county, Pa., March 6, 1849, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Kemberland) Bagshaw. Samuel Bagshaw was born near Manchester, England, in 1801, and was engaged at intervals in teaching school and selling books. He died in April, 1882. His wife was born in Tuscarora valley in 1819, and now lives in Huntingdon, Pa. They had these children: J. H., married to Ellen Thompson, of Juniata township, died in 1895,

aged fifty years; George K., died in infancy; Adam; Isaac Newton, resides in Chehalis county, Washington; Mary J., resides in Huntingdon with her mother; David S., returned missionary to India, resides at Fernwood, near Philadelphia; a boy, that died in infancy; Daniel W., of Bucoda, Thurston county, Washington; and Edwin Page, of Oakville, Chehalis county, Washington.

Mr. Bagshaw began business life when twenty-one years old, purchasing a farm from Abraham Shenafield, on which he has resided ever since. He has held various township offices, among them being supervisor, judge of elections, school director, and justice of the peace. He was formerly a member of the Odd Fellows, and a past master in the Farmers' Grange, also secretary of the same. In Lewistown, Mifflin county, on March 13, 1873, he was married to Mary A., daughter of Levi and Mary (Shoop) Dell. They have these children: Miles C.; Emory W.; Kenzie S.; James Garfield; and Mary Olive. They attend the Juniata Baptist church. Mrs. Bagshaw's brother, Archibald Dell, a mail carrier, was accidentally killed on the Pennsylvania Railroad while discharging his duties at Mapleton.

DANIEL KYPER, Huntingdon, Pa., a farmer of Oneida township, was born near McConnellstown, Walker township, August 12, 1827. His parents were Daniel and Margaret (Householder) Kyper. Daniel Kyper, Sr., was born in 1795, and his wife in 1802. They were married in 1823. Their children were: John, married to Susan Nail, who now resides in Huntingdon, John having died in 1881; Michael H., married in 1855 to Margaret Morrison, both deceased; Daniel; Margaret (Mrs. Adam Heffner), is deceased; Catherine, married to Jacob Coder, both are deceased; Martha (Mrs. Jacob Baumgardner), of Calvin, Union township; William, married Sarah Peightal, resides in South Huntingdon; Henry, married Elizabeth Thompson, resides in Altoona, Pa.; George W., of Huntingdon; Louisa (Mrs. Samuel Hetrick), of Marklesburg, Huntingdon county; Eliza (Mrs. David Thompson), she is deceased; Jennima, married to Robert Martin, both deceased. The father, Daniel Kyper, Sr., died November 21, 1883. Mrs. Kyper died October 31 1869.

Daniel Kyper, Jr., was educated in the com-

mon schools of McConnellstown. He taught school during one winter, but his occupation, first and last, has been that of a farmer. He took an interest in county affairs, and has more than once been elected for such offices as collector of county and road taxes, supervisor and school director. He is a staunch Republican.

Daniel Kyper was married October 13, 1853, to Harriet A. Heffner. She was born January 19, 1832, daughter of Peter and Catherine (Engert) Heffner. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Kyper are: J. G., married to Emma Ely, resides in Logan township, Huntingdon county, and is a farmer; James J., was married to Anna C. Hall, and died of gripple, February 21, 1895, having had two children, who are deceased, and leaving one living, with its mother, who resides in Oneida township; Martha Mary, born in July, 1868; and Frederick, who resides on the home farm, and is married to Cora May Straitiff. Two children of Daniel Kyper died in infancy. He is a member of the Reformed church.

JOHN MURRAY SIMPSON, farmer, Oneida township, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Huntingdon, Pa., June 5, 1828, son of John and Elizabeth (Ridenhour) Simpson. John Simpson was born in 1798, in Harrisburg, Pa., he was of Scotch-Irish descent, and was a farmer. His wife was of German extraction, and was a native of Hagerstown, Md. Their children were: John Murray; Elizabeth and Mathias, who both died in infancy; Anna and Lydia, both residing in Huntingdon; George, a printer, was killed in the battle of Antietam, at the age of twenty-two; J. Randolph, married to Jennie Brown, resides in Huntingdon. The mother, Mrs. John Simpson, died in 1854; her husband in 1872.

John Murray Simpson received a common school education in the town of Huntingdon. He began his business activities as a store-keeper; was then for some time a boatman, and afterwards turned to farming, in which he is still engaged. For one day and one night, before the battle of Gettysburg, he was out with the militia; but returned in a few days to Huntingdon. Mr. Simpson is a staunch Democrat. He was for one term burgess of the borough of Huntingdon, and was also elected to the offices of tax collector and supervisor. He

formerly belonged to the I. O. O. F., and also to the Brotherhood of the Union, of Huntingdon, Pa.

John M. Simpson was married in Huntingdon, December 15, 1853, to Sarah M. Glasgow, of Mifflin county, Pa. Mrs. Simpson's father, Major James Glasgow, was a soldier in the war of the Revolution; her sister is Mrs. Jane Heddings, of Mifflin county, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Simpson's children are: Elizabeth, died in infancy; John, married to Annie Logan, resides in Huntingdon; James, single, at home; Emma (Mrs. David Smith), of Carlisle, Pa.; Ella (Mrs. Charles Frey), of Huntingdon; William M., married to Dolly Shoff, of Oneida township, resides in Huntingdon; Frank, married to Minnie Warple, resides in Huntingdon; and Joseph, at home, unmarried. Mr. and Mrs. Simpson are members of the Presbyterian church.

REESE M. BLATT, dairyman and farmer, was born in Oneida township, Huntingdon county, Pa., July 6, 1853. He is a son of George S. and Martha (Harning) Blatt. George S. Blatt was born in Big valley, Mifflin county, Pa.; he is a carpenter and farmer. His wife is a native of Barree township, Huntingdon county. Their children are: David H., married to Maria Snyder; Mary, died at the age of fifteen; Reese M.; Selina M., married to J. Wood, of Clearfield county, Pa.; Jane A., married to William Corbin; S. S., married Clara Herricane, of Shirley township.

Reese M. Blatt was educated in the common schools of his own and of West township. After leaving school, his first work was on the farm. He was then a teamster, then learned carpentry, and was for some time engaged in that business. Finally, he returned to farming, making a specialty of the dairy business. Mr. Blatt is a member of the Farmers' Grange, P. of H., of Oneida township. He is a staunch Democrat, but not an active politician, nor was he ever an office-seeker.

Reese M. Blatt was married in Oneida township, in 1887, to Matilda Eley, a native of Big valley, Mifflin county, Pa. They have three children: William; Anna May; and Ray, who was burned to death April 1, 1897. Mr. Blatt is a member of the Baptist church.

JOHN M. WHITE, farmer, Gorsuch, Oneida township, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in that township, November 25, 1857. He is a son of Adolphus P. and Nancy (Porter) White. Adolphus P. White was born on a farm about two miles from the present residence of his son John M., and was himself a farmer. His wife was a native of Henderson township, Huntingdon county, and now resides upon the home farm. Their children are: William Wallace, married to Jennie McCulloh, resides in Iowa; Alexander P., married to Alice Hess, resides at Centre Union; John M.; W. C.; George B., married Miss Kightly; May, at home; Green, at home; Clara M., a student at the State Normal College, Millersville, Pa.

John M. White was educated in the schools of Center Union, Oneida township. His business has always been farming. He was for some years clerk of the township; was several times on election boards, and generally takes an active part in county affairs. He is a Republican, always faithful to his party and to its candidates.

John M. White was married, July 26, 1884, to Anna M., daughter of Samuel and Mary (Rupp) Strightuff, of Miller township. Mrs. White was born in Oneida township. Their children are: William A.; John Clair; and Irvin Jesse. Mr. White is not a church member, but believes in a Supreme Being. He devotes much attention to reading, but at the same time attends diligently to business.

WILLIAM HARRISON McDONALD was born in Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, April 24, 1831. He is a son of John and Nancy M. (Barkley) McDonald. John McDonald was born January 16, 1794; he was a miller. His children were: Mary K.; John B., deceased; Charles; Drusilla M., married to Thomas Mylon, who is deceased; Annie E.; William Harrison; James, married to Margaret Snyder, of Orbisonia; and Clementina, deceased. The father and mother both died in 1868; Mr. McDonald on March 17, and his wife May 10.

William H. McDonald received a common school education. He began business life as a traveling agent for certain publishing and dry-goods houses, visiting different parts of the world in the prosecution of this work. On April 1, 1896, he purchased a farm, and

devoted himself to his present occupation. He is a staunch Republican.

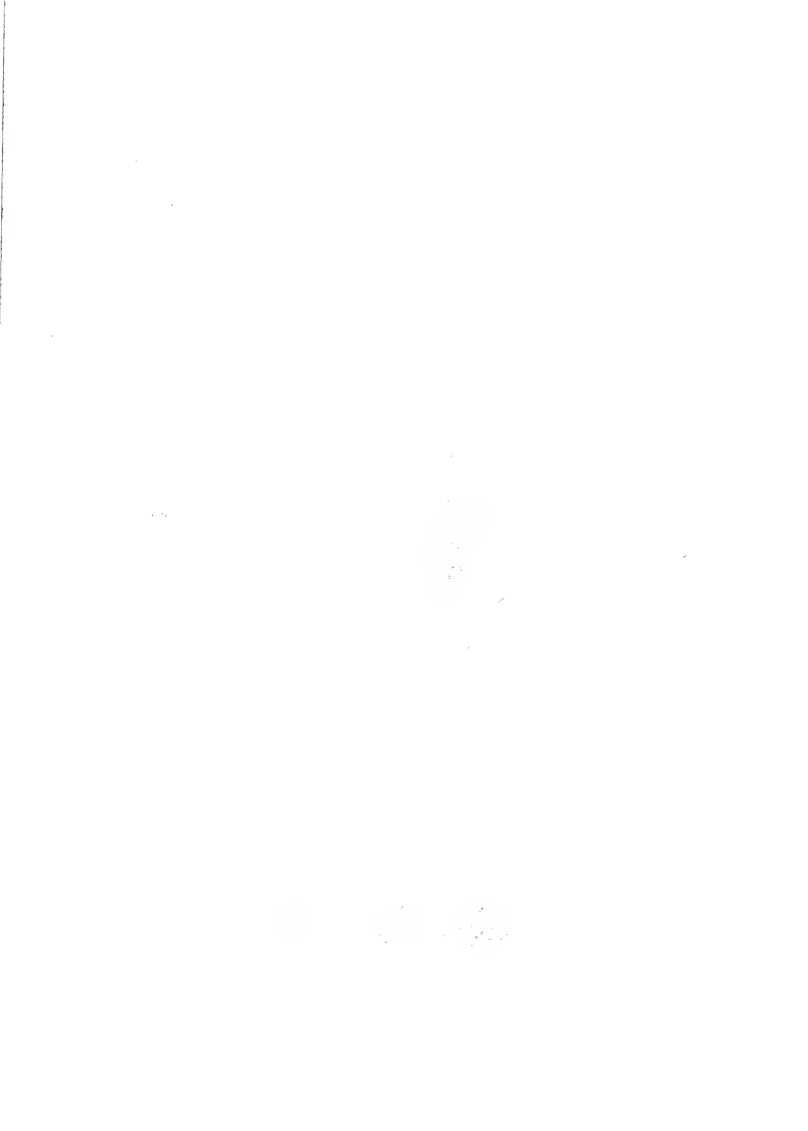
William Harrison McDonald was married in Altoona, Pa., February 11, 1863, to A. M. D. Wolverton, of Huntingdon county, daughter of Isaac and Eliza Jane Wolverton. Two of their children died in infancy. The others are: Eliza Gertrude; F. William; Grace M., married to C. T. Carpenter, freight brakeman on the Pennsylvania Railroad, resides in Huntingdon. Mr. McDonald is a member of the Lutheran church.

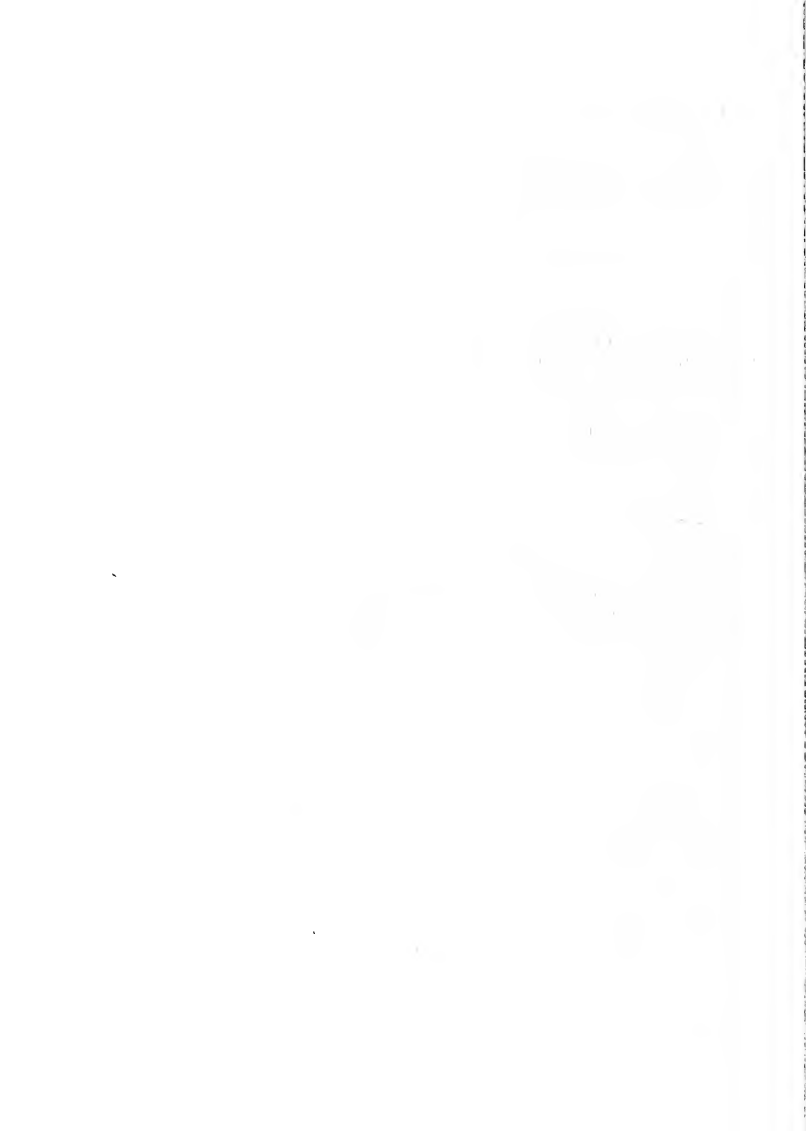
STEWART FRANKLIN FOSTER, farmer, Gorsuch, Oneida township, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in West township, December 23, 1853. He is a son of William C. and Sarah (Turnbaugh) Foster. William C. Foster was born in Huntingdon, Pa.; he was a farmer, and very industrious. His wife was a native of Blair county, and of the same age as himself. Their children are: Stewart Franklin; G. W., of Washington, D. C.; James T., of Golden Gate, Cal.; Susanna, married to James T. Foster (not a relative), of Donation, Huntingdon county; Mary J. (Mrs. Campbell Stewart), her husband being from Alexandria, and resides on the other side of the ridge, in Huntingdon; John H. and Maggie, both residing at Donation; Emma K. (Mrs. William Williams), of Huntingdon; Samuel H., married to Louis Smith; and Laura B. (Mrs. Scott Harvey), of Massesburg, Pa. William C. Foster died in 1894; his wife now resides at Donation.

Stewart F. Foster received his education in the public schools and at the age of seventeen began to learn the business of a machinist, but was obliged to give up that pursuit and return home to take charge of the farm. He has ever since been occupied with agriculture. He is a member of the A. P. A. His politics are Republican. He has served on election boards, and has been elected a school director.

Stewart Franklin Foster was married, December 21, 1879, by Rev. William B. Hile, to Kate M., daughter of Elijah and Mary Gorsuch, who was born in 1852. Mr. Foster is a member of the Baptist church.

J. P. McELWAIN, farmer, Donation, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born near the village of Roxbury, Franklin county, Pa., December 19, 1849. His parents, who were both







G. W. Simpson,



born and brought up in the same county, his father in the same village as himself, had eight children: David, married to Miss Barriek, resides near Hummelstown, Pa.; Elizabeth, resides in the same place; William, in Oneida township; Samuel, also in Oneida township; Catherine, wife of Franklin Game, of Oneida township.; Griffith, married Mollie Rinehart, resides in Oneida township.; Martha, wife of John Colwood, died in September, 1889; and J. P. The mother of the family died in 1892, but the father is still a resident of Oneida township, Huntingdon county.

The common schools of Centre Union, Huntingdon county, afforded Mr. J. P. McElwain his entire education. Afterwards, until he was twenty-three, he worked in a mill. Then for some time he supported himself by working by the day, until at length he purchased his present farm, a thriving tract of land, and a delightful home. His former business included carpentry and the running of a saw-mill. He is a Republican. He has not filled prominent offices in township or county, but has served on election boards.

Mr. McElwain is not married. He is not a church member, but he regularly attends the meetings of the Seventh-Day Baptists, or Adventists, and reads the Bible.

J. W. FOSTER, Donation, Oneida township, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Manor Hill, Huntingdon county, September 6, 1855, son of Stewart and Rebecca (McGawny) Foster. Stewart Foster was born December 14, 1818, and died January 5, 1895. His wife was born near Williamsburg, Blair county, Pa., in 1825, and died in 1872. Their children were: Darcy, died in 1872; Jane (Mrs. Lewis Thomas), of Centre county, Pa.; Melinda (Mrs. George Frey), of Huntingdon county; William C., married Rebecca Sheder, died in 1895, his widow now residing in Huntingdon county; Homer, died of heart failure in December, 1895; J. W.; Alice (Mrs. Samuel Bell); Calie V. (Mrs. Lemuel Watson), of Huntingdon county.

Mr. Foster received his education in the common schools of Donation. He has been always a diligent and faithful worker, and has an experience of three years as a miner at Warriors Ridge, as well as a life-long acquaintance with farming. He has toiled hard for every farm he owns. He is an honest and

reliable neighbor. Mr. Foster is a Democrat, faithful to his party. He has served as supervisor.

J. W. Foster was married in Big valley, near Allenville, Pa., to Maggie Ruse, born in 1856. They have two children: John Walter; and Myrtle May, both at home attending school. Mrs. Foster died June 4, 1896.

GEORGE McCOOL, Donation, Oneida township, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in County Derry, Ireland. His parents were Robert and Ellen (McCahan) McCool, both born in Ireland; but the former was of Scotch parentage. He was a farmer. He emigrated from Ireland in 1847, and died in May of that year, within two days of landing in this country. His wife died in 1863. The grandfather of George McCool was remarkable for weight and longevity. He weighed over two hundred and fifty pounds, and was more than one hundred years old at the time of his death. He married Jennie Calistur. The children of Robert and Ellen McCool are: Ellen, deceased, was the wife of William Sampson, who resides in Ireland; Jane (Mrs. David Blair), of Donation, Pa., died in April, 1894; John, married Sarah McGill, resided in Barree township, Huntingdon county, died in 1866; Sarah (Mrs. John Cochran), of Huntingdon, Pa.; Robert, married Maria McCahan, of Shavers Creek, near Green Tree, Pa.; and James, married Katie Smith, resides in Donation.

George McCool enjoyed very slight opportunities for obtaining an education; he did his best to make up for his deficiency in this respect, but was obliged to begin self-supporting work early, and therefore had little time for study. He began in Glasgow, Scotland, as a shoemaker, but was compelled to return to his home in Ireland, on account of a strike among the Scotch workmen. He pursued the same calling in Ireland, until he was induced to join his brother in emigrating to America. Here, in 1847, he began in the same occupation, but later, found it more to his interest to work on the Pennsylvania State Canal, and on the Pennsylvania Railroad. He helped to lay the track between Lewis-town and Latrobe, Pa. He then came to the farm on which he now resides, and which he now owns, in addition to a considerable tract of timber land. Mr. McCool made two attempts to enlist dur-

ing the war of the Rebellion, but was not accepted. The second time he went to Hollidaysburg to enlist, but in vain. He has served his township as supervisor. His politics are to vote for the best men and for such measures as shall be for the good of the country. He gave his vote for Presidents Lincoln and Grant.

George McCool has been twice married. His first wife, Lydia Johnston, died in 1867. Their children are: John, residing in Donaton, Pa.; Robert, married to Miss Lucas; William, married Mary Kephart; George, married Amelia Cox; and Margaret, died in 1895. The second wife of Mr. McCool was Nancy Frew, of Ireland, daughter of Alexander and Ann (McCahan) Frew. Her father died in this country. The children of this marriage are: Alexander, a child which died before it was baptized; Ella; Nancy, died in April, 1894; Katie; James; Mary, died in 1897; Lizzie; and Clarence; all except those deceased are living at home. Mr. McCool is a member of the United Presbyterian church at McAlevys Fort, Rev. Mr. Freeman, pastor.

ADOLPHUS P. WHITE, SR., Gorsuch, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of Henry and Esther (Ramsey) White, was born January 5, 1828, on the homestead in Oneida township, Huntingdon county, where his father also was born and reared. His father was both farmer and shoemaker; he died on the same farm in 1852. Mrs. Henry White died in 1837. Their children are: Adolphus P.; Ella (Mrs. F. Grass), deceased; Henry T., born in 1833; George B., twin brother of Henry, died while serving in the Union army, in 1863; and Henry, died in 1864, after serving one term as county treasurer.

Having received a good education in the common schools, Adolphus P. White became a teacher, and continued in that calling for ten years, after which he turned his attention to farming. He has served as county auditor for seven years; as school director thirty-two years; as supervisor three years; as tax collector one year; and as census enumerator in 1890. He is a decided supporter of Republican principles. Mr. White is a member of the Grange. He formerly belonged to the I. O. O. F. Adolphus P. White was married March 25, 1852, by Rev. Mr. Haws, in Henderson

township, Huntingdon county, to Nancy, daughter of John and Matilda (Steel) Porter. Mr. Porter was born in America, but Mrs. Porter was of Scotch descent, born in Ireland. The children of Mr. and Mrs. White are: W. W., of Lenox, Iowa; A. P., of Centre Union, Pa., married Alice Hess; John M., of Oneida township; Warren C., of Cumberland, Md.; George B., of Newport, Pa.; Ella May; David G.; Clara M., teacher at Millersville State Normal School. Mrs. White died December 26, 1896. Mr. White and family are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

SAMUEL NEAL, Huntingdon, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Indiana county, Pa., May 3, 1836, son of John and Nancy (Coleman) Neal. John Neal was a farmer, born and reared in Indiana county. He died April 12, 1896, aged eighty-nine. He was of very active habit. He had been a Presbyterian, but in his later days adopted the faith of the Seventh-Day Adventists. His wife died in 1893. Their children are: One that died in infancy; Harrison, living in California; Samuel; John Milton, married Rebecca Cunningham, of Indiana county; they reside on the home farm; Hugh, married Susan Irvin, who died in 1871, at Wilkinsburg, Pa.; Harriet, living on the home farm; Lydia (Mrs. John Noland), of Pittsburg, Pa.; Robert J., deceased; Nancy, on the home farm; and Elizabeth (Mrs. Towle). Robert J. Neal, who went out as a missionary to India, died in Aintab, Syria, of diphtheria. He had married Florence Andrews, of Ann Arbor, Mich., who accompanied him as a medical missionary, and died at the same place.

Samuel Neal was educated in the common schools and at an academy. Since his youth he has always been a farmer, toiling hard and with success, to accumulate a competence for his family. He takes little interest in politics, but has served his township as school director. Samuel Neal married Nancy, daughter of William and Sarah (Gorsuch) McDivitt, both of Scotch-Irish descent. The children of this union are: Martha; Miriam (Mrs. Samuel Landis), of Oneida township; Robert McDivitt, of Schuylkill county, Pa.; H. Annie, at home; and John B., at home. Samuel Neal is a member of the Second Adventist church, at Huntingdon, Pa.

FRANK O'CONNOR, Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Oswego county, N. Y., August 9, 1855. He is a son of Benjamin and Martha (Thayer) O'Connor, natives of the same county as himself. They now reside at Mapleton Depot, Huntingdon county, where Benjamin O'Connor conducts a general store. Their children are: Dewitt; William, who died in infancy; William, named for the child that died, is married; Christian, deceased; and Frank.

Frank O'Connor was educated in the Oswego county schools, at Whitesburg Seminary, and at Eastman's Business College. He began business life as a bookkeeper; served as clerk for B. O. O'Connor & Son, formerly running a general store. He then came to Mill Creek and embarked in business on his own account about twelve years ago. He is connected with the Easton Glass Company, at Mapleton, and they do a thriving business. Mr. O'Connor is a free trader, and a Democrat, adhering faithfully to the "grand old party." He has never filled any office, but was councilman in Mapleton for five years. He has no objections to secret societies, but is not a member of any of them.

Frank O'Connor was married to Carrie, daughter of John S. and Margaret Henderson, born in 1865. Their children are: Emma; Martha; Ruth; all at home.

GEORGE W. SIMPSON, M. D., Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Brady township, December 31, 1844, son of James and Anna M. (Goodman) Simpson. His paternal ancestry was Irish. His grandfather, Alexander Simpson, came to America with his family about 1786, and settled in Huntingdon county, where he and his wife spent the remainder of their lives. At the time of their emigration, their son James Simpson was about a year old. Other sons of Alexander Simpson were: Robert, of McKeesport, Pa., married Catherine Houck; and Foster, resided in Henderson township, where he died in the fifties. His daughters were Mrs. John Westbrook; Mrs. Caleb Armitage; and Mrs. William Copeland. James Simpson was educated in the rural schools of his time, and was all his life a farmer of Brady township. He was an intelligent and active man, interested in local progress, and served the township for

several terms as a school director. He married Anna M. Goodman, a native of Berks county, Pa., and had ten children: Samuel G., who died at the age of sixty-three; Mary A. (Mrs. A. V. Westbrook); James A., deceased; William H., of Mercer county, Ill., served in the war of the Rebellion as second lieutenant of Company H, Fifteenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and as captain of Company F, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers; was seriously wounded at the battle of Gettysburg; David R., of Mill Creek, served in the same war as private of Company I, One Hundred and Second Illinois Volunteers; Alfred, died aged eighteen; John M., of Mill Creek; George W., M. D.; Andrew, of Mill Creek; and Martha (Mrs. Edward Sharrer), of Mercer county, Ill. James Simpson died in 1862; Mrs. Simpson died in Philadelphia about 1889.

Dr. Simpson received his literary education in the public schools of Henderson township, and at the Kishacoquillas Seminary, in Mifflin county. His medical training was begun under Dr. S. L. McCarthy, of Mill Creek, and at the Jefferson Medical College, where he matriculated in 1873, and from which he graduated in 1876. Since March, 1876, he has been continuously in practise at Mill Creek, and for the past ten years has been also surgeon of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. He has served for twelve years on the board of pension examiners for Huntingdon county. In 1863, when he had barely attained his majority, he enlisted in Company A, Twenty-second Pennsylvania Cavalry, served about six months, and was discharged at Harrisburg, Pa. He is a member of Post 127, G. A. R. For many years he has been connected with the I. O. O. F. The Doctor is a member of the International Association of Railway Surgeons. He is a Democrat; he has served the township as school director.

Dr. George W. Simpson was married in Philadelphia, May 23, 1882, to Harriet, daughter of Henry and Abbie (Law) Pratt. Their children are: Frederick P. S., born September 20, 1883; and Jay Africa, born May 3, 1886. Mrs. Simpson's father, Henry Pratt, was a native of Massachusetts; his wife was born in Connecticut. They resided for many years in Pennsylvania. Mr. Pratt died in Mill Creek in August, 1883; his wife died in 1874, in Philadelphia.

MRS. JULIA FOUST, widow of Hon. Benjamin R. Foust, Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., is the youngest daughter of Peter and Martha Elizabeth (Smalley) Etnier. Her father was born in Germany valley, Huntingdon county, June 23, 1788; he was a farmer. His wife was born April 4, 1791, in Huntingdon county, at the mouth of Augwick Creek. Their children are: Hannah, born December, 1810, married to William Pollard, of Philadelphia, is deceased; Oliver, born August 16, 1812, married Catherine Long, both deceased; Martha, born February 2, 1814, was married to Samuel Miller, who died in 1851, and she resides in Illinois; David, deceased; Lewis; Sarah, of Cambridge, Ohio; Levan B.; Eliza; Margaret; Jane; Harriet; Julia, deceased; Julia (Mrs. Foust); and twins, who died in infancy. Mrs. Peter Etnier died February 27, 1862; Mr. Etnier on October 13, 1870.

Julia Etnier obtained a good common school education in Shirleysburg, Huntingdon county. She was married in that town in 1856, to Benjamin R., son of Anthony and Nancy (Ripple) Foust, born in Shirleysburg, October 23, 1823. Hon. Mr. Foust was a man of large experience in business and in public affairs. He early learned the trade of cabinet-making, but did not continue very long in that business. After a few years of independent work, his ambition for a thorough education led him to study at the Juniata Academy, perfecting himself, while earning the means for carrying out his plans, by teaching during the winter school terms. He was afterwards for many years in mercantile business. He was always interested in public affairs, and rendered various services in offices conferred upon him by his fellow citizens. He served his township as tax collector, and was for many years a member of the school board. He was elected in 1878 to represent his district in the Legislature. Hon. Mr. Foust was a Democrat. The only son of Mr. and Mrs. Foust is Ira Newton, who married Charlotte, daughter of James and Catherine Wilson, and had four children. Mrs. Charlotte Foust died, and by a second marriage Ira W. Foust has also four children. He is a man of excellent business ability and intelligence.

The Foust family are connected with the Methodist Episcopal church. Mrs. Foust has been for thirty years an invalid.

ABRAHAM V. WESTBROOK, Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Huntingdon, Huntingdon county, Pa., February 15, 1824. He is a son of Levi and Mary (Thompson) Westbrook, also natives of Huntingdon county. Their children were: John; Martha; Elizabeth; Levi; George A.; Abraham V.; and James A. His wife dying in 1823, Levi Westbrook was again married, to Rebecca Parkson, by whom he had four daughters: Mary Catherine; Margaret A.; Louisa; and Rebecca.

Mr. A. V. Westbrook was educated in the common schools of Huntingdon county. His first business engagement after leaving school was to drive on a canal-path opposite his home. The next was hotel keeping. This business, after some time, he exchanged for farming, and while not now actively engaged in the work of cultivating, he still superintends the farm. He is not a member of any church or society.

Abraham V. Westbrook was married to Mary Ann, daughter of James and Annie (Goodman) Simpson, born in 1831. Their only child is Vance W., who married Julia Wick, Philadelphia, Pa., where they reside.

RACHEL (FIELDS) HIMES, wife of L. A. Himes, of Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born December 7, 1845, in Union township, Huntingdon county. Her parents were James and Leah (Dell) Fields, the former of Irish extraction, a mason and farmer, born in 1812, the latter five years younger than her husband, a daughter of Henry and Anna (Crawford) Dell. Their children were: William, married to Margaret Claybaugh, of Union township, Huntingdon county, resides in Altoona, Pa.; Margaret (Mrs. David Johnston), of Clay township, Huntingdon county, resides in Union township; Mary J., died in 1872, of inflammatory rheumatism, was married to David Hanawalt, of Mifflin county, where he resides; Elisha, married first to Sarah J. Korbin, deceased, afterwards to his present wife, Mary Brown, resides in Duncansville; Rachel (Mrs. L. A. Himes); Hannah (Mrs. Marion Robley), of Brady township, now resides in Union township; Robert C., married to Delena Truax, of Union township, Huntingdon county, resides in Mapleton, Pa.; Leah, wife of Jacob Edgons, of Mifflin

county, Pa., where they reside; Matilda (Mrs. Thomas Swiler), resides in Brady township, Huntingdon county; and some who died in infancy. The father died in 1885; the mother in 1889.

Rachel Fields was educated in the common schools of Union township, Huntingdon county, and by school and home training was prepared for the important position of wife and mother. She is married to Mr. L. A. Himes, foreman of sub-division, No. 38, Pennsylvania Railroad, and has a family of five children, nearly all arrived at maturity, and in positions of eminent service and responsibility. Mr. Himes has been a school director for three terms. He is a Democrat, and although not professionally a politician, takes an active interest in public affairs. Their children are: Flora A., born April 21, 1867, teaches during the winter in Mill Creek, where she has charge of a primary school of forty-five girls and boys, and in the summer conducts a pleasant select school; Robert Lewis, Louisiana State Institute conductor, married to Laura Black, resides in Natchitoches, La.; Dr. Edwin B., single, resides in Newton Hamilton, Pa.; Oscar R., resides in Natchitoches; and William D., born in 1880, resides at home, is one of the three hundred students of Juniata College, and is preparing himself for teaching. Mrs. Himes is a member of the United Brethren church, of Mapleton, Pa., Rev. B. J. Hummel. Her daughter is a member of the Baptist church, and two sons are members of the Dunkard Brethren.

BENJAMIN F. GOODMAN, D. V. S., Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born February 15, 1842, in Henderson township, Huntingdon county. His parents were Samuel B. and Eliza (Laird) Goodman; the former, who was born in 1812, near Oley, Berks county, was a millwright. Their children were: David, deceased; Joseph, deceased; Benjamin; Thomas and George, twins; John; an infant, who died; Elbert; another infant, deceased. Samuel B. Goodman died about 1886.

Dr. Goodman was educated in the common schools of Brady and of Henderson townships. He first began to learn the business of his father, that of a millwright, and afterwards entered upon the profession of veterinary surgeon. He read four years with Dr. John

Showalter, of Grafton, Huntingdon county, and began to practise in 1880. His skill and careful attention to cases entrusted to him have won for him a large practise among the farmers of Huntingdon and surrounding counties. The Doctor made a good war record, having enlisted twice, the first time in 1863, in Company A, Captain Morrow, and the second time in 1864, in Company K, Capt. John H. Boring, both Twenty-second Pennsylvania Cavalry. He is a Democrat; has served his township for three terms as supervisor.

Dr. Benjamin F. Goodman was married June 9, 1867, to Louisa, daughter of George and Christiana (Ely) Hawn. Their children are: Charles, at home; Samuel, resides in Altoona, Pa.; Minnie (Mrs. William Sonders), of Brady township; Eliza, at home; Polla H., Chester county, Pa. The Doctor is an active member of the Lutheran church at Mill Creek.

DAVID R. SIMPSON, Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Henderson township, January 23, 1838. He is a son of James and Anna M. (Goodman) Simpson. His parents' family is mentioned in the sketch of George W. Simpson, M. D.

Having acquired a good common school training in Brady township, Mr. D. R. Simpson began independent life as a tiller of the soil, first in the employ of others, afterwards on his own account. Except during the war of the Rebellion, he has always continued in the same useful calling. In 1862 Mr. Simpson enlisted in the One Hundred and Second Illinois Infantry, in which regiment he moved through Kentucky and Tennessee, engaged in all the battles of the western army. He assisted at the capture of Atlanta, Ga., participating in the whole campaign, and was with Sherman on his march to the sea. In peace he has served the community in which he lives both as school director and supervisor. He belongs to the G. A. R. Post, No. 44, of Huntingdon.

David R. Simpson was married to Minnie, daughter of Levi and Rachel (Chilcott) Wright, who was born ten miles from her present home. Their children are: Vance W.; and Minnie May. Mr. Simpson and family attend the Presbyterian church, of which body Mrs. Simpson is a member.

H. R. CAROTHERS, postmaster, Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born February 2, 1861, in Huntingdon county. He is a son of James G. and Eliza Carothers. James G. Carothers was of Scotch-Irish extraction, and was born in Lancaster county, June 25, 1809. Mrs. Carothers was a native of Fannettsburg, Franklin county, Pa. Their children were: W. M. C., married to Felicia Mattern, resides at Mill Creek; Albert, married to Joyce Smith, resides at Mill Creek; Annie, resides at Mapleton Depot, wife of D. B. Miller; George D., married to Clara Kinkel, resides at Temstown, Pa.; Newton, married to Jennie McElroy, resides at Belleville, Pa.; Virginia B., married to A. M. Menold, resides at Mill Creek; and H. R. James G. Carothers died in 1892; his wife in 1888.

The common schools of Mount Union and of Mill Creek afforded Mr. H. R. Carothers his early intellectual training. His course of studies there being ended, he began his self-supporting life as a clerk. Having won confidence as a private citizen and as a man of business, he has been placed in the responsible position of postmaster. Mr. Carothers belongs to Lodge No. 468, I. O. O. F., of which he is vice-grand. He is a Democrat.

H. R. Carothers was married to Sarah A., daughter of James and Sarah Weiner, of Temstown, born in 1864. They have no children. Mr. and Mrs. Carothers are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, at Mill Creek.

ALBERT M. MENOLD, Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., is a native of Delaware, Mercer county, Pa., born April 1, 1857. His parents were William B. and Sarah (Burnham) Menold. William B. Menold was a cabinet-maker, and spent his life in Mercer county. Albert M. is their only child. W. B. Menold died in 1859; his widow resides at Greensburg, Pa.

After an education acquired in the common schools of Blair and Huntingdon counties, A. M. Menold took up the business of agriculture. He was some time later employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, has proved himself efficient, and is now passenger and freight agent at Mill Creek. He is a staunch Republican, and a member of Lodge

No. 117, I. O. O. F., Huntingdon county, also of Encampment No. 180, same order.

Albert M. Menold married Virginia B., daughter of James G. and Eliza T. Carothers, born in 1850. Their marriage took place in 1879. Their children are: J. LeRoy; Mary Ethel; Charles, deceased; Harry; and Paul, deceased. Mr. Menold is a member of the Presbyterian church.

CHARLES FULTZ, Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., is a son of Jacob and Mary (Smith) Fultz. Jacob Fultz was a native of Lancaster county. His calling was that of a tailor; he was twice married, his second wife being Mary Smith. The children of Jacob and Mary (Smith) Fultz are: Sarah, deceased; Abraham, of Allensville, Pa.; Samuel, residing in Kansas; Philip, of Allensville; Joseph, residing in Centre county, Pa.; Charles; Susan, deceased; and Margaret, deceased. Jacob Fultz died in 1857; Mrs. Mary Fultz in 1890. Mr. Fultz's great-grandfather was German by birth, and a faithful member of the Baptist church.

At Allensville, Mifflin county, Pa., Charles Fultz obtained a good common school education. He first began business as a farmer, and afterwards learned the trade of blacksmithing, which he carries on five miles from the borough of Huntingdon. Mr. Fultz enlisted during the war of the Rebellion, and served four years and two months in Company C, Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers. He is a member of Post No. 44, G. A. R., Huntingdon, Pa. He has been supervisor of Brady township.

Charles Fultz was married to Jane Hazlett, born in Mifflin county. Their children are: Irvin; Alice May (Mrs. R. Lutz), resides in Mill Creek; John Walter; and Margaret Alice. Mr. Fultz is a member of the Baptist church.

MRS. RACHEL DAVID, wife of Amandus David, Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Trough Creek valley, Huntingdon county, March 14, 1821. Her father, Samuel Pheasant, was a farmer, and is mentioned in the sketch of Abraham W. Pheasant, in Cass township.

Mrs. David enjoyed none of the educational advantages now so common, but received a good plain school training in her native town-

ship. She is married to Amandus David, a farmer. He is an industrious, faithful and economical man, who worked hard for his family, and saved what he could until they were able to purchase the comfortable homestead upon which they reside in Brady township. Mr. David is a Republican. Mrs. David was brought up in the Presbyterian church, but during all her married life she has been, with her husband, a member of the Lutheran church, at Mill Creek.

JOHN M. GROVE, Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in the eastern part of the county, in the little town of Ardenheim, May 12, 1845. He is a son of Samuel B. and Mary (Yocum) Grove, both German by birth. They were the parents of seven children: Watson, married to Sarah Maudorf, resides in Brady township; Martha (Mrs. J. T. Himes), of Mifflin county, Pa.; Anderson, deceased; Samuel, married to Elizabeth Rupert, resides in Airy Dale, Pa.; George W., a traveling salesman; and John M. Mrs. Samuel Grove died August 30, 1890, aged sixty-eight. Mr. Grove survives her, and lives with his son, Watson.

After only a few years of school training, John M. Grove began to work in the line of his calling, that of a tiller of the ground. Beginning with work by the day, he persevered diligently until he had saved the purchase money for a farm, the one that he lives on and cultivates in Brady township. His labors were only interrupted by the call to war, during the Rebellion, when he enlisted, September 5, 1864, and served for a year in the Ninth Pennsylvania Cavalry, Company K. He is a Democrat.

John M. Grove was married to Sarah Elmira, daughter of Henry and Malinda Tonder. Their children are: Mary; Samuel; Watson; James; Laura; Ernest; Esther; and Annie.

J. M. GOODMUN, Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Henderson township, Huntingdon county, March 26, 1854, son of Jacob and Catherine (Rupert) Goodmun. His father was a native of Bucks county, Pa., born September 24, 1813, and was a millwright. Mrs. Goodmun was born August 30, 1818. Their children are: William; Andrew; Anderson; Samuel; Jacob; Edwin; Catherine; J. M.; D. T.; Mary A.;

Rebecca; and an infant that died. The father, Jacob Goodmun, died in 1881, after having been for a long time a sufferer from Bright's disease. His wife is still living, and resides with her son, J. M. Goodmun, who is unmarried. Mr. Goodmun, after a common school education in Brady township, learned carpentry, but later exchanged that trade for farming. He owns the farm on which he lives, and has besides a half interest in the Farmer's Hotel, corner of Fourth and Penn streets, Huntingdon, Pa. He has served his township as tax collector and as school director. Mr. Goodmun is a Democrat. He is a member of the Lutheran church at Mill Creek.

HARRIS H. PRESSLER, telegraph operator, Pennsylvania Railroad, at Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in 1867, at Mill Creek. His father was a native of Juniata county, born April 6, 1840; was employed as a brakeman on the Pennsylvania railroad, and was killed January 16, 1879, at Bellwood, on the line of the road, while in the discharge of his duty. Having cut his engine loose east of Bellwood coal station, in order to let it take coal, he slipped and fell under the moving train, and was dead before it could be stopped. He had been for sixteen years in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and had also served in the United States army during the war of the Rebellion. He was married to Elizabeth, daughter of Martin and Mary (Snyder) Holler, a native of Maryland. The Snyders were a Maryland family, and the Hollers of York county, Pa.; both were of German nationality. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Pressler were: Anna L. (Mrs. A. L. Carns), of Philadelphia; and Harris H.

After his education in the common schools of Brady township was finished, Mr. H. H. Pressler was for two years clerk in a mercantile establishment in Altoona, Pa. He then learned telegraphy, at Coal Siding, Pa., and has been operator for the railroad company for ten years. He is also agent of the Fidelity Life Insurance Company, of Philadelphia. He belongs to the Order of Telegraphers, No. 3, of Harrisburg, Pa.; also to Juniata Lodge, No. 117, I. O. O. F., of Huntingdon, Pa.; to the P. O. S. of A., and to the Jr. O. U. A. M., No. 110, of Altoona. Mr. Pressler is a staunch Republican, and takes an active interest in political affairs. He has served on

the election board of Brady township. Mr. Pressler is a member of the First Methodist Episcopal church of Huntingdon, Rev. Mr. Gilbert, pastor.

JOHN METZ, Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Brady township, Huntingdon county, December 25, 1833, son of John K. and Susan (Steel) Metz. John K. Metz was also a native of Huntingdon county, was a farmer, and of German descent; he died February 12, 1894. His wife was a daughter of John Steel, and was descended from a family who were among the earliest settlers of the Kishacoquillas valley. Their children are: Louisa (Mrs. Ephraim Hazlett), whose husband was killed on the Pennsylvania railroad, resides in Mifflin county, near Alenstown; Frances (Mrs. Rudolph Neff), of Florida; John; Elizabeth (Mrs. George Walbeater), of Delaware; Samuel, of Ohio; Sarah (Mrs. William Altz), of Nebraska; Louis, deceased; and Maria (Mrs. Isaac Headings), of Mifflin county.

After attending school in Kishacoquillas valley, John Metz began life as a farmer, in which useful vocation he has been steadily and diligently engaged ever since; for many years he has also conducted a mill in addition to the farm. He is a supporter of Democratic principles. John Metz married Sarah, daughter of James McDonald, of Brady township; she was born near Shireleysburg, Pa., in October, 1833. Their children are: Ella (Mrs. Fred. Hoffman), of Chicago, Ill.; J. Marshall; Walter; Myrtle; Harry, deceased; and three who died in early infancy. Mrs. Metz is a member of the Presbyterian church.

JAMES G. ALLISON, Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Brady township, July 2, 1849, son of R. K. and Sarah (Semple) Allison. Mr. R. K. Allison was a tanner; he died in 1876. His wife was a native of Mifflin county, Pa. Their children are: Mary W. (Mrs. David Walker), of Greensburg, Westmoreland county, Pa.; Letitia A. (Mrs. Wakefield); and James G.

After attending the schools of Brady township, James G. Allison began business as a dealer in stock; he was also interested in stock raising, and cultivated a farm during most of his life, retiring from those pursuits in 1892. He was elected justice of the peace of Mill

Creek in 1889, has served ever since, and has been assessor and school director of Brady township. He is a Republican. James G. Allison married Eleanor J., daughter of A. L. and Margaret Lemon, of Westmoreland county, of Scotch-Irish descent. Their children are: Harry L., at home; Margaret; Myrtle, married and resides in New York; William Wilson, at home; Carrie; and May. Mr. Allison was reared in the Presbyterian church, but is now a member of the Lutheran communion.

THOMAS J. MALEY, Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Snyder township, Blair county, Pa., September 1, 1859, son of Thomas and Isabella (Welsh) Maley. His father was a farmer, and died in 1891. His mother, who was born May 22, 1823, resides in Altoona, Pa. Their children are: Rosanna; Martin; Henry, deceased; Thomas J.; William J., died in 1890; and Michael, died in 1891.

Having obtained his education in the common schools of Snyder township, Thomas J. Maley first engaged in farm work, and was afterwards employed on the railroad. In 1878, he undertook to learn telegraphy, and in 1882, was employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company as operator at the old coal tower, about one mile from his present place. He is now employed in the tower outside of Mill Creek, where he has the day turn. He is a faithful and efficient employee. Mr. Maley is a member of the O. R. T., of Harrisburg, Pa. He is a Democrat.

Thomas J. Maley was married in 1886 to Annie, daughter of D. B. Etnier, of Lewistown, Pa. She is a native of Black Log valley. Her mother, Mrs. Eleanor Jane Postilwait Etnier, is a native of Long Hollow, Mifflin county, Pa. Of this marriage there is one child, Eleanor Postilwait, born in 1896. Mr. Maley is a member of the Roman Catholic church.

EDWARD AUGUSTUS GREEN, Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Milesburg, Pa., November 20, 1831, son of Joseph and Catherine (Miles) Green. The ancestors of Mr. Green were of Welsh descent, and emigrated from Radnorshire, Wales, in 1682, with William Penn, on his first voyage to America; they settled in and near Phila-

delpia Pa. Among the grandchildren born to these colonists from 1735 to 1745 was Samuel Miles, who volunteered in 1755 in Capt. Isaac Wayne's company, at about sixteen years of age. He served during the colonial troubles of Pennsylvania, receiving rapid promotion, until discharged from active service at Presqu' Isle (Erie), as captain, in 1761. At the battle of Long Island, where he commanded a regiment of riflemen, he was taken prisoner. He married Miss Catherine Wister, of Philadelphia. He served in various civil offices, as warden, commissioner, assemblyman, mayor of the city, and presidential elector. While engaged in the mercantile and iron business, Captain Miles purchased extensive tracts of mineral and timber land, and erected, besides his "Slitting-Mills" (iron) at Cheltenham, Centre Furnace Forge and rolling-mill at Milesburg, Centre county; leaving an extensive and valuable estate in charge of his son, Joseph Miles, and his son-in-law, Joseph B. McKean, son of Gov. Thomas McKean.

Other grandchildren of the above-mentioned colonists were Joseph Green (1), who married Elizabeth, sister to Col. Samuel Miles; also John Griffiths, who married Esther Wym, both of the Society of Friends. Joseph Green (2), son of Joseph and Elizabeth, married Hannah, daughter of John and Esther Griffiths, and became engaged, about 1790, at Milesburg Forges, living in Milesburg, where Joseph Green (3) was born, November 30, 1800; he married Catherine, daughter of Joseph Miles, born at Centre Furnace, June 23, 1806, died in 1873. Joseph Green, Jr., (3) was engaged in the iron business, in merchandise, flour milling and manufacturing machinery; he died in Milesburg, May 2, 1880. Their children are: Joseph Miles Green; Edward A. Green; and Francis Potts Green.

Having obtained a good English education at the public schools and Bellefonte Academy, Edward Augustus Green completed his classical studies at (Bucknell) Lewisburg University, and at Princeton College; after which he taught two years as principal of the Milesburg public schools, and then engaged in surveying and civil engineering in Minnesota during 1856 and 1857. He took charge of the furnace properties of Irvin Green & Co., at Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, in 1858, and en-

gaged in mercantile business in Huntingdon and Centre counties; and from 1863 to 1869, having purchased the Mill Creek furnace property, engaged in the manufacture of iron, and has since resided there. Mr. Green was elected deputy surveyor of Centre county, which was at the time strongly Democratic, by several hundred majority over his Democratic competitor. He has served several terms as auditor and school director of his district. During the war of the Rebellion, he was commissioned for three years as a captain in Company C, Twelfth Pennsylvania Militia, and was called into service during the invasion of Maryland by Lee's army.

Edward Augustus Green was married at Nashville, Tenn., to Eliza N., daughter of John Houghton, Esq., and Mary (Martin) Houghton, of Lewisburg, Pa. Edward A. and Eliza (Houghton) Green had two sons: Edward Houghton Green, M. D.; and John Houghton, who died in 1888, aged nineteen.

Eliza Nexius Houghton, wife of Edward A. Green, and daughter of John Houghton, Esq., of Lewisburg, Pa., was born in Lewisburg, and educated at the University Female Institute, now Bucknell Institute. During the civil war, Miss Houghton, with a number of her classmates, volunteered their services to the United States Sanitary Commission, to care for sick and wounded soldiers. They were accepted and commissioned by the Government; were ordered to the Department of the Cumberland, to report for duty in the United States hospitals at Nashville, Tenn., where Miss Houghton remained, caring for sick and wounded soldiers (several months of the time in a smallpox hospital) until the close of the war. Miss Houghton was also a successful and prominent teacher in the City Normal Schools of Nashville, previous to her marriage, and declined the position tendered her, of Lady Principal of Fisk University, now Vanderbilt University, at Nashville. Mrs. Green's ancestors emigrated to America from England and France before the Revolution, and took an active part in the struggles of the colonies for independence. Her father, John Houghton, was a lineal descendant of Col. Jacob Houghton, of the New Jersey Line; her mother, Mary (Martin) Houghton, was the only daughter of John Martin, Esq., of Lewisburg, Pa., a prominent citizen, and a grandson of Colonel Martin, of Long Island.

Edward Houghton Green, M. D., elder son of Edward A. and Eliza Houghton Green, was educated at Huntingdon Normal College and at Bucknell University. He entered Jefferson Medical College in 1891, and was graduated with the class of '94. Immediately after his graduation, Dr. Green was appointed assistant surgeon in the Jefferson Medical Hospital, and in the same year received the appointment of assistant demonstrator in Jefferson Medical College, a circumstance which proves the esteem in which he is held by his *Alma Mater*. Dr. Green is now a very successful practitioner in Philadelphia, having received an appointment as city physician. He has also filled a special appointment at the United States Marine Hospital, Delaware Breakwater.

A. P. BURNHAM, Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Sinking Valley, Tyrone township, Huntingdon county, Pa., (now Blair county, Pa.), son of Dudley Hays and Margaret (Pool) Burnham. His father, Dudley Hays Burnham, was a native of New Hampshire, a school teacher, who died in 1842, aged forty-five years. His mother, Margaret (Pool) Burnham, was the daughter of a farmer who lived in Sinking Valley, Tyrone township, Huntingdon county, Pa., near Birmingham, and who died in 1884, aged eighty-four years; their children are: Albert P.; B. Franklin; Sarah Wentworth; Charles Emeigh; and two, Dudley Hays, and Margaret, who died while very young.

B. Franklin married Miss Mary Brubaker, of Somerset county, Pa.; Sarah Wentworth married William Menold, of Mercer county, Pa.; and Charles Emeigh married Miss Mary Myers, of Huntingdon county, Pa.

After obtaining a good education in the schools of his native county, the Academy at Hollidaysburg, in that county, and at Washington (now Washington and Jefferson) College in Washington county, Pa., A. P. Burnham for some time made farming his principal occupation, being at times engaged in teaching until the autumn of 1864, when he was appointed assistant agent for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, at Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., which position he filled until the spring of 1867, when, without solicitation, he was made agent for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Mill Creek, Huntingdon

county, Pa., and also express agent for the Adams Express Company, at Mill Creek. These positions he held for quite a number of years, and then engaged in the preparation and shipment of fire clay for use at furnaces and iron and steel works, and for other uses. His fire clay deposit is extensive, and is not surpassed in quality by any other in the state. He was interested also for a time in the preparation and shipment of glass sand for the manufacture of glass and glassware. During this time he conducted a store and was postmaster. He is Republican in politics, but has never aspired for office, believing office should be given, not aspired for, but has held a number of township offices several terms and now is an auditor.

A. P. Burnham married Annie, daughter of James and Jane (Jamison) Walker, the former of Franklin county, Pa., and the latter of Bedford county, Pa. Mrs. Annie W. Burnham was born in Huntingdon county, near Burnt Cabins. Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Burnham are Presbyterians.

B. FRANK GODARD, ex-clerk to the Huntingdon county commissioners, and register and recorder of Huntingdon county, was born in Hill valley, this county, January 8, 1855, removed to Mapleton in April, 1866; was educated in the common schools of Mapleton; worked in the tannery and stone quarries several years; was clerk in the general stores of W. H. Rex, M. L. Rex and Phillips & Son for eight years. Prior to Mr. Godard's coming to Huntingdon he held the office of Burgess, councilman and school director at Mapleton; these are the only official stations he has ever occupied except the present one, and clerk to the commissioners, to which he was appointed in the spring of 1894. Mr. Godard has been an active member of the United Brethren church for over twenty years, and at Mapleton was the superintendent of the Sunday-school for a period of about ten years. Mr. Godard is married to Alice E., eldest daughter of A. W. Swope, Esq., of Mapleton, and has four children.

BENJAMIN O'CONNOR, Mapleton Depot, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Amboy Centre, Oswego county, N. Y., February 10, 1831. He is the son of John and Julia (Goodman) O'Connor, the former a na-

tive of Ireland, the latter of New England, but a resident of Amboy Centre. John O'Connor was a brick mason and farmer. Their children were: Benjamin; and Martha, who was married, and died eight years ago, of cancer of the stomach, the same disease of which her mother also died.

Mr. O'Connor's education was begun at Amboy Centre, from which place he was sent for further training, to Hamilton, Madison county, N. Y. After leaving school he worked in a woolen factory in Williamstown, Oswego county, N. Y., for about three years. He then turned his attention to engineering; first on steamboats and at stationary engines; afterwards was for three years in the army. For about twenty-two months, Mr. O'Connor was a private in Company L, Ninth New York Heavy Artillery, under Captain McClair first, and afterwards Capt. S. A. Howell. He continued to be a private from choice, declining promotion when it was offered. Later, Mr. O'Connor embarked in mercantile business, which he has carried on in Mapleton since 1884. He is a Democrat, and rather active in political affairs. He has served on the school board. Mr. O'Connor belongs to the I. O. O. F., in the State of New York. He is Past Master of the Masonic Lodge at Mapleton.

The wife of Benjamin O'Connor is Martha, daughter of Elmer and Elizabeth (Farr) Thayer. Mr. Thayer is a native of Vermont, and is the owner of one-fifth interest (\$25,000), in the Keystone Land Company, Isaac Ertleberger, president. Mr. and Mrs. O'Connor have four children: Frank, born in 1854, married Caroline Henderson, and resides at Mill Creek, Huntingdon county; Dewitt, died aged seventeen; William, now in the store with his father, married Minnie Henderson, of Mapleton Depot; and Charles, who died in infancy. Mr. O'Connor is a member and trustee of the Methodist Episcopal church.

ELLIOTT ROBLEY, farmer, Mapleton, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Newark, N. J., May 17, 1820, at eleven A. M. He was a son of Matthew and Hannah (Smith) Robley. Matthew Robley was born in 1794, and was a brickmaker. Mrs. Robley was a native of New Jersey, born August 4, 1800. Their children were: Mary (Mrs. Robert Parker), deceased; Elliott; Angeline, died in the west; Henry, was married to a lady from the west,

died in 1894; Jane, resides in Blair county; John, married in the west, resides in Kansas. Mrs. Hannah Robley died December 9, 1835, at the age of thirty-five. Mr. Robley was again married to Martha A. Brown, born August 9, 1813, in Centre county, Pa. The children of this marriage are: Arminda, died in infancy; Hannah C. (Mrs. Martin Miller), now a resident of Texas; Eunice, deceased; Albert, deceased; Walter, deceased; Matthew, deceased; William, living in the west; Laura, deceased; Richard, deceased, in Altoona.

Elliott Robley attended the common schools of Spruce Creek, in Franklin township, Huntingdon county. He went into business first as a brickmaker, afterwards as a farmer. In 1857 he engaged in the real estate business at Rocky Ridge, of which place he was a pioneer settler. He continued in the same occupation for twenty-one years. During the war of the Rebellion Mr. Robley enlisted in Company L, Nineteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, Capt. Norman T. Smith, and served thirteen months. Re-enlisting after his discharge he served eleven months more in the same company. His father was of the Whig party. Elliott Robley is a Republican; has served as school director.

The marriage of Elliott Robley to Hannah Susan, daughter of Samuel and Hannah (Sandelman) Clemens, took place August 17, 1840. The lady was born in Mifflin county, and is a year younger than Mr. Robley. Their children are: Hannah; Mary; John; Rebecca; Marian; Ella; Samuel; two that died in infancy; Harry; Elliott; Walter; of this family only one girl is at home. Mr. Robley is the grandfather of sixty-one children, and the great grandfather of fifteen. He has been a life-long member of the church of the United Brethren in Christ, having joined that church fifty-one years ago.

GEORGE GODARD, SR., Mapleton Depot, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Shippensburg, Pa., January 19, 1823. The family into which he was born was very early broken up, the three children being given into the care of strangers at a very tender age, and no record of family history was preserved. Mr. Godard has no recollection of having seen either his father or his mother, Catherine (McPete) Godard. The two other children, George and his brother James, were twins; the

latter died when nine years old from being kicked in the temple by a horse.

At Fayetteville, Franklin county, Pa., George Godard attended the common school, and learned his trade, that of a tanner, in the tanyard of Peter Cook. He has been all his life a faithful and industrious worker, and now in his retirement, enjoys well-earned repose. In the war of the Rebellion he served his country in Company G, Two Hundred and Fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Capt. Samuel Ault. In time of peace he has served as school director and as councilman. He is an active Republican. His son, B. Frank, is now register and recorder of Huntingdon county.

George Godard has been twice married. His first wife was Anna Rebecca, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Fleck) Stuart, of Ambersons valley, Franklin county, Pa. Their children are: Samuel Hiram, residing in Kansas; Alfred W., of Missouri; Harriet E., of Ohio; B. Franklin, of Huntingdon, Pa.; George F., also of Huntingdon; Valentine Stewart, of Altoona, Pa.; Amanda C., of Harrisburg, Pa.; Mattie K., of Johnstown, Pa.; Henry R.; Margaret, and John E., are deceased. On April 27, 1887, Mr. Godard married his second wife, Rebecca, daughter of Philip and Sarah Brown, of Clay township, Huntingdon county, Pa. Of this marriage there is no issue. Mr. Godard is a member of the United Brethren church of Mapleton.

MRS. SARAH HERTZLER STUBBS, Mapleton, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Port Royal, Juniata township, March 10, 1844, daughter of Jacob Hertzler, who was a native of Lancaster, Pa., a manufacturer of wooden goods; he also owned and superintended a large mill at Port Royal. Mrs. Hertzler was born October 27, 1815. Their children are: Henry, married to Sarah Hikes, of Juniata township, resides at Burnt Cabins, Fulton county, Pa.; William, married to Isabelle Sechrist, resides in Juniata county, Pa.; Samuel, married and resides in Buffalo, N. Y.; Catherine (Mrs. Samuel Harrington), of Huntingdon county; Sarah (Mrs. Stubbs); Samuel P., of Hagerstown, Md.; John; Rebecca; and one that died in infancy.

Sarah Hertzler was educated in the common schools of her native place, and was married to Mr. Stubbs, a farmer of Union town-

ship. In the war of the Rebellion Mr. Stubbs enlisted under his country's flag in Company B, Eleventh Ohio Volunteers. His worth and services as a soldier and a citizen are duly appreciated. He was elected burgess of Mapleton, and served one term. He is a member of the G. A. R.; also of the I. O. O. F. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Stubbs are: Elizabeth B., born in 1865; and Henry S., in September, 1870. Both parents are members of the Presbyterian church, and are highly esteemed in the church and the community.

JAMES W. THOMPSON, proprietor of the Juniata Hotel, Mapleton, Pa., was born in Burnt Cabins, Fulton county, Pa., January 25, 1854. His parents were William Smith and Caroline (Walker) Thompson. William S. Thompson was night watchman for the E. B. R. R. Mrs. Thompson's family name was Walker. The children of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Thompson were: James W.; Henry; Alice; Mabel; Walter; two who died very young; John and Ellis, both deceased.

Mr. J. W. Thompson received his education in the common schools at Burnt Cabins, and afterwards embarked in the hotel business. He established himself in the hotel business in Mapleton, April 1, 1896. Mr. Thompson is connected with Lodge No. 117, I. O. O. F., of Huntingdon county; also with the Encampment. He endorses the political principles of the Democratic party, but is not an active politician. Although of foreign descent, Scotch-Irish and German blood being mingled in his veins, he is a true lover of the "dear old American flag." James W. Thompson married Mary, daughter of John and Susanna Tate, of Mill Creek, Huntingdon county. Their children are: Dora; Arthur; Harry; and Eugene; all residing at home. Mr. Thompson is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Mill Creek, but attends the church of Rev. Henry H. Trevorton, at Mapleton, as do also the members of his family.

DAVID SHORE, carpenter and contractor, Mapleton Depot, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born October 10, 1838, in the southern part of that county, son of John and Nancy (Swope) Shore. The father also was a carpenter and contractor. He was born in February, 1807. His wife was a daughter of John Swope. Their family of children num-

bered five: Temperance Gill, married to Wilson Brown, and resided in Shirley township, Huntingdon county, both being now deceased; John W., married Rachel Ramsey, resides in Shirley township; May (Mrs. W. F. Stumbaugh), of Shirley township; Hannah (Mrs. William Ruby), of Shirley township; and David.

David Shore received a plain, old-fashioned education in the schools of Shirley township. His first self-supporting work was as a miller. He afterwards learned his father's business, carpentry, and still carries on the same work, in the execution of building contracts. He was for eight years foreman of the Spear White Land Company, but resigned in September, 1895. Mr. Thompson is a member of Lodge No. 408, I. O. O. F.; also of No. 59, P. O. S. of A., of Mapleton, Pa., and of P. of H., No. 1134. He is a Republican; not active in politics, nor so strongly prejudiced as to prevent his voting for the best men, in whatever party they may be found. He has been tax collector of Union township.

David Shore is married to Elizabeth, daughter of John and Susan (Peterbaugh) Keister, born in Mount Joy, Lancaster county, Pa. Both Mrs. Shore's parents are deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Shore have no children. Mr. Shore is extremely fond of literature, and has an extensive library.

LEVI WRIGHT, Mapleton Depot, Huntingdon county, Pa., is a native of Huntingdon county, Pa., born July 4, 1816, a son of Abraham and Catherine (Mirely) Wright. Abraham Wright was also born in Huntingdon county, while his wife was a native of Baltimore, Md. They were honorable and respected citizens, and faithful members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Their children are: Isabelle, deceased; David Swope, of Huntingdon county; Jordan H.; Michael; Levi; Rachel (Mrs. Chalents), of Huntingdon county. Abraham Wright died at the age of eighty-two, and his wife at the age of eighty-eight.

Levi Wright attended the schools of Trough Creek valley, near Cassville. The first business in which he engaged was farming; he afterwards kept a hotel in Mapleton, and has now retired from business to enjoy well earned repose.

Levi Wright was married in 1841, at Clear-

field, Pa., by Rev. Richard Prondfoot, to Rachel Chilcott, daughter of William and Anna (Lovell) Chilcott. Their children are: Thomas M.; Hannah; Josiah; Isabelle; John; Ruth; and Alice, who resides with her father and mother in their declining years. Mr. and Mrs. Wright are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Wright is an active Democrat. He is not a member of any secret societies. He is a good and honorable citizen, upholding the principles of truth and justice in his dealings with his fellow men.

JOSEPH G. HICKS, Mapleton Depot, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Barre, Huntingdon county, March 30, 1853. He is the son of John and Barbara (Eynon) Hicks. Mr. Hick's paternal and maternal grandparents were natives of England, and were engaged in the manufacture of iron. His father, the late John Hicks, of Milledgeville, Ga., was born in the south of Wales. He emigrated to America in 1845, and settled at Phoenixville, Chester county, Pa. Like his father, he was an ironmaster, and worked at this trade all his life. Remaining only a short time in Phoenixville, Mr. Hicks moved to Huntingdon county, where he was connected with the Hatfield Iron Works. He was in the employ of the company until 1873, when his health failed, and, seeking renewed strength in a milder climate, he went to Milledgeville, Ga., where he died May 5, 1874. Mr. John Hicks married Barbara, daughter of James and A. Eliza Eynon, a native of South Wales. Several of their children, Jane; Charles; James and Edward, are dead. Those who survive are: Rev. W. W.; Rev. Owen, pastor of the Methodist church in McConeelsburg, Pa.; Hon. J. D.; Anna (Mrs. John Shane), of Cleveland, Ohio; Joseph G.; and Rhoda (Mrs. T. M. Eynon), Philadelphia, Pa. Rev. W. W. Hicks is a retired clergyman, residing in New York. At the time President Garfield was murdered, the Rev. Mr. Hicks was stationed in Washington, D. C., and was the spiritual adviser of Guiteau. Hon. J. D. Hicks is a member of the House of Representatives of the United States Congress, from the twentieth Congressional District of Pennsylvania, comprising the counties of Cambria, Blair, Somerset and Bedford. He is now serving his third term. Mr. John Hicks and his wife are members of the Methodist church.

Mr. Hicks was prominent in church work, and held several offices in the congregation with which he was connected. Mrs. Hicks died in 1866, aged forty-nine.

Joseph G. Hicks was five years of age when his parents moved to Cleveland, Ohio. He attended the public schools of that city until 1866, when his mother died, after which his father removed to Altoona, and there Joseph Hicks finished his education. At the age of fifteen, Joseph Hicks began his life-long connection with the Pennsylvania Railroad, entering the general office of superintendent as messenger. He served the company in this capacity for three years. Mr. Hicks was ambitious and industrious and improved his leisure hours by learning telegraphy, and in 1870 he secured a position as telegraph operator on the Pittsburg and Erie Railroad, which he held for one year. In 1874 Mr. Hicks was appointed telegraph operator of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, at Thompsettown, Juniata county, where he remained for three years. From this time Mr. Hicks rose steadily and rapidly in the company's service, each new appointment giving him a position of greater responsibility. In 1880 he was sent to Barree as ticket and freight agent, remaining there but one summer. In the autumn of 1880 he was made train dispatcher and agent at Orbisonia. Mr. Hicks spent the winter of 1883-84 in Philadelphia as telegraph operator in the main office of the Pennsylvania Railroad. Early in the spring he returned to the Middle Division and served as extra agent until June, 1884, when he was appointed ticket agent at Lewistown Junction, Mifflin county, Pa. Here he remained until February, 1890, when he exchanged offices with the agent at Mapleton, Huntingdon county, that he might be near his home in Brady township. Mr. Hicks is still at Mapleton, where he is ticket, freight and express agent. He is a member of the Republican party, and takes a lively interest in political questions. In 1894 he was elected a school director of Mapleton borough, and is now president of the school board.

Joseph G. Hicks was married May 13, 1879, to Anna J., daughter of Samuel G. and Nancy (Hazlett) Simpson. Their children are: John S.; Josiah D.; Samuel G.; James M.; Herbert S.; Margaret E.; and Anna M., died June 18, 1890, aged eighteen months. Mr. Hicks is an active and influential member

of the Presbyterian church, of which he is a trustee. He is also an earnest worker in the Sunday-school, and has been superintendent of the infant department for many years. Through Mr. Hicks' exertions, a Christian Endeavor Society has been organized, of which he has been president several terms.

The paternal grandparents of Mrs. Hicks were of Irish, and her maternal grandparents of Irish and Scotch descent. They were farmers, natives of Juniata valley, and belonged to one of the oldest families among the early settlers in the northern part of Huntingdon county. Mrs. Hicks' parents were natives of Huntingdon county. Her father was a farmer, and for five years kept a hotel in Mill Creek, Henderson township. At the time of his death Mr. Simpson was engaged in farming. He was active in township affairs, and for many years served on the school board. In 1853 Mr. Simpson was married to Nancy, daughter of James and Jane Hazlett. Their children are: Anna (Mrs. Joseph G. Hicks); Eloise (Mrs. W. W. Stewart), of Harrisburg, Pa.; Martha (Mrs. T. F. Rossiter), of Philadelphia; and Ada, died in infancy. Mr. Simpson died March 17, 1885, aged fifty-six. His wife resides at Mill Creek. She is a member of the Methodist church.

WILLIAM J. CAMPBELL, M. D., Mapleton, Huntingdon county, was born in Huntingdon county, May 18, 1862. He is the son of Hance R. and Annie (Smith) Campbell. Mr. Campbell's father, Hance R. Campbell, was born in Glasgow, Scotland; his mother was a native of County Tyrone, Ireland. Soon after their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Campbell came to America and settled in New Germantown, Perry county, Pa. Mr. Campbell was a farmer and a dealer in stock. He was a man of good judgment, and merited the confidence of the community. He afterwards filled various offices in Shirley township. Mr. Campbell and his wife were members of the Presbyterian church. Their children are: Sarah (Mrs. C. Ballentine); Thomas H.; William J., M. D.; Robert B., M. D.; Sophia (Mrs. A. W. Jones); Belle L. (Mrs. M. C. Alexander); Frank S., M. D.; Elizabeth (Mrs. John Skiles); Samuel, deceased; and Mary, deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell are both dead.

William J. Campbell attended the public

schools of Shirley township until he was fourteen, and then spent three terms in a private school in Orbisonia, Huntingdon county. Far from being satisfied by this taste of the delights of study, his eager mind was only aroused and stimulated. He determined to secure for himself a better education. So well had he improved his opportunities that he obtained a school, and after teaching for two winters his savings enabled him to have another course in the school at Orbisonia. When this course was completed Mr. Campbell again taught school for three successive terms, and was then able to spend one term in the Iron City Business College at Pittsburg, Pa. In 1885 he returned to Huntingdon for one term in the Normal College of Huntingdon. In 1887, Mr. Campbell entered the United States Mail Service, retaining this position for two years. The following winter he again taught at Mt. Union, Pa. This was Mr. Campbell's last term as a teacher; he had advanced step by step toward the education which he had determined to secure, and in October, 1890, he entered the Medico-Chirurgical College of Philadelphia, from which he was graduated May 4, 1893. In the same year he opened an office in Mapleton, and at once began the practise of his chosen profession. Dr. Campbell still resides in Mapleton, where he has won for himself a large and increasing practise, and has become one of the prominent physicians of Huntingdon county. In 1893 Dr. Campbell was appointed United States pension examiner, a position which he still holds. He is also a member of the Huntingdon County Medical Society. Dr. Campbell is highly esteemed by all who know him. He has taken an active part in all the affairs of the township, and has held various offices. In 1888 he was mercantile appraiser of Huntingdon county, and in 1894 was elected school director. Dr. Campbell is a member of the Masonic Order, Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 300, of Huntingdon, Pa, and of the P. O. S. of A., Mount Union Lodge, No. 346. Dr. Campbell is self-made, never having received a dollar except that which he earned by hard work and industry. His life has been one unbroken struggle to prepare himself for usefulness.

William J. Campbell, M. D., was married December 5, 1889, to Laura E., daughter of George and Mary (McCoy) Spanogle. They

have one child, Mary H. Dr. Campbell and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church at Mapleton, Pa.

Mrs. Campbell's father, a native of Huntingdon county, spent most of his life as clerk in various offices. He taught school for some years, teaching only in the winter. Mr. Spanogle was clerk in the House of Representatives for one term. He filled various township and county offices and was many years auditor of Huntingdon county. He married Mary A. McCoy, a native of Juniata county, Pa. Their children are: Laura E. (Mrs. Wm. J. Campbell); Gertrude (Mrs. William F. Kieferle); Frank; Charles; Bessie (Mrs. W. E. Haek); Nora; Mary; Nellie; and Clara Blanche (Mrs. Samuel Lutz), deceased. Mr. Spanogle and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church, and are living at Huntingdon, Pa.

ABRAHAM R. FOSTER, Mapleton, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Mifflin county, Pa., September 22, 1848. He is the son of George and Mary (Jackson) Foster. Mr. Foster's grandparents were natives of Lancaster county, Pa. His grandfather was a carpenter. Mr. George Foster, father of Abraham Foster, a native of Ireland, came to America when he was ten years old and made his home in Mifflin county. His whole life was spent on the farm. He married Mary, daughter of William and Sarah Jackson. Their children are: Sarah, widow of William Coder; Andrew J.; George; Abraham R.; Mary; John, deceased; Naney, deceased; and one who died in infancy. Both the parents are dead. Mr. Foster died April 2, 1872, aged seventy-two. He and his wife were members of the United Brethren church.

Abraham R. Foster attended the public schools of Mifflin county, Pa., until he was nineteen. He learned carpentry, serving a three years' apprenticeship. For three years Mr. Foster worked as a journeyman carpenter, increasing his practical knowledge of the trade, and then opened a carpenter shop of his own. In 1874 Mr. Foster turned his attention to the cultivation of the soil, and is still engaged in farming. Mr. Foster is active and intelligent, interested in all that pertains to the good of the township. In 1884 he was elected supervisor; he has served as school di-

rector for three years. Mr. Foster is a member of the P. O. S. of A., Lodge No. 662.

Abraham R. Foster was married, March 16, 1870, to Mary M., daughter of Daniel and Mary (Webb) Decker. They have eight children: Harry; Charles; Edward; John; Mary; Elmer; Cloyd, died March, 1891, aged ten; Mary Ellen, died August, 1879, aged eighteen months. Mr. Foster and his wife are members of the Methodist church.

Mrs. Foster's parents were natives of Huntingdon county, Pa. Mr. Decker was a farmer, but later in life became a merchant, and at the time of his death was a dealer in shoes. He was kind and friendly to all, and much esteemed in the community. He served his township as school director and in various other capacities. He married Mary Webb. Four of their children: James; John; and two infants, are dead. Those who survive are: Mary (Mrs. Abraham Foster); Lydia, widow of A. Miller; Margaret (Mrs. Nicholas Bremen); Thomas; Jennie (Mrs. George Snyder); and Harry. Mr. Decker and his wife are members of the Methodist church. Mr. Decker was a faithful worker in the church, in which he was an office bearer for many years. He was steward, deacon, and for a long time a class leader.

A. W. SWOPE, ESQ., Mapleton Depot, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Union township, Huntingdon county, in Trough Creek valley, June 5, 1833, son of David and Isabella (Wright) Swope. David Swope, who was of German descent, was born August 22, 1809; his wife, a lady of Scotch-Irish extraction, on April 2, 1811. Their family consisted of seven children, one of whom, Sarah, died in infancy. A. W. Swope received his education in the common schools and at Cassville. He was first engaged in the carpenter and undertaking business, and afterwards turned his attention to mercantile pursuits. He has rendered various public services; was made constable in 1855, and served one term; was a member of the school board for twelve years; and for thirty-eight years was justice of the peace in the borough of Mapleton. He is a member of the Masonic fellowship and of Mapleton Lodge, No. 468, I. O. O. F., of Mapleton. Mr. Swope is a Republican.

A. W. Swope was first married to Anna P. Smith, who died May 22, 1865. Their chil-

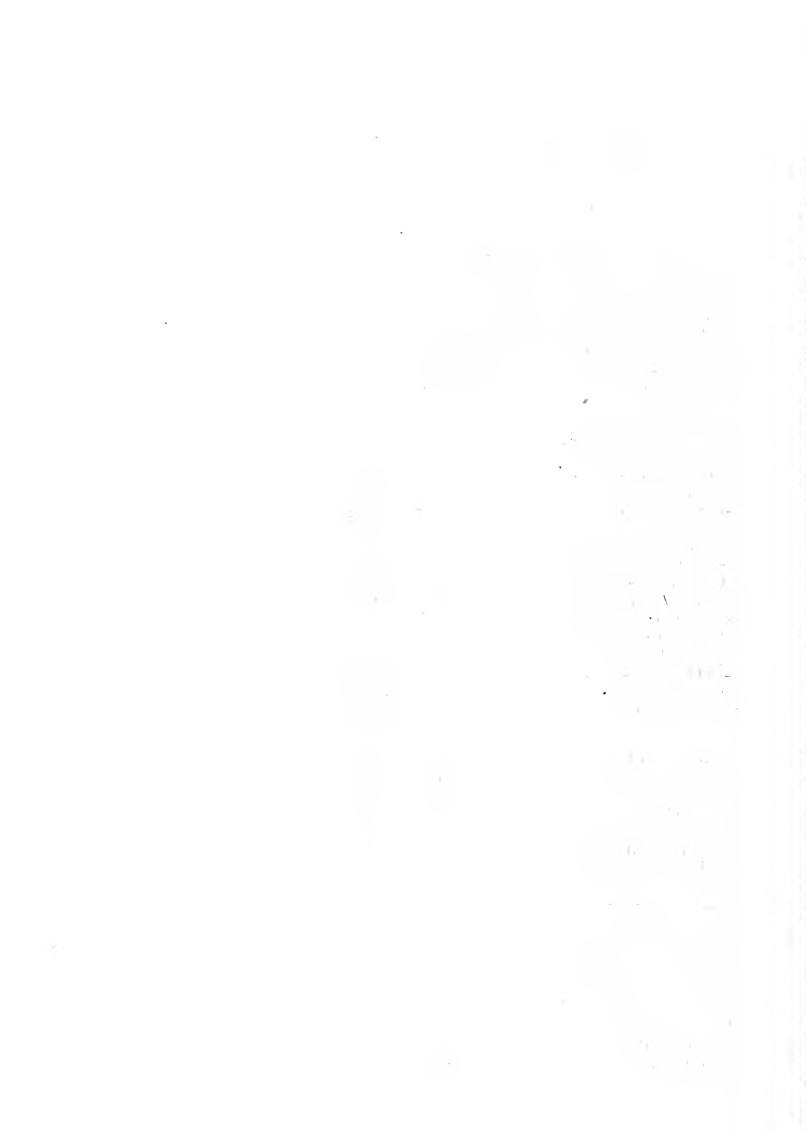
dren are: George W.; Elizabeth Alice; Isaac Newton; Mollie May; Lou Emma; and Jane Ann. Two of these, George W.; and Mollie May, died in infancy. Mr. Swope was married a second time to Annie M. Palmer, of Union township, Huntingdon county. He is a member of the Presbyterian church.

WILLIAM DEFREHN, Mount Union, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born April 10, 1834, in Orwigsburg, Pa., son of Daniel and Susan (Noeaker) Defrehn. Daniel Defrehn was a carpenter, born in Bucks county. He died in 1855. Mrs. Defrehn was born in Schuylkill county in 1795; she died in 1876. Their children are: John, deceased; Sarah; Susannah, deceased; Joseph; Mary; Daniel; Catharine; Caroline; Louisa; William; and Charles. William Defrehn was educated in the public schools of Pottsville; was formerly clerk in a store, and is now superintendent of a chair manufacturing establishment that turns out on an average twenty dozen chairs a day.

William Defrehn was married in 1855 to Elizabeth, daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth Hillegas, who are both deceased. Their children are: Robert A.; William A.; Edward D.; Charles H.; Emma Laura, deceased; Frank; Effie, deceased; Augustus; Walter, deceased; and George C. Mr. Defrehn is a Republican. He belongs to Harmony Lodge, No. 86, I. O. O. F., Tamaqua, Schuylkill county, Pa., and is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

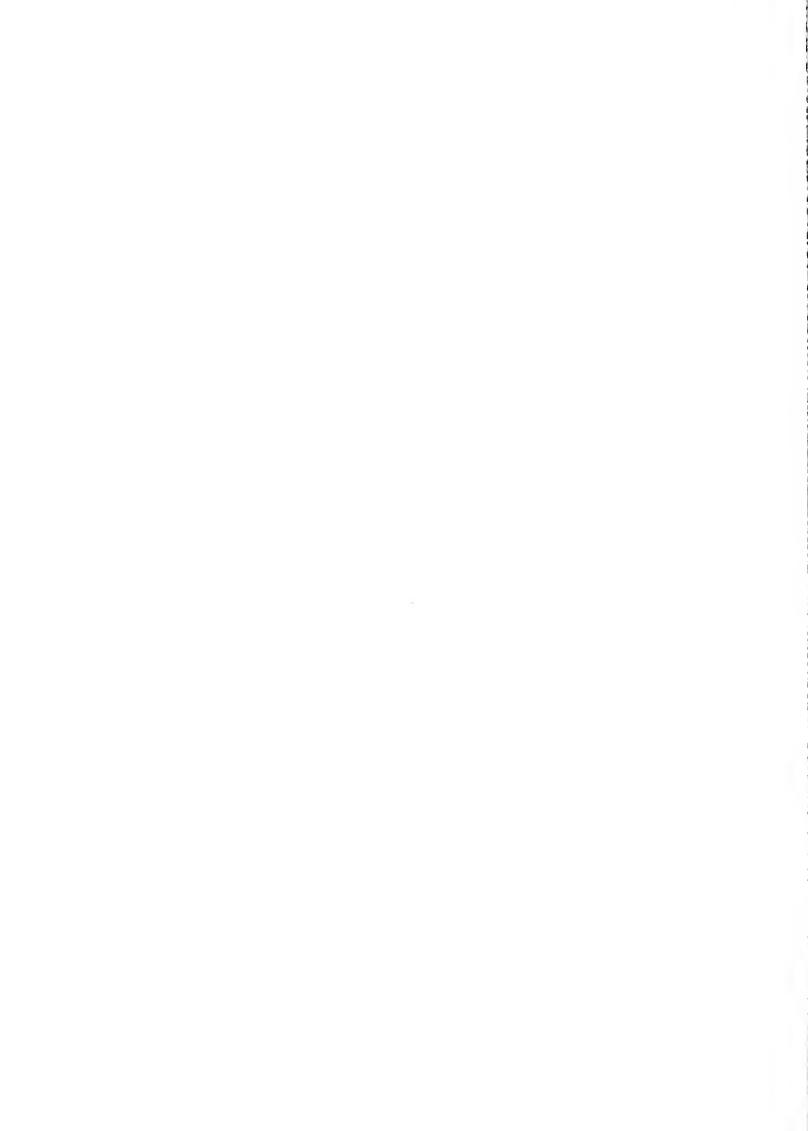
BENJAMIN F. RIPPLE, Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Cronwell township, Huntingdon county, April 20, 1855. He is a son of Capt. John L. and Eliza J. (Cloyd) Ripple. Four generations back, in colonial days, Philip Ripple, a farmer, native and denizen of Germany, removed from that country to Virginia, where he continued throughout life in the business of tilling the soil. His son, Peter Ripple, great-grandfather of Benjamin F., was born during a short residence of the family in Maryland. This Peter Ripple resided, at least for a time, in Maryland; but his son, also named Peter, was born in Jefferson county, Va., July 28, 1806, and passed the first six years of his life there. In 1812 the family removed to Maryland, and in 1813 again took up their northward course,







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ending it in Huntingdon county. There Peter Ripple, Jr., grew up, and became a farmer, like his progenitors. The family is of German origin, and from that sturdy ancestry Peter Ripple inherited not only a robust constitution, with an almost inexhaustible capacity for work, but decided opinions, warm feelings and a passion for liberty as well. These traits, combined with the intense national feeling that characterized our whole country during his boyhood, in the early days of this century, produced in him a great love and veneration for the "Stars and Stripes," and no doubt it was with a full and glad heart that, on the Decoration Day of his seventy-ninth year, he acted as color-bearer in a soldier's parade. Peter Ripple belonged to the old Whig party, and in the change of party lines and names, became a warm Republican. He was elected to many local offices. Mr. Ripple was three times married. His second wife, Catherine (Long) Ripple, a sister of Judge Long, of Shirlsberg, Pa., became the mother of Capt. John L. Ripple, and of a large family besides. She died about 1865. A few years after, Mr. Ripple married a widow, Mrs. Rohrer. He died in Cromwell township, July 26, 1886, and was buried on his eightieth birthday.

John L. Ripple, born in Cromwell township, in 1853, was a farmer until the war of the Rebellion broke out. He then abandoned the plow for the sword, enlisting as sergeant in Company E, Thirty-ninth Illinois Volunteers, of which company he afterwards became captain. He was mustered out in August, 1865, having spent one weary year of his term of enlistment in the prisons of Andersonville and the Belle Isle, and the Libby prison. For ten years after the close of the war, Captain Ripple served as an officer in the United States Regulars. He was married in 1853, in Cromwell township, to Eliza J. Cloyd. Their children are: Benjamin F.; Harry H., born July 19, 1856; Thomas Jefferson C., born October 20, 1858, is in the lumber business at Rock Hill, Huntingdon county, married Miss Bell; H. Ella, born October 4, 1865, married G. Lloyd Owens, an attorney of Tyrone, Pa. Captain Ripple died February 16, 1883, at Orbisonia, where he is buried, and where his wife still resides.

The eldest son of this family, Benjamin F. Ripple, was educated in the common schools. From twelve to fourteen years of age he ac-

quired some mercantile experience, by occupying the position of clerk in a general store at Orbisonia for a short time, and by an engagement as salesman in a wholesale notion store in Philadelphia. At the early age of fourteen he became a teacher, being accepted for a school in Cromwell township, which he taught for two terms. In 1871 he entered the office of Royer & Dewees, at their Rockhill charcoal furnace; in 1872 he was employed as chief accountant and paymaster by the Rockhill Iron and Coal Company, and held that position until October 1, 1897. Being a man of much executive ability, Mr. Ripple is carrying on successfully several other branches of business. He is accountant and general passenger agent of the East Broad Top Railroad. In September, 1891, having in connection with Mr. Stackpole purchased *The Leader*, a seven-column weekly of Orbisonia, Mr. Ripple became owner and editor, changing the title of the paper to that of the *Orbisonia Dispatch*, and soon after enlarging and improving it. His connection with this journal continued for several years. In 1892 he engaged in the insurance business, and now represents a number of fire, life and accident insurance companies. He has been secretary of the Home Building and Loan Association, and is a director in the Board of Trade, and a member of the coal and lumber firm of Pncey & Co., Rockhill Furnace, Huntingdon county.

Mr. Ripple aided in the organization of Cromwell Lodge, No. 572, F. and A. M., and was master of the lodge; he was also a member of Orbisonia Lodge, No. 640, I. O. O. F., of which he served as vice grand. He has always been an ardent Republican; he served four times as chairman of the Republican county convention. He has been president and secretary of the board of school directors for fifteen years; also chief burgess and member of the town council of Orbisonia. In 1882 a nomination for the State legislature was tendered him, which he declined. He has never held any but local offices.

Benjamin F. Ripple was married in Philadelphia, in 1876, to Florence M., daughter of William B. Hahn, of that city. They have had two children: Sarah Ethel, died in 1878, aged one year; and Paul Woodman, born May 8, 1879, who was graduated from the high school in Orbisonia in 1896 and entered

the insurance business. Mr. Ripple is a member of the Protestant Episcopal church of Orbisonia; he is its treasurer, and was one of a number who raised the sum requisite for building a church and rectory in that borough, costing \$5,000. In 1897 Mr. Ripple opened a real estate and insurance office in Pittsburg, Pa.

Having begun life with limited educational advantages and slender financial resources, Mr. Ripple's own ability and perseverance, his tact and his personal worth, have secured for him his present comfortable and influential position. He has well earned the beautiful home built by him in Orbisonia in 1876, with its pleasant surroundings, its domestic conveniences, and last but by no means least, its extensive and judiciously selected library.

ALFRED W. GREENWOOD, Rock Hill, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Wilmington, Del., October 13, 1843, son of Ralph and Anne Ferris (Morton) Greenwood. William Greenwood, grandfather of Alfred W., was a native of Ashton-under-Line, England, as was also his son Ralph; the former was a blacksmith, the latter a painter, noted for his skilful and artistic work. The son was the first to leave the mother country, emigrating to America at the age of nineteen; he settled in Wilmington, Del., where he had friends. A few years later he sent for his parents, William and Elizabeth Greenwood, who then crossed the ocean with their two daughters, Annie and Elizabeth, and also made their home in Wilmington. Some years after landing in America, William Greenwood, with one or two companions, started for the west; he was known to reach Ohio, but from that time was never heard from, and is supposed to have been killed by Indians. His wife passed the rest of her life in Wilmington; their daughter Elizabeth went to Trout Run, Lyecoming county, Pa., and resided there, unmarried, until her death in 1882; the other daughter, Annie, married William Aveyard, and is now a widow, residing at Union City, Erie county, Pa. Ralph Greenwood was married in Wilmington to Miss Morton, who was born in that city in 1813. Some years after he removed with his family first to Harrisburg, Pa., and then to Altoona, where he was employed as painter in the car shops. His children are: Charles M., who died in Altoona

in 1863; Alfred W.; Ella Margaret (Mrs. John A. Nevefing), Tyrone, Pa.; Ralph Henry, died at the age of six years, in Wilmington; Ralph Henry (2), locomotive engineer on Middle Division, Pennsylvania Railroad, resides at Altoona; and Clara L., died in 1872, aged nineteen. Ralph Greenwood was a staunch Democrat. His engagement at Altoona continued until his death, March 29, 1862; he was then fifty-five years of age. Mrs. Greenwood died in Altoona in 1887.

It was when Alfred W. Greenwood was about nine years old that his parents removed to Harrisburg, and after a year's residence, went to Altoona, where he continued to reside until 1880. At the age of seventeen he began to learn the trade of machinist in the shops of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and served an apprenticeship of three years and four months. He afterwards worked for the company as gang boss, then as foreman, and then as master mechanic, in which capacity he was employed until he became superintendent for the Juniata Mining Company, at Schoenberg, Huntingdon county; this was in 1880. In the fall of 1882 Mr. Greenwood entered the employ of the East Broad Top Railroad Company as master mechanic. His ability and faithfulness being appreciated by the company, he received successively the appointments of acting superintendent, in 1895, and superintendent, January, 1896; the latter is his present position. Having manifested his worthiness in every respect of the trust reposed in him, Mr. Greenwood may thank his own industry and correct life for all that is desirable in his business connection. He is a Democrat, "dyed in the wool," as the saying goes. He has served Rockhill borough as school director and member of council.

Alfred W. Greenwood was married, in 1869, in Altoona, to Ruth Anna, daughter of Jonathan Foreman, born in Chester county, Pa. Their children are: Harry Edgar, graduated after a five years' course in mechanical engineering at State College of Pennsylvania, and is now engaged in the mechanical engineering department of the Pan-Handle system, R. C. C., at Columbus, O.; Arthur L., began in May, 1897, to learn the trade of machinist in the East Broad Top shops at Rockhill, Pa.; Margaretta, a student in the Cumberland Valley State Normal School at Shippenburg; and Ralph Chester, at home. Mrs.

Greenwood is a member of the Lutheran church; Mr. Greenwood was brought up in the Episcopal church, but regularly attends divine services with his family.

R. J. COONS, Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, Pa., is the son of Solomon and Elizabeth (Sarver) Coons, and was born in Path valley, Franklin county, Pa., October 23, 1850. The family is of German descent; Mr. Coons' grandfather, Peter Coons, was a resident of Path valley, his progenitors having been among the earliest settlers of that region. Peter Coons was all his life engaged in farming. His children are: Peter; Solomon; Elizabeth (Mrs. Doyle); and Susanna (Mrs. Jonathan Crouse). Some of the family are members of the United Brethren church, while others prefer the Presbyterian denomination; it seems probable that the father did not belong to any church. He died in Path valley in 1866; his wife survived him for ten years. Their son Solomon, second of the family, was born in Path valley, July 25, 1827. He acquired a knowledge of agricultural matters while a boy, in the practical way of helping on the farm; but preferring a trade, he went at the age of seventeen to learn that of machinist, which vocation he has always followed. He was married in Path valley to Miss Sarver, who is a native of that place. Mr. R. J. Coons is their only child. In 1865 the family removed to Greensburg, Westmoreland county, Pa., where they resided for ten years; in 1875, they removed again, to Orbisonia, which has ever since been their home. Solomon Coons is a Republican, of the gold type. He is among the most valued and respected citizens of Orbisonia. He had a seat in the earliest council of the borough.

R. J. Coons attended the common schools and the Spring Run Academy in Path valley, and the high school of Greensburg. In his boyhood, he was for a short time clerk in a store, and worked for a short time as a machinist. But at the age of nineteen, he chose an occupation better suited than either to his tastes and talents, entering the office of the Greensburg *Tribune* as an apprentice to the "art preservative." After the removal to Orbisonia, Mr. Coons went into the printing business with his father, and has ever since given it his attention. He undertook the first newspaper published in Orbisonia, a weekly, called the

Orbisonia Leader; this journal he conducted until 1891, when, in September, he leased the office to Mr. B. F. Ripple. That gentleman changed the name of the paper, calling it the *Dispatch*, and continued its publication for several years. In the fall of 1893 Mr. Ripple sold his interest to E. B. Swayne, who, after carrying it on for six months, sold it again to Mr. Coons, who is still its owner and publisher. With regard to politics the paper was independent until 1894, when it adopted the Republican platform. Mr. Coons votes the ticket of that party. He is a member of the P. O. S. of A., and a citizen who enjoys the esteem and respect of the community. He has for three years been secretary of the school board of Orbisonia.

R. J. Coons was married at Dry Run, Pa., to Molly A., daughter of Samuel C. and Catherine (Skinner) Johnson. Their children are: D. Coyle, aged twenty years; R. Bruce, aged nineteen; Cora, aged fourteen; and Nanny, aged five. Mr. Coons is a member of the Presbyterian church, and superintendent of the Sunday-school. He is also president of the Christian Endeavor Society.

ORLANDO W. MOORE, Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Penn township, Huntingdon county, September 4, 1851. He is a son of Samuel and Nancy (Lee) Moore. His paternal grandfather, whose name is unknown to Mr. Moore, came to this country with his parents when he was a boy, settled in Huntingdon county, and there died. James Lee, maternal grandfather of Mr. Moore, was the son of a sea captain, and was born on his father's vessel, in mid-ocean. Samuel Moore was a native of Penn township, Huntingdon county, where he grew up a farmer boy, and where he resided, enriching the soil, during his whole life. He was married in Penn township, but died in Walker township, Huntingdon county. His wife, Nancy (Lee) Moore, survived him for twenty years, and died in the borough of Rock Hill. Their children are: Orlando W.; Millie E., deceased, wife of James McDonald, of Mapleton, Pa.; Sally, wife of J. B. Hastings, of Huntingdon, Pa., both deceased; Susan, wife of John Hastings, of Huntingdon, both deceased; Jefferson S., resides at Logan Furnace, Mifflin county, Pa.; and Harry G., locomotive engineer and coal digger, resides at Rock Hill, Pa.

In Penn township, where Orlando W. Moore was born, he enjoyed but slender educational advantages; but in Walker township he attended school for a number of terms. At ten years of age he went to work at home, on the farm; from the time when he was fourteen until he was in his twenty-first year, he was employed in a brick-yard at Huntingdon. For one summer during that time he was employed in a brick-yard at Philipsburg, Pa. In 1871, at the age of twenty, Mr. Moore became foreman of a brick-yard at Orbisonia, and continued for two summers in that situation. When the East Broad Top Railroad was built, he was employed for eighteen months by the company as brakeman, and then promoted to shifter conductor, and weighmaster at Rock Hill Furnace, which position he held for fourteen years. He was then made conductor of passenger and freight trains, and has served in that capacity ever since. In April, 1896, Mr. Moore was appointed express messenger for the road, and still fulfills the duties belonging to that position. Since 1879, Mr. Moore has had another class of business interests. In that year he formed a partnership with T. J. C. Ripple, for the manufacture of brick; they continued that enterprise until July, 1892, when they suspended operations in the brick-yard; a new firm was then constituted, known as the Coles' Run Lumber Company, in which the partners were T. J. C. Ripple and Dr. Lewis Royer. Two years later the firm was changed to the Ripple & Moore Lumber Company, which is still its designation. This firm, while manufacturing brick, furnished all that was used in the erection of brick buildings in Orbisonia and Rock Hill. Mr. Moore is a Republican, and, although he has never been an office-seeker, he has served four years in the borough council, and one year as assessor. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge and of the I. O. O. F. at Orbisonia. Mr. Moore ranks among "self-made" men, having diligently worked his way to his present responsible and useful positions.

Orlando W. Moore was married August 4, 1874, at Newton Hamilton, to Jennie E., daughter of Joseph P. and Elizabeth (Ripple) McKelvy. Their children are: Blanche, who died at five years of age; Frank, telegraph operator at Saltillo, Pa.; Charles Stewart, telegraph operator at Orbisonia; Ethel; and Walter F.

REV. JOSEPH K. KNISELY, now of Flemington, Clinton county, Pa., was born on a farm near Port Royal, Juniata county, Pa., February 8, 1853. He is the son of Abraham and Catharine (Kieffer) Knisely. His grandfather, Samuel Knisely, was born in Lancaster county, 1791, removed to Juniata county, and married Catharine Patterson, born in 1793. They resided in Juniata county, until their death; that of his wife occurring in 1849, and his in 1864. His children were: John, a carpenter, who died at Lewistown, Pa., 1893; Samuel, died in 1871, near Mexico, Juniata county, Pa.; Elizabeth (Mrs. Kauffman), of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Abraham, father of Rev. Mr. Knisely; Mrs. Mary Kauffman, who died in 1862; Kate (Mrs. Ferner), died in 1858; George, of Millers-town, Perry county, Pa.; Jacob, who went to California in 1848, and is now a well-to-do farmer near Quincy, Cal.; Joseph, a barge builder, of Allegheny City, Pa.; Barbara (Mrs. Holman), of Mifflintown, Pa.; William, of Mexico, Pa. Two of these were in the war of the Rebellion, George, who served eleven months in Company B, Two Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, and William, of the Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers. Abraham, the father of Rev. Joseph Knisely, was born in Juniata county in 1818, and grew up there, receiving such education as the common schools afforded. His principal business was butchering. He was twice married; first to Elizabeth Wetzler. Of this marriage there were two sons: Jacob and Henry, both of whom served in the army of the Union, one three years and the other till the close of the war. They both enlisted July 25, 1861. Jacob was mustered out in September, 1864. Henry re-enlisted, December 31, 1863, and was mustered out August 15, 1865. There was also a daughter, Mary Musser. His second marriage was to Catharine Keiffer, a native of Lykens valley, Dauphin county, Pa., August 12, 1846. Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Knisely took up their residence in Walker township, Juniata county, where he died after a short illness, December 11, 1854, and is buried in Lost Creek valley. Their children are: Sarah E., born September 30, 1849, resides at Newport, Perry county, Pa.; Annie, born January 8, 1851, died October 4, 1853; Joseph K.; and Susan, born October

7, 1854, who also resides at Newport. About thirteen years after Mr. Knisely's death, Mrs. Knisely married Abraham Book, who died in 1886, leaving her a widow again. She died at Newport, Perry county, October 21, 1895. They had no children. Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Knisely having resided for a time near Port Royal, where their son, Joseph K., was born, returned to Walker township when he was about one year old. In that part of the country his boyhood was passed, but not without sad changes. When Joseph was less than two years old, his father died. His mother, unable to maintain herself, and her three surviving children, entrusted the boy to the care of Jonathan Kauffman, with whom he lived until he was sixteen years of age. His occupations during this time, like those of most country boys, were in winter to attend school during the short terms allowed to most rural schools, and in summer to assist in the work of Mr. Kauffman's farm. A severe cold, contracted at the age of sixteen, changed the whole course of the boy's life. It settled upon his lungs, and rendered him unable for hard work. For two years from this time, he lived at Mount Pleasant, Juniata county, with an aunt of his father's; during his stay there, he devoted much of his time to reading and study. Then, at the age of eighteen, he went to work in a woolen-mill near Middletown, Pa., and learned spinning. In seven months he returned to Juniata county, and was employed at the Oakland woolen-mills, where he worked for seventeen months. During his scanty hours of leisure, Mr. Knisely prepared himself for teaching, and at the age of twenty, engaged in that profession.

His first school, of which he took charge in the fall of 1872, was in Decatur township, Mifflin county, Pa. For ten years he continued teaching; he taught one term in Snyder county, Pa., and one in Juniata county; the rest of his teaching was done in Mifflin county. Teaching is a noble and useful profession; but Mr. Knisely had still higher ambitions. He had been preparing himself for the ministry by private study, his delicate health preventing him from going to college. In 1876, he was licensed to preach, but it was not until 1881 that he was placed in charge of a congregation; it was the one at Decatur, now Wagner, in Decatur township, Mifflin county, Pa. In 1883, Rev. Mr. Knisely was

admitted to the Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, at Chambersburg, Pa. His charges since that time have been as follows: 1882 to 1884, Burnt Cabins, Fulton county, Pa.; 1885-86, Saxton, Bedford county, Pa.; 1887-89, inclusive, Schellsburg, Bedford county; 1890-93, Emisville, Huntingdon county; 1893-94, Bloomfield, Perry county; and from April, 1895, to the present time, Orbisoma.

Rev. Joseph K. Knisely was married, February 27, 1873, at Lillyville, Mifflin county, to Sophie B., daughter of John D. and Isabella (Goodwin) Lotz. Miss Lotz was born in Clearfield county, near the town of Clearfield, but was brought up in Decatur township, Mifflin county. Her mother is deceased. Mr. John Lotz is a miller, but at present resides in Harrisburg, Pa., where he keeps a grocery store. The children of this marriage are: John Blanchard, born March 6, 1874, died November 29, 1879; Florence Sybella, born March 27, 1876, is a student at Dickinson Seminary, Williamsport, Pa.; Joseph Leroy, born May 20, 1879, is a school teacher; Olive Bertha, born April 26, 1883, died November 12, 1885; and Hubert Dean, born June 2, 1887, at home.

Rev. Mr. Knisely is in sympathy with the Prohibition party, but generally votes for the best man. He is a gentleman whose consistent life, kindly disposition and affable manners attract to him the respect and kindly regards of all who come within the circle of his acquaintance.

JOHN HENRY PUCKEY, Rockhill Furnace, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born July 12, 1854, on the Scories estate, Cornwall, England. His grandfather, Ralph Puckey, was a native of England, and married Miss Trevanion. His lifelong employment was gardening. To the same vocation he brought up his son, the father of John H. Puckey, after giving him a national school education. Mr. Puckey's father and mother still reside on the same estate where their children were born, and where the father has long been employed in the care of the gardens. Their children are: Mary Jane (Mrs. Wesley), who came with her husband to America, went to California, and some years ago returned to Cornwall, England, where they now reside; John Henry; Thomas N., coal worker at Roberts-

dale, Pa.; and William, employed as a butler in London, England.

Mr. Puckey attended school until he was sixteen years of age. He then went to live with a certain Dr. Mitchell, as groom, at a compensation of \$3.50 per week, and two suits of clothes each year. He remained with Dr. Mitchell for a year and a half, and was then employed for a year, in the same capacity, by Dr. Hindson. His next employer was Capt. Townley Parker, with whom he remained until he emigrated to America. John Henry Puckey, now in his nineteenth year, was married in the Church of England, at Camborne, England, on Saturday, May 24, 1873, to Eliza, daughter of John and Mary (Trevarthen) Green. On the 29th of the same month, the young couple sailed from Liverpool on the "City of Montreal," a vessel which, on a subsequent voyage, was destroyed by fire in mid-ocean. After a passage of eleven days, they landed at New York, whence they proceeded directly to Harrisburg, Pa., and after stopping there for one day, went to York, Pa. Here the active young Briton speedily found employment, under the Thomas Iron Company, in loading ore, at \$1.50 per day; he was afterwards employed in the Gladfelter ore banks at \$1.75, which in 1876 was raised to \$2.00. In September of that year, however, his pay was cut down to \$1.75, and then dropped by degrees to \$1.25. The mines were soon shut down; for a short time Mr. Puckey remained in charge of them, but in October of that year, 1876, he removed with his wife and infant child to Orbisoma, where he engaged in mining on contract. In 1883, Mr. Puckey became superintendent of the ore mines at Easton, Pa., but at the end of a year he returned to Orbisoma, and was for a short time foreman in the mines there. His next position was that of ore inspector at Rockhill Furnace, in which he continued until 1893. In that year he became senior partner in the newly constituted firm of Puckey & Co., dealers in coal, lumber and grain, his partners being Messrs. T. J. C. Ripple and B. F. Ripple. The firm is doing an extensive and thriving business. From 1888 until April, 1896, Mr. Puckey conducted what is known as the Marble Hotel, at Rockhill. He is a Republican, and has taken an active part in political affairs. He has been chief Burgess of Rockhill bor-

ough for one term. Mr. Puckey is affiliated with the Masonic lodge at Orbisoma.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Puckey are: Alfred L., born in York county, Pa., in 1874, is a graduate in dentistry of the Medico-Chirurgical College of Philadelphia, now practising at Waterville, N. Y.; John Arthur, born in Orbisoma, Pa., January 21, 1877, is a student in the University of Pennsylvania; Annie, born at Orbisoma, May 24, 1880; Mabel Eliza, born in Fleetwood, Berks county, Pa., in 1884. The family reside in Orbisoma, where Mr. Puckey built a beautiful home in 1884. They are members of the Episcopal church. In 1890, Mrs. Puckey visited friends and relatives in England, sailing from New York in April, by the White Star Line steamer "Tentonic," and returning three months later on the "City of New York."

JOHN M. STARR, Orbisoma, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, March 2, 1866, son of Michael and Clara E. (Krough) Starr. An earlier spelling of the family name was *Stair*; two brothers of that name who came from Germany and settled in Hagerstown, Md., became the progenitors of the family in America. They came during colonial times, and took part in the Revolutionary war. Samuel Stair, grandfather of Mr. J. M. Starr, was born near Hagerstown. He married Elizabeth Ressler, whose parents had also come from Germany, and settled in Franklin county, Pa. Mr. Stair resided for the remainder of his life in Guilford township, Franklin county, where at the time of his marriage he was living on a farm. His trade was coopering; he was a robust, athletic man, skilful in a mechanical way, as well as strong. A brother of his enlisted for the war of 1812. Samuel Stair had four sons and four daughters. One of his sons, Michael, was the father of Mr. Starr. He was born in Guilford township in October, 1802, and lived there with his parents until he was nine years old. He was then taken by Simon Logan, of Black Log valley, Huntingdon county, in whose family he resided until he was eighteen. The treatment he received was the reverse of generous. His opportunities for attending school were very scanty, and his education was consequently deficient. But, by perseverance, the strictest self-denial and the

exercise of native intelligence and tact, he was able, ten years after his first marriage, which took place January 5, 1830, to buy a farm in Cromwell township, on which he lived until he relinquished farming for mercantile business. Michael Starr's first wife was Mary, daughter of Jacob Hegie, an immigrant from Germany; she was a native of Huntingdon county. Their children were: Simon P., deceased; Elizabeth M., deceased; Jacob, lives in Tuscarora valley, Pa.; Mary; John M.; and Anne, deceased. The mother died on the farm.

On September 9, 1855, Michael Starr was again married, to Miss Clara E. Krough. In 1866, he engaged in mercantile business in Orbisonia, in partnership with Adam Krough. This enterprise was successful, and was continued until 1878, when Mr. Starr sold out to his brother-in-law, Jacob M. Krough, retired to his farm, and resided there until the spring of 1884, when he removed to Rockhill, where he resided during the remainder of his life. He was a man of fine and well-developed figure, and of decided character. His weight was nearly 190 pounds. He died June 12, 1888; his wife still survives him. Their children are: James, deceased; Frances J. (Mrs. H. R. Jones), Rockhill, Pa.; Henry A., resides on the homestead in Cromwell township; Clara E., deceased; John M.; Samuel H., farmer, Shirley township.

The foundation of John M. Starr's education was laid in the subscription schools of his own neighborhood. He afterwards attended Milwood Academy, Shade Gap, Pa., for one term, and finished his literary course with one year in the high school at Orbisonia. Entering St. Vincent's College, near Latrobe, Westmoreland county, Pa., in 1883, he graduated in the commercial course in the spring of 1885. A year later, Mr. Starr bought an interest in the general store of his uncle, J. M. Krough, at Orbisonia; in 1892, he bought his uncle out, and has continued the business alone ever since; he has been very successful.

John M. Starr was married in Altoona, Pa., November 21, 1893, to Mary M., daughter of John and Sarah E. (Sanwp) Burns, of Bedford county, Pa. To this union there has been born one child, John Lewis. John Burns, a native of Blair county, Pa., was during most of his life a merchant at St. Augustine, Cambria county, Pa., where he died; the family

afterwards removed to Altoona, where they now reside. Mr. and Mrs. Starr, soon after their marriage, began house-keeping in Orbisonia. Mr. Starr was appointed postmaster of that borough, June 17, 1893. Mr. Starr is a Democrat in politics, but has devoted himself more to business affairs than to party matters. He nevertheless takes an interest in promoting the success of the party with which he is identified.

FRANCIS FORD CUMMINS, Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, Pa., is a native of Westmoreland county, Pa., born in Fairfield township, October 7, 1851. His parents are Thomas and Mary (Henderson) Cummins. Thomas Cummins was born in Tell township, Huntingdon county, February 22, 1822. When he was ten or twelve years of age, his parents removed to Westmoreland county; there he early learned the practical part of farming, but for a time was engaged in engineering on the old Portage Railroad. During the war of the Rebellion, Thomas Cummins served for one year in the Two Hundred and Eleventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, taking part in the battles of Petersburg, Hatchers Run, Fort Steadman, and a number of minor engagements. He was mustered out in June, 1865. His wife was Mary, daughter of John A. Henderson, of Westmoreland county. Their children are: Francis Ford; James H., blacksmith at Johnstown, Pa., married Mary Myers; George W., on the old homestead in Westmoreland county, a man of very great industry, married Sophia Spyer; and Sarah Margaret, married in 1896 to W. A. Cautfield, who is in mercantile business at West Fairfield, Pa. Thomas Cummins died in 1891; his wife survived him until March, 1896.

The early youth of Francis F. Cummins was passed on his father's farm; his education was obtained in the common schools. Mr. Thomas Cummins had upon his farm a carpenter shop and a forge, in which his sons learned very valuable lessons, acquiring practical knowledge of two of the most useful handicrafts. With the mechanical skill thus obtained, and the small capital laid up by economizing his earnings as a boy, Francis started out hopefully to make his way in the world, and very well has he accomplished his intention. Full of youthful strength and enterprise, he took to himself a helpmate, and

was for some time a farmer. But his wife's ill health obliged him to leave the farm. She died, leaving him with a little daughter, Elsie G., not quite two years old. After roaming around for a time, Mr. Cummins set out for Arizona, in the congenial company of J. F. Trimble. At Holbrook, Arizona, Mr. Cummins found employment as a carpenter, in building bridges for the A. P. R. R. Co. After six months of faithful service, he was promoted to be bridge inspector, and held that position for two years. He then went to Colorado, his companion remaining in Arizona. Mr. Cummins now engaged with the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad Company, as bridge builder, but remained in their employ only six months, and then returned to his home and to farming. In 1889, he determined once more to seek his fortunes in the wide west, having up to this time made but slow advances towards a competency; his spirit and determination were, however, undiminished. His destination now was Washington. For some time he made Seattle and Tacoma his headquarters, going from those points in various directions, building bridges. Hearing of large finds of gold-bearing quartz, he concluded to try prospecting for a while; so, providing himself with the necessary outfit, he set out to explore the valleys of the White, Green and Black rivers, and parts of Oregon. But the result was not encouraging; and in 1890 Mr. Cummins once more sought the old Keystone State, whose promise, if not so dazzling as that of the great gold-fields, is more sure. He first came to Westmoreland county, and soon after, in partnership with Harry L. Henderson, engaged in mercantile business at Newport, Perry county. In August of the same year, buying his partner's interest, Mr. Cummins came to Orbisonia and opened a general store, in which he has since carried on a thriving and ever increasing trade. This is due not only to his business ability, but to his upright and strictly impartial dealing. Mr. Cummins has built a fine modern residence in Orbisonia. In the spring of 1896, he purchased a farm of 210 acres in Cronwell township. He is a Democrat of the Jacksonian type; is interested in politics, but has never been willing to hold office. As a citizen and as a man, Mr. Cummins is held in high esteem.

Francis Ford Cummins was married the second time in Westmoreland county to C.

May, daughter of Robert Cauffield, of that county. They have five children; Georgiana; Mary Jane; Elmer Cauffield; Homer Wray; and Ruth Elizabeth.

J. M. STEESE, Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, Pa., son of Charles and Barbara (Smith) Steese, was born October 15, 1861, at Mifflinburg, Union county, Pa. His father, Charles Steese, as well as his grandfather, David Steese, was a farmer, and a resident throughout his life of Union county. Charles Steese's education included only a limited course in the common schools, and a practical knowledge of agricultural business. His wife was a native of Snyder county, where their marriage took place. Their children are: Henry, enlisted, though he was still very young, at the beginning of the war of the Rebellion, and was killed at the battle of Fredericksburg; Susan (Mrs. Martin L. Mensch), of Union county; Thomas W., coach-maker, near Mifflinburg, Pa.; Savilla (Mrs. Frank Kline), resides near New Berlin, Union county; Charles A., died young; and J. M. Steese. The mother died in 1866, and the father in 1889.

Until about eighteen years of age, J. M. Steese attended the common schools of his native place; at that age he became a teacher in his own county, and continued to teach for three terms. The next three years, from 1882 to 1885, Mr. Steese devoted to reading law, his preceptor being Thomas J. Smith, Esq., of Middleburg, Pa. In March, 1885, he was admitted to the bar at Middleburg, where he resided until the fall of 1886, when he removed to Orbisonia, opened a law office, and has ever since continued in practise here. He is a skilful and successful lawyer, a Republican of very decided opinions. He has taken an active part in politics; was candidate for nomination for district attorney in the spring of 1896, and though he did not receive the nomination, does not feel that he has reason for discouragement. Mr. Steese, now in his early prime, has before him a career which promises to be one of profit and usefulness.

J. M. Steese was married at Orbisonia, November 14, 1889, to Cora G., daughter of W. H. and Margaret (Thompson) Miller, a native of that borough. Their only child is named John Martin. Mr. Steese is a member of the Reformed church.

B. F. CHILCOAT, Rock Hill, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born July 14, 1829, in Cromwell township, Huntingdon county. He is a son of William M. and Keziah (Long) Chilcoat. The first of the Chilcoat family to come to America was John, who was banished from England in early colonial times for participation in some insurrection of those troubled days. His property in England was confiscated. Soon after his coming to America, he was joined by his brother James. John and James Chilcoat bought from Lord Baltimore tracts of land of 100 acres each, where the city of Baltimore now stands. John had one son, who bore the same name as himself. John Chilcoat (2) had four sons: Robinson; John; Joshua; and Humphrey. The first named, Robinson Chilcoat, was the great-grandfather of Mr. B. F. Chilcoat. He removed with his family from Maryland to Huntingdon county, Pa., and had their home near Shirleysburg. About the beginning of the Revolution, the Indians in that vicinity became so troublesome that Robinson Chilcoat was obliged to sell his farm, and removed to North Carolina. In the earlier stage of the difficulty between the colonies and the mother country, Mr. Chilcoat sympathized with England; but later, becoming thoroughly convinced of the righteousness of the American cause, he gave his life for it. He became one of the "rebels," joining the Continental army; was captured by the British, and died while a prisoner, of camp fever. The sons of Robinson Chilcoat, so far as known, are: Nicodemus, who died of paralysis in Huntingdon county; John, the second son, went to Tennessee, reared a family, and died; Hethcoat, died in Licking county, O.; Joshua, settled in Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, and died; Humphrey, also settled in Huntingdon county, and died there; Benjamin, grandfather of B. F. Chilcoat, settled in Clay township, same county; and James, died in Cassville, Huntingdon county, about 1838.

Benjamin Chilcoat settled on a farm near Three Springs, Huntingdon county. For several years he conducted a grist-mill at Saltillo. He married Comfort McLain. Their children are: Elizabeth, died unmarried; Nancy (Mrs. Christian Moore), deceased; Mary, married Samuel Hicks, and died March 29, 1868; William M.; Sarah (Mrs. Henry Huntman), deceased; John, died in Orbisonia, Pa.; and

Susan, deceased, was married first to John Cornelius, afterwards to Joshua Kelly. Mrs. Comfort Chilcoat died in Cromwell township, March 8, 1844; her husband died July 31, 1854, aged about ninety-six. William M. Chilcoat, who was born in Clay township, Huntingdon county, June 10, 1797, was more thoroughly educated in practical matters, especially such as pertained to the cultivation of the soil, than in the knowledge obtained from books. He was married to Keziah Long in Clay township, near Saltillo; a year later they removed to Cromwell township, where he passed the remainder of his life. Their children are: James S., deceased; John W., mail carrier, of Shirleysburg, Pa.; Sarah (Mrs. Daniel Heck), died in 1865; B. F.; Thomas L., farmer, of Cromwell township; Mary E. (Mrs. Thomas Webb), of Cromwell township. The mother of this family died October 3, 1847. Some time after William M. Chilcoat was again married; his second wife was Pernelia Martin, a native of Perry county, Pa. Their children are: Margaret J., married first to Lawrence Hagbloom, a Swede by birth, afterwards to George Doughman, with whom she now resides near MeKeesport, Pa.; and Rebecca E. (Mrs. George Numer), of Ardenheim, Huntingdon county. Mr. William M. Chilcoat died April 12, 1880. He was a much respected member and class leader in the Methodist church.

His third son, B. F. Chilcoat, was educated in the common schools, and brought up to carry on agricultural work. He was an active and venturesome youth, liking to spend what time he could spare in hunting and fishing. In September, 1835, his parents and some of their relatives emigrated to what was then the "far west;" that is, they made a journey of thirteen days, with a four-horse team, to Licking county, O., conveying with them their family and effects. Mr. William Chilcoat rented a farm in Licking county, four miles from Granville. But in March, 1836, the family returned to Huntingdon county by wagon, as they had left it, and consuming about the same time on the return journey as when they had gone out. B. F. Chilcoat remained with his father until May 23, 1854, when he was married at Orbisonia to Ruhama, daughter of Adam and Mary (Stevens) Miller. The young couple kept house in Orbisonia until April 1 following. In the fall of

1852 he began teaching school, and continued to do so for about twenty-five terms.

On February 27, 1864, Mr. Chiloat enlisted at Norristown, Montgomery county, Pa., others from Huntingdon county accompanying him. Twelve or fifteen men left Orbisonia at that time, with the intention of enlisting; some went to Hollidaysburg, Pa., others to Philadelphia, whither they were induced to go by hearing of large bounties paid there. Those who enlisted at Hollidaysburg received only \$225, while Mr. Chiloat and others were paid \$390. His enlistment was in Company B, One Hundred and Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteers. After joining his regiment in West Virginia, about March 20, 1864, Mr. Chiloat was for some time disabled for duty by illness. His first engagement was that of Hatcher's Run, where he was slightly injured in the left arm by the explosion of a shell. He was discharged June 28, 1865, returned home July 4, and resumed farming. From 1876 to 1883, Mr. Chiloat was engaged in hauling ore for the furnace, running one four-horse and three two-horse teams for that purpose. From 1883, for the next three years, he was traveling agent for a New York nursery farm. In May, 1895, he opened a general store at Rockhill, which he has ever since successfully conducted. Mr. Chiloat's public services have been various. In 1854, and again in 1857, he was elected constable of Cromwell township. In 1873 he was elected justice of the peace for Rockhill borough, and has held the same position ever since. In 1893 he received his appointment as postmaster of Rockhill Furnace, and is still in office. On September 19, 1868, he was initiated into the I. O. O. F.; in 1869 he was chosen secretary of Orbisonia Lodge, and except during an interval of eighteen months, has ever since served the lodge in that capacity. He is a member of Col. Isaac Rogers Post, No. 252, G. A. R., of Orbisonia, and of the P. O. S. of A. His political tenets are Republican.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Chiloat are: Edmund B., married Margaret J. Buchanan, resides in Rock Hill, Huntingdon county; Albert O., machinist, Rock Hill, Pa., married Sarah E. Barnett; Margaret A., went as a teacher of a school to Wheatland, Wyoming Territory in the fall of 1889, and was married in Denver, Col., to William Brown, a native of Canton, O.; Sarah E. (Mrs. Sam-

uel O'Neil), Roberts-dale, Huntingdon county; Rebecca E.; William M. C., machinist, of Rock Hill, married Margaret U. Pattison; and Mary C., at home, a school teacher, who had the distinction of receiving the best certificate given in the county. Mr. Chiloat has been for more than forty years a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

JOHN BARKLE, Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born November 1, 1842, at Littlebeside, near St. Day, Cornwall, England, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Barkle. His grandfather, Samson Barkle, was also a Cornishman, a miner and farmer, who raised his children on his own farm, and lived and died in his native land. He left a family of sons, as follows: Samson; John; William; Richard; Stephen; Thomas; and James. Richard Barkle was a miner. He came to the United States in 1852, leaving his family in England; worked in the copper mines on Lake Superior for about three years; then engaged as manager of mines with the Black Bear Mining Company, of Klamath, Cal., and continued in that position until his death in 1875, at the age of fifty-five. He is buried in San Francisco. Mrs. Richard Barkle, after the death of her husband, came to America, and has ever since made her home with her son, John Barkle; she is now seventy-five years of age. Their children are: Mary (Mrs. William Buzza), Orbisonia, Pa.; Eliza (Mrs. William Moyle), came to America before her marriage, and during her married life resided in Bedford county, Pa.; Richard, died in Bedford county, Pa.; and Elizabeth (Mrs. George Sandow), Walkersville, Mont.

In the boyhood of John Barkle a good education was not as easily attainable in England as it is to-day; he was, however, a pupil in private schools until about his fifteenth year, when he began to be employed in the copper mines. His wages were at first small, but were gradually increased up to the time when he emigrated to Nova Scotia. He sailed from Liverpool on the "Mozart," a sailing vessel, April 28, 1866, and after a very stormy passage of twenty-eight days, landed at Halifax, N. S. A disastrous conflagration was raging in the city at the time of his landing. The country was also in a turmoil over the Fenian difficulties. For three weeks Mr. Barkle accepted any kind of work that offered itself.

He then went upon the Dartmouth fort, under engagement at tunneling beneath the fort. That labor being completed, in the same year he went to Boston, Mass., thence to the Schuylkill county mines, in Pennsylvania, where he worked for a short time, and thence to Eagle River, Mich., where he was employed for one winter in the Phoenix copper mines. After an interval of idleness, Mr. Barkle returned to Pennsylvania; here for five years he worked as contractor for the Morgan Iron Company, Lewistown, Mifflin county. Removing in 1874 to Orbisonia, he worked under contract with the Rockhill Furnace Company until, in 1892, he gave up that line of business, and for some time had no special vocation. In the spring of 1895 Mr. Barkle purchased a farm of 102 acres in Cromwell township. He has built a fine residence for his family in Orbisonia. Mr. Barkle is a respected and serviceable citizen. He is a Republican in his political views; has served for a three years' term in the school board.

John Barkle was married at Lewistown, Pa., in 1870, to Mary Jane, daughter of John and Elinor (Steel) Strong. Their children are: Beatrice (Mrs. G. M. Enycart), Orbisonia, Pa.; Maud; Elinor; Egbert; Raymond Paul; and Eugene. Mr. Barkle has served several years in the council of the Methodist church, of which he is a member.

SAMUEL J. CLOYD, Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in that borough December 15, 1833, son of John and Harriet (Rutter) Cloyd. The family name is Scotch-Irish; Mr. Cloyd's grandfather came to this country from Ireland; his grandmother was a native of Scotland. His father, John Cloyd, was born in Centre county, Pa., in 1810, and grew up in his native place. He afterwards settled near Orbisonia, Pa., where he pursued his calling, that of cabinet-maker and carpenter. He was married to Miss Rutter in Cromwell township. Their children are: Eliza Jane (Mrs. John L. Ripple), deceased; Samuel J.; and Thomas, grocer, of Orbisonia. John Cloyd died in Orbisonia in 1841; his wife long survived him, living to the age of eighty-four; for many years before her death she had her home with her son Samuel.

Samuel J. Cloyd was educated in the common schools and at Milwood Academy, Shade Gap, Pa. He was about seven years of age

when his father died, and he lived among strangers, attending school and working on the farm, until he was fifteen. At that age he began to learn carpentry and cabinet-making, serving an apprenticeship of three years, the first year at \$2 per month, the second at \$2.50, and the third at \$3. Mr. Cloyd continued to pursue this vocation until his enlistment in the Twelfth Pennsylvania Reserves, Company I, at Orbisonia, in March, 1862.

Having been mustered into service at Harrisburg, Pa., March 24, the company left that place for the front on April 7, joined their regiment at Alexandria, Va., and proceeded to Manassas Junction. A month and a half later they went by steambloat down the Rappahannock, and took part in the Seven Days' battle; then retreated to Belts Landing, on the Potomac, thence marched successively to Falmouth, to Warrenton, and to Bull Run, where they participated in the second engagement of that name. They were then for a short time in camp near Washington, on the Virginia side of the Potomac river. The battle of South Mountain was their next engagement, and the next, September 17, 1862, was Antietam, where Mr. Cloyd was wounded by a minie ball in the right arm above the elbow. His arm was amputated in an old farm-house on the battle-field, and he was then sent to an improvised hospital, in an old mill in the near neighborhood. Two or three weeks later, he was sent home, and after recovery, was discharged.

Having obtained a position as school teacher, Mr. Cloyd taught for two months; at the end of that time, he received his appointment as clerk in the Ordnance Department, at Washington, D. C., and served in that capacity for eighteen months. Among the recollections of that period of his life are some which Mr. Cloyd may possibly regard as partial, though slight, compensation for the suffering and sacrifice involved in his patriotic service. His residence in the capital brought him within sight and hearing of many of the foremost men of the country. He heard an oration by the celebrated Frederick Douglas; he also heard Henry Ward Beecher. On one occasion, he was present when the renowned Bishop Simpson, of the Methodist Episcopal church, preached in the hall of the House of Representatives. President and Mrs. Lincoln were also in the audience. Many were moved

to tears by the Bishop's eloquence; and more than once did the expression of the President's homely, but earnest countenance, and his moist eyes, bear witness to the tenderness and susceptibility of his feelings.

At the close of his engagement in Washington, Mr. Cloyd returned to Huntingdon county, and in 1869, he was elected county treasurer for a term of two years, after which he bought the hundred-acre farm upon which he has ever since resided. He supervises its cultivation, but does no active work. Mr. Cloyd is a staunch Republican, and has held many minor township offices.

Samuel J. Cloyd was married in 1859, in Cromwell township, to Elizabeth Miller. Their children are: Ralph Emerson; John Raymond; and Walter Scott. Mr. Cloyd is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church at Orbisonia.

ENOS O. ROGERS, Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born on the old Rogers homestead in Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, September 20, 1841. He is the son of John and Matilda (Gorsuch) Rogers. The Rogers family is of Irish descent, and the ancestry of Miss Gorsuch was Scotch. John Rogers was born within the limits of Huntingdon county, while it was still included in Bedford county. He settled in Cromwell township, and died at the home of his son, Enos, in July, 1887. The children of Mr. and Mrs. John Rogers are: James M., was for six months in the Union army during the war of the Rebellion, with the rank of private, and died in Rockhill, Huntingdon county; Isaac G., enlisted in October, 1861, as first lieutenant, Company B, was promoted to captain, major (December 21, 1862), lieutenant colonel (December, 1863), and colonel (April 23, 1864), of the One Hundred and Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, was wounded at the battle of the Wilderness and at Sportsylvania Court House, Va., and died from the effects of the latter wound, May 28, 1864; Angeline (Mrs. Joseph Detwiler), Rockhill, Pa.; Jemima (Mrs. William H. Wilson), Rockhill, Pa.; Enos O.; Catherine, married first to William Carrothers, who died, and later to George Bard, after which she died in Cromwell township; and John A., farmer, Cromwell township.

Enos O. Rogers was brought up on the farm,

and received his education in the common schools of his native township. His opportunities for education were limited, the schools being at a considerable distance from their home, and the rather straitened circumstances of the family making it necessary for the father to look to his boys for help in cultivating his farm. Mr. Rogers remained at home until August 2, 1861, when he enlisted in Company A, Forty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers. He was mustered into service at Harrisburg, Pa., September 2, 1861, and immediately sent to the front. His first battles were those of Winchester, and Middletown, Va., Winchester, second, and Cedar Mountain; here he was wounded in the left leg by a minie ball and buckshot, but remained in the ranks, and performed his duty. His next battle, August 27, 1862, was at Sulphur Springs, Va.; then successively the Second Bull Run, South Mountain, September 14, and Antietam, September 17, 1862; then Chancellorsville, May 1, 2, and 3, and Gettysburg, July 1, 2, and 3, 1863; then Resaca, Ga., May 15, Cassville, Ga., May 19, Dallas, Ga., May 25, and Pine Knob, Ga., June 9, 1864. In the last named engagement Mr. Rogers was wounded in the head. Then followed the engagements at Culp's Farm, Ga., and Peach Tree Creek, Ga., where he was wounded in the left foot, and had to be conveyed to the hospital. Mr. Rogers' next and last battle was that of Bentonville, Ga., after which his regiment marched to Raleigh, N. C., and thence to Washington, D. C. His well-earned promotions were: to corporal, September 18, 1862; to sergeant, April 1, 1863; to first sergeant, December 25, 1863; to first lieutenant, February 9, 1865. On July 16, 1865, Mr. Rogers was discharged, and returned to his home; thus closed a chapter of faithful and gallant service, written among the records cherished by a grateful country.

After his return from the war, Mr. Rogers studied photography, and continued for about a year in that business. He was then in the lumber and contracting business for twelve or fifteen years, and afterwards turned his attention to farming, at which he has ever since continued. In 1887, he was elected county treasurer for a term of three years. He was justice of the peace in Cromwell township for ten years, has served in nearly all township offices, and has declined

others. He is a Republican, "dyed in the wool." He is a member of the Orange; of Col. Isaac Rogers Post, No. 252, G. A. R., Orbisonia; of the Union Veteran Legion of Huntingdon, Pa., and of the A. P. A., of Orbisonia.

Enos O. Rogers was married, June 11, 1866, at Orbisonia, Pa., by Justice Robert Garrett, to Annie E., daughter of John and Jane (Snyder) McKelvey. Their children are: Ulysses J., born August 12, 1868, died October 8, 1869; Roland J., born February 12, 1870, taught school for two terms, is a farmer with his father, is married to Rose Barron; Edith (Mrs. R. Milton Heck), Woodvale, Pa., born February 9, 1872; Jackson D., born February 22, 1874, farmer in Cromwell township, married Lillian Comer; Matilda J. (Mrs. William Miller), Orbisonia, Pa., born July 4, 1876; Joseph Ira, born September 26, 1878; Lennel Beers, born January 21, 1881; Vivian Victor, born May 25, 1883; Jesse O., born July 26, 1885, died October 5, 1890; and Viola, born February 11, 1888, died September 24, 1890. Mrs. Rogers is a member of the United Brethren church.

JOSEPH BEERS, Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born 1830, in Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, son of Benjamin and Nancy (Roberts) Beers. Mr. Beers attended the public schools, and the academy at Shade Gap. In his early youth he worked for his father. About 1851, he began the study of law, at home, and in 1856 went to Iowa City, Ia., where he pursued his studies with Clark Bros., attorneys, with whom he remained three years. During this time he was admitted to the Iowa state bar. He returned to his home at the end of this time, and continued his studies there. In 1862, when the war of the Rebellion began, Mr. Beers enlisted for three years, in Company I, Twelfth Pennsylvania Re-erves. His first engagement was the battle of Fredericksburg; after this his regiment was ordered to Washington, where he served one month on guard duty. His next battle was at Gettysburg; next at Antietam and Boonshoro. While following Lee, they were ordered back to Frederick, Md., crossed the river, went up the Shenandoah valley, took part in all that campaign, and defeated the rebels at Manassas Gap. While there, Mr. Beers ascended the

mountain and viewed the retreat of Lee's army.

After the conclusion of the campaign his regiment took part in the battle of Petersburg, which was followed by continual fighting all that summer. Mr. Beers was captured, with nearly all of his regiment, at Weldon Railroad, but they turned on the enemy, en masse, captured all their guns, and made them prisoners; this happened August 14, 1864. He was discharged in front of Petersburg in March, 1865. Mr. Beers shared the hardships of war with his comrades; at one time he was on picket duty for sixteen consecutive days and nights; the exposure had its effect, and for nearly fifteen years after the war his condition was such as to unfit him for any business; after his health began to improve, he bought his present home, a farm of seventy-five acres, and has given his attention to it, though not strong enough to do much work. But ill health did not keep Mr. Beers in idleness; he has written and published two books, one on vegetarianism and one entitled, "Pilgrim's Guide, How to be Saved." He is engaged on a third book, which is also of a religious nature. Mr. Beers is a Republican.

JACOB HAMMOND, Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born near Strasburg, Franklin county, Pa., April 12, 1824. He is the son of Peter and Sarah Hammond. Peter Hammond, grandfather of Jacob Hammond, was a native of Germany, and was one of the first settlers at Hummelstown, Dauphin county, Pa. He was a farmer and at one time owned large tracts of land. He died in Dauphin county. Peter Hammond, the father of Jacob, enlisted for the war of 1812, and had started to join his regiment, when peace was declared. He was born in Hummelstown, Dauphin county, Pa. Here he grew up and married. Shortly after his marriage, in order to pay bail which had been forfeited, he was obliged to sell his property. He had friends in Franklin county, and thither he removed, taking his family and goods in wagons, and settled near Strasburg. While Mr. Hammond lived in Dauphin county he farmed, but he was a ready workman and could succeed in almost anything he undertook. After his removal to Franklin county, his occupations were varied. He died in Path valley,

Franklin county, about 1859, aged seventy-five.

Jacob Hammond attended school in Franklin county until he was eleven years old, when he moved with his brother, Peter, to a farm which his brother had purchased in Cromwell township, Huntingdon county. His mother died when he was twelve. Jacob Hammond remained with his brother, attending school and working on the farm until he was fifteen, when he found employment among the farmers of Franklin and Huntingdon counties. For several years, Mr. Hammond rented a farm; but in 1856 he bought his present home, then a farm of 150 acres, to which he has added until he now owns 5,000 acres. Mr. Hammond is a self-made man, one who has always "hoed his own row." He is a member of the Republican party, but has never sought office.

In 1842, Jacob Hammond was married in Cromwell township, to Sarah, daughter of Benjamin Rinker. She died in 1862, leaving nine children: Martin; Calvin; Melissa, deceased; Peter; Elizabeth; Margaret; Benjamin; Ellen, deceased; and Sarah. Mr. Hammond's second wife was Rebecca, daughter of William and Jane (Martin) Booth. Their children are: Robert, deceased; John; Jennie; Belle; Rhoads; William; Harrison, deceased; Elliott; and Louisa.

SAMUEL LEONARD, Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, in 1843. He is the son of James W. and Martha E. (Irwin) Leonard. James W. Leonard, father of Samuel Leonard, was born near Donnally Mills, Perry county, Pa. He was a farmer, a man of commanding presence, tall and well formed. About 1840 he moved to Huntingdon county. Mr. Leonard was a member of the Republican party. He was married in Cromwell township, to Martha E. Irwin, who was a native of Huntingdon county. Samuel was their only child.

Samuel Leonard spent his youth on the farm and attended the public schools. When he was sixteen he learned blacksmithing with P. H. Davis, in Fulton county, Pa., remaining with him for one year. In 1860, Mr. Leonard went to Cromwell township, and for two years and a half, farmed for Samuel Bolinger. After working in the mines at Rock Hill for five

months, Mr. Leonard enlisted at Harrisburg, July 27, 1864, in Company K, Two Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was credited to Berks county. The regiment was sent to the front and took part in many skirmishes. Mr. Leonard was mustered out at Harrisburg, August 8, 1865. Returning to Cromwell township he resumed farming on the Irwin place. For one year he rented and then bought his present home of eighty-three acres, where he has erected a large comfortable dwelling. Mr. Leonard is a staunch Democrat. He has held various township offices, having served as school director for fifteen years, as assessor for six years and as auditor for one term.

Samuel Leonard was married in Cromwell township, August, 1862, to Hannah M., daughter of William and Margaret (Jones) Gilliland, born March, 1842. Their children are: Martha Laura, living in Harrisburg; James M., at home; Joseph C., a merchant in Pittsburg; Ida B., in Harrisburg; John A., at home; Mary Emma, at Harrisburg; Thomas C., at home; Howard, at home; and William G., also at home.

JAMES MORGAN, Valley Point, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born near Orbisonia, Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, Pa., April 28, 1810. He is the son of Joshua and Hannah (Stork) Morgan. Mr. Morgan's grandfather, Joshua Morgan, was born in Wales, and came to the United States after his marriage. He settled on the Douglass farm in Cromwell township, which he bought and cultivated until his death. Joshua Morgan was a soldier in the Continental army. He died at his home in Cromwell township.

Joshua Morgan, father of James Morgan, was born on the old Douglass farm, situated between Orbisonia and Shirleysburg, Huntingdon county, Pa. He was a teamster, and drove from Philadelphia to Pittsburg. When he was past middle age, Mr. Morgan turned his attention to farming. He was a member of the Republican party. Joshua Morgan was married in Chester county, Pa., to Hannah Stork, whose parents were natives of Germany. Their children were: Margaret; Jacob; John; Polly (Mrs. Samuel Bard); Joshua; Thomas; Kitty; James; and William. Of these James only is living. Joshua Morgan died at the home of his son James;

his wife died in Cromwell township, April 17, 1872, aged seventy years, eight months and thirteen days. When George Washington was inaugurated in New York, Mrs. Morgan was present and admired the beautiful white horse which the President rode.

James Morgan was born on the farm which he now owns. He was a farmer's boy and had no opportunities for acquiring an education. He worked on the farm and chopped wood for the furnaces. He often received but \$2.00 a month, and on such wages he was obliged to clothe himself and pay board. Before the canals and railroads were opened, he had to carry his letters to Huntingdon to mail them and each letter cost twenty-five cents postage. After his marriage he settled on a farm of 150 acres, which he still owns. He cultivated this farm for many years, after which he bought from his sister thirty acres on which he now resides. Mr. Morgan is very industrious, and is never happy when unemployed. He is a fine old gentleman, strong and hearty, a very interesting talker, kind and genial, and highly esteemed by all who know him. Mr. Morgan has never sought political office. He delights in long walks. In the summer of 1895, he walked into Mifflin county, Pa., as far as McVeytown, a part of the country which he had not visited for sixty-five years. He left home in the morning, expecting to return the same day. The distance from his home to McVeytown is twenty-two miles. Mr. Morgan reached that place and started on the return trip, but stopping at the house of his nephew, who lives seventeen miles from McVeytown, he was persuaded to remain that night. This walk was considered as a great feat for a man of his age. In the spring of 1896, Mr. Morgan walked from his home to Orbisonia and returned, a distance of fourteen miles.

James Morgan was married in Cromwell township, to Elizabeth, daughter of David James, of York county, Pa. Their children are: Oliver, a farm laborer in Huntingdon county, married Miss Shapley; Sylvester, a farmer in Westmoreland county, Pa., married Miss Erwin; Hannah Jane (Mrs. R.G. Erwin), of Valley Point, Shirley township; George, a farmer in Mifflin county, married Miss Traxler; and James Pollard, born December 25, 1857, in Cromwell township. He was educated in the public schools. He was a farmer's

son and has always farmed. He was married October 16, 1884, to Mary Belle, daughter of James and Sarah (Millhause) Miley. Their children are: David W., died in infancy; Goldie; Byron, lumberman in Huntingdon county, served as supervisor for nine years; William R., a farmer in Cromwell township; and Elizabeth (Mrs. John A. Gumbert), resides in Cromwell township. Mr. James Morgan is a life-long member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

JOHN A. GUMBERT, Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born near Westminster, Carroll county, Md., November 3, 1862. He is the son of Frederick and Anna Christina (Hastfield) Gumbert. John A. Gumbert's father, Frederick Gumbert, was born in Germany, April 13, 1822. He was a young man when he came to America, and settled in Maryland, where he was married, February 25, 1855, to Anna Christina Hastfield, born in Germany, October 16, 1825. Miss Hastfield came to America alone, and joined her brothers in Maryland. Some time after, her father and step-mother also came to Maryland. Mr. Gumbert was a cooper and weaver, and worked at both these trades while living in Maryland. In 1864 he moved to Huntingdon county, Pa., and bought a farm in Springfield township. He sold this farm in 1868 and bought one in Meadow Gap which he exchanged for another farm in 1869; on this one he lived until 1886. He then bought a house and lot in Orbisonia, where he resides, and works at weaving. Mr. Gumbert's political views are Democratic. His wife is still living. Of their ten children only three survive: David, born July 15, 1859, a farmer in Huntingdon county; Catharine Elizabeth (Mrs. Eli Wakefield), born March 19, 1861, living in Huntingdon county; and John A. Gumbert. Mr. Frederick Gumbert and his wife are members of the Dunkard church.

John A. Gumbert was seventeen months old when his parents moved to Springfield township, Huntingdon county, Pa. He remained at home until he was eighteen, attending the public schools in winter and working with his father on the farm. In the summer of 1882, he hired as a farm hand to William Cook, working for him nine months, then came home and stayed there until, in August, 1883, he hired as farm hand for two years in

Germany valley. In 1885 he went to Petersburg, working for farmers and on the railroad. He spent one year in Potter county, Pa., peeling bark. In 1889, Mr. Gumbert returned to Huntingdon county and purchased from his father a farm of 165 acres, in Cromwell township. Here he built the home to which he brought his bride, Elizabeth, daughter of James and Elizabeth (James) Morgan, April 28, 1891. Their only child, James Frederick, died in infancy. On March 31, 1897, Mr. Gumbert made a sale of his personal property, and removed to Tyrone, Blair county, Pa., where he is at present engaged in working by the day. Mr. Gumbert is a self-made man. He is a Democrat; in voting, however, he considers character rather than party. He is a member of the Dunkard church.

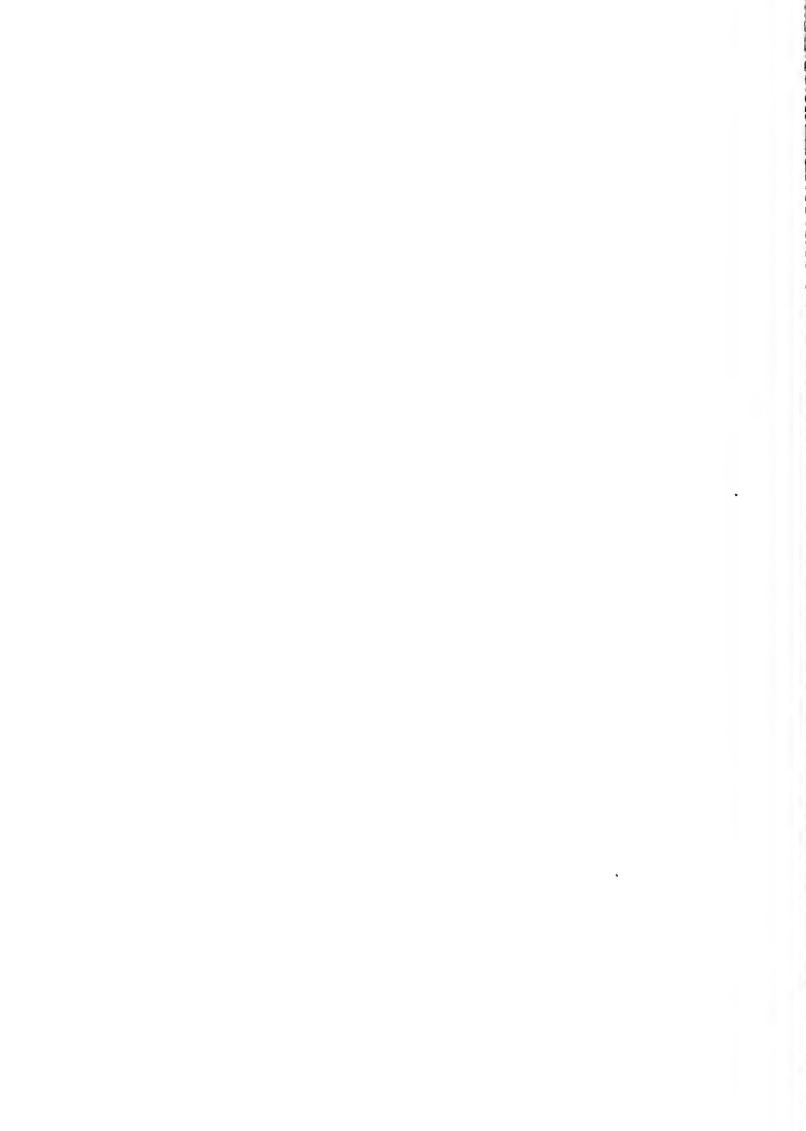
ALFRED L. CAROTHERS, Lodema, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Cromwell township, August 10, 1846. He is the son of Lewis and Elizabeth (Colgate) Carothers. Lewis Charles, father of Alfred L. Carothers, was born in Shirley township. Here he grew up and learned carpentry, at which trade he worked nearly all his life. He died in June, 1878, aged seventy-five. His wife was a member of the Presbyterian church.

Alfred L. Carothers was educated in the public schools of Cromwell township, and at Juniata Seminary in Shirleysburg, Pa. In 1861 he began teaching school in the winter. He taught for two terms in Shirley township, and for three in Cromwell township. In 1865, Mr. Carothers went to Venango county, Pa., in the employ of John Bare as teamster in the oil fields, receiving \$50 a month and board. At night he studied the art of drilling oil-wells, and after a few weeks, becoming dissatisfied with his position as teamster, he began to drill wells, receiving \$5 a day. Shortly after he added the business of dressing tools. At the end of nine months, Mr. Carothers had earned \$300; this whole amount was lost by the failure of his employer, Colonel Foote, of New York. Discouraged by his loss, Mr. Carothers left the oil fields as soon as he had earned money enough to take him home. When a boy he had learned carpentry with his father. He now turned his attention to farming and to his trade. In 1878, Mr. Ca-

rothers bought the farm of 116 acres which he now owns. He is a staunch Republican, and has filled various township offices; he is assessor for nine years. In August, 1895, Mr. Carothers was appointed post-master of Lodema, which position he still holds.

Alfred L. Carothers was married February 23, 1869, to Maggie, second daughter of Samuel Bowman. She died in 1876. They had three children: Myra A. (Mrs. Frederick Graf), of Wilkinsburg, near Pittsburg; Ira, died in infancy; and Alberta S., at school in Pittsburg. In February, 1878, Mr. Carothers was married a second time to Mary A. Youtz. Their children are: Harry H., at home; Emma J.; Della May; Alfred F.; Bessie D.; Raymond E.; Coyle; and Lodema.

REV. R. S. WOODWARD, Mapleton, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Chester county, Pa., February 18, 1830. He is the son of Moses and Ellen (Supplee) Woodward. His grandfather, Jesse Woodward, was born in Chester county, Pa., near West Chester, on the Brandywine. His whole life was spent in the cultivation of the soil. While a child he went with his uncle to visit the battlefield on the Sunday after the battle of Brandywine. Jesse Woodward was a man of magnificent physique. The children of Jesse Woodward and his wife, Elizabeth, were eight in number, five sons and three daughters. He died on his farm near West Chester, about 1838, aged eighty-six. Moses Woodward, father of R. S. Woodward, was born in 1789 on the homestead near West Chester. He received his education in subscription schools, and was a farmer all his life. At his father's death he succeeded to the homestead. Mr. Woodward was married in Chester county, to Ellen Supplee. In 1851, he took his wife and family to Juniata county, Pa., and bought a farm situated near Salem, consisting of 150 acres, most of it cleared. This place he improved and cultivated until his death. Like his father, he was a man of fine proportions, being six feet five inches in height, and weighing two hundred and twenty-five pounds. In early life he was a Quaker, but after marriage he became a Methodist, of which denomination his wife was a member for over eighty years. Mrs. Woodward was born in 1800, in Germantown, Pa., and died in 1890, in Lancaster county, Pa., while visiting her young-





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est daughter. Moses Woodward was an old line Whig. Their children are: John, deceased; Jesse, died in Florida, in the Union army; Moses, deceased; Amos, had married in Alexandria, Va., and was living there when the war broke out, remained in the Confederacy, and served until the close of the war as an engineer; Sarah, died young; Rev. R. S.; Annie (Mrs. J. M. Gelbo), of Philadelphia, Pa.; Lewis, lived at Alexandria before the war, enlisted in the Union army, and was lost on the Wabash; Elihu Parish, after being in the Union army for three months, was promoted to lieutenant colonel under General Crawford, was in the war from the beginning to the close, died in Philadelphia, where his widow and one son reside; and E. Christiana, widow of Wesley Cross, who died in the army, leaving two daughters. Mr. Cross had carried the pictures of his wife and daughters through all the perils of army life, and when dying, gave his treasure to a comrade to bear it to his wife.

R. S. Woodward grew up on the homestead, and received his education in the public schools and in Guthrie's Academy. When he was twenty-one, his parents moved to Juniata county, Pa. Here he taught school for eleven winter terms, living on the farm and assisting in its cultivation until his father's death. In 1867, he sold the farm and moved to Three Springs, where he taught school and preached. Mr. Woodward has occupied many charges in the United Brethren church. He was stationed at Three Springs for three years; at Richmond, Jefferson county, Pa., for two years; at Wilmore, Cambria county, Pa., for four years; at Mt. Union, for one year, and at Orbisoma for seven years. In February, 1877, Mr. Woodward bought a farm, which he cultivated for four years, at the same time preaching in Orbisoma. After this, he had several charges, returning at intervals to his farm. He preached at Tyrone two years; at Wollarton, Clearfield county, Pa., three years; at East Conemaugh, Pa., seven years; at Morrellville, one year; at Madison, Westmoreland county, Pa., five years, and again at Three Springs. In the spring of 1893, Mr. Woodward returned to the farm, and in the same year he was elected presiding elder. From that year until 1896, he traveled through Altoona district, embracing, Huntingdon, Blair, Bedford, Centre, Clinton,

Lycoming, Juniata, Mifflin and Perry counties. He now has charge of the United Brethren congregations at Mapleton and Huntingdon. Mr. Woodward is a Republican. In 1866, Rev. R. S. Woodward was married to Catharine A. Freet, of Juniata county. Their children are: Maurice F., died at the age of nineteen; Sarah (Mrs. Jacob Ehrenfeld); John, deceased; Maggie (Mrs. David Kelly), of Tyrone, deceased; Emma C.; Parish D.; Ida M.; and Harry R., married and lives in Pittsburg; he is engaged in a telephone supply store. Most of the family are on the farm, but Mr. and Mrs. Woodward reside at present in Mapleton.

SAMUEL WILSON, assistant cashier in the Orbisoma Bank, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born November 12, 1862, in Oakland Mills, Fayette township, Juniata county, son of James Banks and Catharine (Adams) Wilson. His great-grandfather, Robert Wilson, came from Chester county, Pa., with his wife, and settled in Fayette township, Juniata county, on a farm which he cultivated all his life. He died in Fayette township. Hugh Wilson, son of Robert Wilson, was born in Fayette township, and died at McAllistersville, Juniata county, in 1847, aged about fifty years. He was reared on a farm, received a fair education, and when twenty years old embarked in the mercantile business at McAllistersville, staying there until his death. He married Martha Banks, a native of Juniata county. Their children are: Lucien; Catharine, wife of Edmund S. Doty, of Mifflintown, Pa.; James Banks; and Hugh Latimer, a farmer in Juniata county.

James Banks Wilson was born in McAllistersville, Pa., December 25, 1826. He entered his father's store at the age of fourteen. In 1855, he and his brother Lucien bought a store, a mill, and a farm property at Oakland Mills, and continued in partnership until 1888, when they sold out to Samuel and James Wilson. Mr. J. B. Wilson was, in 1889, elected vice-president of the First National Bank at Mifflintown. In 1892, he was elected president, and still holds that office, making his home at Oakland Mills. In 1856 he was married to Catharine, daughter of Jacob and Margaret (McMee) Adams. Their children are: Martha Banks, deceased; Mary Adams; Edmund Doty; Samuel and James,

twins; Margaret McMeen; William, who died in infancy; and Catharine. Mr. Wilson is a Presbyterian. He is a staunch Republican, and has served as county commissioner for two terms.

Samuel Wilson attended public schools until he was nineteen; during leisure time and vacation, he was clerk in his father's store or worked on the farm. In 1882 he began a business course at the Iron City College, Pittsburg, Pa., graduating the following spring. He served in his father's store at Oakland Mills as clerk, until the spring of 1888, when he and his twin brother, James, bought the store from their father and their uncle and conducted it until the spring of 1890. They then disposed of it to A. J. Sausman. Samuel Wilson, soon after, entered the First National Bank, at Mifflintown, of which his father was president, and remained two years. In May, 1892, he became assistant cashier of the Orbisonia Bank, and still holds that position. He is a Republican.

JOSEPH P. MCKELVY, a farmer in Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, was born November 6, 1829, in Metal township, Franklin county, son of George and Sarah Ann (Palsgrove) McKelvy. His grandfather, William McKelvy, was born in County Down, Ireland, and came to the United States alone when fifteen years old. He first secured employment as collier and wood-chopper. Later he married Miss Mary Harbaugh, a lady of German descent, and settled in Metal township, Franklin county, where both died, he being ninety-two years old, and his wife preceding him by a few years. He took part in the invasion of Canada during the Revolution. His son, George McKelvy, was born in Franklin county, in 1776, and died in 1855. He was a farmer. He married Miss Sarah Ann Palsgrove, born in Berks county, Pa., within twelve miles of the city of Reading; she died October 8, 1893, in Illinois, at the age of eighty-five. Their children are: Mary, widow of David Mumma; William, deceased; Joseph P. and a girl who died in infancy, twins; John, deceased; Nancy, widow of Benjamin Blotzett; Rebecca (Mrs. William Cowen); Elizabeth, widow of Adam Botzett; Thaddeus; George; and David, deceased.

Joseph P. McKelvy lived in Franklin county until he was eighteen years old, at-

tending the public schools and working on his father's farm. At that age he came to Huntingdon county and worked as a collier at Rock-hill Furnace, also at wood-chopping, and was so employed until he was twenty-one. On November 14, 1850, in Cromwell township, he married Elizabeth, daughter of Peter Ripple. They had nine children, six of whom died young. Those living are: John; Jennie (Mrs. O. W. Moore); and Charles. After his marriage, Joseph F. McKelvy cultivated a rented farm in Cromwell township until the spring of 1863; then worked a short time in the tan factory in Union township. The same spring he responded to Governor Curtin's call for home troops, but was discharged after a month's service. In February, 1864, he again enlisted at Hollidaysburg, Pa., in Company B, One Hundred and Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, being credited to Houston township, Blair county. Joining his regiment at Cold Harbor, Va., he later took part in the charge at Petersburg, where they were repulsed and fell back to a place called Fort Hell. Another engagement was fought at Deep Bottom, and soon another at the same place. Then being seized with bilious fever and bronchitis, he was sent in succession to the field hospital, the hospital at City Point, to one in Washington, and to one in West Philadelphia, and then sent home to vote for President Lincoln. Rejoining his regiment in December, 1864, at Yellow House, near Petersburg, he helped to tear up the Weldon Railroad, then went into winter quarters at Hatcher's Run. He took part in the battle of Hatcher's Run and that of Petersburg, in which the rebel rifle pits were taken and the Union line extended to the left. Going again into camp, they remained comparatively inactive until March 29, when they broke camp, assisted in breaking the rebel lines, and then started in pursuit of Lee. Mr. McKelvy participated in the battle of Saylor's Creek. He was discharged at Baileys Cross Roads, in June, 1865. For the next few years Mr. McKelvy worked at whatever he could find to do. In 1875 he bought a home and a few lots at Beersville, in Cromwell township. He now gives his attention to farming, and working on the railroad or in the coal business.

GEORGE W. HAFFLY, farmer, of Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, Pa., was

born September 24, 1836, in Middle Woodbury township, Bedford county, son of Samuel and Rachel (Hagerty) Haffly. His mother was a first cousin of A. T. Stewart, the late merchant prince of New York City. His maternal grandfather was a soldier in the war of 1812, was taken sick with fever and died in the hospital. He was a native of County Antrim, Ireland, and after marriage came to America and settled in Mifflin county, Pa.

John Haffly, paternal grandfather of G. W. Haffly, was born in Lancaster county, Pa. After marriage, he settled in Mifflin county near Belleville. He married Sarah Landis, who was of German descent and lived to the age of eighty-two years. Both died near Belleville, leaving the following family: Joseph; Samuel; John, deceased; Sophia (Mrs. John Smith), deceased; and Sarah, deceased.

The second son, Samuel Haffly, was born and grew to manhood in Mifflin county. In the spring of 1822 he moved to Morrisons Cove, Bedford county, and there cultivated a farm of 600 acres, owning also other farms. He died in July, 1858. His wife, Rachel (Hagerty) Haffly, lived until September, 1893, when she too passed away, at the age of ninety-three. She retained all her mental faculties until the very last. Their children were: Sarah (Mrs. Conrad Nicodemus), deceased; Mary, widow of Isaac Berget; David, deceased; Joseph, deceased; John; Samuel, who died young; George W.; and Jacob.

George W. Haffly was educated in the public schools of Bedford county and worked on the farm. He taught school two winter terms. On March 1, 1864, he was married to Sarah, daughter of Benjamin Bare. He enlisted October 6, 1864, in Company K, Two Hundred and Second Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was discharged August 7, 1865. His first wife died May 2, 1871, at the age of thirty-six, leaving one daughter, Laura. On December 12, 1872, Mr. Haffly married Miss Rebecca Norton, of Mifflin county. By this marriage he has one son, John, born July 27, 1874. In the spring of 1867 he moved to Huntingdon county and bought his present property of 120 acres. He has served as school director and as assessor. He belongs to the Presbyterian church at Orbisonia.

SAMUEL GILLILAND, farmer of Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, was born August 25, 1831, son of Andrew and Mary

(Curran) Gilliland. His father, born and reared in Cromwell township, settled after marriage on 96 acres in his native township. He was a blacksmith, as well as a farmer. At his death he owned 130 acres of land in addition to the original tract. In April, 1864, he died, and is buried in Cromwell township. His wife survived him a few years. Their children were: Catharine (Mrs. Michael Shearer), deceased; John, deceased; Hannah Jane (Mrs. Samuel Doran); George, deceased; Mary Ann (Mrs. James McElwee), deceased; Elizabeth (Mrs. William Morrison), deceased; Nancy (Mrs. Gifford); Andrew; Michael, deceased; and Margaret Belle (Mrs. Jeremiah Shope), deceased.

Samuel Gilliland, until he was twenty-one years old, attended school in winter and worked on the farm in summer. He was married, October 25, 1860, to Adeline E. Carothers, of Shirlingsburg, Pa., after which he rented the home farm one year; then rented a farm in Dublin township near Burnt Cabins, where he stayed four years. After that he bought the homestead from the heirs, has improved it, and has cultivated it ever since. The house upon it was built by his father in 1836. In 1868 he bought a tract of mountain land containing 200 acres adjoining this farm. In 1882 he purchased "the old Orbison farm," containing 210 acres.

His children are: Brice B.; Cora D.; James G.; Sara L.; Samuel Bruce; and Mary Mead. Mrs. Gilliland was a school teacher for several years before and after marriage. Mr. Gilliland, a strong Democrat, has served as township auditor, also as supervisor, and is highly esteemed in the community. His grandchildren are: Ross Carmichael Gilliland, born August 28, 1890; Augusta Dell Gilliland, born November 29, 1892, children of B. B. and C. C. Gilliland, of Kalispell, Mont.; Mary Kathleen Gilliland, born in Dillon, Mont., 1889; and Jamie Orho Gilliland, born June 19, 1892, children of J. G. and H. J. Gilliland, of Orbisonia, Pa.

GEORGE RENECKER, a retired farmer of Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, was born in 1842, in Manheim township, York county, son of John and Mary (Poe) Renecker. He was educated in the public schools of his native township, but when thirteen or fourteen years old, lost his father by death. When

he was fifteen years old, his mother removed to Huntingdon county, settling on a farm near Three Springs. After staying here several years, Mr. Renecker married Miss Catharine Swartz at Three Springs. Their children are: Malinda and Lucinda, twins; Anna Mary; and Rebecca. After marriage he bought in Cromwell township a farm of 164 acres in Aughwick valley; he lived there about twenty years, then rented it and bought his present home of 16 acres, upon which he leads a retired life. In politics he is a staunch Democrat; in religious belief he is identified with the Dunkard church in Hill valley. His father, a day laborer, was never able to do a hard day's work, and died in York county about 1854. His mother, who was of the Dunkard faith, passed away in 1880. He was the only child, but he has a step-sister by a former marriage, Miss Sarah, a maiden lady. The Renecker family came originally from Holland, and have spread over much of Pennsylvania.

JOHN A. POGUE, of Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, was born June 10, 1827, in Mt. Alto, Franklin county, son of Henry and Elizabeth (Rutter) Pogue. His grandfather, Robert Pogue, was born in Pennsylvania of German ancestry. He was an iron worker. He died at Mt. Pleasant, Franklin county. During the war of 1812 he enlisted in the American ranks, being stationed most of the time at Lake Erie. He married Eliza Allender; their children were: Andrew; Henry; Frederick; Tiny; and James. Henry Pogue, son of Robert Pogue, was born in 1803 at Mt. Pleasant, Franklin county. He was an iron-worker, and died at Mt. Alto, Franklin county, in 1854. He married Elizabeth Rutter at Mt. Alto; she died in 1863. Their children were: Eliza, married John Nunamacher, both deceased; Sarah, married Richard Lily, both deceased; John A.; Solomon; Henry; and Nancy (Mrs. William Marshall).

John A. Pogue received a common school education; when he was twelve years old his parents removed to Annetam Iron Works, Md., where his father worked three years. Returning to Mt. Alto, he served an apprenticeship of three years in the Mt. Alto Iron Works. In 1853 he went to Blooming Forge, Hampshire county, W. Va., and worked as foreman two years; then two years in the iron

works at Mt. Alto. At that place, in the winter of 1855, he married Barbara N., daughter of Henry and Esther (Howard) Yantz. Their children are: Henry C.; Anne (Mrs. John Creager); Walker; John L.; Esther (Mrs. Samuel McClure); William G.; Howard L.; Brown; Jennie (Mrs. Henry Lutz); and Ellis. After marriage, Mr. Pogue lived two years at Mt. Alto; in 1857 he removed to Carriek Iron Works in Franklin county, and remained three years. He resided three years at Valley Forge, and then worked at places in Pennsylvania and Virginia until 1888, when he removed to Pittsburg, and there engineered and worked in a machine shop. He was the first to operate the cable cars of Pittsburg. In April, 1894, he came back to Cromwell township, and has ever since been leading a retired life on a farm of 196 acres. He is a Republican, and a member of the Methodist church.

REV. WILLIAM G. FINNEY, a Presbyterian minister at Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born September 21, 1867, near Williamsport, Lycoming county, Pa., son of Henry G. and Sarah (Gardner) Finney. The Finney family came originally from the north of Ireland, before the Revolutionary war. Robert, the first to come over, settled in Chester county, Pa. Some of the Finneys took part in the war in Ireland between the Protestants and Catholics, and were on the side of the Protestants at the battle of the Boyne. The grandfather of William G., Robert L. Finney, born near Milton, Northumberland county, Pa., was a farmer. He died near Milton at the age of seventy, several years before his wife's decease. Their children are: Eliza, married to Dr. Perry Piper, both deceased; Jane (Mrs. James Caldwell), of New Jersey; Rev. Spencer L., a Presbyterian minister, died in 1886; Henry G.; Elinor (Mrs. William Matthews), of Harrison, N. J.; Mary, deceased, wife of Edward Hackenberg; Robert, farmer, of Winchester, Va.; and Hadassah (Mrs. Rev. S. P. Herron), near Winchester, Va. Henry G. Finney was born September 10, 1830, near Milton, Pa., son of Robert L. and Elinor (Graham) Finney. He studied at Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., taking his senior year in New York University, and graduating in 1855. He then studied theology at the Covenanter Seminary, Philadelphia, and at the Princeton Sem-

inary. Since that time he has been preaching most of the time in central Pennsylvania. In 1863 he married Miss Sarah Gardner. During the year 1863, he had charge at Gettysburg; at the famous battle fought there, his church was turned into a hospital, while he himself administered to the sick and dying soldiers. Since leaving Gettysburg, he has preached in succession near Williamsport, Pa.; near Milton, where he established Portsgrove Academy; at the Rocky Spring church near Chambersburg; and in the fall of 1895 he went to Petersburg, Pa., where he still remains. His children are: Bertha, wife of Dr. William L. Lowrie, of Tyrone, Pa.; Rev. William G.; Florence G., a teacher; and Elinor Mary, at home; his daughters are graduates of Wilson College, Chambersburg, Pa.

Rev. William G. Finney was seven years of age when his father removed to Milton, Pa. After a few years' work in the public schools, he continued his studies under his father, and at the age of fifteen entered Lafayette College, Easton, Pa. Graduating in 1887, he taught for two years, at Corning, Ia., and at the Chambersburg Academy. In the fall of 1889 he entered Union Theological Seminary, New York City, graduating from the same in May, 1892. During the summer months of the years in the seminary, he had preached at Orbisonia, Pa., and, after graduating from the seminary, he became the regular pastor at Orbisonia. Like his father, he is Republican in sentiment, but strongly favors prohibition.

T. J. C. RIPPLE, lumberman, Rockhill, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born October 20, 1858, in Cromwell township, son of John L. and Eliza Jane (Cloyd) Ripple. He received his primary education in the public schools of Orbisonia. When nine or ten years old he was employed in carrying water for the hands working on the railroad, receiving \$1.25 per day. He was afterwards clerk in the store of Whiteside & Reed for one year; then in the employ of the Rockhill Iron and Coal Company, as errand boy, afterwards as weighmaster, still later as clerk and assistant book-keeper. After being in their employ over nineteen years, he embarked in the lumber business with O. W. Moore, and is still so engaged. He holds stock in the Union National Bank of Huntingdon, and in many other concerns. In 1895 he was defeated for

sheriff by but one hundred and twenty-eight votes. In 1878 at Curwensville, Clearfield county, he married Miss Iris V. Bell, and has two children: Florence D.; and George B. Mr. Ripple is a Republican. He has served as secretary of the school board since the organization of the borough. He was reared a Methodist, is strictly self-made, and highly esteemed by all.

CALVIN NOBLE, deceased, of Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in 1819 in Franklin county, Pa., son of John-Noble, a wool gardner. In June, 1851, he was married to Miss Jane Ann Carothers in Orbisonia, where they lived until 1865. They then bought the farm of 140 acres in Cromwell township which Mrs. Noble now owns. In 1884 he died, and is buried in Orbisonia. For many years before his death he was a member of the Presbyterian church, and an elder of the same. He was a Republican. Their children were: Luther E., of Rockhill, Pa.; Alice, who died young; George; James; Elmer, of East Waterford, Pa.; Calvin, of Altoona; Lewis, of Three Springs, Pa.; William; Harry; and Alfred, who died young. The great-grandfather of Jane Ann Carothers Noble was twice married; he had three children: Samuel; James; and Thomas, by his first wife, and a large family by the second.

WILLIAM HERMON, a farmer in Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, was born December 4, 1855, on the farm he now owns, son of Frederick and Hannah (Irwin) Hermon. His grandfather, Frederick Hermon, was born in Adams county, Pa., and removed to Huntingdon county after his marriage, residing first in Shirley, later in Cromwell township, where he died upon the present homestead at the age of fifty-five. He married Margaretta Neely; their children are: John, who died in the west; James, went west and died there; William, also died in the west; Hannah, deceased; Christiana, died in the west; Frederick; Caroline, widow of George Gilliland, of Cromwell township; and Jackson. Frederick Hermon went with his parents to the farm of 160 acres in Cromwell township now owned by William Hermon. His education was partly received in the subscription schools, but most of it he has acquired himself.

After marriage with Hannah Irwin, he bought and improved his father's farm. His wife died in 1806, and later he married Keziah Galbraith, widow of Daniel Montague. She died January 18, 1894, at the age of seventy-four. Mr. Hermon died September 30, 1894, aged seventy-five years. He was not a church member, but inclined toward the Presbyterian denomination. He was a strong Republican and held many township offices. His children were: Mary Jane (Mrs. John Gifford), of Cromwell township, had nine children, three of whom are dead; William; Martha Melissa, of Orbisonia, Pa.; Lydia Belle, wife of N. P. Corbin, a clerk in a store in Huntingdon; and James N., of Colorado.

William Hermon attended school during the winter until about twenty years of age, but worked on his father's farm during the summer. In Cromwell township, December 25, 1884, he married Alice, daughter of Abraham and Caroline (Gilliland) Bolinger. They now reside on the old home farm.

G. W. THOMSON, M. D., retired physician, Mount Union, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Half Moon township, Centre county, Pa., May 16, 1826, and is a son of John and Lydia (Blake) Thomson. John Thomson was born May 13, 1799, on the farm where all his family were raised. He made farming his life-long occupation. Mrs. Thomson was the daughter of John Blake, and was born in Chester county, Pa. Besides Dr. G. W. Thomson, their children were: Joseph, deceased; John K., physician, who practised in Indiana county, Pa., where he died eight years ago, not married; Martha, single, lives in Williamsport, Pa.; Lydia, wife of George Harrlocker, resides in Montoursville, near Williamsport, Pa.; H. A., resides in Dayton, O.; J. F., a physician, married to Nettie Pauling, resides in Liverpool, Perry county, Pa.; Homer S., of Shade valley, Juniata county, Pa.; A. J., lived on the old homestead, was four years the junior of Dr. G. W., died in the fall of 1895; and three children who died in early childhood. The mother, Mrs. J. Thomson, died in 1872; her husband survived her until January of the centennial year, 1876, when he also died, at the age of seventy-nine.

The education of Dr. G. W. Thomson was begun in an old log school house on his father's

farm, in Half Moon township, Centre county. When grounded in the elementary branches, he studied for two years at Allegheny College, in Westmoreland county. He began reading medicine with his brother, Dr. J. K. Thomson, in Indiana county, and afterwards became a student at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, from which institution he received his diploma, and began practise in 1854. He had had an experience of fourteen years in the profession when he came to Mill Creek, Huntingdon county, from which place he removed to Mount Union, and has ever since resided there. During the war, Dr. Thomson was assistant surgeon in the Eighty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers. He was formerly a member of the Order of Red Men, also of the Lodge of L. O. O. F., at Mill Creek. He has a life-long attachment to the Democratic party, and is an active worker for its interests. He is a school director and was for two terms mayor of Mount Union.

The first marriage of Dr. G. W. Thomson was to Rebecca, daughter of Robert and Charlotte Dougherty, of Clearfield county, Pa. Their children are: Homer K., deceased; and J. Harry. The present Mrs. Thomson was Miss Linnie McGarvey, of Orbisonia, Pa., whose children, three in number, are: George W.; Charles B.; and Frank A.

HENRY S. SMELKER, a son of Thomas A. and Mary (Matson) Smelker, was born in Shirleysburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., December 23, 1839. Thomas A. Smelker was born in Snyder county in 1802, and was a son of Thomas Smelker, an early settler of that county, and of German ancestry. The father died when Thomas A. was twelve years of age, and he was bound out until he was twenty-one years old to a man named Thomas, under whom he learned carpentry. After reaching his majority he worked as a journeyman in Philadelphia for two years. While in that city he was married to Mary Watson, of the Society of Friends. About 1828, he removed from Philadelphia to Shirleysburg, Huntingdon county, Pa., where he pursued his trade for a number of years. In 1840 he purchased what is now known as the Poor-house farm, which he cultivated until 1846; he then removed to Germany valley, and bought a tannery, which he operated four years. This he exchanged for a farm in the same valley, on

which he resided for about thirty years. His wife died September 23, 1873, aged sixty-two years. He died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Henry Musser, in the Kishacoquillas valley, June 12, 1878, aged seventy-six years. Mr. and Mrs. Smelker were the parents of twelve children, named as follows: George, deceased, who married Catherine Bowman, who died after two children were born to them, and he married as his second wife Keziah Pennybacker, of Juniata county; Sabra, deceased, who married Augustus Wakefield, also deceased, of Petersburg, Pa.; Rebecca, wife of William Bell, of Bellwood, Blair county Pa.; John W., deceased, served in the Union army three years, and afterwards married Miss Nannie McCulloch, of Juniata county, and died from the effects of a cold contracted in the service; Charles B., also in the Union army, married Annie Aultz, of Mount Union, Pa., and now resides in Houston, Tex.; Henry S., of Mount Union, Pa.; Hannah, wife of Henry Musser, now county treasurer of Huntingdon county, Pa.; Isabella (Mrs Howard Friedley), removed to Kaufman, Tex., where she died; Julia, widow of Walker Cree, who died at their home near Burnt Cabins, Pa., and she removed to Kaufman, Tex., where she still resides; Nelson, who also served in the Union army, married May Traxler, and they reside near Kaufman, Tex.; Mary (Mrs. John Ovelman), of Altoona, Pa.; and Benjamin, who died in Altoona at the age of twenty-two years.

Henry S. Smelker was educated in the common schools. He remained at home assisting his father on the farm until he was twenty-five years of age, when he embarked in the butchering business at Mount Union, continuing it for two years. In 1868, he removed to Catawissa, Franklin county, Mo., where he engaged in farming. Owing to ill-health, he returned to Pennsylvania within a year, and engaged in mercantile business in McVeytown, Mifflin county. After a few months, he removed to Germany valley, Huntingdon county, then to Cora, where he continued in business twenty years, building for himself a large and commodious brick store and dwelling. In 1889 he removed to Mount Union and bought out the general store of David Shaver, and also purchased the building and ground from Dr. W. T. Sheaffer. Here he has since carried on

business with gratifying success, building up a large and lucrative trade.

Mr. Smelker was married in June, 1865, to Miss Rebecca Spangle, of Cronwell township, Huntingdon county. Their children are: Ada (Mrs. Eugene Glover), of Pueblo, Col.; Eva, at home; Cora (Mrs. Frank De Frelm), of Mt. Union, Pa.; and Fannie, who died February 12, 1883, aged three years.

Mr. Smelker is a leading business man of Mount Union, and ranks among the enterprising and public-spirited citizens of that borough. In the conduct of his business affairs, he adheres to those methods which are consistent with honor and integrity, and which have won for him deserved respect and esteem. He is a staunch Republican, and while not active either as a politician or as office-seeker, has always taken an interest in the party's success. He served as postmaster of Cora for fifteen years; has been a member and president of the school board of Mount Union, and also a member of the borough council. Mr. Smelker is connected with the Dunkard church. He is affiliated with Mount Union Lodge, No. 477, I. O. O. F. In addition to his mercantile business, Mr. Smelker is interested as a stockholder in the De Frelm Chair Company, a leading manufacturing enterprise of Mount Union, and has always given his aid and support to every undertaking calculated to forward the best interests of the borough.

WILLIAM T. BELL, Mount Union, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Decatur township, Mifflin county, Pa., June 23, 1852, in the same home in which his father was born in 1826, and is a son of Prof. John M. and Henrietta (Haller) Bell. John Bell, grandfather of William T. Bell, was a native of Mifflin county, in which his father settled at a very early day. The family is of Scotch-Irish descent, the original ancestors in Pennsylvania coming to this country before the Revolutionary war. John Bell was a farmer and underwent all the experiences of the early settlers of Mifflin county, which was practically a wilderness at the time of his birth. His wife, Mary Sigler, was of German descent. The two families came into the county about the same time. Mr. Bell passed his entire life in his native county. Prof. John M. Bell, the father of William T., was born December 24,

1826, in Decatur township, Mifflin county, Pa., and was one of twelve children, of whom but two are now living: Mrs. Sarah Martin, of Hammond, Ill.; and Mrs. Adeline Haller, of Hillsboro, Ill. Professor Bell was reared as a farmer and received a common school education, supplemented by a course in Tuscarora Academy, at Academia, Pa. From his youth to the time of his death, he took a great interest in educational matters. In early manhood he began teaching, and for many years followed this occupation in the winter and farming in the summer. In 1868, he was elected county superintendent of Mifflin county and re-elected in 1871. In the latter year he bought the Kishacoquillas Seminary, of which he was principal until 1879. In 1880 he was a candidate for the legislature on the Democratic ticket, and though the county was strongly Republican, he came within eighteen votes of being elected, thus proving his popularity with the people of both parties. In the fall of 1881 he removed to Bellefonte, and for nearly five years had charge of the books of the J. F. Mann Ax Manufacturing Company, of that place. In 1885 he became a resident of Mount Union, Huntingdon county, where he opened an insurance office in partnership with his son, William T., the style of the firm being J. M. Bell & Son. He continued in this business until his death, July 3, 1887, at the age of sixty-one. Mr. Bell was a member of the Presbyterian church, in which for twenty years he held the office of ruling elder. In 1849 he was married to Henrietta Haller, a daughter of Henry and Margaret Haller, of Lewistown, Mifflin county. They had five children: F. Margaret, wife of J. M. Martin, an attorney of Minneapolis, Minn.; William T., of Mount Union, Pa.; Henry Haller, a resident of Minneapolis, Minn., where he carries on a steam laundry; J. Vernon, a Presbyterian minister of DuBois, Pa.; and Davis Bates, a district manager of the Travelers' Insurance Company, at Pittsburg, Pa. Mrs. Bell is a resident of Mount Union, Pa.

After a preliminary course in the common schools of Armagh township, Mifflin county, whither his parents removed when he was five years old, William T. Bell became a student at Milroy under a private tutor, with a view to preparation for college. At the age of seventeen, however, he left home and became a

clerk in the store of R. M. Kinsloe, at Newton Hamilton. Here he remained one year and a half, and acquired a valuable knowledge of practical business methods. He then returned home and attended the Kishacoquillas Seminary for over a year. After carrying on a general store at Kishacoquillas for two years, he went on the road for a Philadelphia house in 1873, and for five years led the life and underwent the experiences of a commercial traveler. This valuable school of business training gave him a deeper and a clearer insight into practical business affairs than he could possibly have acquired in any other way. On September 17, 1879, he entered upon the duties of cashier of the Central Banking Company, of Mount Union, Huntingdon county, a position he has filled to the present time with ability, efficiency and fidelity. He is also the cashier of the Orbisonia Bank, Orbisonia, Pa. This bank was established in 1892, and is owned and operated principally by the same persons as the bank at Mount Union, Pa. Both banks are carefully conducted, and are regarded as safe and sound financial institutions. Mr. Bell is also a member of the insurance firm of Bell & Harrison, successors of J. M. Bell & Son. He has been a stockholder and director in, and treasurer of, the De Frehn Chair Company, of Mount Union, since its organization in 1892, and is in every respect a representative citizen and business man.

On March 24, 1881, Mr. Bell was married to Miss Frank W., daughter of John and Jane M. Shaver, of Mount Union, members of one of the oldest families in that part of Huntingdon county. Mr. and Mrs. Bell have the following children: John Raymond, who died in infancy; Harry A., who though only fourteen years of age, has passed a teacher's examination; Jesse G.; William Bates; Hugh W., who died in infancy; and Russell Shaver.

Mr. Bell is a Republican, and although he has not held any elective offices, has been an active supporter of the principles and doctrines of his party. He has served on the county committee and as chairman of Republican county conventions, and in the momentous campaign of 1896 was a member of the Republican State committee. He is a member of the P. O. S. of A. Mr. Bell is an adherent of the Presbyterian church, in which he has served as trustee since 1881.

ALVIN R. McCARTHY, M. D., Mount Union, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Mifflin county, Pa., February 7, 1845, and is a son of Henry L. and Margaret (Hubbell) McCarthy. His father, Henry L. McCarthy, was born in 1807, and was a native of Mifflin county, but most of his life was passed in Huntingdon county. For many years he was a teacher and surveyor. He was a Republican, and filled the office of county commissioner and other public positions in Huntingdon county. He was a member of the West Kishacoquillas Presbyterian church, in which he served for a number of years as elder. Mr. McCarthy was married in 1837 to Mrs. Margaret Scott, widow of William Scott, who died at Hollidaysburg, and to whom she bore four sons, two of whom died in infancy. Those reaching manhood were James P. Scott, who died at Milton, Pa., July 19, 1896; and Henry H. Scott, a printer, who resides in Philadelphia. Mrs. McCarthy was born in Saltillo, Pa., in 1807, and died in Huntingdon, Pa., July 5, 1878. Her father, Henry Hubbell, was an early settler at Saltillo. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, and participated in the battles of Trenton, Princeton, Germantown, Brandywine, Monmouth, and other engagements of that momentous struggle. The children of Henry L. and Margaret (Hubbell) McCarthy were: Miles W., born in December, 1841, and served during the war of the Rebellion as sergeant of Company B, One Hundred and Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, participating in all the campaigns of the Army of the Potomac, until the battle of Deep Bottom, July 28, 1864, when he was killed; Dr. Alvin R.; and Seely B., born July 22, 1847, who served for a short time in the One Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers; was for many years a mail clerk in the postal service of the government, and is now a resident of California, where he pursues his trade as a carpenter. Henry L. McCarthy, the father, died in Huntingdon, February 18, 1879, aged seventy-two years.

Dr. Alvin R. McCarthy was educated in the common schools of Brady township, Huntingdon county, his childhood and youth being passed on the farm. On February 24, 1864, at the age of nineteen, he enlisted in Company K, Twenty-second Pennsylvania Cavalry, and served in Averill's command. He participated in the Shenandoah campaign, and was in the

battles of Winchester, Fisher's Hill, Charlestown, Berryville and other engagements. After more than twenty months of efficient and soldierly service, he was honorably discharged November 6, 1865. After his return home he followed surveying, which he had learned under his father, and school teaching, until 1867, when he began the study of medicine under Dr. H. Or lady, of Petersburg, Pa., the father of Superior Judge George B. Or lady. He attended the lectures at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, and at the University of New York, graduating from the latter institution in 1871. He practised medicine at Dudley, Huntingdon county, three years, and removed to Mount Union in December, 1872, where he has since successfully pursued his profession.

On March 23, 1875, Dr. McCarthy was married to Miss Mary E. Gayton, who died August 22, 1878. They had two children, both of whom died in infancy. On November 14, 1882, Dr. McCarthy was again married to Miss Mary E., daughter of John Taylor, of Huntingdon county, brother of the late Judge George Taylor. Mrs. McCarthy's father conducted the first steam saw-mill ever erected in Pennsylvania, and he sawed the lumber used in building the first houses in Altoona. He died at Ottumwa, Ia., in 1865. Dr. and Mrs. McCarthy are the parents of three children: Ethel T., born October 14, 1883; Mary Mildred, born April 16, 1885; and Lillian G., born August 29, 1896.

Dr. McCarthy is a successful and skillful physician, and in the pursuit of his profession has won the respect and confidence of the community in which he lives. He has kept himself informed as to the progress made in the treatment of diseases and has adopted such methods and remedies as have stood the test of successful trial. A Republican in politics, he takes a citizen's interest in public affairs, but has not been an office-seeker. From 1879 to 1892, as editor and publisher of the *Mr. Union Times*, he rendered his party important service in the various campaigns in which he participated, besides giving his patrons a readable and ably-conducted paper. In addition to his medical practise, he was for a number of years engaged in the lumber business, and has ever been regarded as an enterprising, progressive and public-spirited citizen. He is a member of General Kane Post, No. 292, G.

A. R., and of Washington Camp, No. 346, P. O. S. of A. He was a transcribing clerk in the Pennsylvania legislature in 1872, and is at present chief Burgess of the borough of Mt. Union. Dr. and Mrs. McCarthy are members of the Presbyterian church.

EDWARD McMATHERS BEERS, Mount Union, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born April 18, 1877, near Nossville, Tell township, Huntingdon county, Pa., and is the youngest child of Anderson and Mary (Parsons) Beers. Anderson Beers was born near Concord, Franklin county, Pa., April 15, 1835, and was of Irish descent. He was a farmer and resided in his native county until 1866, when he removed to the vicinity of Nossville, Pa. Here he cultivated a farm until 1888, when he became a resident of Mount Union, and carried on the American House for eighteen months. He then purchased the old Seibert House, changed its name to the Commercial House, and successfully conducted it until his death, April 9, 1894. Mr. Beers was married in 1860 to Mary Parsons, born February 22, 1844, a daughter of William Parsons, of Nossville, Pa. The children of this union were: Wilbert, born July 16, 1861, married to Mary Parsons, resides in Marion county, O.; Jennie, born September 27, 1862, married Moses Vaughn, resides in Mount Jewett, McKean county, Pa.; James D., born May 30, 1864, married Emma Bolding, resides in Marion county, O.; Martha E., born January 16, 1868, at home; Charles S., born December 28, 1870, married Nellie McMan, resides in Bradford, McKean county, Pa.; Harry L., born May 27, 1873; Olie E., born April 22, 1876; and Edward M., born May 18, 1877, all at home. Harry L. Beers has for several terms been a teacher in the Mount Union high school, and has adopted teaching as a profession.

Edward M. Beers was educated in the public schools of Nossville and in the Mount Union high school, graduating from the latter in May, 1897. Since his father's death he has managed the hotel, and has made a successful and popular landlord. The house is the only one in Mount Union, and is conducted on temperance principles. Mr. Beers is a Republican. The family adhere to the Methodist Episcopal church.

H. WILSON MAXWELL, Mount Union, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at New Germantown, Perry county, Pa., January 15, 1847, son of Andrew and Hannah (Kelley) Maxwell. Henry Maxwell, his paternal grandfather, was a native of Lancaster, and was one of the early settlers of Cumberland county, Pa., having bought the land and begun the settlement of the town now known as Mechanicsburg. He afterwards removed from that point, and commenced the settlement of Newville, same county, where he died. His son, Andrew Maxwell, father of H. Wilson, was born in Cumberland county, and was a tanner for about fifteen years; he then left that business for farming, which he has carried on ever since; he has resided in Toboyno township, Perry county, since 1844. He was married to Hannah, daughter of John Kelley, of Perry county. She was of an excellent and highly respected family; her father, a farmer, had formerly been a school teacher. He was a native of the Isle of Jersey, in the British channel, and a Presbyterian. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Maxwell were seven in number, four of whom are deceased: John A., died at the age of thirty-five years; Lynn, died aged twenty-two years; Albert J., died aged thirty-five years; J. W., died in infancy. Their surviving children are: H. Wilson; Alexander; and Sarah E., wife of Samuel Seibert, of Juniata, Blair county, Pa. Mrs. Maxwell died March 9, 1867, at the age of fifty-four.

H. Wilson Maxwell attended the common schools until he was seventeen years old. He then began an apprenticeship of three years at tanning, in Perry county, in which business he continued for about four years in that county, and over twenty years in Mount Union, the greater part of the time filling the position of foreman. In 1886 Mr. Maxwell embarked in the hardware business in Mount Union, which he has ever since carried on with gratifying success. Mr. Maxwell is a member of Mount Union Lodge, No. 250, of the Knights of Maccabees of the World. He is a Republican, and has served as a member of the borough council of Mt. Union.

H. Wilson Maxwell was married, April 8, 1875, to Rosetta, daughter of Henry and Hannah (White) Wicks. They have two sons, Woolburn and Paul. Mrs. Maxwell was born

at Freeport, Ill., April 7, 1857. Her parents were natives of Huntingdon county, Pa.; her father was all his life a farmer. He was married first to Hannah, daughter of John White. They had a family of six children; two infants died, and the survivors are: Abraham V.; Arabella (Mrs. Henry Ripple); Catherine, unmarried, a life-long invalid; and Rosetta (Mrs. Maxwell). Mrs. Wicks died in Illinois, and Mr. Wicks afterwards returned with his family to Huntingdon county, Pa., where he, too, passed away. Mrs. Maxwell's maternal grandfather was a native of Maryland, where he passed his boyhood; he was of English descent. In early manhood he came to Pennsylvania, and settled in the vicinity of Shirlensburg.

MICHAEL HINEY, J. P., Mount Union, Pa., is a native of Lancaster county, born October 27, 1829. He is a son of Isaac and Susan (Laub) Hiney. In 1839 his parents removed to Mifflin county, Pa., where he was educated in the common schools. After leaving school he learned shoemaking, and followed that vocation until the war of the Rebellion broke out.

Mr. Hiney enlisted in September, 1861, in Company C, Forty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, served three years, re-enlisted in 1864, and served until the end of the war. He was twice wounded, the first time severely, on July 30, 1864, at the mine explosion at Petersburg, Va., in consequence of which he was confined to the hospital about eight months. The second wound was a more slight one, caused by a ball which struck him in the breast, in the last fight at Petersburg, Va. He was promoted in October, 1864, before he received the second wound. In the following March he was a second time promoted, to the rank of second lieutenant, which he held when finally discharged, July 25, 1865.

While Mr. Hiney was in the army his wife died. After his discharge he returned to Mifflin county. Interesting himself in politics, he was elected register and recorder for that county, and served three years. During 1870-71 he was employed in the door-keepers' department of the House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., under Mr. Morrell. The congress expired March 4, 1871, and in April Mr. Hiney removed to Mount Union, and resumed work at his trade. In February, 1892,

he was elected justice of the peace, and has filled the office up to the present time. Mr. Hiney is active among Odd Fellows, as a member of Lewistown Lodge, No. 97, with which he was affiliated at twenty-one years of age. Since 1870 he has belonged to the Knights of Pythias. He at one time was a member of the O. U. A. M. His politics are Republican. For the past nine years Mr. Hiney has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Mount Union.

THOMAS A. APPLEBY, Mount Union, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born May 2, 1843, son of the late John and Prisilla (Montague) Appleby. His great-grandfather, John Appleby (1), was of English ancestry, came to Pennsylvania before the Revolutionary war and settled in the Tuscarora valley two miles east of Shade Gap, Dublin township, Huntingdon county. His occupation was that of a farmer, and he experienced all the dangers and privations of frontier life. He was one of the original contributors to the fund raised in October, 1808, to support the Presbyterian church at Shade Gap, of which he was one of the original members. John Appleby (2), grandfather of Thomas A. Appleby, was born about 1782, two miles east of Shade Gap. He was reared on the home place and made farming the occupation of his life. His wife, Mary Moreland, was a native of Ireland. Their children were: William, who married Elizabeth Speer; Thomas, who died aged twenty-two years; John; Alexander, who resides near Shade Gap; Mary (Mrs. Henry Likely); Ann Eliza (Mrs. John Taylor); Margaret Ellen, resides near Shade Gap; and Rosanna, who died young. The only ones now living are Alexander and Margaret Ellen. Mr. Appleby was a Presbyterian, and like his father, was a subscriber to the fund raised in 1808 to support the church at Shade Gap, of which he was an elder. He died about 1852, aged seventy years. His wife died in 1870, aged eighty-nine years and six months. John Appleby (3), father of Thomas A., was born in 1813, on the old family homestead near Shade Gap. He was brought up on the farm and received a common school education. In his young manhood he learned carpentry, at which he worked for a number of years, and then purchased a farm in the neighborhood of his boyhood home, to the cultivation and im-

provement of which he devoted the remaining years of his life. He died July 14, 1856, from the effects of a kick of a horse. He was a Whig, but joined the Republican party at its organization. He held various township offices, among them being those of supervisor and of school director. He was a member, and for a number of years previous to his death, a deacon of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Appleby married Priscilla, daughter of Daniel and Jane (Cluggage) Montague. Daniel Montague was born near Orbisonia, Pa., and was of Scotch descent. His wife, Jane Cluggage, was a daughter of Thomas Cluggage. Her father, Thomas Cluggage, and uncle, Robert Cluggage, were officers in the Revolutionary army. The deceased children of Daniel and Jane (Cluggage) Montague were: Priscilla; Alexander; Isabella; Daniel; Nancy; Margaret; James; and Jonathan. Those living are as follows: George, who resides in Illinois; Thomas, who resides near Shade Gap; and Rebecca (Mrs. John B. Peterson), who lives near Burnt Cabins, Pa. John and Priscilla (Montague) Appleby were the parents of the following named children: Daniel C., who served as a lieutenant of Company I, One Hundred and Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was wounded at the battle of North Anna; Thomas A.; John S., now steward of the Huntingdon county poor-house, at Shirelsburg, Pa.; James M., of Mount Union; and George S., postmaster of Decorum, Huntingdon county, Pa. Mrs. Appleby died June 20, 1892, aged seventy-seven years. Like her husband, she was a consistent member of the Presbyterian church and led the life of a sincere Christian.

Thomas A. Appleby attended the common schools of his native township in his youth, and also took a course in Milwood Academy, which he completed when he was twenty years old. On September 1, 1864, he enlisted in Company K, Two Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, served under the Stars and Stripes for nearly a year and was honorably discharged August 3, 1865. During the winter that followed he served his country no less effectually, though less conspicuously, in the school room as a teacher. In 1866 he became a clerk for the firm of Blair & Appleby, general merchants at Shade Gap. In 1867 he came to Mount Union and embarked in business as a partner in the firm of B. X.

Blair & Co. After two years the firm was changed to Blair & Appleby, by the retirement of D. C. Appleby, a brother of Thomas A. Appleby, the latter continuing as a partner of the firm until 1876. In 1869 he was appointed postmaster of Mount Union, and held the office until 1885. In 1883 he embarked in business for himself, and during the years since intervening, has built up a large trade. He carries on a general store, and is one of the oldest merchants in Mount Union. Mr. Appleby is a progressive and public-spirited citizen, and every enterprise calculated to promote the welfare of the community finds in him a willing and earnest supporter. He was prominently identified with the organization of the De Frehn Chair Company, the leading manufacturing enterprise of Mount Union, of which he is the secretary. He is a staunch Republican, and has taken an active interest in promoting the party's success in Huntingdon county, having served on the Republican county committee. He has also served as a member of the Mount Union borough council, and of the school board.

Thomas A. Appleby has been twice married. His first marriage, to Martha S., a daughter of James and Mary (Glenn) McNeal, took place October 27, 1870. To this union there were born two children: John C.; and Katherine, now a teacher in the Tyrono public schools. Mrs. Appleby, who was a faithful and active member of the Presbyterian church, died October 28, 1876, aged thirty-four years. In 1878 Mr. Appleby married as his second wife Miss Kate McNeal, a sister of his first wife. They are the parents of the following named children: James D.; Martha P.; Charles R.; Janet L.; and Nellie R. Mr. Appleby was ordained an elder in the Presbyterian church in 1873; has been superintendent of the Sunday-school at Mount Union since April of the same year, and for many years has been a member of the committee on Sabbath-schools of the Presbytery of Huntingdon. In 1894 he received a commission from the Presbytery of Huntingdon county to the general assembly at Saratoga, N. Y.

James McNeal, paternal grandfather, and Hugh Glenn, maternal grandfather of Mrs. Appleby, were members and supporters of the Shade Gap Presbyterian church from its organization.

The Appleby family are justly proud of their patriotic record. As already stated, the father and uncle of Mr. Appleby's mother were officers in the Revolutionary army. He and his brother Daniel C. served in the late war, as did also David C. and Thomas, sons of his uncle William Appleby, and John McGinley, a son of his uncle, Alexander Appleby. The two former served in Company I, One Hundred and Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, "Bucktail Regiment," and the latter in the Two Hundred and Ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers. Two of his mother's brothers were also in the Union army, viz: George Montague, who served in the Forty-sixth Illinois, and William, who served in the Two Hundred and Ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers. Hugh Glenn, his wife's grandfather, was a soldier during the Revolutionary war and did a patriot's duty in achieving American independence. Robert McNeal, a brother of Mrs. Appleby, was a member of the One Hundred and Forty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was shot through the arm at the battle of the Wilderness. He is now an elder in the Shade Gap Presbyterian church.

GEORGE C. BORST, M. D., Mount Union, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Huntingdon county, March 9, 1854, son of George and Elizabeth C. (Caldwell) Borst. He was educated in the public schools, completing his course at Belleville Academy, and graduating in 1873. In the same year he began the study of medicine with S. T. Dare, M. D., of Lancaster, Pa. By reading during the summer, and attending lectures during the winter sessions at the Medical College at Belleville, N. J., he was prepared for graduation in the spring of 1876. Soon after receiving his diploma, the Doctor went to Delaware, and remained in that State for two years. He came to Mount Union in the spring of 1878, and opened an office. Here he has ever since resided, winning for himself such esteem as a man, and such confidence as a skilled physician, that his standing in the community is both socially and professionally high. He has served as president of the county medical society. The Doctor was coroner for three years, being elected in 1883. He has also been school director for the borough of Mount Union. He belongs to Mount Union Lodge No. 677, I. O. O. F., and has been for several

years a member of Washington Camp No. 346, P. O. S. of A. He is a Republican.

Dr. George C. Borst was married, June 2, 1877, to Henrietta D., daughter of Gideon E. Rothwell. Their children are: Lolita R.; and Annie G. The Doctor is an active member of the Methodist church; he has been one of the trustees of the church for nine years, and holds at present the office of steward.

ROBERT M. LONGACRE, Mount Union, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Millers-town, Juniata county, Pa., March 26, 1869, and is a son of Peter and Margaret (Fry) Longacre. Peter Longacre was born in Chester county, January 6, 1835. His parents, Joseph and Sarah Longacre, were natives of Chester county, and were of German descent. Joseph Longacre was a carpenter. About 1840, he removed to the neighborhood of Thompsonstown, Juniata county, where he passed the remainder of his life, dying at the age of fifty years. His wife died at the age of seventy-four years. The children of Joseph and Sarah Longacre were: Edward, died in Philadelphia; Joseph, who died in Juniata county; Jacob, removed west and died from the effects of a wound received in the army during the war of the Rebellion; and three that died in infancy. The living are: Isaac, residing near Patterson, in Juniata county; Peter, of Mount Union; and Abel, a resident of Newport, Perry county. Peter Longacre was reared from childhood in Juniata county. Since arriving at manhood, his principal occupation has been railroading, working first for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. For the past twenty years he has been employed in the East Broad Top Railroad yards at Mount Union. Mr. Longacre has been twice married. His first marriage was to Mrs. Margaret Heller, widow of George Heller, of Millers-town. Her maiden name was Margaret Fry. The children of this marriage are: Martha Etta, deceased, and Ella (Mrs. Joseph Gillam), of Mount Union, twins; Jennie M. (Mrs. William Deam), of Mount Union; Robert M., of Mount Union; Joseph W., who married Carrie Jones; Harry A., of Chicago; and Frank S., of Mount Union, married to Minnie Himes. Mrs. Longacre died November 15, 1889, aged fifty-five years. On January 21, 1896, Mr. Longacre married for his second wife Margaret Clinger, widow of Au-

drew C. Clinger; her maiden name was Margaret Brown, and she was born in Shirleyburg, Huntingdon county. By her first marriage she had three children: Stanley G. Klinger, a resident of Pittsburg, Pa.; Myrtle Winona; and Annie Ola, both of whom died in childhood. Mr. Longacre is a Democrat; he has served two terms in the borough council and one term as tax collector. Himself and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Though a comparatively young man, Mr. Longacre is recognized as a leading business man and a progressive citizen of Mount Union. He is industrious and enterprising, and possesses unflagging energy. His business methods are straightforward and honorable, and he stands high in the esteem and respect of the community.

HARVEY BENNETT, Mount Union, Pa., was born in Belleville, Mifflin county, March 12, 1850. He was a son of Seneca H. and Sarah (Miller) Bennett.

William Bennett, his grandfather, was a native of the State of New York. His vocation was the trade of shoemaking, in which he was engaged during all of his business life. He had a family of eleven children. The following are deceased: Jacob; Seneca H.; Isabella; and Everett. The surviving members of his family are: Katherine (Mrs. John Meyers); Elizabeth (Mrs. Joseph Sherk); Lucretia, widow of Thomas Ledawell; Mary; and Caroline (Mrs. Jacob Long). William Bennett and his wife are deceased; the latter lived to the age of 101 years, dying in 1883. Seneca H., the son of William and father of Harvey Bennett, was born in New York State; his wife was a native of Mifflin county, Pa. The father was a shoemaker, and carried on that business all his life. His wife Sarah was the daughter of Isaac Miller. Seven of their thirteen children are deceased; the survivors are: Annie M. (Mrs. John B. Black); Etta (Mrs. Benjamin Alsbough); Harvey; B. E.; Charles; and Elizabeth (Mrs. George Heffley). The father died July 24, 1876, at the age of sixty-three; the mother lived to the age of seventy-nine. They were members of the Lutheran church.

Harvey Bennett received his early education in Mifflin county in the common schools, which he attended until he was eighteen. He

then passed through an apprenticeship of four years and about six months, at the trade inherited from his father and grandfather, that of shoemaking. This time being ended, he worked as a journeyman for five years with M. Hinery, in Huntingdon county, whither Mr. Bennett had come in 1871. From the year 1878 until February 12, 1883, Mr. Bennett was in business for himself; at the latter date, he engaged with Faust Bros., also engaged in the manufacture of shoes, with whom he continued for seven years. During the centennial year, 1876, Mr. Bennett made a six months' tour through the western States. Since 1890, he has been in business on his own account. The public offices he has held are those of inspector of elections, to which he was elected for four years, and of school director, to which he was elected in 1895; his term in the latter office has not yet expired. He is a Democrat.

Harvey Bennett was married, January 14, 1875, to Margaret, daughter of William and Jane (Kirk) Dean. Their children are: Gertrude J.; Lizzie G.; Mary; Nettie H.; Bessie; and Maud, who died in 1879, aged two years, six months and twenty-four days. Mrs. Margaret (Dean) Bennett was born April 29, 1857. Her father was a native of Lancaster, her mother of Juniata county. Mr. Dean was in early life a teamster, but removed to Huntingdon county in 1865, where he engaged as engineer in the tannery of Hoffman, now Faust Bros.

Of the nine children of William and Jane (Kirk) Dean, five are deceased: Martha and William, infants; George W.; James; and William. Four are still living: Mollie (Mrs. John Kauffman); Robert A.; J. Hoffman; and Margaret (Mrs. Bennett). The father died in October, 1886, aged seventy-four; Mrs. Dean, in good health at the age of eighty, still resides in Harrisburg, Pa.

B. J. DEVOR, Mount Union, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Franklin county, Pa., October 29, 1829, and is a son of the late James and Rebecca (Fleck) De Vor. His father, James De Vor, was the son of French parents and was born in Franklin county, November 11, 1801. He learned stone masonry, at which he worked in Franklin county until 1825, when he removed to near Three Springs, Cromwell township, Huntingdon county,

and was a farmer for the remainder of his life. Mr. De Vor married Rebecca Fleck, a native of Amberson valley, Franklin county, who was of German parentage. She was born December 8, 1801. Their children are: Hezekiah, who died in infancy; Joseph C., a resident of Harrisburg, Pa.; B. J., of Mount Union; Elizabeth (Mrs. Jacob B. Scope), of Cromwell township, Huntingdon county; Mary Ann (Mrs. Harrison Wagner), of Saltillo; David, who died in infancy; Hannah (Mrs. George Miller), of Pitcairn, Allegheny county, Pa.; Maggie (Mrs. D. L. Grisinger), of Orbisonia; and Jennie, deceased. Mr. De Vor died May 7, 1881, and his wife August 16, 1870. He was a member of the Republican party, and had held various township offices. He was a member of the church of the United Brethren in Christ.

B. J. De Vor received his education in the common and select schools. When twenty years of age he began teaching in the common schools and taught for ten successive terms. In 1861, Mr. De Vor engaged in mercantile business at Shirleysburg, continuing four years. He then removed to Mount Union, where he carried on a store from 1865 to 1871. From the latter year until 1875, he was owner and operator of the National Steam Flouring Mill, Mount Union. He studied theology and was examined before the board of examination of applicants for ordination by the ministry, met at Johnstown, Pa., and was admitted to that body of ministers of the United Brethren in Christ church, Allegheny Conference, Pa. He began reading law in 1875, Hon. H. C. Shafer, of Huntingdon, being his preceptor. In 1878 Mr. De Vor was admitted to the bar, and has since pursued the practise of his profession in Mount Union. Beside his legal business he gives his attention to transactions in real estate, and is also agent for a number of life insurance companies. He is a Republican, and has been a member of the borough council and school board. He was one of the incorporators of the borough of Mount Union in 1867. Since arriving at manhood, Mr. De Vor has in addition to his other employment, given his attention to surveying and civil engineering, and has done a great deal of important work for the courts of Huntingdon county.

On April 8, 1855, Mr. De Vor was married

to Margaret J., daughter of Anthony and Nancy (Ripple) Faust. Their children are: Gerald L., married to Nellie Coleman, of Chicago, is now a resident of Akron, O., and general auditor of the Werner Publishing Company; Lizzie L.; and Emma L. (Mrs. L. Bergman Mentzer), of Baltimore, Md. Mr. De Vor is a member of the Presbyterian church, and has for a number of years been superintendent of the Sunday-school. He is an old and respected citizen of Mount Union and stands high in the esteem of a large circle of personal friends.

ALFRED SIMONS, Mount Union, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Perry county, Pa., May 13, 1832, and is a son of Samuel and Mary (Keck) Simons, natives and life-long residents of Perry county. Samuel Simons was during most of his life a shoemaker. During later years, and until his retirement from active pursuits, he was a watchman on the Pennsylvania Railroad. Mr. Simons was the father of the following named children: Alfred; James; William; Elvira (Mrs. John Coulter); Samuel R.; and one that died in infancy. Mr. Simons died at the age of seventy-five, and his wife at the age of sixty-nine.

The school education of Alfred Simons was imparted in the common schools of Mifflin and Huntingdon counties. At the age of eighteen, he began to learn cabinet-making and undertaking, which have always been his employments. He has for many years successfully carried on business in Mount Union. Mr. Simons is a Republican, and has served three years as a member of the borough council. He is a member of Mount Union Lodge No. 877, I. O. O. F., and has been an honored citizen of Mount Union borough since 1860.

Alfred Simons married Lucy A., daughter of John and Elizabeth (Potter) Pineus. Mr. Simons is a member of the Presbyterian church, in which he has been an elder for a number of years, and also assistant superintendent of the Sunday-school. The parents of Mrs. Simons were natives of the State of Maine. Her father was a foundryman, to which business he gave most of the years of his activity. He was the father of the following named children: Alphens; Lucy (Mrs. Simons); Lyman; Mary (Mrs. R. Hesser); and James. Mrs. Pineus is deceased; her

husband survives her, and is in sound health, at the venerable age of eighty-eight.

REV. DAVID HENSHEY CAMPBELL, Mount Union, Pa., is the pastor of the Presbyterian churches of Mount Union, Mapleton, and Newton Hamilton, which are connected with the presbytery of Huntingdon. This position he has successfully and acceptably filled since 1884, at which time, on November 18, he and his family became residents of Mount Union. Mr. Campbell was the ninth child and sixth son of John and Barbara (Henshey) Campbell, and was born in the village of Davidsburg, July 28, 1846, the year in which "little Blair" became one of the counties of Pennsylvania. On his paternal side, Mr. Campbell is of Scotch extraction, and on his maternal side, of German origin. His great-grandfather, Robert Campbell, was born in County Down, Ireland; he emigrated to America in 1746, and settled in Chester, Pa., but removed to Kishacoquillas in 1774. His grandfather, Robert Campbell (2), was born in 1770, in Big Valley, Mifflin county, Pa., of which valley John Campbell, father of Rev. David H., was also a native. Mrs. John Campbell was born near Chambersburg, Pa., in 1809. Mr. Campbell's ancestors were endowed with more than ordinary ability, and were leaders in their day. His father served as justice of the peace for thirty years, and as ruling elder of the Logan's Valley Presbyterian church for forty-four years.

The early years of David H. Campbell were spent on his father's farm, or in assisting in his father's tannery. His elementary education was obtained in the common school. When but a youth, he was mustered into the United States service during the Civil war, at Camp Curtin, Harrisburg, Pa., July 12, 1864, as a member of Company G, (Capt. Telleo Johnson), of the First Independent Regiment of Hundred Days men, Maj. Jacob Szink commanding, and was mustered out of service November 10, 1864, at the expiration of his term of enlistment. Soon after his return home, he entered the drug store of George W. Kessler, of Altoona, for the purpose of becoming a druggist. He became interested in the compounding of prescriptions, and gave good satisfaction to his preceptors. He was careful and reliable, and won the confidence of his employer and

family, as well as that of the large patronage of the store.

During a revival service in the First Presbyterian church, Altoona, early in 1867, under the ministry of Rev. R. M. Wallace, the plans of Mr. Campbell for his future life were entirely changed. At that time, he not only was converted, but felt called to devote his life to the work of the gospel ministry. In the following May, he left the drug business, and entered Logan Academy, at Bells Mills, with the intention of preparing for college. He remained there until the fall of 1868, when he entered Tuscarora Academy, at Academia, Pa., and spent one year there. In September, 1869, he was admitted to the sophomore class of Lafayette College, and graduated there in 1872, having stood well in his class. He entered Union Theological Seminary, New York City, in the fall of 1872, and completed his course there May 10, 1875. He was licensed to preach the gospel by the presbytery of Huntingdon in June, 1874. On the completion of his course, Mr. Campbell at once accepted a very cordial call to the pastorate of the Fruit Hill Presbyterian church, and immediately entered upon the work. It was a country charge and a hopeful field. At an adjourned meeting of the presbytery of Huntingdon, held June 17, 1875, he was ordained to the gospel ministry and installed pastor of that church. On June 23, 1875, Rev. Mr. Campbell was married by Rev. J. H. Mathers to Miss Anna Helen Peelor, only daughter of David and Lavinia (Brown) Peelor, of Johnstown, Pa. He has a happy family of two daughters and a son. His ministry in his first field lasted nearly ten years. It was a most successful and prosperous pastorate. Two churches costing at least ten thousand dollars were built, and the parsonage was enlarged and greatly improved. The church grew both in numbers and in the grace of giving. More than two hundred new members were added. In September, 1884, Mr. Campbell was unanimously called to his present field. This came unsought. It was with sadness that he severed his relation with a church where he had worked happily for almost a decade; but it seemed to be the leading of Providence.

Rev. Mr. Campbell and his family met with a very warm reception when they came to this field, where he was installed November



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25, 1884. The work here has gone on encouragingly up to the present time. In connection with the churches of Mount Union and Mapleton, he was also installed on the above date as pastor of the Shirleysburg church. On May 1, 1892, his pastoral relation with the church at Shirleysburg was dissolved in order that he might become pastor of the Newton Hamilton church, for one-fourth of his time. During Mr. Campbell's ministry the work has gone steadily forward; the Sabbath-school membership has been doubled; congregations have increased, five hundred and thirty-two persons having been added to their membership; and the sacrament of baptism has been administered to two hundred and eighty-three children and adults.

Mr. Campbell received the degree of Master of Arts from Lafayette College in 1881. At the last commencement of Lafayette College, held June 23, 1897, the honorary degree of D. D. was conferred upon him by his *Alma Mater*. He represented the presbytery of Huntingdon in the meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church at Buffalo in 1881, and at Saratoga Springs in 1894. He has for a number of years been chairman of the standing committee on Sabbath-schools in the presbytery. He took an active part in the Prohibition Amendment campaign in 1889, and did much to help increase the vote of Huntingdon county. He has been identified with all that has made for the progress and prosperity of his town, and to some extent, of the county. He has declined several calls to other charges since coming to his present field. His people have shown their confidence in him by presenting him with a Remington Standard Typewriter in 1888, and increasing his salary in 1893.

David Peelor, the father of Mrs. Campbell, was for three years in the State Department of Pennsylvania under Governor Curtin, and ably filled the position of civil engineer with the Cambria Iron Co. at Johnstown for about thirty years. He was a man of strong intellect and of inventive powers. He had a system of telegraphy carefully thought out and far on the way to its completion some years before Morse's invention was made known.

ALLEN S. WELCH, Mount Union, Pa., was born November 29, 1855, son of David and Elizabeth (Spanagle) Welch. Both of

Mr. Welch's parents were natives of Huntingdon county. Mr. David G. Welch was born January 1, 1834, and was brought up to the business of farming, and continued in the same throughout life, excepting when in the service of his country's defense, in the war of the Rebellion. He enlisted in August, 1864, in Company K, Two Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers; he was enrolled August 29th of that year, and was discharged August 3, 1865. His wife, to whom he was married September 24, 1854, was a daughter of Jacob and Hannah (Long) Spanagle, born July 7, 1833. Of their eight children, five are living: Allen S.; Ida, wife of W. A. Minster, of Altoona, Pa.; William J., of Mount Union, married to Miss Laura Ewing; Elmer D.; and Dorsey G., at home. Those deceased are: Hannah, an infant; Ira, at the age of four years; and Mary Alma, wife of J. M. Lutz, died September 9, 1894, aged thirty-four years, seven months and nine days. David Welch died October 11, 1881, aged forty-seven years, nine months and ten days. Mrs. David G. Welch survives her husband, residing in Mount Union.

Mr. A. S. Welch received the usual common school education. Familiar with the business of agriculture, and possessing the observation and intelligence to perceive and understand the needs of the farmer, he desired to introduce new and improved machinery for the processes of cultivation. It was in the year 1878, when only twenty-three years of age, that he purchased and operated the first steam threshing outfit in the lower end of the county of Huntingdon. In the spring of 1881, about a year after his marriage, he sold his steam thresher, and bought a small farm, which, however, he occupied for only one year; for in the following spring, he disposed of the farm, and removed to Mount Union, where he engaged in the sale of agricultural implements. He began with the intention of dealing in anything and everything from a garden hoe to a thresher or saw-mill. By hard work and close attention to business, he soon built up a good trade. In the spring of 1885, Mr. Welch received the offer of a position as assistant general agent for the D. M. Osborne General Harvester Co., for which he had been selling goods during the preceding three years. He accepted the agency, and while fulfilling its duties, also conducted his business at home. After serving the company for three years,

Mr. Welch found that his private interests were increasing so as to demand his entire attention. He therefore resigned his position with the Harvester Co., and left the road. He now has in his warehouse 12,500 square feet of floor space, and carries a full line of farming implements. Six years ago Mr. Welch bought and added to his business the only lumber yard in Mount Union. Three years ago, he added a line of hardware and stoves, and one year ago a coal yard. In every branch, his trade has been growing in extent and importance; he has managed to make it profitable, even during the dull times of the last three years.

In 1879, for one year, Mr. Welch was elected township clerk of Shirley township. In 1880, he was elected tax collector of Shirley township for one year; was elected Burgess of Mount Union borough in 1888, to serve for one year, and in 1891, was elected to the school board for three years; in 1895, was elected to town council. In June, 1896, he was nominated for county commissioner, and in November was elected by 2,500 majority. His politics are Republican.

The marriage of Allen S. Welch to Annie M., daughter of the late Michael H. and Margaret (Morrison) Kyper, took place March 25, 1880. They have one son, Charles H., now sixteen years of age. Mr. Welch is a member of the Presbyterian church, in which he is now serving his third three years' term as trustee.

Mrs. Annie M. Welch was born October 3, 1856. Her parents were residents of Shirley township. Mr. Kyper, her father, was a farmer, but from his eighteenth year taught school during the winter months, spending the summer in agricultural pursuits. He continued farming all his life. He was for three years director of the poor for Huntingdon county, besides filling several township offices. His marriage with Margaret, daughter of Hance and Barbara Morrison, took place November 29, 1855. Their children were: Edgar, died June 17, 1865, aged two years; Elsie, died December 8, 1882, aged twenty-one years; Annie M. (Mrs. A. S. Welch); D. Nevin; Harry W.; Charles A.; and Mary M., widow of William E. Gifford. Mr. H. H. Kyper died December 8, 1892, aged sixty-six; his wife died August 10, 1882, at the age of fifty-two years; the former was a member of the Reformed, the latter of the Pres-

byterian church. They both died in Germany valley, Huntingdon county, Pa.

CHARLES STRATFORD, Mount Union, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., October 17, 1838, and is a son of Charles and Catherine (Rowe) Stratford. Charles Stratford, Sr., was a native of Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, England, where he was born about 1812. He came to the United States at eighteen years of age, and landed at Easton, Pa., where he learned marble cutting. From Easton he removed to Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., where he passed the remainder of his life, carrying on the Lewistown Marble Works, until 1860, after which he practically lived retired. Mr. Stratford was married to Catherine, daughter of Daniel Rowe, a member of one of the oldest families in Mifflin county. They had eight children: Charles, of Mount Union Pa.; Susan L., deceased, who married Timothy Sweeney, also deceased; Temperance, who died in infancy; Prudence, widow of Alfred Smith, of Lewistown, Pa.; Frederick, of Altoona; Annie, who died August 31, 1876; Daniel, of Lewistown, married Mary Ellinger, daughter of Jacob Ellinger, of Decatur township, Mifflin county; Laura, married Grafton Anderson, of Dakota, and resides on the old homestead at Lewistown. Mrs. Stratford died in March, 1882, aged sixty-three years. Mr. Stratford died May 1, 1893, aged seventy-nine. Mr. Stratford was a man of good education and was from his youth a lover of books; he collected a large and well-selected library. He was a man of strong moral convictions and was a life-long opponent of the liquor traffic. He was a prime mover in the organization of Washingtonian societies in Mifflin, Centre, Huntingdon and Blair counties, and bore the same relation to the Good Templar movement, organizing lodges in the four counties named. So ardent, earnest and enthusiastic was he in this work that he became known as the "War horse of Temperance" in Pennsylvania. He made three trips across the Atlantic to England, and there, while visiting his childhood's home, organized Good Templar lodges, many of which received his name. In religion, his ideas were liberal; he gave his adherence to the doctrines of the Universalist church. A man of marked individuality of character, he clung tenaciously to his settled convictions. Right with him

was a matter of principle, and what he believed to be right he advocated with a fearlessness that won him deserved respect and esteem.

Charles Stratford, Jr., received a common school education, and learned marble cutting under his father. In 1880, he embarked in business for himself in Mount Union, and is now the sole proprietor of the Mount Union marble works and the Lewistown marble works, the latter being in charge of his brother Daniel. He is also a partner with his brother Frederick, under the firm name of Stratford Brothers, in the Mountain City marble works at Altoona, Pa. His life has been one of industry and his business success has been achieved by unremitting hard work and a strict adherence to honorable methods. Mr. Stratford was married October 10, 1859, to Elizabeth, daughter of Joseph and Jane Gray, of Lewistown. Her father, Joseph Gray, was born near Hagerstown, Md., in 1806, and died in Lewistown, January 14, 1866. He was of Dutch descent, and a forgerman by trade. He lost both his parents before reaching manhood, and when twenty years of age, removed to Jersey Shore, Lycoming county, Pa., where he married Jane Gilday. They have the following children: Catherine, widow of William Call, resides in Lewistown; Mary (Mrs. Anthony McCartney), of Burnham, Mifflin county; Samuel J., who was wounded in the service during the war of the Rebellion and is now an inmate of the Soldiers' Home at Dayton, O.; William, who was killed by an explosion at Washington furnace, Clinton county, July 4, 1862; Amanda, widow of John W. Jones, resides in Lewistown; Joseph, a minister of the Methodist Episcopal church, preaching in the James Creek circuit, Huntingdon county; Barbara A. (Mrs. William Yeaman), of De Smet, S. D.; Hiram D., of Williamsport, Pa.; Jane E. (Mrs. Sylvester Vilet), of Burnham, Mifflin county; John T., deceased. Mrs. Gray died November 28, 1894, aged eighty-five years and three months. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stratford have fourteen children, as follows: Charles R., Jane and Joseph, who died young; Catherine (Mrs. James C. McBirney), of Altoona; Carrie M., at home; Annie B., deceased, wife of R. M. Longacre, of Mount Union; William and Mary A., twins, the former resides in Shirley township, the latter died in infancy; Edgar R., editor

and publisher of the Mount Union *Times*; Herbert G., died in infancy; Bessie (Mrs. Richard M. Kiel), of Mount Union; Thomas F.; Robert U., died in infancy; and Harriet D., at home.

Like his father, Mr. Stratford is an uncompromising enemy of the liquor traffic, and an earnest advocate of prohibitory legislation. During the earlier years of his manhood he acted with the Republican party, but is now a Prohibitionist. He has served as a member of the borough council and of the school board, and is regarded as a representative citizen of Mount Union. He is progressive and public spirited, and gives support to such enterprises as are calculated to promote the public good. Mr. and Mrs. Stratford are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. He is a member of Lewistown Lodge, No. 97, I. O. O. F. In October, 1864, Mr. Stratford enlisted in the One Hundred and Thirty-first Pennsylvania Volunteers, and reported for duty at Harrisburg. A few days after his arrival, he was taken ill with smallpox, and was discharged without having an opportunity to go to the front.

E. R. STRATFORD, editor of the Mount Union *Times*, was born December 1, 1872, at Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa. He was a son of Charles and Elizabeth (Gray) Stratford. Charles Stratford removed with his family to Mount Union when his son, E. R., was nine years of age. The boy received his early education in the common schools of that borough, which he attended until he reached the age of seventeen. In 1889 he began his collegiate course in Dickinson Seminary, Carlisle, Pa., where he remained until June, 1891; he then entered Dickinson College, where he remained until 1893. Returning to his home at Mount Union, Mr. Stratford became associated with Harry A. Thompson in editing and publishing the *Times*, of which paper he became the sole proprietor at the retirement of Mr. Thompson, in 1895. The Mount Union *Times* has a circulation of over 1,200, being more widely distributed than any other paper in the county. Mr. Stratford, as its publisher, carefully considers the needs of the public, and makes untiring efforts to satisfy all reasonable demands, and to maintain the high reputation which this journal has won. He is well known as a reliable citizen, faithful to the duties of his position.

E. R. Stratford was married in New York City, February 14, 1894, to Blanche L., daughter of Rev. W. W. Hicks, D. D., and his wife, Clara (Hart) Hicks. Mr. and Mrs. Stratford have two children, Mildred Dow, and Gladys Hicks. Mrs. Stratford was born May 27, 1873. Her father was a native of Wales, and her mother of Connecticut. Rev. Dr. Hicks, while yet in his teens, became a missionary in India. He was afterwards engaged in the active work of the Christian ministry in this country until a few years ago, when he was compelled to retire on account of ill-health. He was twice married. His first wife was Clara A. Hart. She was the mother of three children, two of whom are living: T. B. M., a prominent lawyer of Williamsport, Pa., and Blanche L., Mrs. Stratford. The second marriage of Rev. Dr. Hicks was to Mrs. Margaret Massey, nee Hunter; they have no children, and reside near Jersey City, N. J.

W. W. FULLER, Mount Union, Pa., was born in Perry county, November 6, 1837, son of Jeremiah and Lydia (Flickinger) Fuller, natives of that county. Jeremiah Fuller was brought up a farmer, and always continued in that vocation, adding to it, however, the trade of carpentry, and as an activity for the winter months, the profession of teaching. Mrs. Fuller was the daughter of Henry and Margaretta (Yohn) Flickinger. Three sons of Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Fuller are: Joseph E., who died in infancy; and William W. The father died October 31, 1838, at the age of twenty-five years.

The education of W. W. Fuller was begun in the Perry county common schools, and further carried on at Central Academy, Airy View, Juniata county, for one year and six months; at the classical school at Ickesburg, Perry county, for eleven weeks; at Markersville Normal Institute, Perry county; eleven weeks, at Mount Dempsey, same county, the course being completed at Millersville Normal School, Lancaster county, Pa., in 1860. During a part of the time of his attendance at these institutions, Mr. Fuller was also engaged in teaching; and at the end of the course, he continued to follow that vocation for several years. On March 7, 1865, he became ticket and freight agent for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and has ever since been in the employ of that company. Throughout all of his busy life, Mr. Fuller has

found time to foster and cultivate his literary taste, both by reading and by writing. He has been honored as "the poet of the Juniata valley." He is the author of a number of well-known and widely published poems, among which are: "The Youths of Fair;" "Saville," his native township in Perry county; "Jack's Narrows;" "The Boatman;" "The Eighth Wonder of the World;" "The Fox Chase on Sunday;" "Ode at the Dedication of a Monument to the Memory of Rev. David Wilson, D. D., of Port Royal, Juniata County;" "The Vale of the Juniata;" "Hager;" and many others.

Mr. Fuller has been affiliated with the I. O. O. F. for twelve years, and belonged to the Encampment for five years; has filled all chairs of the Order and taken degrees. He was also a member of the U. O. A. M., and filled all chairs. He is a Republican. He has held various township and borough offices; was elected auditor of Delaware township, Juniata county, in 1869; councilman of Mount Union, 1877, served for two years; and was for one year burgess of Mount Union.

William W. Fuller was married, September 19, 1860, to Eliza J., daughter of William Kipp, Esq., and Hannah (Wertz) Kipp. Their children are: Frank E., and Sheldon, both of whom died in infancy; Charles I., ticket and freight agent at Newton Hamilton for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company; Viola (Mrs. I. N. Taylor); A. Watson, ticket clerk, Mount Union station; Wayne V.; and Esther E. Mr. Fuller is a member of the Presbyterian church, and has been for thirty-five years a teacher in the Sunday-school; for six years, he missed in attendance only two Sabbaths of each year.

Mrs. W. W. Fuller was born at Millerstown, Perry county, November 21, 1842. Her parents were natives of Perry county; her father's lifelong business was that of a wagon-maker, which he learned in his boyhood. For twelve years he was justice of the peace at Millerstown, Perry county. At the time when Mr. Fuller was teaching in Millerstown, Mr. Kipp was president of the school board. Mrs. Kipp was the daughter of Peter and Mary Wertz. Of their five children, three are living: Jacob, of Philadelphia; Ervine, of Millerstown, Perry county; and Eliza J. (Mrs. Fuller). The father died April 5, 1859, aged fifty-four years; the mother died in May, 1862, aged fifty-six. They were

members of the Presbyterian church, in which Mr. Kipp was for twenty-four years an elder.

E. CLARK FIELDS, Mount Union, Pa., was born in Mifflin county, October 10, 1871, son of Cyrus C. and Rebecca E. (Kauffman) Fields, natives of that county. Brought up a farmer boy, Cyrus C. Fields learned the trade of a saddler; after several years devoted to that business, he engaged in milling, which he afterwards gave up for butchering; in this business he continued for some fourteen years, and then retired. His wife's family name was Kauffman. Their children were: Alice M., who died November 20, 1892, aged seventeen; one that died in infancy; and the survivors: E. Clark; Myrtle; William A.; Annie A.; and Charles A. Both parents are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, of which the father held for several years the office of trustee.

Until he had attained the age of eighteen, E. C. Fields attended the public schools of Huntingdon county. His first business engagement after his school days were over, was with the Adams Express Company, between Mount Union and Altoona; this continued through 1889-90. But in February of the latter year, Mr. Fields resigned that position, to enter upon an engagement as traveling salesman for Moore & Burley, of Tyrone, Pa., which lasted for several years. Mr. Fields engaged with his father in the butchering business at Mount Union. In June, 1895, he went into business for himself; and is still in the same occupation. Mr. Fields is an active member of the P. O. S. of A., No. 346, Mount Union Lodge. He also belongs to the Cornet Band, which he organized in 1896. Mr. Fields is a Democrat, and prominent as a politician. He was elected chief burgess, served for one term, was re-elected for a term of three years, and is still in office.

E. Clark Fields was married, January 11, 1893, to Mary M., daughter of Casper and Helen A. (Benner) Miller. She was born October 10, 1871. Her father was early in life a farmer; he filled for some time the office of constable. His political opinions are Democratic. The living children of Mr. and Mrs. Miller are: Harry H.; Bertha (Mrs. E. H. Moore); Mary M. (Mrs. E. C. Fields); and Elizabeth (Mrs. John T. Norton).

WILLIAM BICE, Mount Union, Pa., was born August 20, 1846, in Mifflin county; his parents were James and Annie (Kantner) Bice. The paternal grandparents of Mr. Bice were English by birth. His father, born in Cornwall, England, came to America at the age of nineteen; he was a farmer and contractor. The mother, a daughter of John Kantner, was born in Big valley, Mifflin county, Pa. Of their ten children, six are living: William; Ann (Mrs. John L. Sunderline); Emma (Mrs. Joseph Moon), of Steelton, Pa.; Towanda (Mrs. George Woods), of Harrisburg, Pa.; Ellen (Mrs. Harvey B. Bowman), Philadelphia, Pa.; Ida, dressmaker, Harrisburg, Pa. Those deceased are: Elizabeth (Mrs. William Foltz), of Mount Union; John and James, both killed in battle during the late war; and Lizzie, an infant. Mr. James Bice died from a stroke of lightning, in his own home, in 1868, at the age of sixty. Mrs. Bice died in August, 1892, aged seventy-three. They were members of the Methodist church.

Until he reached the age of fifteen, William Bice was a pupil in the Mifflin county common schools. From the time when he left school until 1865, he was occupied with farm work; in June, 1863, while yet under age, he had enlisted in Company I, Forty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served one hundred days. In 1865, he again enlisted, for fifty-seven days, and was still in the service when the war ended. On his return from the army, he was for three months disabled for business by typhoid fever. In 1866, he came to Mount Union, and was for six months a bar tender. Returning to Mifflin county, Mr. Bice was occupied for a year in farming. In April, 1867, he established himself in the livery business in Mount Union, and has carried on the same since that time. He keeps fine horses, and does a flourishing business. During 1871-72, Mr. Bice ran a stage between Mount Union and Chambersburg, Franklin county, by way of Burnt Cabins, Shirleysburg, Orbisonia and Shade Gap. Besides his livery business, Mr. Bice also trades in horses. He is a Republican, and is active in politics; was elected constable in 1882, and served two years; re-elected two years later, and again served two years. He is connected with General Kane Post, No. 292, G. A. R., Mount Union.

William Bice was married, February 22, 1867, to Susan, daughter of Christian and Hannah (Rupert) Hanawalt. They had one son, Charles L., who carries on the livery business in Lewistown, Pa. Mrs. Bice died in May, 1869, at the age of twenty-four. Her father was a farmer of Mifflin county, where both he and his wife were born. Their children are: three deceased: John; William; and Susan A. (Mrs. Bice); and six surviving: David; Samuel; Selina; Joseph; George; and Elizabeth. Mr. Hanawalt was killed on the railroad in 1867; his wife died in 1890, aged seventy-four. They were members of the Dunkard church.

W. E. KOUGH, Mount Union, Pa., is a native of Huntingdon county, born May 7, 1858. He is a son of Jacob and Catherine (Enyeart) Kough. His grandfather, George Kough, came to America from his native land, Germany, in early life, and was a farmer. His children were: Benjamin; Samuel; Joseph; David; Jacob; and Ellen; all now deceased. George Kough died young, but his wife lived to a good old age. William Enyeart, Mr. W. E. Kough's maternal grandfather, was also a farmer. He and his wife were members of the Reformed church; of their children, three are living: William; Margaretta (Mrs. John Miller); and David. Five are deceased: Catherine; John, who died June 10, 1888; Mary (Mrs. Ephraim Thompson); Isaae, died aged sixty-two; and Elizabeth. Mr. Kough's father was born in Fayetteville, Pa., and his mother in Huntingdon county. His father began early to teach, and continued in that important profession all his life; he taught forty-eight winters and twenty-eight summers. His wife was the daughter of William and Margaretta (Householder) Enyeart. Half of their family of ten children have passed away: Margaretta; Daniel E., was killed by a railroad train, August 27, 1892; Elizabeth (Mrs. Jesse S. Peterson), died in February, 1881; Lucinda C. (Mrs. John B. Stitt), died in March, 1866; and Amelia, died June 19, 1875, aged twenty-five. The surviving children are: George P.; Annie M. (Mrs. J. S. Harper); J. L.; J. S.; and W. E. Mr. Jacob Kough died December 2, 1880, aged seventy-five; Mrs. Kough died August 6, 1895, aged eighty-two years, four months and two days. They were, until Mr. Kough's death, members

of the Lutheran church; but after that, Mrs. Kough residing at Shade Gap, Pa., united with the Presbyterian church of that place.

The school training of Mr. W. E. Kough was begun in the common schools, and completed in his seventeenth year, at Milnwood Academy. Having been brought up on a farm, he continued there, working with his father, until he was twenty. He then went to farming on his own account. After being thus occupied for eight years, he entered the United States mail service, and has been ever since in the same employment. His run is between New York and Pittsburg. At different times, he has done some business in the way of dealing in live stock, buying and selling horses. His politics are Republican.

On September 3, 1885, W. E. Kough was married to Maggie C., daughter of Gideon and Catherine (Collins) Rothwell, of Newcastle, Del. The name of their only child is Catherine E. Her parents were both natives of Newcastle. Mr. Rothwell was reared as a farmer, and followed that calling throughout his active business life. He never held, or desired, any political office. He was married, January 9, 1845, to Catherine, daughter of George Collins. They have nine children, all living.

Mr. and Mrs. Rothwell are members of the Methodist church; they reside in Delaware. Maj. William Rothwell, Mrs. Kough's paternal grandfather, was a native of Delaware, of English descent, and a large land owner.

CHARLES INGWERS, Mount Union, Pa., was born in Germany, May 6, 1871, son of B. Y. and Mary (Schor) Ingwers, both Germans, who came to this country when their son Charles was about one year old. After some time spent in work of various kinds, the elder Ingwers formed an engagement with the Glucose Manufacturing Company, at Davenport, Ia., where he has been engaged for the last twenty years, and in which he has become a large stockholder. Three of their family are living: Paul V.; Charles; and Clara. Five died in infancy and childhood. Charles Ingwers attended the common schools of Davenport until he was twelve years of age. He was then engaged in the George Orts sash, door and blind factory, for a year; then worked on a farm for two years. In 1887, he began a three years' apprentice-

ship at tailoring; when that time had expired, he went to Kansas City, Mo., and worked at his trade for eighteen months. He was then clerk in a wholesale grocery in Pittsburg for a few months, after which he was employed for a short time by Mr. H. Anderson, tailor, of that city. He then formed a partnership in McKeesport, Pa., with Hugh Smith; the connection was dissolved in about eight months, and Mr. Ingwers became engaged with George Evans & Son, merchant tailors. Four months later, May 29, 1893, Mr. Ingwers came to Mount Union, and established himself in the merchant tailoring business on his own account. He has already formed a large business connection. He has the satisfaction, well-earned, of feeling that he is a self-made man, having started in life as a poor boy, and attained by his own exertions, to a leading position in his line of business. He is active among Odd Fellows, as a member of Mount Union Lodge, No. 673. In politics he is independent.

Charles Ingwers was married, December 18, 1895, to Catherine, daughter of George and Rosanna (Malone) Weams, and a native of Clearfield county.

GEORGE D. SHAVER, Mount Union, Pa., was born in Huntingdon county, Pa., March 22, 1848, son of Peter and Catherine (Kling) Shaver. His grandfather, who was of German descent, as also was his wife, was all his life engaged in farming. Both grandparents lived to a great age. The father, Peter Shaver, was also a farmer; he was born in Huntingdon county, and his wife a daughter of Moses and Catherine Kling, in Perry county. He took a prominent part in public affairs; was for a number of years supervisor, and also school director for many years, besides filling other township offices. The family of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Shaver numbered fourteen; seven are deceased: Rachel; Mary; Alexander; Eliza; Washington; Martha; and Ellen. The survivors are: John; David; Jacob; Josiah; George D.; Bower; and Belcabreth. The father died May 1, 1882, aged seventy-seven; his wife died at the age of seventy-five.

George D. Shaver attended the public schools until he reached the age of fourteen. From that time until 1863, he assisted his father in cultivating the home farm; but in

October of that year, he enlisted in Company F, Twenty-second Pennsylvania Cavalry, and served for twenty months. He was under Sheridan and took part in the engagements of Cedar Creek, Winchester and others of the Shenandoah valley campaign. In 1865, when he was discharged, Mr. Shaver went to Clearfield county, and for about four months worked at logging. He then went home and bought a team, which he used for about a year in the business of hauling. Then he sold his team, and was employed for another year upon the railroad. After his marriage, in 1867, Mr. Shaver rented his father's farm, and cultivated it for four years on his own account. His house being destroyed by fire, he removed to Mount Union, and bought four acres of land, on which he built a large dwelling. After residing in Mount Union for three years, he exchanged his house and lot for his father's property, where he has ever since resided, occupied in farming. In addition to his agricultural operations, Mr. Shaver is a dealer in superior horses; he owns the finest bred stallion in the Juniata valley, valued at \$2,000. Mr. Shaver is a member of General Kane Post, No. 292, G. A. R., Mount Union. He is a Republican, and is an active worker for the success of the party.

George D. Shaver was married, August 11, 1867, to Maria E., daughter of Michael and Mary (Bongardner) Queary. Their children are: Forst W.; Martin L.; James L.; and William P. M. Mrs. Shaver is a member of the Methodist church.

The paternal grandfather of Mrs. G. D. Shaver was a native of Berks county, and a mason, continuing in that trade all his life. Of his eight children, Charles and Adam died in infancy; the others were: John; Jacob; Michael; Elizabeth; George; and Maria; all now deceased. Both the grandparents died at an advanced age. David Bongardner, Mrs. Shaver's maternal grandfather, was first a weaver, and afterwards, and for the greater part of his life, a farmer. His first wife was Catherine Mirely; their children were: Benjamin; John; Elizabeth; Mary; and Anna; all deceased. Mrs. Catherine Bongardner died at the age of fifty-five years. His second marriage was with Ellen Dean, by whom he had two children: Nancy (Mrs. Henry Shaffner); and James, deceased. Mrs. Shaver's father, Michael Queary, was born in Berks

county, and her mother was a native of Huntingdon county. Mr. Queary learned the trade of masonry, but at about twenty-five years of age, relinquished that business for farming, in which he was engaged during the remainder of his life. His first wife, Mary, was the daughter of David and Catherine (Mirely) Bongarsbner. Nine of their children are living: Benjamin; Jacob; Elizabeth; James D.; George W.; Maria E. (Mrs. G. D. Shaver); Mary, widow of Henry Lynn; Annie (Mrs. David Pheasant); and John. Those deceased are: Catherine; Michael; Henry; Alfred; and Jennie R., wife of Wilbur Rohrer, also deceased. Michael and Alfred were taken prisoners during the war of the Rebellion, and died of starvation in prison, at Salisbury, N. C. The mother of these children died April 12, 1860, aged fifty-one years, eleven months. Mr. Queary was married again in 1862, to Mrs. Jane Rhoads. Of this marriage there were no children. He died April 11, 1895, at the age of eighty-four. His second wife had died in 1893, March 20, aged eighty-one.

WILLIAM I. STRATFORD, Mount Union, Pa., was born July 21, 1870, at Lewis-ton, Mifflin county, Pa. He is a son of Charles and Elizabeth (Gray) Stratford. Mr. Stratford's school education was obtained in the public schools of Huntingdon county, which he attended until he was eighteen. He then learned marble cutting with his father, and worked at that industry for eight years. In May, 1896, Mr. Stratford began farming, to which calling he expects to devote all his attention in future. He is an active member of the P. O. S. of A., Mount Union Lodge, No. 346. He is a Prohibitionist.

William I. Stratford was married, July 28, 1892, to Annie E., daughter of William L. and Mary C. (Edwards) States, of McConnellstown, Pa. They have two children: Charles J.; and Mary Elizabeth. Mrs. Stratford's father and grandfather were both blacksmiths. Her grandparents were natives of Trough Creek valley; their children are: George; William L.; and Eliza, who died in February, 1896, aged sixty-three; she was the wife of Benjamin Heffner, also deceased. The grandfather died at the age of seventy years; the grandmother died March 18, 1888. Their son, William L. States, Mrs. Stratford's

father, was born in Huntingdon county; his wife, Mary C., daughter of Allen and Diadema Edwards, is of the same county. They have nine children: Abraham; Annie E. (Mrs. Stratford), born October 30, 1869; Mary; Lottie; Allen; Rebecca; Gertrude; Elmer; and Ellen, who died at the age of two years and a half. Mr. and Mrs. States reside at McConnellstown, Huntingdon county, and are members of the Reformed church.

JOHN S. HARENCAME, Norrace, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born November 6, 1841, in Huntingdon county. He is a son of John and Elizabeth (Sherman) Harencame. His great-grandfather was a native of Hesse, Germany, who came to America during the Revolutionary war, was captured, and afterwards settled in Lancaster county, where he helped to clear the land. His son, Mr. Harencame's paternal grandfather, was a butcher. He and his wife were both natives of Lancaster county. They had a family of twelve children. One of the sons, John Harencame, father of John S., was engaged in distilling and in wagon-making until 1835, when he removed from his native county, Lancaster, to Huntingdon county, and there began farming; in this calling he continued until his final retirement from business. He was elected supervisor, and school director, for his township. His wife's maiden name was Elizabeth Sherman; she was, like himself, a native of Lancaster county. Four of their children are still living: Jacob; Emanuel; John S.; and Elizabeth (Mrs. John Roberts). Those deceased are: Benjamin; Harry J.; Anna M.; and five boys who died in childhood. The father died in 1883, aged seventy-eight; his wife died in 1870, aged sixty-seven. They were members of the Reformed church.

John S. Harencame attended the common schools until he was seventeen years old. Being brought up to farm work, he continued to be his father's assistant until the war of the Rebellion broke out, and after that, until August, 1864, he enlisted in Company G, Two Hundred and Fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers. Being discharged in June, 1865, he went home, and commenced farming on his own account on the homestead. A few years after the death of his father, the farm was sold to S. S. Blatt. In 1876, Mr. Harencame bought the farm on which he now resides, consisting

of 140 acres. Some years ago, while cutting a tree, his axe slipped and wounded him severely, cutting his foot so as to disable him for four years. After his recovery he resumed farming, and continued in active employment for a few years longer, but has now retired from business. For nine years, Mr. Harencame held the office of auditor of Shirley township.

The marriage of John S. Harencame with Mary, daughter of David and Zilla (Flanagan) Shaffer, took place November 13, 1862. Only one of their children is deceased, George, who died in 1873, when one year old. The others are: Flora (Mrs. John Manning); Morrow; Milton; Anna M.; Fannie; Benjamin; Harry; Alice; Maude; and Ralph. Mrs. Harencame's father, who was a tanner, was born in Maryland, and her mother in Fulton county, Pa. The children of David and Zilla (Flanagan) Shaffer were twelve in number, of whom four are deceased: Catherine; Benjamin; Zilla; and John. Those living are: Henry; Mary (Mrs. J. S. Harencame); George; David; Parthenia (Mrs. Miles Bell); Martha (Mrs. Lloyd Beck); Jennie (Mrs. Robert Baughstaugh); and Miles. Mr. Shaffer died in 1888, aged seventy-two; he and his wife were members of the Methodist church.

EMANUEL B. HARENCAE, Norrace, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born April 23, 1837, son of John and Elizabeth (Sherman) Harencame. Until the age of nineteen, Mr. Harencame attended the common school of Porter township, Huntingdon county. He was then engaged with Robinson on the railroad for two years. In 1861, he began farming on the same place where he now resides; after two years in that place, he removed to Mount Union, where he remained two years more. He then resumed farming, and has since continuously followed the same vocation. He served the township as auditor for three years; was elected supervisor in 1879, served one year, was re-elected and again served for one year; in 1883, he was elected justice of the peace for Shirley township, and served ten years; was elected treasurer of the school board in 1896, and still holds that position; in the spring of 1897, he was again elected a school director. In 1896, he was chosen inspector of elections. While he was justice of the peace, Mr. Harencame collected

county "back" taxes, due for several years; also township "back taxes."

Emanuel B. Harencame was married, January 6, 1859, to Catherine J., daughter of Hezekiah and Elizabeth (Clark) Ricketts. Their children were: Howard M.; and Cora F. (Mrs. Saul S. Blatt). Mrs. Harencame died January 27, 1866, at the age of twenty-nine. Her family, the Ricketts, are among the oldest families of the region; six generations of the name are buried in the graveyard which lies within Mr. Harencame's property. The parents of Mrs. Harencame were born in Huntingdon county; her father's calling was that of a farmer, which he followed all his life. His wife Elizabeth was the daughter of James and Elizabeth Clark. Their children were: James; Hannah; Mary; Lafayette; Elizabeth; Eliza; Rachel; Samuel; and Catherine; all now deceased. Mrs. Ricketts died in 1802, aged sixty-two, and her husband February 16, 1853, at the age of sixty-one. They were members of the Methodist church.

Mr. E. B. Harencame was married again June 20, 1867, to Sarah C., daughter of David and Zilla (Flanagan) Shaffer. One of their children is deceased, Lilia May (Mrs. Isaac Secrest), who died July 2, 1895, aged twenty-four years. The surviving children are: William; Florence E. (Mrs. V. S. French); and David S. Mrs. Sarah C. Harencame died October 10, 1892, aged fifty-three years. Her parents were natives of Lancaster county; her father was first a currier and tanner, and after some years changed his occupation to farming. He was for a number of years supervisor of his township, and for a few years on the school board. He was married July 4, 1839, to Zilla, daughter of James and Sarah Flanagan; they had a family of eleven children. Mr. Shaffer died December 22, 1888, at the age of seventy-one; his wife, who is in the enjoyment of good health at the age of seventy-six, resides with her son-in-law, Mr. E. B. Harencame. She is a member of the Methodist church, to which Mr. Harencame also belongs, and in which he is active and serviceable.

GEORGE W. MILLER, Shirleysburg, Pa., is a native of Adams county, Pa., and was born November 2, 1863; he is a son of David H. and Jennie (Weidman) Miller, who were both born in Littlestown, Adams county. Mr.

D. H. Miller is a man of long experience in mercantile business, having begun when quite young, at Gettysburg, Pa. After spending three years there he removed successively to the following places: to Aughwick Mills, Huntingdon county, where he remained four years; to Shirleysburg, for two years; in 1872 to Washington, Pa., for four years; in 1876, to Shirleysburg again; in 1880, to Littletown, for one year, finally, in 1881, to Harrisburg, where he bought a lot and built a fine large residence and store room, and is at present carrying on the dry goods and notions business. He was married first to Jennie Weidman; her only child was George W. She died June 5, 1876, at the age of thirty-two. Mr. Miller's second wife was Mary Harrison. There are no children of this marriage. David H. Miller and his first wife, mother of George W., were members of the Baptist church.

When George W. Miller was quite young his father removed to Huntingdon county, and there the boy was educated, in the common schools. At the age of seventeen he began in the mercantile business at Shirleysburg, and has been engaged in the same pursuits ever since. He has established a large trade; besides which he owns an extensive cigar factory, where some of the finest cigars are manufactured. Mr. Miller is distinguished among his fellow-citizens by his business ability and interest in public affairs, and has been chosen for several township offices; he served six years as auditor; was elected school director in 1896, and is now in the board. He is an active member of the P. O. S. of A.

George W. Miller was married in May, 1880, to Lizzie M., daughter of David Douglass. They had three children: David, who died August 15, 1885, aged three years; William W.; and George C. Mrs. Miller is deceased; she was a loving mother and a devout woman, a member of the Presbyterian church. Her parents were natives of Shirleysburg; her father was a farmer through all his business life. He and his wife were members of the Presbyterian church. Besides their daughter, Mrs. Miller, they had three sons: Curtin, deceased; Philemon; and Frank.

Mr. Miller's second wife was Sarah M., daughter of Jackson and Mary Harman; their marriage took place January 13, 1887. They

had one son, Lawrence C. The mother died July 2, 1894, aged thirty-two. Her parents also belong to Huntingdon county, by birth and by residence. Mr. Harman is a farmer; he was for fourteen years steward of the Huntingdon county almshouse; he was also director of the poor for some years. He is now engaged in farming. Mr. and Mrs. Harman have five children living: John; Clara (Mrs. Shipton); Dr. L. C., a well-known physician of Phillipsburg, Pa.; Annie; and Minnie. The parents are members of the Methodist church. Mr. Miller's church connection is Presbyterian.

DAVID S. SNYDER, Norrace, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Huntingdon county, August 27, 1843, son of Simon and Elizabeth (Beatty) Snyder. His grandparents, the Snyders, came at an early date from Germany, accompanied by two brothers who settled in the eastern part of Pennsylvania, while they penetrated further, and began their life in the New World as farmers in Huntingdon county. This they continued throughout life, bringing up a family of six children, all of whom are now deceased. They were: Henry; Conrad; John; Simon; Martha; and Peter. Both grandparents lived to a ripe old age. Both parents of Mr. David Snyder were born in Huntingdon county. His father was a farmer throughout life. His mother was the daughter of John Beatty. Of their five children, one, Rosanna, is deceased; she was the wife of Isaac Miller, also deceased. The remaining children are: Henry; Phebe, widow of David Daughtebaugh; David S.; and Louisa (Mrs. John Stewart). Mr. Simon Snyder and his wife have both died, the latter at the age of fifty-six years. They were members of the Methodist church; Mr. Snyder was for years a class-leader.

Brought up as a farmer boy, David S. Snyder obtained only the educational training of the country public school, and that limited to the winter months, as in the summer he gave his services to his mother on the farm. At nineteen years of age, his school days were ended. He enlisted, March 25, 1864, in Company F, Thirteenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, served eighteen months, and was discharged August 14, 1865. At the battle of Gettysburg Mr. Snyder was shot, the ball passing through his left lung and out at the right

shoulder-blade. He was disabled for service for only four months, but constantly suffers from the effects of the wound. On his return home he resumed farming, and continued it for a few years, but has now retired from active employment. In 1873 he was elected constable of Shirley township, and served twenty-two years, without fear or favor; in 1885 he was elected tax collector, and occupied that office for two years; in the fall of 1895 he was elected director of the poor, and is still in office. He is a Republican, and a member of the A. P. A. and of the G. A. R., Post 292, Mount Union.

David S. Snyder was married first to Hannah, daughter of Joseph and Sarah (Wilson) Hall. They had four children, two of whom died in infancy; the survivors are: Lizzie; and Samuel. Mrs. Hannah Snyder died aged thirty-five years. She, like Mr. Snyder, was a member of the Methodist church. Her father was a farmer. The children of Joseph and Sarah (Wilson) Hall were: Samuel F.; Ruth (Mrs. Albert Goodman); and one deceased. Both parents lived to a very advanced age. Mr. Snyder's second marriage was with Jennie, daughter of John and Ann (Chestnut) Lamberson, by whom he has one daughter, Alice C. Mr. and Mrs. Lamberson are natives of Fulton county; Mr. Lamberson has always been a farmer, and still resides on his farm, though no longer actively engaged in cultivating it. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Chestnut, Mrs. Lamberson's parents, are: George; David; Jennie (Mrs. Snyder); Andrew; Rev. Alexander, pastor of the Methodist church in Hanover, York county, Pa.; and William, deceased. Mr. Lamberson has served the township in various offices. He and his wife are members of the Methodist church.

HENRY H. SHARER, Mount Union, Pa., was born March 2, 1846, son of Samuel and Caroline (Copenhaver) Sharer. Jacob Sharer, grandfather of Henry H., was a native of Hagerstown, Md., and a farmer. Of his ten children, three died in infancy; the others deceased are: Amelia; Isaac; Samuel; Percival; Ann; and Margaret. One survives, Susan, wife of David Mansberger. Mr. Sharer's maternal grandparents, Henry and Elizabeth (Etnier) Copenhaver, were born in Huntingdon county. Mr. Copenhaver was a farmer; it was his life-long occupation. His wife was

a daughter of Martin and Elizabeth Etnier. One of their children, Abraham, died in 1851, aged twenty-three years; the others are: Caroline; Susan; and Peter. Mr. Copenhaver died in 1871, aged eighty-three, and Mrs. Copenhaver in 1868, at the age of seventy-nine. She belonged to the Methodist church. Both of Mr. Sharer's parents were natives of Huntingdon county; his father, Samuel Sharer, was a farmer and miller, and was still engaged in the former calling at the time of his death. His marriage to Miss Caroline Copenhaver took place in 1841. Three of their children are deceased: Caroline; Adolphus; and Jacob H. Those who survive are: Jennie, widow of Samuel Huling; Francis M.; Henry H.; Mary E. (Mrs. Samuel Mosser); Ann Savilla (Mrs. James Koons); Peter F.; Winfield S.; and Ida B. The father died April 12, 1878, aged sixty-eight; the mother resides with her son Henry H., and is in excellent health, at the age of seventy-six. Mr. Sharer was a lifelong Republican, and held various township offices.

Henry H. Sharer received his scholastic training and his education as a farmer at the same time, attending the common school a few months at a time during the winter, when his assistance was not required in the fields. After he had attained his majority, and no longer sat among schoolboys, he still continued to be his father's aid on the farm for about four years. In 1870 he went to Petroleum, Venango county, Pa., where he was for two years employed in pumping oil. A similar engagement occupied him for a few years more, in Clarion county, Pa.; he also attended for one year to the dressing of drilling tools. Then, after a nine months' engagement in Lawrence county, he returned to the county of Huntingdon, and to the business of agriculture, to which he still devotes his time. He has served his township as judge and inspector of elections; was elected supervisor of Shirley township in 1888, and served one year; auditor in 1890, and served five years. He is a Republican, and an active member of the Mount Union Grange, No. 368, P. of H. Mr. Sharer is not married.

DAVID C. GROVE, Shirleyburg, Pa., was born in Huntingdon county, October 28, 1847, son of John and Mary J. (Miller) Grove. His grandfather, Samuel Grove, was also a

native of Huntingdon county, and was a farmer until his retirement from business. His wife was Catherine, daughter of Samuel Isenberg. They had ten children. Those deceased are: Joseph; Dorothy; John; David; Susan (Mrs. John Enyeart); Samuel; and Enoch. The survivors of the family are: Solomon; Abraham; and Catherine (Mrs. William Ritter), now residing in Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Grove are deceased. They were members of the Reformed church. The maternal grandfather of Mr. D. C. Grove was Henry Miller, a farmer, who married Miss Cornpropst. Three of their children are living: Henry C.; Sarah (Mrs. Adolphus Matthews); and Charlotte (Mrs. James Green). Both Mr. Grove's parents were born in Huntingdon county; his father on December 17, 1818, and his mother June 6, 1823. After cultivating their farm during their time of strength and activity, they lived a life of rest and retirement for about five years before their death. Mr. John Grove was chosen to fill several township offices. Their marriage occurred October 7, 1841; their family includes six children: Joseph; Martha (Mrs. Moses Harmer); David C.; Jackson; Catherine (Mrs. Solomon Grove); and Samuel H., who died January 20, 1865, at the age of thirteen. The mother passed away January 30, 1888, aged sixty-four; her husband followed her in March of the next year, at the age of seventy-one. They belonged to the Reformed church.

David C. Grove attended the public schools of his native county until he was about twenty years old. He then began to learn the business of moulding, at which he continued to work for about eleven years. In 1877 he began farming, and has ever since made that his occupation. He has been active and useful in his township; he served for three years as auditor; in 1892 he was elected to the school board, and still holds his seat in that body. Mr. Grove is also an active member of Lodge No. 317, I. O. R. M., and of Castle No. 393, K. G. E.

The first marriage of David C. Grove was with Lucretia J., daughter of David and Susan (Heffner) McGossor, on March 28, 1871. Their children are: Harry J.; Mary (Mrs. John McAlister); Franklin; and Wilbert M. Lucretia Grove was a member of the Reformed church. She died February 12, 1881. Her parents were natives of Huntingdon coun-

ty, her mother being a daughter of Adam and Rebecca (Enyeart) Heffner. Mr. McGossor is a plasterer. All their children except Mrs. Grove are still living, and are as follows: Ada; Frances; Franklin; Rebecca; Belle; Fairman; and Ambrose.

David C. Grove was married the second time, June 18, 1884, to Mary C., daughter of William and Louisa (Raber) Ambrose. Their children are: Herbert A.; John C.; Russel E.; Edith L.; David J.; and Venno M. Mrs. Grove is a member of the Baptist church, while Mr. Grove adheres to the Reformed communion. She was born November 5, 1862; her father is a native of Huntingdon county, and her mother of Berks. Mr. Ambrose was engaged in boating until the war of the Rebellion broke out, when he enlisted in Company A, One Hundred and Ninety-first Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served for forty months. In one of the engagements in which he took part he was shot in the head. After his discharge he was employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in the roundhouse at Huntingdon, Pa., and continued in their employ until a short time before his death, which occurred July 31, 1875, he being forty-four years of age. His wife had died three years earlier, on August 23, 1872, at the age of thirty-five. His father, Samuel Ambrose, was a native of Huntingdon county, and his mother of Berks. Samuel Ambrose was a farmer.

DAVID N. PALMER, Otelia, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Huntingdon county, March 6, 1860. He is a son of James and Barbara (Miller) Palmer. His paternal grandfather was a teacher, and a member of the German Dunkard church; he and his wife are both deceased. Mr. Miller, Mr. Palmer's maternal grandfather, was all his life a farmer. He had nine children, all now deceased. Both Mr. Palmer's parents were born in Huntingdon county. His father was a blacksmith, and followed that vocation for about thirty years, at the end of that time retiring to enjoy well-earned repose. He was elected supervisor of Shirley township, and to offices in the election board, besides filling other positions of trust and influence. Mrs. James Palmer was the daughter of Henry Miller. The children of this marriage were: Randolph; Alice; Isabella; George; these, and an infant, are de-

ceased; Bruce; David N. Mr. James Palmer died January 25, 1894, aged seventy-two; his wife died in 1887. Both were members of the Methodist church.

Mr. D. N. Palmer attended the common schools of his native county until he reached the age of seventeen. He was brought up on a farm. For two years he was his father's assistant at the forge. He went afterwards to the oil regions, and remained about four years; then returning to Huntingdon county, he engaged in farming, which has been his occupation ever since.

On February 18, 1876, David N. Palmer was married to C. Alice, daughter of Ferguson and Mary (Horton) Stunkard. Their children are: Sarah P.; Renick T.; and Amasa B. Mrs. Palmer's parents were both natives of Fulton county, Pa. Her father was a gunsmith, and carries on that business, besides managing a farm and a store. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Stunkard are: Easton; Mary (Mrs. George Barnett); Caroline Alice (Mrs. Palmer); Myrtle (Mrs. Bruce Shore); Charles; Leslie; and Jessie. They reside in Fulton county, and both parents are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

MCCLENNAN ERVIN, Otelia, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Huntingdon county, September 3, 1867. He is a son of Alexander and Catherine J. (Parsons) Ervin. William Ervin, grandfather of McCleannan, was also a native of Huntingdon county, as also was his wife, Isabella, daughter of William and Mary Vaughn. They had seven children: Thomas; Robert; and Isabella; these three are deceased; those living are: William; Nancy; Frederick; and Ellen. Mr. William Ervin's life business was farming. He died well advanced in years; his wife died in February, 1890, at the age of seventy-three. They were members of the Presbyterian church. The maternal grandparents of Mr. Ervin, the Parsons, were Irish by birth, and came to America in early youth.

Both Mr. Ervin's parents are natives of Huntingdon county. His father's employment has always been agriculture. He has served his township in the following offices: Inspector, one year; school director, three years; and assessor, elected in 1889, served three years. Alexander Ervin was married

in 1866 to Catherine J., daughter of George and Ellen (Waters) Parsons. They have had nine children: McCleannan; Nancy B., wife of Evans Parsons; William B.; Robert L.; Margaretta E.; Elmira R.; Ada M.; John L.; Martha J., died in April, 1893, aged seven. Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Ervin reside in Huntingdon, Pa.; they are members of the United Brethren church, in which Mr. Ervin has been a class-leader for the last ten years. His political opinions are Democratic.

Mr. McCleannan Ervin attended the public schools until he completed his eighteenth year. He was then occupied with farming for about two years, then in mining, in Huntingdon county, for about three, but not regularly. In the fall of 1886 he went to Missouri, and there worked at farm business for some two years, returning to Huntingdon county in 1888. In 1892 Mr. Ervin bought his present residence, a farm then recently owned by Frank S. Briggs. He has tilled this land ever since, with success.

McCleannan Ervin was married April 18, 1889, to Charlotte M., daughter of Robert E. and Sarah J. (Cisney) Parsons. Their children are: Bertha J.; Violet L.; and Ellsworth S., who died January 29, 1892, at the age of two months.

Mrs. Ervin was born April 5, 1870. Her parents were natives of Huntingdon county, where her father was all his life engaged in farming. Her mother was the daughter of James and Sarah Cisney. Their family included eight children: Samuel C.; Amanda J., wife of John Kling; Margaretta M., wife of William Peiper; Mary, wife of Wilbert Beers; Rachel, wife of William Love; Evans; Charlotte M. (Mrs. Ervin); and Ellsworth. Mr. Cisney died March 29, 1896, aged seventy-one; his wife died in 1887. They belonged to the United Brethren church. Mrs. Ervin's paternal grandparents, James and Catherine Parsons, were born in Huntingdon county; Mr. Parsons was a stonemason. Their children were: Robert E.; James; Samuel; and Julia Ann, who is the wife of Noah McMellor. Mr. and Mrs. Parsons both lived to a good old age. James Cisney, Mrs. Ervin's maternal grandfather, was a farmer all his life. He was the father of five children: Diana, wife of Alexander Hockenberry; Washington; Rachel, wife of

George Kimberton; Sarah J.; and Margaret, deceased.

JOSEPH A. BRANDT, Thisbe, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born October 19, 1859, in Franklin county, Pa. His parents are Daniel and Maria (Kilgore) Brandt, natives of Franklin county, where they lived until 1868. Mr. Daniel Brandt was a blacksmith, and worked at that trade until the age of forty-one, when he exchanged the forge for the plow, and continued farming until he retired from business in 1890. He was several times chosen for township offices: was elected school director for three years, re-elected, served one year more; was secretary of the school board; treasurer of the school board of Shirley township, for two years; supervisor for one year, and assessor for three years. Mrs. Daniel Brandt was the daughter of Joseph Kilgore. The children of Mr. and Mrs. D. Brandt are: Emma, wife of Amos McCurdy; Elizabeth, wife of John Piles; Susan, wife of John Wasson; Aseath, wife of Charles Reed; Joseph A.; Annie; Mary, wife of John Crouse; Daniel; and William, who was killed by lightning in his own house in Kansas City. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Brandt reside in Shirleysburg, Huntingdon county. They have their membership in the Presbyterian church.

Mr. J. A. Brandt was educated in the common schools of Huntingdon county, whither his parents removed when he was nine years old. His school education finished, he worked with his father until he was twenty-two. In 1882 he went to Illinois, to try work on a western farm, but came back in 1883. He was then for about six years a contractor. For a time he took up the business of butchering; but in 1889, in the spring, he recommenced farming, and has ever since made that his occupation. Like his father, he has been a servicable citizen to the township; he was elected school director, and served for three years; after one year's service, was appointed secretary of the school board, and served as such for two years; in 1895, was elected treasurer of Shirley township, served one year, was re-elected in 1896, and still holds the office. He is a Democrat.

Joseph A. Brandt was married, January 8, 1885, to Rebecca, daughter of John and Mary (Latherow) McAllister. Their children are: Maria; William F.; and Daniel D. Mr. Brandt

is a member of the Methodist church. The McAllisters, the parents of Mrs. Brandt, were both born in Huntingdon county. Mr. McAllister's early business was coal-burning, but for the last twenty-five years of his life he was a farmer. His wife Mary is the daughter of Jackson Latherow. Their living children are: James; Susan (Mrs. William Mills); Robert; Rebecca (Mrs. J. A. Brandt); Mary and John, twins; and Maggie (Mrs. Isaac Gifford). Mr. McAllister died June 18, 1889, at the age of seventy-two. His widow, now aged about seventy, resides in Shirleysburg, in good health. She is a member of the Methodist church.

W. C. HUDSON, Aghwick, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born November 28, 1838, in Huntingdon county. He is a son of George D. and Ruth (Chilcott) Hudson. William Hudson, grandfather of W. C., was a native of Huntingdon county, but of Scotch parentage, his father being among the early settlers of the county. He owned one of the first grist-mills in Clay township, Huntingdon county, and was himself the miller, until he engaged in farming, which was his vocation for the rest of his life. His wife was Melinda Doyle. Their children are all deceased. The grandparents are both deceased; the grandfather died in 1844. Mr. Hudson's maternal grandparents, William and Hannah (Leech) Chilcott, were natives of Union township, Huntingdon county. Mr. Chilcott was a farmer, and he also belonged to a family of early settlers. His family consisted of seven children, four of whom are deceased: Ammon; Ellen; Ephraim; and Ruth; three are living: Rachel, wife of Levi Wright; Richard; and Emeline. Mr. and Mrs. Chilcott, who were Baptists by church connection, both lived to a very advanced age.

Mr. and Mrs. George D. Hudson were both born in Huntingdon county. Mr. Hudson was not only a farmer, but the owner of a large saw-mill and grist-mill, to which he gave personal attention for many years. He was prominent in the politics of his township, having filled various offices—supervisor, school director, inspector and judge of election. George D. Hudson was twice married. His first wife by whom he had one child, Henrietta, was a daughter of Henry and Susan Matthias. Mr. Hudson's second marriage was with Miss Ruth

Chilcott, by whom he had nine children: Diana, wife of Darius G. Doyle; Hannah (Mrs. George Heater); Rachel (Mrs. Samuel Heater); W. C.; E. A.; R. W.; W. L., a prominent physician in Northburn City, Kan.; Alfaretta (Mrs. Abraham Wagner); and Amelia, who died in 1844. Mr. George D. Hudson died November 16, 1876, at the age of sixty-seven; his wife, August 27, 1882, aged seventy-one. They were members of the Baptist church.

The education of W. C. Hudson was begun in subscription schools, before the public schools were established, in which he completed his course. From his twentieth year until the breaking out of the war of the Rebellion, he assisted his father to cultivate the farm on which he was reared. On August 12, 1862, Mr. Hudson enlisted in Company F, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers. He served for nine months. Re-enlisted February 27, 1863, in Battery B, First Pennsylvania Light Artillery, and served until the close of the war. He was discharged in June, 1865. He was wounded by a ball in the battle of Antietam, September 17, 1862, but was only disabled from service for a short time. Returning from the war, he resumed farming, and has continued it until the present time. In 1874, Mr. Hudson was elected judge of elections, for one year, also inspector of elections, in Clay township, Huntingdon county; in 1877, was elected supervisor, served two years. He is a member of G. A. R. Post No. 484, Three Springs, Huntingdon county, and of the Mount Union Grange. He is a staunch Republican.

W. C. Hudson has been married twice. First, on February 20, 1868, to Sarah, daughter of John Spangler. Their children were: Ann Eliza; Mary A.; Charles W.; R. A.; Jonas; Ruth; Paul; Martha, died in August, 1872; and Ellen L., died in 1892, aged ten years. Mr. Hudson's first wife dying, he was again married, in 1879, to Carrie J., daughter of Caleb and Ann (Dean) Swope. Their children are: Maria; Ruth; and Paul, now living; Louisa died in October, 1893, aged ten years, and one died in infancy. Mr. Hudson is a member of the Baptist church.

The parents of the first Mrs. Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. Spangler, were natives of Franklin county; Mr. Spangler was a farmer. They had these children: William; Susan; Lizzie;

Ada; Albert; George; Hugh; and a pair of twins, all living; Malinda, died in May, 1892; and Sarah, died January 27, 1878, aged thirty-nine. The mother died in 1862; the father still survives; is eighty-nine years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Swope, parents of the second Mrs. Hudson, were natives of Huntingdon county. Mr. Swope was long a farmer, but had been for some years a school teacher. His wife Ann was a daughter of William Dean. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Swope are: Carrie J. (Mrs. Hudson); Ellen (Mrs. Calvin J. Marsh); W. L.; Sarah, who died in 1893, was the wife of J. A. Miller. Mr. Swope died in 1860, and Mrs. Swope in 1889. They were members of the Lutheran church.

WILLIAM H. MCGARVEY, Shirlaysburg, Pa., is a native of Huntingdon county, born July 29, 1864. He is a son of Thomas and Mary (Adams) McGarvey. Henry McGarvey, his grandfather, came early in life from his native country, Ireland, and settled in Huntingdon county. His occupations here were farming and coal-burning. He and his wife were members of the Catholic church. Their children were: Edward; John; Simon; David; William; Jane; Mary and Henry, twins; and Thomas, all now deceased. The grandfather died November 11, 1838, aged sixty-three years; the grandmother, Mary McGarvey, died April 7, 1839, at the age of fifty-two years. John Adams, Mr. McGarvey's maternal grandfather, was also Irish by birth, as well as his wife, whose maiden name was Mary Quish. Mr. Adams was a farmer. They had nine children; those deceased are: Nancy; Samuel; John, who was killed by lightning; Elizabeth; and Margaretta; and the surviving children are: Sarah; Mary; William; and Thomas. Mr. and Mrs. Adams resided in Huntingdon county; he died September 6, 1873, and his wife August 12, 1887, both at the age of eighty-three. Mr. McGarvey's father was born in this county, but his mother, Mary Adams, was brought here by her parents at the age of three months. Thomas McGarvey's earliest business was farming, which he learned with his father; it was also his latest occupation, to which he returned after seven years of hotel-keeping, and in which he continued until the time of his death. His marriage took place February 7, 1850. His children were as follows: Mar-

garctta, died August 7, 1855, aged two days; Mary F., died December 17, 1861, aged seven years; F. Lawrence, died in 1868, aged seven years; Jennie, wife of Rev. W. R. Pickens, of Clearfield county, Pa.; John, of Luray, O.; and William H. Thomas McGarvey died January 1, 1893, aged sixty-seven years and nine months; he belonged to the Catholic church. His wife survives him, and resides with her son William H. She is seventy-one years of age.

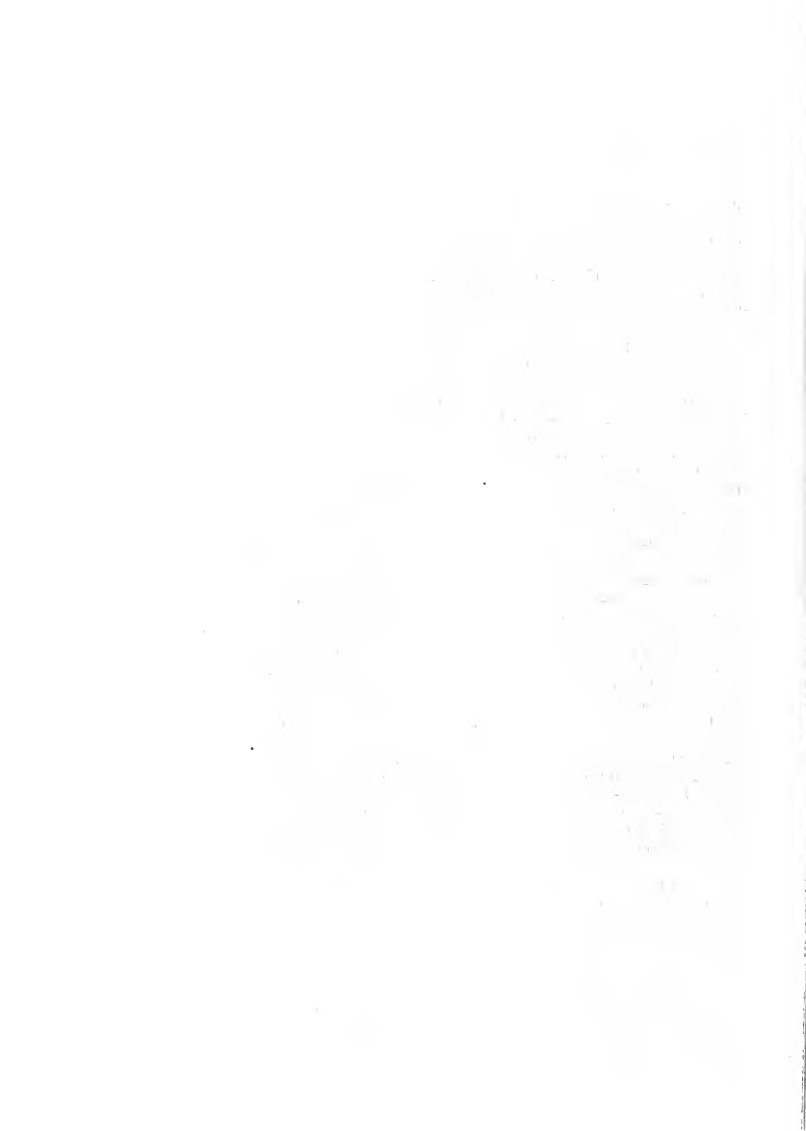
William H. McGarvey attended the public schools of his native town until he was twenty-one. He has ever since been a tiller of the soil; first with his father, and since 1893, on his own account. He was married April 26, 1893, to Jennie, daughter of Abraham and Hannah (Norraee) Deane. They have one son, Frank L. They adhere to the Catholic church.

Mrs. McGarvey was born December 20, 1865. Her paternal grandfather, Mr. Deane, was a native of Ireland, while his wife was of German birth. He was a farmer. His family included seven children, of whom five are deceased: William; Daniel, died during the war; Mary; Martha, was burned to death; and Abraham. Those surviving are: Catherine (Mrs. Charles Green); and Margaret (Mrs. Harrison Specht). Mrs. McGarvey's maternal grandparents, the Norraees, were born in this country, though of Irish descent. They also were engaged in agriculture. Of their children, three are deceased: Andrew; Henry; and Abraham. The remaining ones are: Hannah; Samuel; Jane; Thomas; Elizabeth (Mrs. David Shenefelt); Sarah (Mrs. Fred'k Keiler); William; Kate (Mrs. John Grove); and Mary (Mrs. Joseph Crownover). The grandfather died in December, 1893, aged eighty-three. Both he and his wife were members of the Reformed church. Mrs. McGarvey's parents were born in Huntingdon county; her father's calling was carpentry, which he followed all his life. He was elected to several township offices. He was married to Hannah, daughter of David and Elizabeth (Grubb) Norraee, in March, 1864. Three of their children died in infancy: William and David, twins; and Albert. The living children are: Jennie (Mrs. McGarvey); Annie; Eluira (Mrs. Samuel Anderson); Parkes; Agnes (Mrs. Wilson Parks); Whitmer; Eunice; Emma; and Ellsworth.

The parents were members of the Reformed church. The father died March 10, 1894, aged fifty-seven; the mother still resides in Huntingdon county.

WINFIELD A. WALKER, Shirleysburg, Pa., was born in Franklin county, Pa., June 8, 1850, son of Andrew and Isabella (Campbell) Walker. Looking backwards over three generations, we find Mr. Walker's maternal great-grandparents, who came from Ireland, and settled in Franklin county, where Mr. Campbell was a farmer. His son Andrew was born in that county, and married Mary, daughter of Robert McFarland, a native of the same county. Andrew Campbell like his father, was employed in cultivating the ground. He was a prominent man in his township, filling the offices of supervisor and school director. He had the following children: Isabella (Mrs. Walker); Robert; John; Mary (Mrs. Simon Piper); and Rachel (Mrs. Robert Flening), who died at the age of thirty-eight; her husband is also deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell were Presbyterians. Mr. Campbell died in 1886, at the age of eighty-eight and his wife in 1891, aged ninety-two. Mr. Walker's paternal grandfather came to Pennsylvania from Virginia, which was his native State. His son Andrew, father of Winfield A. Walker, was born in Franklin county, as was his wife, Isabella Campbell. He began life as a general laborer. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Walker are: Winfield A.; Mary, who died in 1860, aged eight years; Margaretta; James; John; and Charlotte, wife of James Richardson, who died in 1881, aged twenty. Andrew Walker died May 12, 1862, aged thirty-six; his wife still survives, is in the enjoyment of good health, at seventy-three years of age, and resides at Dry Run, Franklin county. They adhered to the Presbyterian church.

The school education of Winfield A. Walker was begun in the common schools of his native county, and completed when he arrived at the age of nineteen, at the Path Valley Academy, Franklin county. When his studies were finished, he began farming the homestead, his father having died when Winfield was only twelve years old. He remained on the home place until he was twenty-five years old. In 1876, he removed to Shirley township, Huntingdon county, and farmed





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eleven years for Rev. Mr. Alexander, at the same time cultivating his home place of twenty acres, upon which he at present resides. He also owns and cultivates an adjoining tract of 100 acres. Mr. Walker is a large fruit grower and has a steam cider-mill on his place. In 1887, Mr. Walker was elected to the school board, and served six years; in 1893, was chosen township assessor, for three years; and in 1895, was made justice of the peace, and still holds that office. His politics are Republican.

Winfield A. Walker was married January 19, 1875, to Margaretta E., daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Brimley) De Vor. Their children are: Mary; Olio; John; Newton H.; Ira J., who died April 26, 1881, aged four years; Samuel A., died January 18, 1881, at the age of five months; Nora L., died February 23, 1884, aged five years; Charles, died April 2, 1895, aged five years and ten months; and Jessie W., died April 12, 1895, aged twelve years, three months and twenty-four days. Mr. Walker is a member of the Presbyterian church of Shirleysburg.

Mrs. W. A. Walker was born February 24, 1850. Her parents were both natives of Franklin county, her father born May 16, 1827, and her mother February 9, 1831. Mr. De Vor's occupation was farming, but he had worked for two years at blacksmithing. He has held various township offices. He was married, March 1, 1849, to Elizabeth, daughter of Jacob and Catherine (Clippinger) Brimley. Their children were: Sarcpta (Mrs. Daniel Haines), died October 19, 1886, aged twenty-nine; John, died October 31, 1886, aged twenty-three; Margaretta (Mrs. Walker); William D.; Mary (Mrs. Amos Kirkpatrick) her husband deceased; Dorris M.; Anna (Mrs. Arthur Johnson); Luella (Mrs. William G. Steele); Jessie C. (Mrs. Max Skinner); and Huldah. Mr. and Mrs. De Vor were connected with the Presbyterian church. Mrs. De Vor died April 22, 1888, aged fifty-seven. Her husband survives, and resides at Spring Run, Franklin county.

Jesse De Vor, Mrs. Walker's paternal grandfather, was a farmer, born in Franklin county. His wife was Amy Peterson. Their children were: Mary (Mrs. David Gamble); Amos; Jacob; Joseph; James; and Elizabeth; the last four are deceased. The grandfather died at the age of sixty-two years; the grand-

mother also is deceased. They were members of the Presbyterian church. Jacob Brimley, Mrs. Walker's maternal grandfather, was a native of Franklin county. His wife was Catherine Klippinger. Mr. Brimley was a farmer. They had a family of twelve children.

JOHN E. PECHT, Shirleysburg, Pa., was born in Mifflin county, January 10, 1850, son of William and Mary (Winters) Pecht, natives of that county. William Pecht followed the trade of carpentry all his life, but he was also the owner of a large farm in Mifflin county. Mrs. Pecht was the daughter of Solomon Winters. Two of their children are deceased, Henrietta at the age of twenty-three, and Annie, aged thirteen. Eight survive: George; Isaac; John E.; Jennie (Mrs. Charles Mattern); Wilson; Fannie (Mrs. John Logan); James; and Ida. Mr. and Mrs. Pecht adhere to the Dunkard belief. They reside in Huntingdon, Pa.; the father is now eighty-four years of age, and the mother seventy-three.

Until his nineteenth year, John E. Pecht attended the common schools of Mifflin county. He was afterwards for ten years employed on branch roads of the Pennsylvania railroad system. For two years, he was in the grocery business in Mifflin county. In 1880, he began farming in that county, and in 1893, removed to Shirley township, Huntingdon county, where he has since resided, and cultivated a farm. In 1892, he was elected supervisor of Wayne township, Mifflin county, and served in that office for one year. He is now a school director of Shirley township, Huntingdon county, having been elected in 1894. He is a Democrat.

John E. Pecht was married, March 22, 1881, to Minnie May, daughter of Henry and Maria Klipper. Their children are: Alma; William; and Olivia. Mrs. Pecht was born December 15, 1855. Germany is the native land of her parents; but early in life, they emigrated to America, and settled in Mifflin county, where her father engaged in general labor. He was one of the men who helped to construct the main line of the Pennsylvania railroad. His wife's maiden name was Maria Blumenstein. They had five children, one of whom, Hattie, died at the age of ten months; Henry died in April, 1893, aged thirty-two years. The remaining children are: Charles;

Matilda (Mrs. James Sayers); and Minnie M. (Mrs. J. E. Pecht). Mrs. Klipper died in September, 1878, aged fifty-five; Mr. Klipper in April, 1886, at the age of sixty-five. They were of the Dunkard church.

JEREMIAH CROWLEY, Mount Union, Pa., was born in Dunmaway, County Cork, Ireland, May 4, 1825. He is a son of Daniel and Ellen (Mahoney) Crowley, who were Irish by birth and life-long residence; Daniel Crowley was a farmer. They had six children, three of whom are deceased: Daniel, killed on the railroad, at the age of twenty-seven; Ellen; and Dennis. The survivors are: Joanna (Mrs. Charles Calnon); Mary (Mrs. Alexander Hamilton); and Jeremiah. Both parents died in Ireland when their son Jeremiah was eight years old. They were members of the Catholic church.

Jeremiah Crowley was educated partly in Ireland and partly in America. He came to this country in 1846, and lived first in New York. During the winter of 1846 and 1847 he worked on the New York and Erie railroad, and in 1848 on the Hudson River railroad, and is one of the few men now living who then worked on these roads. Before removing to Pennsylvania, Mr. Crowley worked some time for a farmer, but after his removal, he was occupied from 1853 to 1873 as a contractor. Since the latter date, he has devoted his attention to farming, in Huntingdon county, Pa. Mr. Crowley almost lost his sight through an explosion on the railroad, and has now retired from active business. His politics are Democratic.

On July 3, 1850, Jeremiah Crowley was married to Maria, daughter of Callaghan and Mary (Pierce) McCarty. They had eight children, all of whom are deceased: Dennis and Daniel, twins; Mary; Jerome; Mary Ann; Nora; Helena; and Charlie. Mr. and Mrs. Crowley adhere to the Catholic faith.

Mrs. Crowley was born in April, 1828. Her parents were both born in Ireland, her father in County Limerick and her mother in County Cork. Mr. McCarty was a farmer; after his death, his wife came to America, and died in Chicago. She had been Mary Pierce, and was the daughter of Thomas and Honora (O'Connor) Pierce. Six of their ten children are now living: Honora (Mrs. Garrett Fitzgerald); Maria (Mrs. Crowley); Florence;

Daniel; Thomas; and Catherine (Mrs. John Roach). Those deceased are: Florence; Charles; Ann; and Timothy. Mr. McCarty's death occurred in 1860, when he was seventy-five years of age; Mrs. McCarty died in 1865, at the age of sixty-five. They were members of the Catholic church. Mr. McCarty's father, Florence McCarty, was, like his son, a farmer in the old country. His wife was Honora, daughter of Charles Purcell. Their children were: Calvin; Charles; Daniel; Timothy; Florence; Ellen; Honora; and Mary; all deceased. Florence McCarty almost attained to a century of age; he died aged ninety-eight; his wife at the age of eighty. Mrs. McCarty's maternal grandfather, Thomas Pierce, was also a farmer.

GEORGE FOREMAN, Aughwick Mills, Huntingdon county, Pa., is a native of Franklin county, a son of George and Elizabeth (Ziegler) Foreman. He was born May 4, 1853. He is of Irish and German descent, his paternal grandfather having been a native of Ireland, and his maternal grandfather of Germany. Both emigrated to this country; the former, who was a blacksmith, settled in Huntingdon county, and the latter, a tanner, in Franklin county, Pa. Mr. George Foreman, father of George, was a farmer, and at one time was a supervisor of his township. His wife, the daughter of Isaac Ziegler, was born in Franklin county. Their children are: Amanda (Mrs. Isaac Taylor); Matilda (Mrs. Lewis Bollinger); Annie (Mrs. William Hawn); Alice (Mrs. L. Reek); Charlotte (Mrs. Peter Buckley); George; John; and Simon. The father died March 9, 1888, aged sixty-three; but the mother is still with her children, in comfortable health, though at an advanced age.

The education of George Foreman was begun in Franklin county, and completed in Huntingdon county, when he was eighteen years old. Until he was twenty, he worked at farming; at that time, he began to learn carpentry. After serving a three years' apprenticeship, he began work for himself, and has continued in the same occupation up to the present time, with the exception of a few years given to milling. Mr. Foreman is a Democrat. He is an active member of the Knights of the Maccabees.

George Foreman was married in 1884, to

Lydia, daughter of Ephraim and Elizabeth Hampton. They have five children: Bertha (Mrs. Asbury Neval); Eva (Mrs. Thomas Bodine); Alice E.; Caroline; and Laella. Mrs. Foreman's father was engaged as a general laborer. Mr. and Mrs. Hampton had a family of fourteen children, of whom four are now living: Lewis; Richard; Ephraim; and Lydia (Mrs. Foreman). Mr. and Mrs. Hampton are both deceased.

W. N. LATHEROW, Anghwick Mills, Huntingdon county, Pa., is a native of Shirley township, Huntingdon county, a son of Samuel and Jane (Huse) Lathrow. Samuel Lathrow was also a native of this county; he was twice married. By the first union he had two children, both deceased. The first wife having died, Jane Huse became Mr. Lathrow's second wife; she was a native of Mifflin county, Pa. Samuel Lathrow had in his earlier life been a charcoal burner; this business he abandoned for farming, and continued the remainder of his days in that calling. The children of this second marriage are: David; Samuel; Ellen (Mrs. Isaac Forshey); Frank; John; Maggie; Lizzie (Mrs. George Kelley); and William. Besides these, there are three deceased. Samuel Lathrow died September 1, 1884, aged sixty-three; he was a member of the Methodist church. Mrs. Lathrow resides with her daughter, Mrs. Kelley.

Mr. W. N. Lathrow attended the common schools of Shirley township until he had nearly reached his majority. He then became occupied in farming, and for one winter, in lumbering, near Condersport, Potter county, Pa. He has since continued farming, and added lime-burning to his agricultural pursuits. He takes an interest in township affairs; was elected supervisor of Shirley township in 1893, and served one year. He is a member of the Shirleyburg Grange.

W. N. Lathrow was married April 20, 1893, to Mary, daughter of Christian and Hannah (Desore) Price. Her father was all his life a farmer. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Price now living are: Ross; David; Mary (Mrs. Lathrow); and Laura (Mrs. Elmer Foster). Mr. Price died in 1895, aged seventy-two; Mrs. Price is living, in excellent health, and resides partly with Mr. Lathrow, her son-in-law, and partly in Orbisonia, Pa. She is a member of the Dunkard church.

JOHN S. APPLEBY, Shirleyburg, Pa., was born in Huntingdon county, June 26, 1847, son of John and Priscilla (Montague) Appleby. He was educated in the common schools of his native county, in Dublin township, and at Milnwood Academy, Shade Gap, Pa., where he completed his course at the age of seventeen. His father having died when John S. was a boy, his first business after leaving school was to work for his mother on the farm, which he assisted her in cultivating for seven years. After this he engaged in farming on his own account, and continued it until 1896.

Mr. Appleby is well known throughout his county, and highly esteemed. He has done good service for the community, which is evidently appreciated by his fellow citizens. His first office was that of judge of elections, which he occupied for a year; he was then elected inspector, and after his year of service in that capacity had expired, was again made judge of elections, and served another year. In 1885 Mr. Appleby was elected to the school board, and served six years, at the end of which time he was appointed to fill out the unexpired term of another director. During his time of service on the board, he was for five years its secretary. In 1890 he was elected supervisor of Dublin township for one year. About this time he embarked in the business of butchering, and had carried it on for four years, when, in 1894, he was elected justice of the peace for Dublin township; he served five years. He had removed to Shirleyburg when, in 1895, he was appointed steward of the Huntingdon county almshouse; he is still in that position. Mr. Appleby's politics are Republican.

John S. Appleby was married June 26, 1867, to Annie C., daughter of James and Elizabeth (Fleming) Wilson. Their children are: Lauretta A. (Mrs. John A. Foreman), died April 11, 1892, aged twenty-three years, ten months and four days; Jessie, died in infancy; Thomas B.; Jane S. C.; Annie J.; Mary Matilda (Mrs. Harry Foreman); Priscilla B.; John Orion; Harry C.; Eddie E.; and Roy. Mr. Appleby and his family are members of the Presbyterian church.

Mrs. Annie C. (Fleming) Appleby was born May 1, 1846. Her parents were natives of Huntingdon county; as were also her grandparents on both sides. Her father was

all his life engaged in agriculture. He was elected to various township offices. Mrs. Elizabeth Fleming, the mother of Mrs. Appleby, was the daughter of Joseph and Jane Wilson, and one of a family of eleven children, ten of whom are living: Bella G. (Mrs. J. B. Gray); Robert M.; William and Annie C., twins, the latter being Mrs. Appleby; Joseph W.; James H.; Dr. J. C., a prominent physician of Shirleysburg; Thomas E.; Rachel E. (Mrs. William Foreman); and Dessie (Mrs. James Foreman; Hannah died May 11, 1880, aged twenty-five years. Mr. Fleming died August 14, 1885, aged seventy-eight years; his wife died March 23, 1873, aged fifty-six years. They were members of the Presbyterian church.

JAMES F. SCHOFIELD, M. D., Shirleysburg, Pa., a son of William and Catherine (Wall) Schofield, was born in Macon City, Mo., September 18, 1861. His paternal grandfather was a native of Ireland, while his descent on the maternal side is German. His father was born in Belfast, Ireland, and his mother in America. William Schofield was eighteen years old when he came to America, and first took up his residence at Birmingham, Huntingdon county, Pa.; here he began his career as a laborer in various employments. After the late war broke out, Mr. Schofield enlisted in the Ninth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and served until its close. Once, while on picket duty, he received a wound in the leg. After his discharge he went to Philadelphia, and for about two years was in mercantile business. Then, for four years more, he was in Pittsburg, employed at Lippincott's Axe Factory. This engagement over, Mr. Schofield removed to Macon county, Mo., where he bought a farm and cultivated it for three years. After this he returned to Birmingham, Pa., where he has since resided, and is now spending his years of rest and retirement amid the scenes of his early labors. He has been chosen to fill different offices in his township; was tax collector for about ten years, and treasurer for the same length of time. Mrs. William Schofield is the daughter of John Wall, and the children of Mr. and Mrs. Schofield are: Dr. John C.; William H.; Dr. Robert K.; James F.; Edward; Myrtle B.; and Selva May. The parents are members of the Presbyterian denomination.

The Doctor received his education in the public schools of Birmingham, which he attended until he was seventeen, and at Mountain Seminary, where he studied for three years. But, being obliged to depend for support upon his own exertions, he could not pursue his studies as far as his tastes and ambitions prompted. He therefore sought employment, and found it with Drake, Stratford & Co., bridge contractors, for whom he worked in various capacities for two or three years. In the fall of 1890 he entered the Baltimore University School of Medicine, Baltimore, Md., and graduated from that institution in the spring of 1893. In June of the same year he opened an office for the practise of his profession at Saltillo, Huntingdon county; he remained there until the fall, and then sold out and went to Pittsburg, to seek a favorable location. He stayed in that city only a few months, and then came back to Huntingdon county, and took up his residence at Dudley, where he practised for about four months. In 1894 he came to Shirleysburg, and took charge of the practise of Dr. Frank L. Schum, who removed to Huntingdon. Dr. Schofield is now in the enjoyment of a large practise. Since he settled in Shirleysburg, Dr. Schofield has been appointed physician to the Huntingdon county almshouse; he still holds that position, besides being visiting physician to the Rockview Home for the Friendless. He is a member of the Shirleysburg Grange, P. of H. He is a Republican. The Doctor is connected with the Huntingdon County Medical Society.

Dr. James F. Schofield was married, April 3, 1894, to Margaretta E., daughter of J. L. and Mary A. Isenberg. They have had twin children, a son and daughter; the boy, Stanley G., died; but the girl, Rilla Catherine, is living. Mrs. Schofield was born July 12, 1871. Her parents belonged to Huntingdon county by birth and residence. Her father was a carpenter, and a contractor and builder; he is still actively engaged in the latter business. His wife is Mary Ann, daughter of John Heffner. Their children are: Rilla (Mrs. John H. Miller), Orsady; Carrie W. (Mrs. William R. Wilson); Margaretta (Mrs. Dr. Schofield); and four who are deceased.

REUBEN MYERS, Shirleysburg, Pa., was born in Juniata county, Pa., December 3,

1833, son of Michael and Catherine (Holzapple) Myers. His grandfather, Samuel Myers, was a native of Lebanon county, and a farmer. His wife's family name was Rush. Their children were: John R.; Samuel; David; Michael; Susan (Mrs. Jacob Eby); Hannah, married first to Mr. Bushey, afterwards to William Pannebaker; Catherine (Mrs. John G. Gluck); and Sarah (Mrs. Samuel Lutz). All are deceased, as are also the grandfather and grandmother. They were members of the Dunkard church. Adam Holzapple, Mr. Myers' maternal grandfather, was also a native of Lebanon county, and was a shoemaker. He married Catherine Mertz; their family included nine children: Abraham; Samuel; Henry; Leonard; Frederick; Elizabeth (Mrs. David Meyers); Catherine (Mrs. Michael Myers); Sarah (Mrs. John Book); and Susan (Mrs. George Strayer). All are now deceased, as are also Adam Holzapple and his wife. They were members of the Mennonite church. Michael and Catherine Myers were both born in Juniata county; he kept steadily to his occupation of farming. Besides being for one year supervisor, Mr. Myers was elected to other township offices. His marriage took place in 1826. The family consisted of thirteen children; two are deceased; Jeremiah, died at the age of thirty-five years; and Clara Belle (Mrs. Ephraim Wright), died in 1875, aged twenty-four years. The remaining eleven are all married, and all in good health. They are: Mary (Mrs. Benjamin Rhoades); Enoch; Ephraim; Reuben; Sarah (Mrs. Joseph M. Allen); David; Dr. Rudolph; Seth; Catherine (Mrs. William Lukens); John; and Michael. The elder Michael Myers died in February, 1891, at the age of eighty-three; Mrs. Myers died aged sixty-seven years. They belonged to the Dunkard church, in which the father was for many years a deacon.

The education of Reuben Myers was begun in the common schools of Huntingdon county. At the age of twenty, he attended the select school at Shirleysburg, where he completed his course of study. He then assisted his father in cultivating his farm until he, Reuben, reached the age of twenty-five. For about four years he was engaged in carpentry. He also taught school for eight winter terms. In 1866 Mr. Myers began the business of agriculture for himself, in Shirley township, Huntingdon county. At this he continued for

eight years, and then, in 1874, removed to Shirleysburg, and was employed by Gibney & Morrison to peddle woolen goods, for two years. During 1875-76 Mr. Myers was in the coach business, in partnership with William Drake, whose interest he bought out in 1877, and has ever since carried on the business by himself. In 1896 he went into the sale of general merchandise, at the corner of Main and Shirley streets. His establishment is one of the largest in the town. Besides filling the office of assessor of Shirleysburg for a year, Mr. Myers was, in 1867, chosen as judge of elections, and served one year; in 1870, was elected auditor for one year; has served several years as assessor of Shirley township; in 1876, was elected school director, in Shirleysburg, for three years, and was again chosen to the school board in 1893, for another three years' term.

Reuben Myers was married in October, 1862, to Louisa J., daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Isenberg. They have had eight children, of whom four are deceased; A. Bruce, died in 1868, aged six years; Lettie, died January 31, 1884, aged twelve; Clarence, died at the age of one year and three months; and Ellen, died April 30, 1887, aged nine years and three months. The surviving children are: Michael Ralph, married to Mina, daughter of William Bashore, resides in Pleasant Hill, O., where he is in the coach business; Reuben Roy, married to Nellie, daughter of Calvin and Agnes (Baker) Heater, and is in business with his father; Samuel D.; and Orville, married to Ellen, daughter of Charles and Asenath (Bashore) Burkholder. Mrs. Myers is a member of the Baptist church.

The grandparents of Mrs. Myers, on the father's side, were natives of Alexandria, Huntingdon county. Her maternal grandparents were born in Mifflin county; the grandfather's occupation is cabinet-making. Of their seven children, two are deceased; Mahlon; and John. The survivors are: Daniel, residing in Illinois; Mary (Mrs. Davison); Margaret, widow of John Gingrich; Elias; and Elizabeth, widow of Samuel Isenberg. Mrs. Myers' father was born in Virginia. After being some years in the cabinet-making business, he began farming, and followed that vocation for about twenty years. He was twice married. His first wife was Miss Hildebrand, by

whom he had three children: Eliza (Mrs. Joseph Work); Susan (Mrs. Sellers Ranch); and George W., a fruit grower and farmer of Newmarket, Md. Mrs. Isenberg died and he married as his second wife Miss Elizabeth McCalop. Three of their children are deceased: Maria; Howard; and Ellen. The surviving children are: Louisa, wife of Reuben Myers; Milton; Marion; Jerome; Mary; Alfred H.; Dolly; and Elizabeth. Mr. Isenberg died in 1891, aged eighty; his wife survives, residing in Huntingdon county, and is in good health at the age of seventy.

GEORGE W. BOWSER, Shirleysburg, Pa., was born in Huntingdon county, June 22, 1869, son of Samuel and Amanda (Forthman) Bowser. Samuel Bowser was born in Maryland; he was for several years a farmer, and afterwards conducted a hotel at Three Springs, Huntingdon county, at the same time doing a huckstering business, and attending to the shipping of butter and eggs. He continued in these lines of work for about seventeen years. Since 1889 he has lived retired in Shirleysburg. He has been elected to various offices. Mr. Bowser was three times married; his third wife was Amanda, daughter of Daniel Forthman, a native of York county, Pa. Their only child is George W. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bowser are members of the German Baptist church.

G. W. Bowser was educated in the public schools at Three Springs, which he attended until he attained his twentieth year. He then became agent for the Newbecker washing machine, for one year. Then, for about eight months, he was in the butchering business; then engaged in thrashing for three years, after which he sold out his machine and interest, and went into agriculture. From 1893 to 1895 he carried on the manufacture of cigars; in the latter year he sold out that business. Mr. Bowser is a Democrat.

George W. Bowser was married, May 26, 1891, to Tirzah L., daughter of Daniel and Sarah J. (Hoover) Bergstresser. Their only child is Samuel B. Mr. Bergstresser was by trade a tanner, but later engaged in farming, which calling he followed until the time of his death. His wife is a daughter of John Homer. Five of their children are living: Annie (Mrs. Martin McCall); William; Margaretta (Mrs. David Hishley); Atlanta (Mrs.

Bruce Bard); and Tirzah (Mrs. G. W. Bowser). Mr. and Mrs. Bergstresser were Methodists; he died December 14, 1894; his wife survives him and resides with her children, but usually at Mr. Bowser's house.

OLIVER COLGATE, Shirleysburg, Pa., is a native of Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, born February 29, 1828, son of Daniel and Agnes (Cluggage) Colgate. Asaph Colgate, grandfather of Oliver, was a Virginian by birth, and a soldier in the Revolution. The maternal grandfather was of Irish descent, and a native of Huntingdon county, Pa. Daniel Colgate, son of Asaph, was born in North Carolina, and removed while young to Pennsylvania; he was a farmer. He married Agnes, daughter of James Cluggage; she was born in Huntingdon county, of a family who were among the early settlers of the region. Of their family of ten children, seven are deceased: Emeline, died February 20, 1892, aged eighty-one; Elizabeth, died April 30, 1854, aged forty-one years, was the wife of Lewis Carothers; James, died February 28, 1894, at the age of eighty; Richard, died August 12, 1891, aged seventy-two; Daniel, died August 10, 1895, aged seventy; Martha, died November 17, 1882, aged sixty-six years; and an infant. Those surviving are: Nancy; Oliver; George, residing in Kansas. Daniel Colgate, the elder, died in 1836; his wife in 1859, aged seventy-seven. They were members of the Presbyterian church.

Oliver Colgate, being raised on his father's farm, had the benefit of the farmer boy's double education, attending school during the winter months until he was about twenty years old, and aiding in agricultural labors during the remainder of the year; thus learning practically the business in which he has been all his life engaged. In the spring of 1859 he began farming for himself, near Mount Union, Pa., on the farm of the Shaver heirs. There he remained six years, and then returned to the homestead, where during one summer he was occupied with carpentry. In the spring of 1866 Mr. Colgate resumed farming, on the Alexander farm, near Shirleysburg; after spending four years there, he removed below Shirley, remained a year, returned to Cromwell township for a year, and then removed to the farm lately owned by Rev. Mr. Lane, in Shirley township, and cul-

tivated it for two years. In 1877 he removed to Black Log valley, and there remained seven years. In 1884, having purchased the farm owned by Mr. Douglass, he took up his residence upon it, and has since that time given his attention to its cultivation. Mr. Colgate was elected supervisor of Shirley township in 1888, and served for a year; in 1891, was elected justice of the peace, but declined the office; in 1896, was elected assessor of Shirley township, for a term not yet expired. During the war of the Rebellion he was twice drafted for army service. He is a "straight" Republican.

Oliver Colgate was married in 1859 to Catherine, daughter of Benjamin and Catherine (Matthews) Bear. Their children are: Henrietta (Mrs. A. B. Smith); and Araminta, who died in 1863, aged six months. Mrs. Catherine Colgate died in July, 1861, aged twenty-nine years. Mr. Colgate was married a second time, in July, 1867, to Ellen, daughter of David and Fannie (Stevens) Hutchinson. Their children are: James F., married to Isabella Hatfield, resides in Huntingdon, Pa.; Alice M.; Bruce; and William.

The parents of Mrs. Ellen Colgate were both born in Ireland, where also her father died. He was a farmer. Her mother came to this country in 1849, and resided in Newton Hamilton, Pa., where she died. She was the daughter of Archibald and Ellen Stevens. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Hutchinson were: Francis; Ellen (Mrs. Colgate); Maria (Mrs. Saxton Hishley), died in 1887, aged fifty-three; David, an engineer, resided in Indianapolis, Ind., was killed while on duty. The father's death occurred in 1839, and the mother's in 1851, at the age of forty-nine. They were members of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Daniel Hutchinson, father of David, and grandfather of Mrs. Colgate, was a farmer of Scotch descent, living in Ireland. He attained to a very great age. He had five children: David; John; Daniel; Mary; and Elizabeth; all deceased. Mrs. Colgate's maternal grandfather, Archibald Stevens, was also a farmer; he was besides engaged in a weaving establishment. His wife was Mary Annott; their children were eleven in number: Fannie (Mrs. Hutchinson); Margaret; Rachel; Elizabeth; Archibald, and those who died in youth.

HARRY W. KYPER, Shirleyburg, Pa., was born in Mifflin county, Pa., October 17,

1865, son of Michael and Margaret (Morrisson) Kyper. His parents were natives of Huntingdon county.

Brought up on a farm, and familiar with its work, Mr. Kyper, after attending the common school of Huntingdon until he was about seventeen, continued to be his father's assistant for about four years. He then engaged in thrashing, in which he was for three years the partner of Mr. A. S. Welch. At the end of that time, they sold out, and Mr. Kyper resumed farming. Two years later, he went to Clearfield county, Pa., and was engaged in the Clearfield planing mill for three years. In 1896, he returned to Huntingdon county, and to farming on the old homestead. His politics are Republican.

Harry W. Kyper was married, March 11, 1896, to Myrtle L., daughter of Jacob B. and Mary Martha (Runyon) Melott, of Clearfield county. She was born October 8, 1869. They have an infant, Edith M., born January 28, 1897. Mrs. Kyper's parents are natives of Fulton county. Mr. Melott was formerly engaged in farming, but for the past eight years has been employed in the Novelty Works, Clearfield, Pa. His wife is the daughter of Thomas and Lydia Runyon. They are the parents of five children: Myrtle L. (Mrs. Kyper); Zada (Mrs. Lloyd Gulick), of Mansfield, Pa.; Nettie; Charlie, who died in infancy; and Edith. They reside in Clearfield, and are members of the Baptist church.

ABRAHAM M. LUTZ, Shirleyburg, Pa., a native of Huntingdon county, was born May 28, 1829, son of Samuel and Sarah (Myers) Lutz. His paternal grandfather was of German descent, and was a farmer; his wife's maiden name was Long; she was a native of Berks county, Pa. Their children were: Catherine (Mrs. Andrew Spangler); Susan (Mrs. George Elby); Nancy (Mrs. James Ramsey); Elizabeth (Mrs. Jacob Hershey); John; Jacob; Samuel; and Peter. The grandfather lived to the age of sixty-eight years; the grandmother to that of eighty-three. They were of the Dunkard persuasion. Mr. Lutz's maternal grandparents were Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Meyers. Samuel Lutz, father of A. M. Lutz, was born in Huntingdon county in 1805. He was engaged in farming until within five years of his death, when he retired from active life. He died January 13, 1875, in Shirley township. He

had for a number of years been supervisor of the township. His wife, Sarah, daughter of Samuel and Sarah Meyers, was born in Mifflin county, Pa., in 1806, and died January 25, 1885. Their children are: Abraham M.; Enoch; Samuel, who died in infancy; Catherine, widow of Isaac Rush; John; and Samuel (2), died in 1887, aged forty-five. The father died aged sixty-nine; the mother at the age of seventy-nine. They were members of the Dunkard church, in which Mr. Lutz was for some years a deacon.

A. M. Lutz was educated in the common schools of Shirley township, which he attended until he was twenty-three years of age. He remained a few years longer on the farm on which he was brought up, assisting his father. After reaching the age of twenty-six, in 1855, Mr. Lutz undertook on his own account the cultivation of a farm of his father's below Shirleysburg, where he continued about six years. Then he removed to Perry county, and resided there for about two years, engaged in farming; for some two and a half years he was in the tin business in Liberty valley. Returning to Shirleysburg, he was occupied for a year in general labor, after which he resumed farming, on the place on which he now resides; he was active in its cultivation until 1891, but since that time, has relinquished active work. He served his township one year as inspector, and one year as supervisor.

Abraham M. Lutz was married to Permelia, daughter of Samuel Utley. She was born May 18, 1829, in Juniata county. Their children are: Catherine (Mrs. Samuel McKeehan); Emma (Mrs. Frank Graves); Ida; Ora; Mary; and one that died in infancy. Mrs. Lutz died August 5, 1889, aged sixty years. She was a member of the Dunkard church. Her parents were natives of Juniata county; her father was in business both as a farmer and as a merchant. After carrying on a general mercantile trade for a number of years, he gave his whole attention to farming until within about eight years of his death. He then retired from business. He had been honored by being chosen to various township offices. Mr. and Mrs. Utley were parents of three daughters: Rebecca (Mrs. Daniel Green); Permelia (Mrs. A. M. Lutz); and Maria (Mrs. William Green). Mr. and Mrs. Utley both died in Perry county well

advanced in years. They were members of the Lutheran church.

JOHN A. WOODS, Aughwick Mills, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Washington, Tazewell county, Ill., May 18, 1855. He is a son of George and Mary A. (Moore) Woods. His paternal grandfather emigrated to this country from Ireland, the land of his birth, and settled in Black Log valley, Huntingdon county. He there engaged in teaching school. His wife was Isabella, daughter of Robert Taylor. They had four children, all now deceased: James; Joseph; Susanna, wife of Robert Clymans; and George. Mr. Woods was drowned in Aughwick Creek. His wife died in 1865, aged eighty-three years. They were of the Presbyterian persuasion. The maternal grandparents of John A. Woods were natives of Illinois; his grandfather's occupation was farming. Three of their children are now living: Harriet, widow of Alexander Taylor; Benjamin; and Mary A. The grandparents of Mrs. Woods died in Tazewell county, Illinois, well advanced in years. They were members of the Baptist denomination. Mr. Woods' father, Mr. George Woods, was a laboring man, a native of Huntingdon county. He married Mary A., daughter of Benjamin Moore. They had three children: Ada, who died at the age of fourteen years; John A.; and Frank. Mr. George Woods was a member of the Presbyterian church. He died in 1857, aged thirty-eight years. Mrs. Woods was married again, to William Gilliland; he also died, and she survives him, residing in Black Log valley, Huntingdon county. She is a member of the Baptist church.

The education of John A. Woods was begun in the public schools of Burnt Cabins, Fulton county, Pa., and completed, when he was seventeen years of age, at Milnwood Academy, Shade Gap, Huntingdon county. He then devoted himself for sixteen years to the profession of teaching. In 1888, he became agent for Adams Express Company, and was thus employed for two years; after which, he returned to the school room, and has been ever since engaged in its arduous, but dignified and important labors. The respect and confidence of his fellow-citizens has been manifested by his election to public offices. He was for two terms clerk of Dublin township,

Fulton county; in Dublin township, Fulton county, he was for two years inspector of elections; and in 1896, he was elected to his present office of auditor of Shirley township. He is a Republican. Mr. Wood is a member of Richvale Lodge, No. 564, P. O. S. of A.

John A. Woods was married September 1, 1873, to Harriet E., daughter of William and Mary (Ziegler) Anderson. Their children were: George A., died June 19, 1896, aged twenty-one years, ten months and twenty-six days; and Frank J. Mrs. Harriet Woods died April 3, 1886, aged thirty-four. Her parents were natives of Burnt Cabins, Fulton county; her father was a carpenter and general workman. Mrs. Woods was Mr. and Mrs. Anderson's only child. The father died in 1854, aged twenty-five years; his widow was married a second time, to Jacob W. Miller, and is still living.

On July 9, 1888, Mr. Woods married his second wife, Belle M., daughter of William A. and Margaretta A. (Wilson) Scott, natives of Huntingdon county. The only child of this marriage was Omar, who died January 9, 1895, aged five years, four months and ten days. Mr. William Scott is a farmer, now retired from business. Mrs. Scott is a daughter of George Wilson. Their children are: Walter; Belle M. (Mrs. Woods); Albert W.; Rachel A. (Mrs. T. J. Parsons); Allen W.; Elizabeth J. (Mrs. William R. Gilliland). Both parents are living. Mrs. Scott is a member of the Presbyterian church.

WILLIAM N. HENRY, Shirleyburg, Pa., was born in Mifflin county, March 27, 1842, son of Harry and Mary (Knepp) Henry. Mr. Henry is of German descent; his ancestors were among the earliest settlers of this country, his great-grandparents having all been born in America. The family was remarkable for longevity. His paternal grandfather was a cooper, and also a trapper. He married Miss Keyser, and they became the parents of nine children, all of whom are now deceased. Mr. Henry's maternal grandparents were natives of Mifflin county, Pa., where his mother was born; his father was a native of Huntingdon county. The father followed the calling of cooping until the breaking out of the war. In 1863, he enlisted in Company B, Sixty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers. He had served about two years, when he was

shot through the body in front of Petersburg, in March, 1865; he was then fifty years old. His wife, Mary, was the daughter of Adam and Mary Knepp. Mr. and Mrs. Henry had nine children: John T., died January 20, 1874, aged twenty-two; Reuben, deceased; William H.; Nancy J. (Mrs. David Stollman); Nelson; Ellen (Mrs. Gottlieb Strite); Sarah (Mrs. Horace Hinman); Sophia (Mrs. Baer); and Lydia (Mrs. Faust). The mother is dead.

At about nine years of age, owing to the poor health of his father, William H., Henry was taken from his home to Centre county, Pa., where he was brought up on the farm of William Lane. He attended school in Penn's Valley, Centre county. He continued to reside on the farm and assisted Mr. Lane, until he reached the age of sixteen. He then went to learn shoemaking, and continued about seven months; then was with a Mr. Kurtz for three months, after which he returned to Mr. Lane, and helped him through harvesting; then went back to Mifflin county, and helped Mr. Sheek for two weeks; then helped Mr. Stark for about a week. In 1858, William Henry went to Indiana county, Pa., to visit his father, and remained there about five months. He then obtained employment as teamster, with Giles Dory, for about thirteen months; was afterwards with his father in Indiana county for three months; then returned to Mr. Dory, and was with him for a year. In 1860, Mr. Henry went to Allegheny county, Pa., and became foreman in a cooper shop, under Mr. Kimberly; six months later, he came back to Indiana county, and opened a shop on his own account. He carried on cooping until the war broke out. He then enlisted in the Union army, and served for three months; re-enlisted in the nine months' service; again enlisted, March 4, 1862, in the Sixty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until the close of the war. In the battle of the Wilderness, Mr. Henry was wounded by a shell which struck him on the head, and rendered him unconscious for three days; but he was not disabled for service for any longer time. Returning home from the war, Mr. Henry continued in the same place at his trade of cooping for about two years; then removed from Black Log valley to Petersburg, Huntingdon county, and still manufactured barrels for another year. Then he

went to New Jersey, where he was employed for a few weeks to dig cellars, after which he engaged in truck gardening, on a truck farm, for one year. Resuming the coopering business, he opened a shop, where he worked for about two years, after which he was in the hotel business in Philadelphia for about six months; then for a year in the luek-stering trade; then for one summer, he worked at carpentry. He then sold out, left the city, and returned to Huntingdon county, where he engaged in the shingle business, near Three Springs, and in repairing houses, which he continued for about a year. In 1872, Mr. Henry removed to Hill valley, where he bought some land and built a house, in which he lived for a year, and then went to farming. There he remained a year, then removed to the Price farm, and remained there for a year. For eight years from that time he resided in Shade valley, Juniata county, and was variously occupied. He then removed to Humm's farm, at Singer's Gap, and lived there four years; and next bought a property in Hill valley, on which he remained two years. Removing next to Whetstone valley, to the farm of Daniel Roberts, he lived there three years, until in some way, the buildings caught fire, the house with all its contents was laid in ashes, and he lost everything. In 1894, Mr. Henry began farming on the property of Mr. Isenberg, where he is still engaged.

William M. Henry was married November 4, 1863, to Susan L., daughter of Charles and Anna C. (McKinsey) Barker. Their children are: Anna (Mrs. William Swisher); Ida M. (Mrs. James C. Baker); Clara L. (Mrs. William H. Roberts); William J.; Elmer E. and Edwin E., twins; Ethel E.; Harry H.; James F.; Lawrence G.; Charles, who died in February 15, 1872, aged seven years; Ella M., died August 20, 1869, aged one year; George, died May 8, 1877, aged one year; Sarah M., died May 6, 1881, two days old; Jessie died when one day old; also one infant not named. Mrs. Henry was born May 11, 1846. Her father was a native of Baltimore, her mother of Philadelphia. Her father was a sea captain and lost his life in a ship wreck. Her mother was the daughter of Thomas and Mary McKinsey; they were the parents of seven children, of whom Susan (Mrs. Henry,) is the only one now living. Mrs. Barker died December 28, 1870, at the age of fifty-four.

Mr. Henry is a member of the Methodist church.

ELI MASEMORE, Shirleysburg, Pa., was born in Carroll county, Md., November 19, 1842. He is a son of Valentine and Julia (Miller) Masemore. Theodore Masemore, his grandfather, was a farmer. He married Barbara Miller. Five of their children are living: Lewis; Valentine; Jessie; Theodore; and Helena, widow of Samuel Ripple. The grandfather died aged seventy-two years. His wife died at the age of eighty-three. They were members of the German Baptist church. Valentine Masemore was born in Maryland; for about ten years, he was a miller. He was afterwards for some time occupied as a general workman, and then turned his attention to agriculture. He continued farming until 1889, when he retired. He resides in Clay township, Huntingdon county, Pa., where for one term he held the office of supervisor. In 1840, he married Julia, daughter of Philip and Lavinia (Rorabaugh) Miller, a native of Pennsylvania. They have been the parents of ten children: Eli; Jeremiah; Joseph; Theodore; Julia (Mrs. Frederick Showalter); Maria (Mrs. William Hall); Valentine, died in February, 1862, aged thirteen; Emma, died in February, 1862, aged seven; Margareta, died in February, 1862, aged five; and one that died in infancy. The mother died October 5, 1890, aged seventy-six. She, with her husband, was a member of the German Baptist church.

Eli Masemore attended the public schools until he was of age, at the same time becoming accustomed to farm business; and when his school course was ended, he made various engagements as assistant on farms, continuing in this way of business for about seven years. In 1871, he began farming for himself, and a year later, removed to the farm of James Lane, in Hill valley, where he remained three years. He then removed to the farm where he now resides, and which he has cultivated continuously up to the present time. Mr. Masemore served in the war of the Rebellion; he enlisted in August, 1864, in Company G, Two Hundred and Fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until the close of the war. Previous to his enlistment, he had been drafted for the three years' service, but paid his substitute bounty. In 1881, Mr. Mase-

more was elected tax collector and served one year.

Eli Masemore was married, September 14, 1869, to Mary L., daughter of Abraham L. and Catherine (Winters) Fimek. Their children are: Ida; Ira; Albert; and Ambrose, who died October 6, 1871, aged two months and five days. The family belong to the German Baptist church.

Mrs. Masemore was born December 30, 1842. Her paternal grandfather came to this country from Germany, his native land, was a farmer, and continued to follow that vocation here. He married Mary Long, born in Huntingdon county. Their children were: Elizabeth; Susan; Jacob; John; Catherine; Henry; Joseph; Samuel; Martin; Abraham; and Mary; all deceased. The grandfather, Mr. Fimek, is deceased; but his wife is still living. Mrs. Masemore's maternal grandparents, the Winters, were natives, the grandfather of Lancaster, the grandmother of Washington county, Pa. Mr. Winters was all his life engaged in farming, and for a few years in distilling. His wife was Catherine Longenecker. One of their children, Catherine, mother of Mrs. Eli Masemore, is still living. The others were: Jacob, died in 1862, aged sixty-five; Abraham, deceased; Ann, died in October, 1871, aged seventy-one, was Mrs. John Angus; John, died April 7, 1836, aged thirty-one; and David, died December 30, 1842, aged thirty-four. The grandfather died May 14, 1844, aged seventy years, seven months and seven days; the grandmother died June 1, 1855, at the age of eighty-three years, eleven months and twenty-one days.

Both Mrs. Masemore's parents were born in Huntingdon county. Until 1845, her father was a blacksmith. In that year, he removed from Shirleysburg to the farm on which Eli Masemore now resides; there for the next thirty years he was engaged in farming; in 1875, he retired. He was elected to several township offices. His marriage to Catherine Winters, daughter of Abraham and Catherine (Longenecker) Winters took place December 15, 1841. Their children are: Mary (Mrs. Eli Masemore); Isaac; Gabrielle; and Albert, who died in 1859, aged thirteen years and seven months. Mr. Winters died August 22, 1881, at the age of seventy years and nine months. He was a minister of the German

Baptist church. His wife survives him, residing with her daughter, Mrs. Masemore, and is in very good health, though she has reached the venerable age of eighty-four.

WILLIAM WAGNER, Thisbe, Huntingdon county, Pa., is a native of Snyder county, born October 14, 1836; he is a son of Adam and Mattie (Ritter) Wagner. His paternal grandfather, Adam Wagner, was a native of Snyder county, a laboring man. He had nine children, of whom only one, Joseph, is still living. The others were: Eli; Henry; George; Jacob; Adam; Katie; Maria; and Elizabeth. Both he and his wife lived to a very advanced age. Mr. Wagner's maternal grandparents, Henry and Martha Ritter, were born in Snyder county; the grandfather was all his life a farmer. They had a family of ten children, of whom two are living: Samuel; and Jacob. Those deceased are: Henry; George; Elizabeth; Susan; Mattie; Maria; Sarah; and Sophia. Mr. and Mrs. Ritter lived to a good old age; both were members of the Lutheran church. Both Adam Wagner (2), and his wife, the parents of William Wagner, were born in Snyder county. His calling was always farming; for two years, he was supervisor of Beaver township, Snyder county. Their family consisted of fourteen children; an equal number of sons and daughters, including two pairs of twins. They are: Abraham, who died in 1890, aged fifty-six years; Mary Ann, died November 1, 1895, aged fifty-six; Sarah, died in August, 1855, aged thirteen; Isaac; William; Henry; Edward and Mary, twins, Mary being deceased; Sophia and Andrew, twins; Mattie; Samuel; Katie; and Lydia. The father died in 1879, aged seventy-nine; the mother in 1873, at the age of sixty-two. They held membership in the Lutheran church.

William Wagner attended the common schools of Snyder county until he reached the age of eighteen. He was brought up on the farm, and after leaving school worked for different farmers for some time, and then went into the business of fence-making, which he carried on for eighteen years. He at last abandoned that business for farming, which has been his occupation ever since. In 1863, he was drafted, but did not enter the service. He is at present supervisor of Shirley township.

In political views, Mr. Wagner is decidedly Republican.

William Wagner was married, in December, 1858, to Sophia, daughter of Jonas and Mary Machamer. Of seven children, five are living: William J.; Daniel R.; Jonas A.; David S.; and Nathaniel L. Mary L. died in 1863, aged thirteen months; and Jeremiah died June 15, 1872, at the age of four years. Mr. Wagner is a member of the Lutheran church.

Mr. and Mrs. John Machamer were natives of Berks county, Pa., where Mr. Machamer was a laborer. His wife was Miss Mary Swenk. They were Lutherans. Of their children, four have died: Samuel in 1881, at the age of forty-nine; Katie at the age of five years; and Nancy aged three; one died in infancy. The surviving children are: Elizabeth (Mrs. John Layman); Maria, deceased (Mrs. Daniel Grassmyer); and Sophia (Mrs. Wagner). Mr. Machamer died in 1865, aged seventy-two years; his wife died in 1871, aged seventy-seven.

ASAPH PRICE. Thisbe, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Huntingdon county, November 23, 1855, son of Asaph and Jane (Fleming) Price. Samuel Price, his paternal grandfather, belonged to Huntingdon county by birth and residence; his life-long occupation was farming. He married Elizabeth Colgate. Four of their children are still living: Mary Ann, the wife first of Joseph Martin, afterwards of Allen Edwards, both deceased; Elizabeth, wife of Jacob Painter; George W.; and William P. Mrs. Elizabeth Price was a member of the United Brethren church. James Fleming, a maternal grandfather of Mr. Price, was a native of Ireland, as was also his wife. Coming to this country in early life, they settled in Huntingdon county, and there lived and died. Mr. Fleming was a brick moulder, but after a number of years given to that occupation, he bought a farm, and continued a farmer for the remainder of his life. His wife was Margaret Martin. Their children were: Jane; John; Cochran; Margareta; and Joseph, the only one now living.

Both of Mr. Price's parents were natives of Huntingdon county; his father, the elder Asaph Price, was a farmer throughout his lifetime. His first wife was Jane, daughter of James and Margaret Fleming. She was

the mother of ten children, two of whom are living: Melissa; and Asaph. The others were: James; Samuel, who died September 27, 1860, aged twenty-three years, ten months and seven days; John, died July 2, 1869, aged thirty-five years, one month; Margareta, died June 7, 1872, aged twenty-eight; Mary Jane, died April 31, 1870, aged twenty-one years, three months and ten days; Joseph F., died September 12, 1890, aged thirty-seven; Daniel, died April 29, 1880, aged twenty-three; one died in infancy. Mrs. Jane Price died July 2, 1869, aged fifty-five years and one month; she was a member of the United Brethren church. Mr. Price was married the second time to Miss Dorothy Drake; her only child was Alice, who died November 18, 1873, aged six months and eighteen days. Asaph Price, Sr., died March 13, 1874, aged sixty-two years; and Mrs. Dorothy Price died in 1892, aged fifty-two years. Mr. Price belonged to the United Brethren church; his second wife was a Methodist.

His son, Asaph Price (2), attended the common schools of Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, until he was seventeen; then, being brought up on a farm, he assisted his father in his business until he was nineteen. He then worked for other farmers, and was for one year engaged in mining. In the spring of 1888, he began farming on his own account, which calling he has ever since followed. He also deals in stock and in real estate. He has filled various township offices. In 1892 and 1896, he was elected inspector of elections, and is still in that office at the present writing. He is a Republican.

Asaph Price was married, July 3, 1880, to Olive, daughter of Levi and Mary (Keith) Evans. Their children are: Robert E., died September 25, 1881, aged four weeks; Asaph E., died September 9, 1895, aged nine months; James A.; Edna B.; Leroy E.; Russel J.; Charles V.; Minerva A.; and Olive B.

Both Mrs. Price's parents were natives of Huntingdon county. Her father, Levi Evans, was nearly all his life a surveyor. He filled various township offices; was during his later years and at the time of his death, justice of the peace. On October 13, 1842, he married Mary Horton. All of their children are deceased. The first wife died August 28, 1854, aged thirty-eight years and five months. The

second marriage of Levi Evans, June 5, 1855, was with Mary, daughter Adam and Elizabeth (Plummer) Keith. Two of the children of this marriage are deceased: John P., died January 26, 1860, aged one year, one month and three days; and Mary, died September 22, 1877, aged sixteen years, four months and nineteen days. Those surviving are: Robert; Alice; and Olive (Mrs. Asaph Price). Mr. Evans died November 25, 1876, aged fifty-five years, eleven months and five days. Mrs. Mary Evans died December 20, 1867, aged thirty-four years and two months; both were members of the Methodist church. Adam Keith, Mrs. Price's maternal grandfather, was a native of Huntingdon county, and all his life a farmer. He married Elizabeth, daughter of John Plummer. They had ten children: John; Abraham; Eli; William; Mary; Elizabeth; Sarah; Nancy; Rachel; and Margaretta. All are deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Keith died in the home place, in Tod township, well advanced in years. They were members of the Methodist church. Mrs. Price's great-grandfather was taken prisoner in the Revolutionary war.

JEREMIAH SHOPE, Valley Point, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Perry county, Pa., January 13, 1832, son of John and Barbara (Fleisher) Shope. Mr. Shope's paternal grandfather was a native of Germany and was all his life a farmer. Of sixteen children, only Samuel and Benjamin are living. Both Mr. Shope's parents were born in Perry county. His father had been for many years a weaver, when he exchanged that occupation for that of farming, in which he was engaged during the rest of his life. He served his township for some years as supervisor. His wife, Barbara, was the daughter of John and Elizabeth Fleisher. Mr. and Mrs. Shope had ten children; three are deceased; Diana; Peter; and Barbara. The surviving children are: Jeremiah; Elizabeth (Mrs. William Morgan); Caroline (Mrs. Henry Funderell); William H.; Benjamin; Jane; and John. The father died in August, 1886, aged eighty-two; the mother in September, 1888, aged sixty-seven years. Both were members of the Dunkard church.

Mr. Jeremiah Shope received his education in the common schools, which he attended until he was about twenty years old. Having

grown up on the farm, his first work after his school days were ended was to assist his father, which he did until he was twenty-three. In 1856, he began farming on his own account, and has ever since continued in the same occupation. On April 1, 1897, Mr. Shope took charge of the Market House in Orbisonia, which he carries on in connection with his farm. In 1864, he joined Construction Corps No. 2, and served three months in Tennessee. He was drafted in 1865, but sent a substitute. Mr. Shope has filled various township offices, having served as supervisor, two years; school director one year, assessor three years and judge of election one year. He is a Democrat.

Jeremiah Shope was married, January 13, 1856, to Margaret B., daughter of Andrew and Mary (Carren) Gilliland. They have had a family of six children: Jonathan; Mary (Mrs. J. E. Miller); Barbara (Mrs. Edward Miller); William E.; Sarah C. (Mrs. Biron Rohr); and Margaretta, died August 22, 1868, aged one week. Mr. Shope belongs to the Dunkard church. Mrs. Margaret B. (Gilliland) Shope was born January 13, 1838. Her parents were natives of Huntingdon county. Her father, Mr. Andrew Gilliland, was a farmer. Mr. and Mrs. Gilliland had a family of eleven children. Those deceased are: Katie; John; George; Elizabeth; Mary Ann; Andrew; Margaretta B.; Matthew. The living children are: Jennie (Mrs. Samuel Doran); Nancy (Mrs. Robert Gifford); and Samuel. Mr. Gilliland died in April, 1865, aged seventy years.

JOSEPH R. PARSONS, Oppelsville, Pa., was born in Huntingdon county, Pa., April 4, 1826. He is a son of Samuel and Mary (Richardson) Parsons. His grandparents on his father's side were both born in Chester county, Pa. The grandfather was engaged in farming all his life. He married Miss Hannah Brown; their children were six in number: Eliza; Samuel; Joseph; James; David; and Nancy, wife of George Frantz; all deceased. William Richardson, maternal grandfather of Mr. Parsons, came from his native country, England, to America in youth. He married, October 13, 1768, Miss Elizabeth Brock. Their family consisted of ten children: William; Joseph; Ann; Jennie; Elizabeth; Margaretta; George; Mary; Benjamin; and Elias; all deceased. Mr. and

Mrs. Richardson were members of the Catholic church; both died in 1813, and are buried in one grave.

Samuel Parsons and Mary his wife, the parents of Joseph R., were born in 1785, the former in Chester county, the latter in Franklin county, Pa. Samuel Parsons was a farmer, and pursued that vocation until the time of his death. Their marriage took place in 1822. Mrs. Parsons was the daughter of William and Elizabeth (Brook) Richardson. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Parsons were: Joseph R.; Emmeline; William, died in 1849, at the age of sixteen. The father died February 8, 1871, aged eighty-five, and the mother February 19, 1880, at the age of ninety-five. Mr. Parsons was a member of the Methodist, Mrs. Parsons of the Catholic church.

In an old log-house in Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, where a "subscription school" was kept, Joseph R. Parsons acquired the education necessary to fit him for active life; often most effectually imparted in such unpretending places. From the age of twenty-one, when his education was finished, for about five years, he was his father's assistant in farm work. In 1853, he bought the farm lately owned by Peter Crownover, where he began farming for himself, and which has been his homestead to the present time. Mr. Parsons has been serviceable as a township officer; he was elected supervisor in 1875, and again a few years later, and served both times for one year. He was also chosen as school director in 1875, and served for nine consecutive years. He is a Republican.

Joseph R. Parsons has been twice married. The first time was on March 23, 1854, to Ellen, daughter of Thomas and Jane (Gifford) Crownover. Of this marriage there were three children: Thomas; Williamson; and Esther, died in 1859, when six months old. The first Mrs. Parsons died July 3, 1862, at the age of twenty-seven. Mr. Parsons was married the second time, February 23, 1864, to Catherine, daughter of John and Mary Everts. They have ten children: Amanda, widow of Jacob Barkley; Lewis; Mary, wife of David Kirk; Hayes; Kittie; Minnie; and Sadie; Howard died October 13, 1889, aged twenty-one years and one month; and two died in infancy. Mr. Parsons is a member of the United Brethren church, and has been

secretary of the union Sunday-school for about forty years.

Thomas and Jane (Gifford) Crownover were both born in Huntingdon county, in early settlers' families. Mr. Crownover was a farmer and miller. His wife was the daughter of John Gifford. Of their children, Robert is the only one now living; those deceased are: Joseph; Jane; and Ellen (Mrs. Parsons). After the death of his first wife, Mr. Crownover married Miss Esther McWilliams. He died in 1853. Mr. and Mrs. John Everts, the parents of the second Mrs. J. R. Parsons, were natives of Pennsylvania; her father was a furnace man. He was three times married. His first wife was Miss Mary Myers. They had three children: Catherine (Mrs. Parsons); Rebecca, wife of Frederick Andrews, died in 1892, aged fifty-eight; and Isabella. The second marriage of Mr. Everts was with Miss Martha Rager; his third, with Miss Catherine Ferringer. Mr. Everts died at about seventy years of age; his wife is still living.

PHILIP BOLINGER, Valley Point, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Tell township, Huntingdon county, Pa., January 19, 1842. He is a son of Jacob and Rachel (Gifford) Bolinger. His paternal ancestry is German, his great-grandfather having come to America from the fatherland, enlisted in the Revolutionary war, and settled in Tell township, Huntingdon county, after the close of the war. His son, the grandfather of Philip Bolinger, was a farmer. The maternal grandparents, the Giffords, were natives of New Jersey, where Mr. Gifford was a farmer and blacksmith. They had nine children. Both Jacob Bolinger and his wife were born in Huntingdon county; he was a farmer during all of his life. He filled the office of supervisor. He was married in 1826; his wife was the daughter of Joseph and Mary (Stillwell) Gifford. Of their children, three have died: Mary, died in 1843, aged two years; Sophia, died in 1874, aged thirty-eight years; and Margaret A., died in 1890, aged sixty years. The remaining children are: John; Elizabeth (Mrs. George Swanger); Hannah (Mrs. James Barkley); Jemima; Philip; and Christiana (Mrs. Jacob Love). The father died in 1888, at the age of eighty-four; his wife died in 1880, aged seventy-four

years. They were members of the Dunkard church.

The education of Philip Bolinger was carried on in the winter school, the common school of his township, which he attended until he was eighteen. After leaving school, he assisted his father in the work of the farm on which he had grown up, until he became of age, and a few years beyond that time. In August, 1864, Mr. Bolinger enlisted in Company K, Two Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, Capt. A. W. Decker, and served until the close of the war. This patriotic service performed, he went back to the homestead, and assisted his father there for another year. In 1867, he went to Kansas, and worked for one summer on a farm in that State; also as a general laborer. In the fall of that year, he came back as far as the State of Indiana, and remained there until the spring of 1868. Then he came to Black Log valley, Huntingdon county, and for a few years did various kinds of work. After this he purchased a farm, and regularly engaged in cultivating it; he has made this his business ever since. The township offices which Mr. Bolinger has held are as follows: supervisor of Shirley township, one year; a few years later school director for one year; in 1895, again elected supervisor, served a year; re-elected in 1896, and still holds the office; election officers, such as judge and inspector, at various times; for some years he was clerk. He is a member of General Kane Post, No. 292, G. A. R., of Mount Union.

Philip Bolinger was married September 14, 1871, to Melinda, daughter of David and Mary (Crownover) Gilliland. Their children are: David F.; Laura A. (Mrs. Frank L. Oppel), of Oppelville, Juniata county; and William O.

The parents of Mrs. Bolinger were born in Huntingdon county. Her father was a blacksmith, and later a farmer. His wife, Mary, was the daughter of Daniel and Grace Crownover. Their children are: Melinda (Mrs. Bolinger); and Elliot. The father died at the age of eighty-six years; Mrs. Gilliland died aged sixty-four years. They belonged to the Methodist Episcopal church.

ROBERT G. GIFFORD, Valley Point, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Huntingdon county July 30, 1828; he is the son

of John and Mary (Gardner) Gifford. The Gifford family is of English origin; the great-grandfather, Isaac Gifford, came from England and settled in Tuscarora valley, in Huntingdon county, when all around was a wilderness; there he built a hut, and lived at first by fishing and hunting. Rescuing his farm from its wild condition, he passed the remainder of his life in cultivating it. He had a family of three children: Joseph; William; and Isaac. His son, Joseph, after residing for a time in New Jersey, came to Black Log valley in 1806, cut down timber and cleared a farm for himself, where he cultivated the soil and raised live stock. He married Mary Sillwell, and had a family of nine children: John; William; Isaac; Joseph; Benjamin; Jennina, married first to William Gardner, afterwards to Thomas Vaughn; Mary, wife of James Matthews; Rachel, wife of Jacob Bolinger; Elizabeth, wife of Hugh Ross; all deceased. Joseph Gifford died in 1853, aged over eighty years; his wife died in 1847.

John Gifford, eldest son of Joseph, was born in Huntingdon county. In his earlier life, he worked as a general laborer and as a furnace hand for a number of years, afterwards settling down upon a farm, which he cultivated for the remainder of his life. His first wife was Mary, daughter of Robert Gardner. They had six children: Robert; Jane, died in 1847; Joseph, died in October, 1890, aged seventy-one; John, died August 19, 1893, over seventy years of age; two died in infancy. Mrs. Mary Gifford died in 1832. In 1836, Mr. Gifford married Esther, daughter of John McWilliams; there are no children of this marriage. John Gifford died October 16, 1873, aged eighty years. His wife died in February, 1874, at the age of seventy-eight. Mr. Gifford was for sixty years a member of the United Brethren church, in which he was an office-bearer and for many years a Sunday-school worker.

Robert G. Gifford had a common school education, up to the time when he reached his sixteenth year; from that time until his majority, he helped his father on the farm. He then arranged to take charge of the farm on half shares, attending to the stock in winter for his board. He had visited Cambria county with a view to engaging in the lumbering business there, but remained only three weeks. Under the above agreement, he worked with

his father for about six months, and then, in September, 1850, he went into the tannery, and continued there about six months. Again he returned to his father, and managed the farm for one year for a third of the profits. During 1852, until the fall of the year, he worked as a general laborer, but in the winter of 1852, he was married, and from that time until 1895, when he retired from business, he was a farmer. He has filled various township offices; was elected supervisor four times, the first time in 1882, when he served for two years in succession. Mr. Gifford is a Democrat.

The marriage of Robert G. Gifford to Nancy A., daughter of Andrew and Mary (Carren) Gilliland, took place December 22, 1852. Of their ten children, two died in infancy; William E. died May 7, 1895, aged twenty-nine years, one month and eleven days; Andrew died August 4, 1867, aged eight years. The six survivors are: John A.; Mary J.; wife of Isaac Kelley; Esther, wife of Samuel H. Johnson; George B.; James; and Katie, wife of Edward C. Hircr. Mr. Gifford is a member of the United Brethren church; has been class-leader for many years, and also for a number of years superintendent of the Sunday-school.

JOSEPH KRUGH, Valley Point, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Franklin county, Pa., November 11, 1842, son of Michael and Anna Mary (Kuhn) Krugh, natives of Bavaria, Germany, who came to this country in 1830, the first of their family to emigrate. After a short residence in Baltimore, they removed to Franklin county, where the father worked in the mines. In 1844, they again removed, this time to Huntingdon county, where Mr. Krugh began farming, and continued in that occupation till his retirement from business. He was at one time supervisor of Dublin township, Huntingdon county. Mr. and Mrs. Krugh had eight children: Clara E., widow of Michael Starr; Catherine; Joseph; Anna Mary, wife of Jacob R. Hege; Martha; John; Adam, deceased; and Jacob, also deceased. The father died aged eighty-one; the mother on June 5, 1859. Both were members of the Catholic church.

Joseph Krugh was educated in the common schools of Huntingdon county, whither his

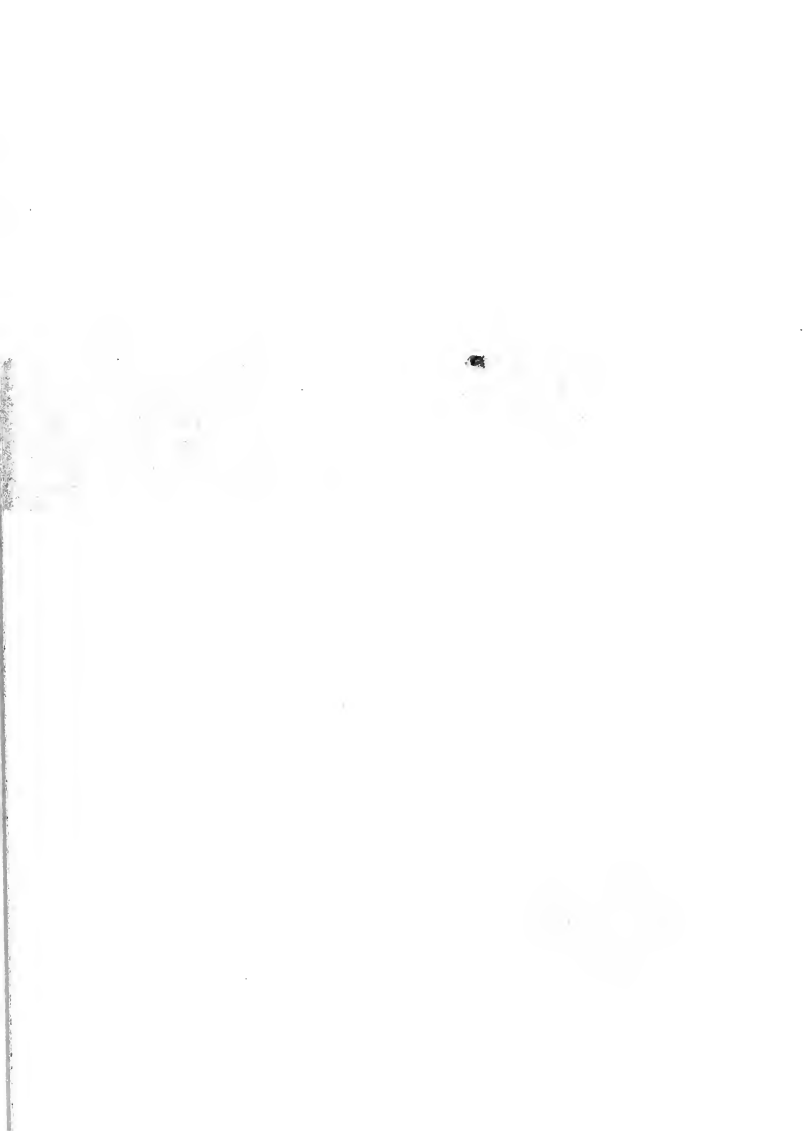
family removed when he was but two and a half years old. When his school attendance was ended, he engaged with his father on the farm from time to time until he was nearly thirty. He then embarked in the same business on his own account, on the farm which he still occupies. He was drafted for the war in August, 1863. For a number of years, he was chosen judge of elections. He is Democratic in politics.

Joseph Krugh was married February 14, 1873, to Mary C., daughter of Hans and Ann (Smith) Campbell. Their children are: Charles L., deceased; Clara B., deceased; Thomas J., deceased; Michael J.; William A.; Martha L.; Anna Mary; James E.; and Francis. Mr. Krugh is a member of the Roman Catholic church.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell, the parents of Mrs. Krugh, were natives of Ireland, who came to America, and settled in Black Log valley, where they engaged in farming. Their children were: Samuel, deceased; Mary C., died February 19, 1891, aged thirty-six years, four months and five days; Sarah A. (Mrs. Campbell Valentine); Thomas; Dr. William; Sophia (Mrs. A. W. Jones); Robert; Bell (Mrs. S. C. Alexander); Franklin; and Lizzie. Mr. Campbell and his wife are deceased. Mrs. Campbell was a member of the Catholic church.

RICHARD J. FAUST, Mount Union, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Lehigh county, Pa., October 9, 1848, son of Alvin D. and Catherine (Kuhns) Faust. His parents were natives of the same county, but removed to Ambler, Montgomery county, in 1851. Alvin D. Faust was a tanner, and continued all his life in the same occupation, carrying on a tannery at Ambler for upwards of thirty years. For a number of years he filled the office of school director. His wife is the daughter of Henry Kuhns. Their children are: Richard J.; Edwin H.; Samuel A.; Milton D.; and Alvin B., all residing in Ambler, Montgomery county, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Faust were both members of the Lutheran church; he died May 10, 1883, at the age of fifty-eight, and she is still living, and in good health, with her youngest son, Alvin B., at Ambler.

Richard J. Faust was educated in the common schools of Montgomery county, com-



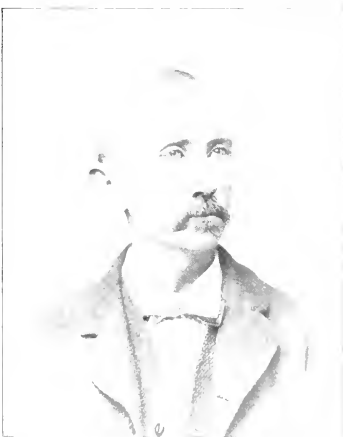
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pleting his course at Allentown Military and Collegiate Institute. He learned with his father the trade of a tanner and currier, in which he has ever since been engaged. Since 1874, he has resided and carried on his business at Mount Union, operating what is now known as Faust Brothers tannery. It is a steam tannery of great capacity, and is the principal industry of the borough, employing a large number of hands. Mr. Faust adheres to the Democratic party, and although he counts himself a business man, and not a politician by profession, he has been called by his fellow citizens to fill many responsible positions. He was a school director for fifteen years by election, and for eight months by appointment, and during that time, was for eleven years and eight months president of the board. On June 12, 1883, Mr. Faust was appointed justice of the peace of Mount Union; in the following spring, he was elected to the same office, and served his term of five years. Re-elected at the end of that term, he served for a second, at the expiration of which he was again re-elected, without opposition, and is now in the midst of his third term. He was in the town council for two terms, was chief burgess for two terms, and in 1883, was elected treasurer of the borough of Mount Union for five years. Mr. Faust has since 1875 been a member of the Masonic order, in which he takes an active interest, belonging to the Blue Lodge; Chapter, and to the Commandery of Knights Templars. He also belongs to Mount Union Lodge, No. 677, I. O. O. F., and to Lodge No. 148, K. of P., of Montgomery county, Pa.

Richard J. Faust was married January 6, 1870, to Caroline, daughter of Henry and Sarah (Snoden) Herrman. Their children are: Matilda C. (Mrs. Robert M. Longacre); Richard J.; and John E. Mr. Faust is a member of the Lutheran church, but there being no congregation of that denomination in Mount Union, he and his family have become actively interested in the Presbyterian church; the children of the family all hold their membership in it, and Mr. Faust has been assistant superintendent in the Sunday-school for sixteen years, and trustee of the church for fifteen years.

Mrs. Caroline (Herrman) Faust was born February 11, 1849. Her father was an Alsatian by birth; her maternal grandfather was

a sea captain, and sailed the ocean all his life. Her mother was born in Long Island, N. Y., and Mrs. Herrman had ten children, of whom three are deceased: Henry; Albert; and Matilda. The surviving ones are: George; Bella (Mrs. George Bliss), of Philadelphia; Adeline (Mrs. Henry Daubert); Theodore; Daniel; Caroline (Mrs. Faust); and Irving. Mrs. Herrman died in 1890, at the age of seventy-five; Mr. Herrman resides in Philadelphia, an octogenarian, but still in robust health. He is a member of the Lutheran church.

BENJAMIN CARREL WHARTON, Mount Union, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Mifflin county, Pa., January 22, 1841, son of James and Esther (Sicrist) Wharton, both natives of that county. James Wharton, a farmer, was a son of Samuel Wharton, who came from Cumberland county, Pa., to Mifflin county, where he died August 13, 1825. James Wharton was justice of the peace for fifteen years; was for many years supervisor of the township; and in the Presbyterian church, of which he was a member, he was for a long time retained as trustee. His wife, like himself, was of German descent, and belonged to a family of early settlers of Mifflin county. She was a daughter of Daniel Sicrist. Their children are: Martha A., widow of Robert C. Craig; Samuel K.; Huldah M.; Daniel S.; Catherine E. (Mrs. Samuel Ewing); Margaret A., wife of Dr. Kohler; Benjamin Carrel; Phebe J. (Mrs. Robert S. Henderson); David, died in infancy; Sarah E., died in 1847, aged four years; Abraham R., died in 1850, at the age of five years; and James Monroe, killed in battle at Spotsylvania Court House, Va., in 1864, at the age of twenty-six. He was a member of Company K, Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers. Mrs. Wharton died at the age of forty-seven, in Mifflin county; her husband survived her for twenty-seven years, dying in the same place in 1874, aged eighty-two years, six months and seven days.

Mr. B. C. Wharton attended the common schools of his native county until he arrived at his twenty-first year. He continued with his father, sharing the labors and profits of the home farm, until 1883. From this year until 1885, he was in mercantile business, in Huntingdon, Pa. He then bought a farm, which he cultivated for four years, and then

rented it. In 1889, Mr. Wharton removed to Mount Union, where, after selling his farm in 1893, he built his present commodious residence, and where he has been continuously engaged in business ever since. He has filled various township offices. In 1880, in Millin county, he was elected school director, served for three years, and has recently been re-elected; he has also filled the offices of the election board a number of times. Mr. Wharton adheres to the Republican party.

Benjamin Carrel Wharton was married, January 18, 1872, to Marian, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Stoneroad) Isenberg. Two of their children, Howard and one unnamed, died in infancy; the survivors are: James B.; Samuel H.; Grace E.; and H. Mary. Mr. Wharton is a member of the Presbyterian church, and has been a ruling elder for the past six years.

Samuel Isenberg, father of Mrs. Wharton, was a native of Huntingdon county, and has been a cabinet-maker and farmer. He was twice married; by his first wife he had three children: Ann Eliza (Mrs. Joseph Work); Susan (Mrs. Sellers Raugh); and George. His second wife was Miss Stoneroad; their children are: Louisa (Mrs. Reuben Meyer); Milton W.; Marian (Mrs. Wharton); Naomi (Mrs. Jackson L. Grove); Jerome G.; Dorothy G. (Mrs. S. C. Postlethwaite); Elizabeth; Alfred H.; Margaret; Howard; and Ellen (Mrs. D. B. Swane). Mr. Samuel Isenberg died in 1890; Mrs. Isenberg still resides in Huntingdon.

WILLIAM GRAY EWING, merchant, of Mount Union, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born at Graysville, Huntingdon county, June 22, 1854. He is a son of Alexander G. Ewing and Clarissa (Borland) Ewing. His father was born at Graysville November 10, 1825, and died March 23, 1894. He was a successful merchant, having been in the mercantile business for thirty years in Franklin township, this county. His other children living are: James Roland, of Portland, Ore.; and Miss Anna M., who resides in Mount Union. Alexander G. Ewing was a man of more than ordinary ability, and had been a successful school teacher during the earlier years of his life.

William Gray Ewing received his common school education at Graysville. After this,

he spent two years in obtaining higher education at Tuscarora Academy, Academia, Pa. He then taught for several terms in the common schools. He began his business career in Mount Union in May, 1875. On October 19, 1876, he was married to Tinsie, daughter of Henry and Hannah (Morrison) Shaver. They have four interesting children: Iva Clarissa; Cloyd Benton; Annie Mildred; and Helen Agnes. Mr. Ewing has served as chief Burgess and also as a member of the council for three terms. He is a Republican and an earnest advocate of the cause of temperance. He is also a ruling elder of the Presbyterian church, and a teacher in the Sabbath-school.

JOHN RUMMEL, Mount Union, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Franklin county, November 22, 1833. He is the son of William and Catharine (Springer) Rummel, and is of German descent. His grandfather, Jacob Rummel, was born in Adams county, Pa. He was a weaver, and cultivated a farm. He had twelve children all of whom are dead. William Rummel, father of John Rummel, was a native of Adams county, and was also a weaver. For some time he was school director. In 1830 he was married to Catharine, daughter of John and Margaret (Zullinger) Springer, born near Mercersburg, Franklin county, Pa. Their children are: Margaret (Mrs. George Barnhard); John; Martha, widow of Frank Conrad; William; Daniel; Sarah, widow of Henry Sheip; Jacob, died 1890; and Elizabeth, deceased. Mr. Rummel died in 1869, aged sixty-nine. His wife died in 1891, aged eighty-two.

John Rummel attended public schools until he was fifteen. For four years he worked in a distillery. He was engaged in milling near Waynesboro, Franklin county, and in Maryland. Here he remained for a year and a half, when he returned to Franklin county, worked in St. Thomas for one year and in Upton for eight years. In 1866 Mr. Rummel went to Huntingdon county, and in 1868, to Mount Union, where he is still engaged in milling. He was school director for three years; was re-elected in 1894 and served for a year and a half. He is a Democrat.

John Rummel was married December 9, 1858, to Elizabeth, daughter of John W. and Mary (Hisey) Henkel. Their children are:

William D.; Anna Mary; Lewis; and J. Frank.

Mrs. Rummel's parents were natives of Germany and came to America about sixty years ago. Mr. Henkel was a farmer and grocer in Lanark, Ill. Their children are: Lewis H.; Elizabeth (Mrs. John Rummel); Kate (Mrs. Samuel Swigard); and Mary, who died in 1868. Mr. Henkel died in Lanark, Ill., in 1892, aged eighty years; his wife died in 1852. They were members of the Dunkard church.

W. W. HEATON, M. D., Saltville, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born January 1, 1865, in Coalbunt, Huntingdon county, son of George A. and Sarah Ann (Wright) Heaton. His father spent his youth in Huntingdon county, and was educated in the common schools. For several years before the war and up to 1874, he carried on a general store, but his health failing, he sold out in 1874, and lived retired from business the remainder of his life. George A. Heaton was twice married. His first wife was Miss Lovell; she became the mother of one child, Milton L., who is now a resident of Lyndon, Kan. Mr. Heaton's second wife was Sarah Ann Wright, by whom he had these children: Mary L.; Dr. W. W.; and N. C., a dentist of Manch Chunk, Pa. The father died in Cassville, October 22, 1875, at the age of fifty-two. He was a Republican. His church connection was in the Methodist denomination. Dr. Heaton's maternal grandfather, Jesse Wright, M. D., was for many years a physician of Trough Creek valley, having settled there at an early date; for years he was the only doctor within a circuit of about thirty miles. He made visits to his patients on horseback. And as through the week, he ministered to the physical ailments of his neighbors, so on Sunday he sought their spiritual health, as a local preacher of the Protestant Methodist church. He was in this double relation a most active and useful man. His wife was Ruth Chilcoat; both are dead, leaving a family of seven or eight daughters. Sarah Ann (Wright) Heaton, mother of Dr. Heaton, was born in Trough Creek valley, and educated at Cassville Seminary; she lived in Cassville from early childhood, and still resides there.

W. W. Heaton was educated at his native village, Coalbunt, and at Cassville, to which

place the family removed when he was ten years old. In 1886, he opened a general store in that town, which he conducted for several years. He began reading medicine with Dr. G. W. Simpson, of Mill Creek, in 1887, and entered the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Baltimore, Md., in the fall of 1888. A year later, he entered the University of Louisville, Ky., from which he was graduated in the spring of 1890. Dr. Heaton first went to Sylvan Grove, Kan., where he remained for a few months, and then removed to Ounay, Col., and lived there for about a year. During a visit to his native State the Doctor decided to take a post-graduate course, and with that view entered Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Pa., and received its diploma in the spring of 1892. From that time he was for two years in practise at Entriken, Huntingdon county; in August, 1894, he removed to Saltville, where he has built up a large and lucrative practise. Dr. Heaton is a Republican but has never courted political preferment.

E. A. HUDSON, retired farmer, was born in Clay township, Huntingdon county, Pa., December 21, 1840, son of George and Ruth (Chilcott) Hudson. His great-grandfather came over from Ireland before the Revolutionary war and settled in Maryland, and William Hudson, his grandfather, was born in the vicinity of Baltimore. When a young man, he came to Huntingdon county and settled in Clay township on a tract of nearly 2,000 acres. He was an exceedingly industrious farmer; he died in 1845, aged seventy years. While Clay was still part of Springfield township, the elections were held at his house. His wife died some years before his death. Their children were: George D.; Nauey (Mrs. Moses Greenland), of Trough Creek valley; Diana (Mrs. K. L. Green), died in Clay township. Mr. Green resides in Orbisonia. George D. Hudson, father of E. A., was born in Clay township, in 1807; Mrs. Hudson was born in Trough Creek valley in 1811. The father was educated in the public schools. He farmed until 1850, when he embarked in the hotel business at Three Springs, keeping the only house of its kind in that part of the county; he continued there until his death in 1876. His wife died in 1883. Their children were: E. A.; Diana (Mrs. Darius G.

Doyle); Ruhama (Mrs. George Heeter); Rachel (Mrs. Samuel Heeter); William, enlisted in the army for nine months, then re-enlisted in Cooper's Battery, First Pennsylvania Artillery; Emeline, deceased; Richard, merchant, of Saltillo; Millard F., M. D., of Osborn City, Kan.; Alvaretta (Mrs. Abraham Wagner). Mr. Hudson was a member of the Baptist church and was noted for his generous and kindly disposition. He was a Republican, and filled many township offices.

E. A. Hudson was educated in his native place. In 1861, he enlisted in Company B, One Hundred and Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteers. In October, 1862, he was transferred to the Sixth United States Cavalry. From Camp Crossman they proceeded to Harrisburg, then in December to Hagerstown, Md., next to Hancock, where they were in their first engagement. Cumberland, Martinsburg and Shenandoah valley were then reached in turn, and the next engagement was at Winchester. The next battles in which Mr. Hudson took part were Fort Republic, Cedar Mountain, and the Second Bull Run. With others, he was transferred to the Sixth Regulars. Having a severe attack of rheumatism, he was sent to the hospital near Knoxville, and was finally discharged on account of disability. In March, 1864, he returned home; he has never fully recovered from the malady then contracted. He inherited 100 acres of the old homestead, and when able gives his attention to farming. He was married in April, 1864, to Eliza, daughter of David Newman. Their children are: Annie (Mrs. Edward Cornelius); Maggie; Ida (Mrs. F. B. Rinehart), whose husband is principal of schools at Houtzdale, Clearfield county; George D.; Eloise; Alice (Mrs. Clay Park), of Three Springs; Edgar; John; James; and one deceased not named. Mr. Hudson is a Republican. For eighteen years he served as school director; was also burgess and councilman of Three Springs for some years. He is connected with Post No. 483, G. A. R., of Three Springs; and with Lodge No. 790, I. O. O. F., of the same place. He is an active member of the Baptist church.

D. F. SHOPE, merchant, Saltillo, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Shirley township, Huntingdon county, November 24, 1854, son of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Se-

christ) Shope. Benjamin Shope, the father, was born near Loysville, Perry county, Pa., in 1819. When a young man, he came to Huntingdon county, and settled in Shirley township, where he was a farmer and worked at carpentry. He was married in Shirley township and there formed a partnership in the tanning business with Mr. Borgstresser. After leaving this business, he resided on a farm in Clay township, farming and conducting a saw-mill. In 1875, he retired to Saltillo and now resides there. His children are: D. F.; Annie, who died at the age of eleven years; Jennie (Mrs. W. H. Nyeum), of Saltillo; Adly, deceased; and Amanda. Mr. Shope is a Democrat. He is a member of the Dunkard denomination.

D. F. Shope was educated in the public schools of Clay township. He farmed until 1876, when he entered into a partnership with E. G. Heck in a general mercantile business, at Saltillo. After a time, Mr. R. W. Hudson succeeded Mr. Heck, and later Mr. Shope purchased his partner's interest, and for several years conducted the business himself. He then formed a partnership with his brother-in-law, John M. Fulton, which has continued up to the present time. Beginning at the age of seventeen, Mr. Shope taught school for several terms in Clay township. In his business ventures, he was materially assisted by his father. Besides his other enterprises, Mr. Shope conducted for five years a general store at Three Springs. He is a "free silver" Democrat; was burgess for one term, and postmaster under President Cleveland. In 1879, he was married in Saltillo to Jennie, daughter of George W. Fulton. Their children are: Bessie N.; Benjamin O.; George H.; Lela; John B.; Ruth E.; and Vernon H. Mr. Shope is a member of the Dunkard church at Shirleyburg. He is industrious and enterprising, and by fair dealing has won general esteem and respect.

HENRY HUDSON, cabinet-maker, Saltillo, Huntingdon county, Pa., a descendant of the famous explorer, Henry Hudson, was born April 8, 1827, in Clay township, son of George and Rebecca (Hubbell) Hudson. His great-grandfather, George Hudson, was one of the pioneers of Huntingdon county. He resided at Shade Gap, and was a farmer. His former home was in Cumberland county. His

first wife having died at Shade Gap, he married Miss Isabella Buchanan. His children were: George; John; Walter; James; Joseph; and several girls. Mr. Hudson participated in the war of the Revolution. His second son, John Hudson, was reared at Shade Gap, where he remained until his marriage with Miss Eleanor Moreland; he then settled on the farm in Clay township, on which S. B. Moreland now resides. He was born September 13, 1768, and died October 29, 1814. His wife survived him some years. Their children are: George, born January 16, 1796; Maria, born February 11, 1798; Thomas, born November 20, 1799; John, born June 3, 1801; Isabella, born April 9, 1803; Rosanna, born April 14, 1805; Margaret, born October 3, 1807; Walter, born August 11, 1809; Elinor, born May 19, 1811; Eliza, born in 1813; and Jane, born January 5, 1815; the last named, Jane Hudson, now resides in Uniontown, Pa. George Hudson, the eldest of this family, was born in Clay township on the farm first settled by his grandfather. He was early trained in agricultural pursuits, and came into possession of a farm, inherited by his wife. He was married in 1824 to Miss Rebecca Hubbell; their children are: Sarah, born July 5, 1825, deceased; Henry; John, deceased, born May 18, 1829; Mary Ellen, born June 22, 1831; Jane E., born September 4, 1833; Isabella, born December 15, 1835; Phebe, born March 26, 1838; and Loretta, deceased, born September 16, 1840. Mr. Hudson was an old line Whig, and served in the legislature one term, in 1835. He was an active worker in the Presbyterian church. He died in 1855; his wife was born June 8, 1799, and died September 13, 1880.

Henry Hudson was educated in the public schools, the Tuscarora Academy, and the Shade Gap Academy. He then taught school for five winters, and spent the intervening summers in learning cabinet making with his cousin, William Hudson, at Shade Gap. Mr. Hudson married first, in 1857, Miss Skinner, of Fannettsburg, Franklin county, who died February 28, 1867. Their children are: Maggie, born March 26, 1858, deceased; John H., born June 9, 1860, married and resides in Marshall, Tex.; George M., born February 21, 1862, resided in Williamsport, Pa., died February 27, 1897, was an architect; Maria B., born June 27, 1864; Nar-

cissa S., born February 26, 1867, resides in Texas. Mr. Hudson married, secondly, in November, 1871, Miss Linnie E. Kerr, by whom he had one child, Emma, born September 1, 1877, and died, aged seven years. Having inherited the land on which Saltillo is built, Mr. Hudson laid it out in lots; he is really the founder of the town, and gave it its present name. He was made postmaster in 1860, but soon resigned. He is a Republican, and has served as Burgess and as councilman. He is an elder in the Presbyterian church. Mr. Hudson served one year (1864-65) in the Union army, in Company K, Two Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers.

NATHAN PRIEST BARNETT, retired farmer, and postmaster at Hubelville, Clay township, was born in Carbon township, Huntingdon county, December 9, 1824, son of Philip (2) and Rebecca (Horton) Barnett. His grandfather, Philip Barnett (1), was born in Germany in 1746, and died in 1845. His wife, Barbara Heeter, also a native of Germany, was born in 1749, and died in 1844. They were among the young men and women brought over in colonial times, by Virginia planters, and bound to work for a certain period of time to pay their passage money. Upon obtaining their freedom, they married and settled in what is now Carbon township, Huntingdon county. Philip Barnett served in the Revolutionary war. He discovered and mined the first coal found in the region where he lived, the famous Barnett coal, named for him. He was a Methodist. His remains and those of his wife lie side by side in the place of his own selection, on the farm where they spent their lives and reared their large family, named as follows: Christian; Jacob; Philip; Eva; Elizabeth; Mary; Susan; Barbara; and Esther.

Philip Barnett, father of Nathan P., was born in Carbon township, and was a farmer and coal miner. He succeeded his father on the old homestead, and farmed it for many years. Then, selling out, he removed to Fulton county, where both he and his wife died; he reached the age of ninety-nine. He was for sixty-five years a member of the Methodist church, and class leader for many years. He married Rebecca Horton; their children are: Daniel, of McDonough county, Ill.; Eliza (Mrs. Joseph McLain), both died in Fulton

county; Barbara (Mrs. John A. Osborn), of York county, Neb.; Nathan; Jacob, of Clearfield county; Catharine (Mrs. Thomas Duval), deceased; Sarah Ann (Mrs. Wesley Osborn), deceased; Elinor (Mrs. Simon Horton), of Illinois; Rebecca (Mrs. D. L. Whitehead), of Illinois; Susan J. (Mrs. John Miller), of Missouri; and three boys who died young.

Nathan P. Barnett first attended subscription, then public schools. At an early age he began work on a farm, but later worked in a coal bank. His first store suit was worn after attaining manhood, his clothing as a boy having always been home-made. In October, 1849, he married Sarah Jane, daughter of John and Hannah Chilcoat. They settled at Eagle Foundry, Trough Creek valley, Huntingdon county, but later moved to a farm at Beavertown, and still later to one of 159 acres, in Fulton county, which he has since deeded to his son. He lived there twenty-one years, and then bought 117 acres in Clay township, on part of which he still resides; the remainder he has deeded to his other son. The place was then wild and barren, but is now a fine home. Mr. Barnett is a staunch Democrat, and has filled all the offices of Clay township; for four years he was auditor of Fulton county. He belongs to the I. O. O. F., at Waterfall, and is a consistent member of the Methodist church, being especially active in Sunday-school work. That he is strictly self-made is shown by the fact that he had but \$40.00 when married. He is honored and esteemed by all who know him.

GEORGE SLEEMAN, Saltville, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Gloucestershire, England, August 10, 1845, son of George and Mary (Tippens) Sleeman. George Sleeman, Sr., was a native of Wales, G. B. He was brought up to the business of mining, and resided through all the latter part of his life in Gloucestershire, where he followed that vocation. He was a member of the Wesleyan Methodist church, and his wife of the Bible Christians.

Their son, George Sleeman, was set at work in the mine when he was only eight years old. He had in consequence very little opportunity for education; so little that he never tried to write his name until after coming to this country. It is praiseworthy, that one whose privi-

leges have been so limited, has so far made up for the deprivation by reading and independent study. His duty in the mine at that tender age was to open and close a trap door which distributed currents of air to different parts of the mine; for this work, he received twelve cents a day, and he continued at it until he was ten years of age, when he was employed at hodding. His wages were now increased; they contributed to the support of the family. His mother died when George was twelve years of age, and his father in 1881, aged sixty-four. After seven years spent in this work, Mr. Sleeman became a miner, and was paid by the yard; in this capacity he labored until he was twenty-three. In March, 1868, he engaged passage at Liverpool on the "City of Brussels," a steam vessel, and after a voyage of nineteen days, landed in New York with seven pounds, English money, in his possession. After spending three days in New York, he went to Frostburg, Md., where he engaged in the Hoffman-Oller mines. At the end of one year, Mr. Sleeman found employment in the mines of Schuylkill county, Pa.; a year later, he returned to Maryland, but failing to find employment there, he went to Myersdale, Somerset county, Pa., and engaged in prospecting for fire clay at \$3.00 per day. The next year, he engaged in a limestone quarry at Dunbar, Fayette county, Pa., at \$2.00 per day; here Mr. Sleeman's ability being recognized, the company made him foreman of their mines at Irishtown, Fayette county, at \$3.00 per day for five years. At the expiration of this time, he became superintendent of the mines of the Rockhill Iron and Coal Company, at Robertsdale, Pa. This engagement continued four years and a half, and at its close, Mr. Sleeman took a lease of a tract of coal land called the Rocky Ridge, near Cassville, Pa. He superintended the mining of this land in person for four years; then bought a farm in Tod township, which he cultivated for four years. He then rented the farm, and since that time has led a retired life; still, however, retaining a general supervision of the mines at Rocky Ridge. Mr. Sleeman's life work and its results furnish an instance of what can be accomplished by the "grit" and perseverance for which the English as a nation are so distinguished. He is a member of Cromwell Lodge, No. 572, F. and A. M., and of the I. O. of R. M.,

both of Orbisoma. His political adherence is to the Republican party, as to its general principles, but he is an advocate of free silver.

George Sleeman was married in England to Mary Ann Reed, from whom he separated. They had one son, William, who married and emigrated to the United States. He resided in Robertsdale, Pa., where a son, George, was born; the family returned to England a few years ago, and now reside there. In 1876, Mr. Sleeman married Miss Emma Jane Greenland; Their only child, Ann, died in infancy.

R. W. HUDSON, Saltville, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born March 14, 1846, in Clay township, Huntingdon county, son of George D. and Ruth (Chilcott) Hudson. The father of George D. Hudson was a native of England.

R. W. Hudson received his early education in the public school of his native place. It was at Three Springs, where his father conducted a hotel. On June 24, 1863, at the time of Lee's invasion of Pennsylvania, Mr. R. W. Hudson responded to Governor Curtin's call, and enlisted in Captain Wallace's company of Emergency Men, and participated in the engagement on the Mercersburg road, in which the rebels suffered a loss of five killed and about thirty wounded. This was the first blood shed on Pennsylvania soil during the Rebellion. He re-enlisted, February 27, 1864, in Company B, Twenty-second Pennsylvania Cavalry, Colonel Higgins, Captain Harman. With this regiment, Mr. Hudson saw much active service, principally in the Shenandoah valley, and became injured to hardships. The regiment formed a part of Sheridan's command, and Mr. Hudson, who was with Sheridan at the time, well remembers the famous "ride" of that brilliant commander, when with a word of confidence, spiced with an oath, he rallied his straggling and demoralized troops, and save the day for the Union cause, at Cedar Creek. Other engagements in which Mr. Hudson took part were: in 1864, Leetown, July 3; Maryland Heights, July 5, 6 and 7; Snicker's Gap, Va., July 17; Winchester, August 17; Opequan Creek, August 18; Berryville, August 21; Charles-town, August 22; Halltown, August 24; Martinsburg, August 31; Martinsburg, September 18; Winchester, Sep-

tember 19; Fisher's Hill, September 23; Brown's Gap, September 26; and the battle of Cedar Creek, already mentioned, October 19. During the latter part of 1864, and a great part of 1865, this valiant regiment was kept in continual and severe service, against Mosby's guerrillas, who kept up their lawless, irregular warfare among the mountains of Virginia and West Virginia, even after the actual close of the war. Mr. Hudson did not receive his discharge until October 21, 1865. Returning home, Mr. Hudson for some time engaged in farming. In 1878, in partnership with David S. Shope, he entered into mercantile business. This firm continued in operation for two years, at the end of which time Mr. Hudson bought out James Brewster, and carried on business until 1894, since which time he has lived retired. Besides this mercantile enterprise, he has cultivated a farm. In 1892, he built a large brick house, the most elegant and convenient residence in town. Mr. Hudson adheres to the Republican party, believing firmly in the expediency of a gold standard. He is a member of Cronwell Lodge, No. 572, F. and A. M., at Orbisoma; also of the Colonel Albright Post, No. 483, G. A. R., at Three Springs.

R. W. Hudson was married in 1870 to Emma McVitty, who died August 13, 1895. He has been for thirty years a member of the Baptist church, and is a deacon. He has superintended the Sunday-school of his congregation for twelve years.

DANIEL SWARTZ, Three Springs, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Cronwell township, Huntingdon county, August 28, 1839, son of George and Sarah (Flasher) Swartz. George Swartz was the son of Daniel Swartz, who was born in Germany, where he grew up, and was married. Emigrating to America, John Swartz settled first in York county, Pa., and removed afterwards to a place near Elliottsburg, Perry county, where he died, and is buried near Mammsville. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Swartz were, Daniel, died in Perry county; John, emigrated to Illinois, married in the 60's, and still resides in that State; Henry, died in Perry county; Jacob, died in Perry county; David, died in Perry county; George; Joseph, died in Cumberland county, Pa.; Elizabeth (Mrs. Barriels), died in Illinois; Catharine (Mrs.

Barrick), died in Illinois. The mother died in Perry county. On the night of her death, her son George, who then lived in Huntingdon county, had a presentiment of it, and was so strongly impressed by the idea that his mother had departed, that early the next morning he mounted his swift sorrel horse, and rode to Perry county, there to find himself indeed motherless.

George Swartz was born in Perry county, near Mannsville, in 1809. His boyhood was passed in that county, and there he married; but in 1835, with his wife and two children, he removed to a tract of land near Orbisouia, Huntingdon county, which he had bought. At first, they resided for some time in an old log house which stood on this land; a house so dilapidated that one day, while the family were at dinner, a great black snake crawled in through a crevice in the wall, and fell on the table before them. It was killed. Later, Mr. Swartz erected a more substantial house, at that time the best house in Cromwell township. He cleared his farm, and brought it into a high state of cultivation. His wife, who was Miss Sarah Flasher, was a native of Perry county, born in 1812. Their children are: Elizabeth (Mrs. Samuel Bowser), of Clay township; Mary (Mrs. William Reihart), of Clay township; Catherine (Mrs. George Reneker), formerly of Clay, now of Cromwell township; Rebecca (Mrs. Andrew Shuc), first of Clay, then of Cromwell township, where she died; Daniel; John, died at the age of twenty-one, December 25, 1865; Peter, died January 25, 1860; and Melinda, who died on the same day as Peter. Mrs. George Swartz died in 1874, and Mr. Swartz in 1882. He was an industrious man, not afraid of hard work, kind and faithful to his family.

Daniel Swartz, fifth child but first son of George Swartz, grew up as his father's helper on the farm, remaining at home until the war of the Rebellion broke out. His education was the simple course of study afforded by the common schools; his training in agricultural labor belonged to the days when threshing must be done by means of the heavy flail, on the barn floor. Those were days of hard labor, but they made sturdy men and good soldiers. Mr. Swartz, like many another patriotic youth, enlisted; it was on February 12, 1862, for a term of three years, and in Company I, Twelfth Pennsylvania Reserve. After enlist-

ment, his regiment moved to Alexandria, Va.; the first battle in which it was engaged was the Seven Days' Fight. They then lay for a time at City Point, where Mr. Swartz was attacked by typhoid fever, and sent to the hospital at York, Pa., where he remained for about six weeks. He then received his discharge, but re-enlisted in the Two Hundred and Fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Company G, for three years. He joined his regiment at Harrisburg, Pa., was sent to the front, and took part in the battles of Richmond, Fort Steadman (March 24, 1865), and Hatcher's Run; on April 5, they charged upon the Confederate troops at Petersburg, Va., and drove them out; from this time on, Mr. Swartz was in every battle of the Army of the Potomac, up to the surrender of Lee at Appomattox Court House. He was three times wounded; the first time by a minie ball, in the leg; again by a piece of shell, which struck him in the left eye, causing the loss of sight in that eye; and once again, by a sabre cut in the left hand, inflicted by a rebel colonel, who was killed in the encounter.

Mr. Swartz was mustered out at Alexandria, Va., and discharged at Harrisburg, June 2, 1865. Returning to his home, he resumed work on the farm, and in 1866, bought the homestead. During that winter, he cut cordwood, by which he made the sum of \$500. In 1872, he sold the homestead, and removed to his present place, which contains seventy-seven acres. His home was burned in 1884, and he erected a handsome and convenient residence. Mr. Swartz owns town lots in Three Springs. Beginning as a poor boy, Mr. Swartz has steadily worked his way to a position of comfort and respect, having improved diligently all his opportunities. He has sought intellectual improvement by reading, of which he is very fond. His course has won for him confidence and regard. He has served as school director for eighteen years, in Cromwell and Clay townships; was president of the board for nine years; he has been constable, and supervisor, and served three years as jury commissioner. Mr. Swartz is commander of Gen. Charles Albright Post, No. 483, G. A. R., and is now serving his second term. He belongs to the Springfield Grange, P. of H., to the P. O. S. of A., and to the A. P. A.; he was among the founders of the last two orders. He is patriotic to a fault.

Daniel Swartz was married, March 18, 1866, in Cromwell township, to Charlotte, daughter of Richard Madden. Their children are: George W., farmer and miner, married Miss Anderson; Sarah Jane; John A.; Ida Belle (Mrs. Samuel Matthews), of Sallitto, Pa.; Mary M., died aged five years; Jacob; Annie Blanche, died in infancy; Lucinda; and Anna Catherine. Mr. Swartz is a member of the Church of God at Cherry Grove, Pa., in which he has been for three years an elder. He takes a warm and active interest in church work, and is faithful in the performance of duty. He has been superintendent of the Sunday-school for two terms, missing but one Sunday in his attendance for three years.

BENEDICT T. STEVENS, Three Springs, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born February 20, 1838, on the old homestead in Springfield township, Huntingdon county, son of Benedict and Eva Stevens. The family came to Huntingdon county from Maryland. Giles Stevens, great-grandfather of Benedict T., died near Shirleyburg.

B. T. Stevens was first a pupil in the common schools, attending school only during the winter terms of three months. He afterwards attended select schools at Beersville and Three Springs, and, for one term, at Orbisonia, Pa. He was not merely a pupil, but was indeed a student, doing much independent work at home. For five terms Mr. Stevens taught winter schools in Clay and Springfield townships. During the summer months he worked on the home farm, until he was eighteen years old, when he began to learn plastering. At this handicraft he served an apprenticeship of two years, with his brother David, and was still then engaged in 1862, when he left all other work to aid in the defense of his country. He enlisted in Company B, One Hundred and Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, for three years, or for the war. At Winchester, Va., he joined his regiment, which soon after moved to Fredericksburg, and from that place was ordered back to the valley. On the way Mr. Stevens was taken ill of typhoid fever, and in May, 1863, was sent to the hospital in Washington, D. C. There, in June, 1863, he received his discharge, by reason of disability. After his recovery, at home, he worked for a short time at his trade, with Mr. Swope. In

the winter of that year he taught school; in the following summer he farmed the homestead. Mr. Stevens re-enlisted in February, 1864, in the Twenty-second Pennsylvania Cavalry, Company H, joined his regiment at Chambersburg, Pa., and moved with it to Martinsburg, thence to Cumberland, and thence into Camp Stoneman, near Washington, D. C. They received their horses at Harpers Ferry, joined Sheridan's command in the Shenandoah valley, and took part in all the battles along that valley. Among the most noted ones were Winchester, Fishers Hill and Colar Creek. In the last-named engagement Mr. Stevens' horse was shot under him, and he was sent to the rear, while Sheridan rode up on his famous black charger. Mr. Stevens was accidentally wounded in camp in the spring of 1865, at New Creek, W. Va., receiving a bullet through his right arm from a gun in the hands of a negro; his arm was in such a position that the bullet passed twice through it. He was sent to the camp hospital, and was discharged under general order in June, 1865.

Mr. Stevens went home, but could not work at his trade on account of the wound in his arm. He taught school for two terms, and then, with a partner, engaged in the marble business, which he carried on for two or three years. In 1872 he embarked in mercantile business, working at intervals as salesman. In partnership with his brother, Wesley L. Stevens, he opened a general store in 1877, in Three Springs; several years later, buying out Wesley Stevens' interest, he converted it into a hardware store, and continued the business alone. A few years later Mr. Stevens re-admitted his brother to partnership, and still later on, sold out to him, and went out for a time as traveling salesman. He then purchased the business and the real estate from his brother, and conducted the business alone until 1895, when he admitted his eldest son as his partner. Mr. Stevens is a staunch Republican. He has served as councilman and as school director. He is a gentleman of intelligence and refinement, highly honored in the community. He is a comrade of Colonel Albright Post, No. 143, G. A. R., at Three Springs.

Benedict T. Stevens was married at Three Springs, June 4, 1863, to Mary, daughter of Judge Heeter; of their ten children, six died in infancy, leaving two daughters and two

sons: Ida (Mrs. Sigel Ashman), of Clay township; John A., married Elizabeth Shue, has two children, Norman J. and Ida; Edwina, at home, is a graduate of the State Normal School at Lock Haven, Pa.; and Edgar B., married Minnie C. Stake, and has one child, Mr. Stevens is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which he is steward and trustee.

H. T. WEAVER, merchant and postmaster, Saltillo, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Carroll county, Md., near Manchester, October 1, 1856, son of Dr. Philip and Befinda (La Motte) Weaver. Philip Weaver was born in Baltimore county, Md., and was in the tanning business in Carroll county until 1857, when he moved to Huntingdon county with his family. He purchased the property now owned by C. Green, and on this place, for a few years, operated a saw-mill. He then moved to Meadow Gap, where he owned and conducted a grist-mill until 1862; then to Three Springs, where he read medicine, after which he practised as a homoeopathist. In 1863 he began practising in Saltillo, and in 1865 entered the army, remaining in service until the close of the war. For the next two years he operated the home grist-mill, after which he farmed at Burnt Cabins, Fulton county, until 1885. Returning to Saltillo, he resumed milling, at which he continued until his death in August, 1895. His family consisted of these children: Mary M. (Mrs. Austin Green), Cassville, Pa.; Elizabeth (Mrs. J. C. Brewster), Meadow Gap, Pa.; Nannie; and H. T.

H. T. Weaver was but a year old when his parents moved to Huntingdon county, and was educated in the public schools of this county. At the age of fourteen he learned milling, and continued the occupation until he was thirty-three. Part of this time was spent in the service of his father, and during the remaining period he owned and managed a mill at Saltillo. In October, 1889, he engaged in the mercantile business in Saltillo. His stock of goods was destroyed by fire in October, 1893, but he promptly set to work to repair the damage, and in sixty days was occupying the substantial new structure erected to take the place of the one destroyed. He was married October 19, 1882, to Myrtle, daughter of George Cobill. Their children

are: Harold Guy; Ethel Gertrude; Edgar Pierce; and Lillian Marie. Mr. Weaver is a staunch Democrat; he has served as school director and councilman, and is now postmaster, having been appointed in 1892. He is connected with Cromwell Lodge, No. 572, F. and A. M., Orbisonia, Pa. Mr. Weaver is a self-made man, and by his sterling worth has won the esteem of his many acquaintances.

THOMAS BROWNLEE, Three Springs, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Scotland, in 1827, son of John and Mary (Brownlee) Brownlee. John Brownlee was born in Scotland, and he married and died there. He served for twenty-one years in the English army, and died about 1837. His wife died in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1876. Their children are: Jane, born in 1894, married John Henderson, resides in Glasgow; Thomas; Margaret, married first to Henry Croston, afterwards to John Moore, died in Glasgow; William, deceased; Anna married William Moore, and died in Glasgow.

Thomas Brownlee was ten years of age when his father died. The family had no means of support, and their maintenance devolved upon him as their eldest son. He could obtain no education, except what he was able to glean for himself. Child as he was, he went to work in the coal banks at Dixon's colliery, near Glasgow, where he was paid the small sum of one shilling a day. All his earnings were given to his mother, until the girls became old enough to work, and were employed in the mills of Glasgow. Mr. Brownlee worked fourteen years in the coal banks, his pay being gradually increased. In August, 1853, he went to Liverpool, and engaged passage for America on board the sailing vessel "Empire." After a voyage of six weeks, he landed September 3, in New York, with one sovereign in his pocket. At seventeen years of age, Thomas Brownlee had married in Glasgow, Rosamond McDonald, who was then fifteen years and six months of age. When he came to this country, he had not the means to pay for the passage of his wife and two children; but he was determined to try to better their fortunes in the "land of the free." From New York, Mr. Brownlee went to Paterson, N. J., where he obtained employment in Butler's paper mill, at one dollar per day. At the end of two months, he left the

paper mill for the boiler shop of the locomotive works at Paterson, where he was employed at \$1.25. Thirteen months later, he was able to send home for his wife and family. He continued for five years to work in the same place; then he was employed in the locomotive works at Jersey City, N. J., until the war of the Rebellion broke out. Mr. Brownlee enlisted, August 13, 1861, in Company I, First New Jersey Cavalry. During part of his term of service, he was color bearer. The regiment proceeded to Washington, D. C., where the men were mounted. Mr. Brownlee's first engagement was soon after they went to the front. He received numerous sabre wounds, as he fought gallantly all through the war, being in every battle in which his brigade took part. Among them were the battles of Gettysburg, Petersburg, Black Water, Antietam, the Wilderness, Richmond, and many others. He was discharged June 29, 1865, at the Washington hospital, where he was lying disabled by wounds.

Mr. Brownlee returned home, and removed with his wife and family to Dudley, Pa., where he worked for a short time in the coal mines; then to Robertsdale, Pa., where he was employed in the coal mines for nine years. He was then obliged to give up that kind of work, on account of wounds received during the war; particularly a bullet wound received at the battle of Five Forks, where he was shot through the left lung; the ball was never found, and still remains to trouble him. In April, 1884, Mr. Brownlee removed from Robertsdale to his farm in Clay township. But his wife, failing in health, was anxious to be with her children at Hartford, Conn.; so he sold his farm, and took her there; but one month later, she died. Two months after her death, he returned to Three Springs, and there built himself a home. After remaining a widower for seven years, Mr. Brownlee was married, February 19, 1889, to Mary J. Montgomery, widow of Richard Martin, and daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Hampton) Montgomery. They have no children.

The children of the first marriage are: John; Mary A., deceased; Thomas, machinist, at Hartford, Conn.; Maggie (Mrs. Patrick Sloan), of Defiance, Pa.; William, of Hartford, Conn.; and three who died in infancy. The eldest son, John Brownlee, was a boy of

twelve when his father was in the army; with the idea of going to see his father, he ran away from school, and enlisted at Paterson, N. J., as a drummer boy, in the Seventeenth United States Infantry. His regiment was assigned to the Fifth Army Corps, and he served five years. John Brownlee afterwards learned the trade of a machinist, and worked his way up in the machine shop at Jersey City. He is now superintendent of the United States Arsenal at that place, is married and has a family.

Thomas Brownlee is Republican in his politics. He is a comrade of Colonel Albright Post, No. 483, at Three Springs. His church connection is with the Methodist denomination.

HENRY C. WEIGHT, Three Springs, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Water Street, Huntingdon county, May 13, 1844, son of Henry and Hannah Weight. The ancestors of the Weight family, three brothers, came from Germany, and settled in Centre county, Pa. Henry Weight, grandfather of Henry C., settled in Woodcock valley while Huntingdon county was still included in and called Bedford. There he died about 1822. His children were five boys and three girls: John; David; Daniel; George; and Henry; Elizabeth (Mrs. Conrad Buck); Pauline (Mrs. Henry Garner); and one whose name is not known. Henry Weight, Jr., was born in Woodcock valley, July 7, 1811. His early advantages in the way of education were slender; he acquired almost all he knew of studies after he had become a man and gone into business. He learned the trade of a miller at the age of fourteen, and continued in the same business for forty-four years. Some time after his marriage Mr. Weight went to Water Street, and for many years conducted a mill for Mr. Isert. From Water Street he removed to McConnell-town, and worked there for two or three years; then to the mill at Ray-town Branch, then to Broad Top, and later to Orbisonia, where he superintended a mill for fourteen consecutive years. In 1864 Mr. Weight bought a farm in Springfield township, Huntingdon county, which he cultivated until 1889, running mills at various times during the same period. In 1889 he sold the farm, and bought himself a home in Cromwell township, where he resided until the beginning of his last illness; he was then

taken to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Chilcoat, where he died, January 25, 1896. His wife had long before preceded him to the grave; she died in 1884, at the age of seventy. Their children are: Samuel, real estate agent, at Pasadena, Cal.; Susan, widow of Robert Hooper, resides at Mapleton, Pa.; John, farmer in Kansas, whither he went from Missouri in 1896; Mary (Mrs. Chilcoat), resides in Crownwell township, Huntingdon county; Henry C.; George W., died in 1885, in Huntingdon, Pa.; Kate (Mrs. Silas Outshall), of Springfield township; Elizabeth (Mrs. Robert Brown), of Shelby, Iowa; Zachariah, farmer, of Clay township; William, conductor on Pennsylvania Railroad, resides at Tyrone, Pa.; Jane (Mrs. Andrew Kneel), of Clay township; besides two girls and one boy who died in infancy. Mr. Weight, in his earlier days, was an old line Whig; later, he became a Republican.

After receiving a common school education, Henry C. Weight, at the age of thirteen, entered his father's mill as apprentice. He enlisted, February 12, 1862, when not yet seventeen years old, in Company I, Twelfth Pennsylvania Reserves, and soon after joined his regiment at Arlington Heights, Va. His first engagement was at Mechanicsville, where his regiment held a prominent position. On the next day they fought at Gaines Hill, then at Sand Hill, and then at Charles City X Roads, where Mr. Weight was made prisoner, and conveyed to Libby prison. He remained there forty-seven days, enduring great hardships; then he, with others, was exchanged, and rejoined his regiment at Harrison's Landing. His next engagement was the second battle of Bull Run; then South Mountain, Antietam, and Fredericksburg; at Gettysburg the regiment took its position on Round Top; it was in the battles of the Wilderness, and in front of Petersburg. With the fight at Bethesda church, the time of his regiment expired; that battle occurred before the engagement at Petersburg, and Mr. Weight re-enlisted in Company D, One Hundred and Ninetieth Pennsylvania Veteran Volunteers. Mr. Weight was again captured at what was called the Yellow House, while they were on the skirmish line, after taking the South-side Railroad. He was again conveyed to Libby prison, August 19, 1864; a month later he was transferred to Belle Isle, and in October

to Salisbury, N. C., where he remained until March 7, 1865. He was then paroled, and sent to Wilmington, N. C.; there he and others were exchanged, and went by boat to Annapolis, Md., from which point Mr. Weight was sent home on sick furlough. In the latter part of May he rejoined his regiment at Arlington Heights, Va., and on July 3, 1865, was discharged with the regiment at Harrisburg, Pa.

In October, 1865, Mr. Weight resumed work at his trade, with Adam Heffner, at Shirlslevsburg, Pa. He continued in the same occupation until 1880, when he was obliged to give it up on account of ill-health. After two or three years of rest, he made a beginning in the confectionery business at Three Springs. As the business improved, Mr. Weight enlarged his stock, adding a variety of branches; he now has for sale, besides confectionery, notions, drugs, boots and shoes. He is emphatically a self-made man, having worked his own way by diligence and faithfulness to duty, from a position of comparative poverty to one of ease and affluence. The same devotion which enabled him to leave his newly married wife, and cheerfully return to the hardships of war, has been carried into all pursuits, and has brought its own reward. Mr. Weight is a Republican of the "single standard" type. He is a member of the P. O. S. of A.

Henry C. Weight was married in 1864, while at home on veteran furlough, to Martha J. Morgan, a descendant on the maternal side of Captain Chuggage, commander of the fort at Shirlslevsburg during colonial days. Their children are: Frank Ostra, killed on the Pennsylvania Railroad in 1892, at the age of twenty-five; Bertha; Maggie (Mrs. W. S. Johns), of Dublin township, Huntingdon county; Lorraine, married Ada Swope, resides at Three Springs; Clay D.; Mattie J.; Lorna (Mrs. Russell S. Myers), of Saltville, Pa.; Berlin; Lucy, died in infancy; and Ernest, died aged nine years.

JACOB C. MONTGOMERY, Three Springs, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in 1832, in Trough Creek valley, Huntingdon county. He is a son of Daniel and Annie (Curtman) Montgomery. His grandfather, Richard Montgomery, was born near Dublin, Ireland, about 1770. He married in his native island, and with his wife and family emigrat-

ed to America. They resided at Manayunk, on the Schuylkill above Philadelphia; there Richard Montgomery bought a farm, on which stood a grist-mill, and became both farmer and miller. Some of his children went to the far west, and settled there. Mr. Montgomery paid them frequent visits, on one of which he was either accidentally killed, or waylaid, robbed and murdered; the latter appears the more probable, as he was known to carry considerable sums of money in a belt, and his body was never found. He had previously sold his property at Manayunk. This was about 1845. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Montgomery are: Samuel, resides beyond the Rocky mountains; John, resided near Bradysport, Pa., where he was a lock-tender, was accidentally killed there; Daniel, of Huntingdon county; Hugh, resides in the west; Isaac, also went west; George, deceased, resided in Iowa; Betsy, who has been twice married, resides in the west; Catherine (Mrs. Isaac Smith).

The third son, Daniel Montgomery, was born in Ireland, and was still a boy when he came to this country. He learned the business of the farm and the mill, but was also proficient in carpentry and coopering. He had a plain common school education. After his marriage with Annie, daughter of Jacob Curfman, Mr. Montgomery resided first in Trough Creek valley, where he worked at his trades. Removing to Manayunk, he worked for a time at milling. On one of his father's trips to the west Daniel Montgomery accompanied him, and remained out for two years, during which time he bought a house and two lots in Davenport, Ia. At the end of the two years he was on his way home to bring his family out, when he was attacked by cholera, and only reached Pittsburg, where he died. He was buried at that city by Rev. Mr. Black, a clergyman of the Methodist church, of which he and his wife were members. During his absence his wife and family had removed to Cassville, Pa., where Mrs. Montgomery died about 1859 or '60. Their children are: Jacob C.; Nancy (Mrs. Samuel Diggins), of Cassville; Elizabeth, died young; Catherine Jane, died young; Fanny, married first to Charles Dupre, who died, and she was again married to James Walker, and resides at Broad Top City.

His parents removing to Manayunk during the early childhood of Jacob C. Montgomery,

he was educated in the common schools of that borough. Having returned to Huntingdon county, he began to learn chair-making at Three Springs, served three years as an apprentice, and continued work at the trade until the breaking out of the war. In 1862, when he had been about seven years married, and was keeping house at Three Springs, he enlisted, in the fall of the year, in Company I, Twelfth Pennsylvania Reserves, under Captain Baker. Having gone with his regiment to the front, Mr. Montgomery was on picket duty at Harrisonburg, Va., when he was taken ill of lung fever, and was discharged and sent home. In 1864 he again enlisted, in Company K, Two Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, joining his regiment at Harrisburg, Pa., and went to the front, remaining on duty till the close of the war. The effects of the hardships and exposure of camp life upon his health were so serious as to disable him permanently for work. Mr. Montgomery was formerly a Democrat, but now belongs to the Republican party.

Jacob C. Montgomery was married November 22, 1855, at Shirleysburg, Pa., to Elizabeth, daughter of John and Frances (White) Hampson, natives of Ireland. The children of this marriage are: Monroe, died young; Mary J. (Mrs. Thomas Brownlee), of Three Springs; George, is thirty-eight years of age, resides in Virginia; Maggie, died an infant; John, of Portland, Ore.; William, died young; Fanny (Mrs. Charles E. Reed), of Clearfield, Pa.; Thomas, born May 23, 1867, attended common schools, went in 1889 to Portland, Ore., where he became a machinist, and after a residence of two years and a half, returned home, and has worked since at intervals away from home; Edwin, born September 16, 1874.

J. C. STEVER, M. D., Three Springs, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born July 2, 1853, in Cassville, Pa., son of John and Sarah (Steel) Stever. When the Stevers first came to Huntingdon county they settled near Cassville. Here John Stever was born in 1810, and died in 1855; he was a farmer. He left two children: Martin Luther, now cultivating the old homestead in Cass township; and J. C. Mrs. Stever was married again to Mr. G. W. B. Sipe, now deceased; they had five chil-

dren, of whom but one survives. Mrs. Sipe died in Wells valley, Fulton county.

J. C. Stever attended the public schools of Cassville. He was brought up on a farm, and worked in the summer time for his step-father, his father having died when he was two years old. In the spring and summer of 1875 he studied medicine with Dr. James F. Thompson, of Cassville; in the winter of 1876-77 he attended two full courses of lectures at Jefferson Medical College, where he graduated March 10, 1877. Since 1878 he has practised at Three Springs. He now manages a sanitarium, in connection with his practise, and superintends the bottling and shipping of the Hygeia Natural Mineral Water of the celebrated Three Springs. In 1880 he was married to Miss Mary, daughter of Dr. Baird, of Three Springs. Dr. Stever is a Republican.

D. E. McCLAIN, Saltillo, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born April 27, 1862, in Cass township, Huntingdon county, son of Samuel and Esther (Barnett) McClain. Samuel McClain was born in Tod township, near Cooks Mill, Huntingdon county, in 1819. He was brought up on a farm, learning the business of agriculture practically as a boy, and followed the same calling throughout his life. Left an orphan at three years of age, he had to make his own way in the world, which he did with honor and success, becoming a man of respectable character and position. He was a Republican, and active in party affairs. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel McClain are: Oliver W., of Wauson, O.; Catherine A. (Mrs. Samuel Keith), of Woodbury, Bedford county, Pa.; Mary E. (Mrs. John D. Crosley), of Cass township; John W. and James Allison, twins, both of Tod township; Joseph Newton, farmer, of Tod township; Amanda B. (Mrs. Clayton Honek), of Tod township; D. E.; Ida J. (Mrs. Thomas Shaver), of Pittsburg, Pa.; and Sarah A., died in 1867, aged seventeen. Samuel McClain and wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church for nearly fifty-five years. He died September 28, 1891; his wife died in 1894; both are buried at Cornelius chapel, Cass township.

Until he reached his fourteenth year, when his parents removed to Saltillo, D. E. McClain resided with his father on the farm. His earlier education was such as was afforded by

the common schools of the rural districts of Cass township, and of Saltillo and Three Springs; also the high schools of Cassville, Huntingdon and Everett, Pa. After passing through those schools, Mr. McClain taught school for two terms. From 1882 to 1887 he was engaged in canvassing with books, among them being the well-known work "Mother, Home and Heaven," of which he sold 1,850 copies, and his agents about 700. He also handled the work "Perfect Jewels," with which he was very successful. He sold 375 copies of "The Beautiful, the Wonderful and the Wise." During the last year of his canvass Mr. McClain sold 450 copies of John B. Gough's "Platform Echoes." The Bible was always among the books he had for sale, and he sold many hundred copies. He worked almost exclusively through Bradley, Garretson & Co., of Philadelphia, Pa. Near the close of his canvassing engagement, Mr. McClain took a course of instruction at Pierce's Business College, of Philadelphia, completing the business course in less than six months. While a student at that celebrated school of business, Mr. McClain, with characteristic industry, devoted his Saturdays and other unemployed hours in canvassing, in the city, thereby earning almost enough to pay his expenses. While engaged in this business, Mr. McClain traveled through Pennsylvania, Ohio, Maryland and West Virginia. In the spring of 1888 he opened his present store, which he purchased from J. W. Senft. Mr. McClain has somewhat improved the building; he deals in a large variety of goods, including hardware, cutlery, stoves, glass, oils, tinware, harness and farming implements, furniture, carpets and wall paper. He also conducts a tin shop, employing an experienced tinner. Being active and energetic in business, he succeeds well, and is becoming a heavy taxpayer. Mr. McClain is interested in the Saltillo Telephone Company, and has a separate phone in his store, which affords him direct connection with his brothers in Tod township. The line and its connections make this a valuable and convenient addition to the facilities of the store. Mr. McClain is a Republican.

D. E. McClain was married December 28, 1887, to Nora M. Bowser, of Johnstown, Pa., formerly of Bedford county, Pa. They have one child, Esther, who is six years of age.

S. W. KIMMEL, Salttilo, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born in Carroll county, Md., February 5, 1856, son of Josiah and Rebecca (Barnes) Kimmel. His grandfather, William Kimmel, was a millwright of Cumberland county, near Mechanicsburg, Pa. He accumulated a comfortable fortune, and occupied a prominent position in the community. His children were: Nicholas, a farmer of Clark county, Va.; John A., died in Williamsport, Md., leaving two sons, who reside in Cumberland, Md.; Josiah; Jacob, coach-maker, of Mechanicsburg, Pa.; Eliza, married to Mr. Burkheimer, both deceased; Mary, married to Mr. Alvin, of Mechanicsburg, Pa., has seven or eight children; Mrs. Seifert, died in Mechanicsburg, where her husband now resides. Josiah Kimmel was born in the neighborhood of Pottstown, Pa. When a young man he left that place, and engaged in driving a team for the purpose of carrying merchandise between Baltimore and Pittsburg. This was his business for a number of years. Before leaving Pottstown, Mr. Kimmel had for a short time sold windmills on the road; he continued for some time to do this, and then began the manufacture of hand-rakes. About 1871 he removed with his family to Clay township, Huntingdon county, taking up his residence on a farm near Salttilo, which he cultivated for the remainder of his life. Mr. Kimmel was a Democrat, and unswerving in his allegiance to his party. He served Clay township as school director, and for one term as supervisor. His wife is a native of York county, Pa., but at the time of their marriage was engaged at a hotel in Carroll county, Md., where they resided for some time after. Their children are: Jennie; and S. W. Mr. Kimmel died about 1878, at the age of sixty-eight years. Mrs. Kimmel still resides in Salttilo, to which place she retired after the death of her husband.

The early boyhood of S. W. Kimmel was passed in Maryland, near the town of Manchester. In the common schools of that place he received all the education for which he ever had opportunity. Even at that early age he was very helpful to his father in the shop and upon the little farm. The boy was fifteen years old at the time of the removal to Clay township, and he was then obliged to give up attendance at school, in order to assist on the farm. His father losing his health, most of

the work devolved upon the faithful and diligent son. After his marriage, in 1874, he bought two old horses, and undertook jobs of hauling, by the day, in different parts of the county. During eight or ten years of perseverance at this business, Mr. Kimmel saved the money to buy a lot on which he built a home, doing most of the work upon the house himself, although he had never regularly learned carpentry; but he was naturally gifted with constructive ability. In 1884 he bought 100 acres in Cass township, at the price of \$2,000. This purchase he made with very little cash in hand for payments; but he was energetic and industrious, as well as enterprising, and raised the necessary means as best he could. Besides his farming, he attended to hauling and took various contracts. After spending three years on the farm, Mr. Kimmel removed back to Salttilo, where he and some others engaged together in the lumbering business; in this occupation he passed three years; then returned to the farm for three years more, and then again to his operations in lumber, to which he has confined his attention ever since. He owns a mill in Cass township and one in Tod township, manufacturing and dealing in lumber, lath and shingles. By his own energy, industry and business ability, Mr. Kimmel has achieved success and secured a comfortable position for himself and family. He is a Democrat; has been constable, and is a councilman of Salttilo.

S. W. Kimmel was married, May 14, 1874, to Maggie, daughter of John and Margaret (Cornelius) Kough. Mrs. Kimmel was born in Clay township, January 20, 1856. Their children are: John; Myrtle; Melvin J.; Newton D.; Lillie P.; Mary Esther; and Edward C. Mr. Kimmel is a member of the Baptist church.

The late Judge Kimmel, of Bedford, was a relative of this family.

H. H. ASHMAN, Three Springs, Huntingdon county, Pa., was born December 25, 1858, son of Richard and Mary J. (Lorraine) Ashman.

The Ashmans and Cromwells, two of the oldest families in Huntingdon county, originally came from England, where they had intermarried. The Cromwells were direct descendants of Oliver Cromwell, the illustrious

"Protector." Members of both these families left their native soil about the middle of the seventeenth century, and landed in Maryland, settling at what was called "Ashman's Hope," where the Ashmans became prominent planters and slave-owners. The great-grandfather of Mr. H. H. Ashman, George Ashman, succeeded to this large estate, and carried on the plantation for many years. He was a kind master, and was greatly beloved by his slaves. He became noted throughout the country for his activity in military affairs, having organized a militia regiment, of which he was colonel. When the war of the Revolution broke out, he, with his regiment, enlisted, and served with valor all through that struggle for freedom. He was afterwards familiarly known as "Colonel George." Colonel Ashman was very ambitious, and the State of Pennsylvania offering great advantages, he disposed of his plantation, freed his slaves, and removed to what was then called Bedford Furnace, and is now Orbisonia, Huntingdon county. Many of his slaves refused to leave him, and followed him to his new home. Among these was an old man who lived to the age of one hundred and five years, remaining in the service of Colonel Ashman up to his death. This removal took place a few years before the Revolutionary war; it was in this home, near Orbisonia, that all of his children were born. Here, with Thomas Cromwell and another partner, named Ridgely, Colonel Ashman operated the first furnace west of the Susquehanna river.

Col. George Ashman married Ellen Waters. Their children were: Rachel, born October 16, 1773, died single; James, born January 7, 1775, married Miss Mason, of western Pennsylvania; Elizabeth, born March 15, 1776, married Mr. Palmer; Sarah, born January 25, 1781, died single; John, born February 24, 1783; Josephus, born in July, 1785, died single; Henrietta Maria, born August 24, 1787, married David Hunter, of Bedford county, Pa.; Rebecca, born February 14, 1790, married William Hamill, of Cumberland county, Pa.; triplets, Elinor, Ann and George, born October 15, 1792, of whom Ann died in infancy, Elinor married James McGuirk, of Phillipsburg, Pa., and George married Jane Scott, of Bedford county; and Francis, died while an infant.

John Ashman, fifth child and second son

of "Colonel George," inherited a large estate from his father, including the grist-mill built by the Colonel in 1785, and the house built in 1793. A still more precious heritage was the kind and generous disposition for which the father had been so distinguished, and which was perpetuated in the son. John Ashman had an open heart and hand for those in distress. He often refused to sell his wheat during "hard times," in order that he might keep the poor, who could not afford to pay cash, from starving. He entertained royally. In summer, large numbers of friends from Baltimore would visit him, domiciled for weeks under his hospitable roof. Indeed, he always "kept open house" for his friends. John Ashman and Elinor Cromwell were married May 15, 1820. Their children were: Ann, married Isaac Taylor, now of Mount Union, Pa.; Richard; Helen, married Dr. J. A. Shade, who was murdered at Shade Gap, Pa.; and Thomas C., married Melissa Green and settled at Shirleysburg; both are deceased. Mr. Ashman served two terms in the Pennsylvania legislature. He died in 1859; his wife had preceded him to the grave.

Through his generosity, John Ashman became insolvent. His second son, Richard, father of H. H. Ashman, who was born on the homestead in Clay township, in 1827, was a boy at the time of his father's bankruptcy. David Hunter, one of John Ashman's brothers-in-law, bought a small tract of land, having a dwelling upon it, adjoining the homestead; this place, by his gift, was the home of the Ashman family until John Ashman died. Richard Ashman was taken by another uncle, John McGuirk, of Phillipsburg, Pa., with whom he resided until he was twenty years old. He enjoyed no educational advantages, having attended school but one day. In his uncle's store he learned reading, writing and arithmetic. He was married at Clearfield, Pa., October 29, 1850, to Mary J., daughter of Dr. Henry Lorraine, a well-known physician of Clearfield county. After his marriage Richard Ashman went to Three Springs, Huntingdon county, and bought part of the original Ashman estate. He also purchased Thomas Orbison's store, and carried on mercantile business for thirty-one years. He then sold out to E. G. Heck, and turned his attention to farming and milling, which occupied his time and thoughts for the remain-





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der of his life. Mr. Ashman shipped the first eggs that were sent from the Mount Union Station. He was active and energetic, and through him the fallen fortunes of the family were retrieved. He did not enlist during the war of the Rebellion, on account of ill health; but he rendered valuable aid to the wives and families of Federal soldiers. He was for many years postmaster at Three Springs. Mr. Ashman's character was such as to command the respect of all who came in contact with him, and to enlist the warm affection of those more intimately acquainted with him. His children are: Lorraine, born January 27, 1852, graduated in the law course at the University of Ann Arbor, Mich., practised for several years, and is now a farmer at Benton Harbor, Mich.; Cornelia J., born March 22, 1855; George H., a dentist of Philipsburg, Pa.; H. H.; Lillian, born December 5, 1860, married Dr. Bernhardt, and resides at Dublin Mills, Fulton county, Pa.; and Sigel, born March 29, 1862, is a farmer of Clay township. Mrs. Richard Ashman died June 27, 1879. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Ashman's death took place in June, 1894.

H. H. Ashman was born in Clearfield county, his mother being at the time in attendance at the bedside of her dying father. His education was acquired in the common schools and at the State Normal School at Indiana, Pa. He was instructed in the work of the farm and the store. In 1881 he began life for himself; he went to Muskegon county, Mich., and opened a furniture store at Shelby; this he sold out in 1884 and returned home. In 1888 he went to Florida, and at the end of one year purchased a general store at Zellwood, Fla., and carried it on until 1891, when he again sold out and came home. During this time Mr. Ashman purchased two orange groves; in the winters he goes to Florida, to see after his groves, spending his summers at home. Mr. Ashman also owns a two-thirds interest in the homestead farm of 500 acres. He has an ideal home, surrounded by gigantic trees, suggestive of the long history and the stability of the family, and the generous and protecting care its representatives have always been ready to bestow on those who needed it. Mr. Ashman is an entertaining companion, and possesses the kindly regards of a large circle of friends. He is a staunch "gold standard"

Republican, but has never sought office. He is affiliated with Acacia Masonic Lodge, No. 93, of Zellwood, Fla., and with Lodge 193, K. of P., Montague, Mich.

H. H. Ashman was married, September 12, 1894, to Ellen W., daughter of L. G. and Susan (Wilson) Kessler. He has never united with any church, but upholds the principles of the "Golden Rule."

ISAAC NEWTON SWOPE, editor of the *Mapleton Item*, was born at Mapleton Depot, Huntingdon county, Pa., August 21, 1860. His ancestors were among the very early settlers in Huntingdon county. They were of German descent, and came to this section of the State from Virginia, Maryland and eastern Pennsylvania. His mother, who was a daughter of Levi and Mary Smith, of Trough Creek valley, died May 21, 1865. March 31, 1876, he entered Dickinson Seminary, at Williamsport, Pa., from which institution he was graduated June 19, 1879. He married Miss Marie D. White, of Porter township, October 27, 1881, the marriage ceremony being performed in the Mapleton Methodist Episcopal church by Rev. Charles Vinton Hartzell, who was a classmate of Mr. Swope at Dickinson Seminary. October 16, 1882, Mr. Swope became associated with Dr. A. R. McCarthy in the publishing of the *Mr. Union Times*. He continued as editor and publisher of this paper until September 1, 1886, when he retired to accept the principalship of the Mapleton Borough schools, a position which he held for five years. February 13, 1889, he purchased of H. C. Kinsloe the material of the defunct Newton Hamilton *Standard*, added considerable thereto, and April 10, 1889, commenced the publication of the *Mapleton Item*. In April, 1890, he succeeded his father as senior member of the firm of Swope & Gayton, shippers of limestone, building stone, rip-rap and gauffer. The firm operates two quarries at Mapleton Depot, Pa.

He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, Odd Fellows, Sons of America, Sons of Temperance and Grangers. At the session of the State Camp of the Patriotic Order Sons of America, held at Gettysburg, in August, 1891, he was elected State Master of Forms. He united with the Methodist Episcopal church in November, 1875, and is an active worker in the Sunday-school ranks.

MIFFLIN COUNTY.

HENRY J. FOSNOT, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born March 29, 1850, in a little country settlement known as Green Spring, Cumberland county, Pa. His parents were Jacob and Mary (Vanderbilt) Fosnaught. No effort has been made to trace his ancestry to any extent beyond these, and there is no evidence that any were distinguished in the military, scientific or literary world. His mother was indeed related to the Vanderbilts of New York City, but was not burdened with that which has been their most distinguished characteristic. The subject of this sketch was therefore not reared in luxury. His education was received principally in the public schools, where he proved an apt scholar, encouraged by his tutors' predictions of future possibilities that were never realized, and by advice which was little heeded. At an early age he was thrown upon his own resources, and after various engagements at manual labor, he served as clerk in a country store. In 1871 he entered a printing office, assisting in establishing the *Enterprise*, a newspaper at Oakville, Pa., which a few years later was removed to Newville, Pa., and is still published there by an older brother. In August, 1879, he was engaged to edit the *True Democrat*, at Lewistown. A month later he secured control of this newspaper, and in October consolidated it with the *Democrat Sentinel*, adopting the name *Democrat and Sentinel*, of which newspaper he has been editor and publisher ever since. He is a plain, forcible and pleasing writer, and his paper is popular and widely circulated. It is credited with having contributed very largely to the material advancement of Lewistown. A little book entitled "Lewistown as It is," issued by him in 1895, was well received. He was at the head of the centennial committee in 1895, is chairman of the Mifflin County Soldiers' Monument executive committee, and president of the local board of health. He is a director and secretary of the Lewistown Foundry and Machine Company. In 1892 he was the Democratic candidate for member of the legislature, and re-

ceived more than his party vote, but was defeated by a majority of 102.

On January 26, 1850, two months before Henry J. Fosnot was born, his father died, at the age of fifty-one years; his mother died August 3, 1871, aged sixty-seven. He was the youngest of twelve children, four of whom died at an early age: W. C., the eldest, died at Harrisburg, February 23, 1894, aged sixty-four years; Mrs. Mary J. Wagner, widow of Jacob M. Wagner, died at Harrisburg, November 24, 1886, aged fifty-four years, leaving a daughter, M. Alice (Mrs. John G. Stouffer), of Harrisburg; Martha M. Fosnot, died in Harrisburg, December 5, 1894, aged fifty years. The surviving brothers are: John C., editor of the *Star and Enterprise*, Newville, Pa., married to Elizabeth Ferguson, and after her death to Belle Rutherford, has children, Laura (Mrs. Harry Hoeh), Maggie, widow of J. Kenyon Fishburn, Ella (Mrs. Abram Myers), George B., and William J.; Joshua V., of Harrisburg, married to Margaret Martin, has five children: Edward W., of Lewistown, married to Jennie S. Mell; Lew C., editor of the *Record and Star*, Watsontown, Pa., married to Lera B. Westafer, has one son, John Clyde, aged sixteen years. Four brothers, W. C., J. V., E. W. and L. C. Fosnot served in the Union army during the Civil war.

Henry J. Fosnot was married to Jennie H. Walker at Oakville, Pa., January 27, 1874, and to them one son, Walter, was born October 22, 1879. Mrs. Fosnot was the daughter of Ezekiel Walker, who died at Shippensburg, Pa., April 11, 1893, aged seventy-six. Her mother, Harriet Row Walker, now resides at Shippensburg. Her brothers and sisters are: W. M., with the Lindner Shoe Company, Carlisle, Pa.; Simon H., of Altoona, married to Edith Culp, has one son, Edward, aged seventeen; Samuel C., of Altoona, married to Carrie Keenbury, has one son, Claude, aged three and one-half years; Sarah H., of Shippensburg; Susan S. (Mrs. Fred G. Knisley, of Wisconsin), has five children, Eugene, aged ten years; Florence, aged eight and one-half;

Devona, aged six; Helen, aged four; and Paul, aged nineteen months; and Carrie E., of Shippenburg.

JAMES BARTON STACKPOLE (5), born at McVeystown, Pa., March 1, 1831, and died at Nashville, Tenn., March 23, 1865, was a descendant of one of the earliest settlers of the Juniata valley. He was a son of James Stackpole (4) and Catherine (Setzler) Stackpole, who had eight children: John H.; William H.; James Barton (5); and E. H. H. Stackpole, late superintendent of public grounds at Harrisburg, Pa., all deceased; Mary, who died in infancy; Margaret, deceased, second wife of David McCorkle, of McVeystown, Pa.; Sarah D. (Mrs. Lorenzo D. Rambler), of Elyria, O.; and Hannah Catherine, wife of Edmund Conrad, proprietor and publisher of the McVeystown *Journal*. James Stackpole (3), the grandfather of these children, was married to Dorcas, a daughter of Thomas Holt, to whom the land on the north and west side of the Juniata river, west of Lewistown, containing 360 acres, and extending from Lewistown to the Pennsylvania Railroad bridge, was warranted, August 29, 1762; the land adjoining, on the north side of Kishacoquillas creek, on which Lewistown now stands, containing two hundred and one and four-tenths acres, being warranted, July 2, 1762, to Dorcas Buchanan, the first white woman to come to this part of the country. She was the mother of Thomas Holt, and previous to this date, had become a widow, and married Arthur Buchanan. The land east of the Dorcas Buchanan tract was taken up by Col. Arthur Buchanan, her step-son, about the same date, as well as other land on the opposite side of the river, by William and Armstrong Buchanan. Dorcas Buchanan died January 22, 1804, aged ninety-three years, and her remains were interred in the first cemetery laid out in Lewistown, at the corner of Brown and Water streets, where the grave is now marked by a rude stone.

James Stackpole (2), father-in-law of Dorcas Holt, the grand-daughter of Dorcas Buchanan, came to the Juniata valley from Carlisle previous to 1776. He was one of the few settlers who did not flee from the valley because of the incursion of the French and Indians, and their destruction of Fort Granville, situated a short distance west of Lewis-

town, Pa., on July 30, 1756. He and others, by a petition "to the Hon. Robert H. Morris, Esq., Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Pennsylvania," read in general council August 21, 1756, called for troops to protect them while gathering in their harvests, from the attacks of the Indians and their equally savage French allies, and other renegades, who were harassing this section of the province.

In early life James Barton Stackpole (5) removed to Lewistown, Pa., and engaged to learn printing in the office of the Lewistown *Gazette*, under George Frysinger, Sr., proprietor and publisher. He turned his attention subsequently to various occupations, among others to navigation on the Pennsylvania canal, then the most important means of transportation, and to railroading on the Pennsylvania Central; in the latter employment he met with an accident by which he was partially crippled in his right hand. He was also employed as a sub-contractor during the construction of the Mifflin and Centre County Railroad. On November 29, 1853, James B. Stackpole was married to Eliza A., daughter of Daniel Switzer. The children composing their family are: George F. and James S. Stackpole (6), the present publishers and proprietors of the Lewistown *Gazette*; Mary C., wife of Lewis N. Slagle, ex-treasurer of Mifflin county; and Harriet E., wife of C. Edwin Woodruff, government mail clerk on the Pennsylvania Railroad; all residing at Lewistown, Pa. Frederick Switzer, father of Daniel Switzer, and grandfather of Mrs. Eliza A. (Switzer) Stackpole, came from Switzerland to America some time subsequent to 1700, but the exact date is unknown. He was one of the earliest settlers in the Juniata valley, and in what is now Juniata county.

James B. Stackpole (5) was a member of Company C, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and died of smallpox, that dread disease of army life, March 23, 1865, at Nashville, Tenn., where his remains are interred in the National cemetery.

Thomas Holt, great-grandfather of James Barton Stackpole, and first husband of Dorcas Buchanan, above mentioned, was of the family of Sir John Holt, chief justice of England, who died in 1709. He fell in love with a young lady not of the nobility. Their union was opposed by the Holt family, and the girl, whose maiden name is given by tradition as

Doreas White, was spirited out of an upper window of her father's residence, about 1730, by direction of the Holt family, and by them sent to America, in order to prevent her marriage to Thomas Holt. A year after, on learning of the whereabouts of his lady love, Thomas Holt came to America, married her, and settled at what is now Carlisle, Pa., occupied as a silversmith. About 1750 he left home for the purpose of visiting Philadelphia, but was not heard from by his family thereafter; the supposition was that he was either killed by Indians on his way to Philadelphia, or that finding at that place a summons to go to England at once on urgent family business, he departed, and was drowned in the foundering of the ship upon which he took passage. He left behind his wife Doreas and three sons, John, Thomas and Henry. About 1754 Doreas and her son Thomas settled in the Juniata valley, near the mouth of the Kishacoquillas creek, and in close vicinity of the Indian village of Chief Jacobs, which occupied the site of Ohesson, the village of "Kissikahquelas," a Shawnese chief, the latter having moved to the Kishacoquillas valley about twenty-three years before, where he died in 1756. Ohesson was afterwards called Old Town (now Lewistown) by the white settlers; the same name was given to a similar settlement at or near Frankstown, Pa., made about the same time. During the French and Indian disturbances, Doreas Holt returned to Carlisle, and while at that place, waiting for the war troubles to subside, she married Arthur Buchanan, with whom she returned to the land on the Juniata river, on which she had previously settled, and which was subsequently warranted to her.

Sir Richard Stackpole, of Pembroke-shire, England, is said to have been knighted by William the Conqueror, and probably built Stackpole Court, the present seat of the Earl of Cawdor. Sir Elidyr Stackpole went to the Crusades with Richard the Lion-hearted in 1189. Sir Robert went over to Ireland with "Strong Bow" about 1168, and founded a family. It was from him that James Stackpole (1) descended, who came to America in 1680, and settled in what is now Rollingsford, N. H., dying there in 1736. James Stackpole (2), who was a resident of Carlisle, Pa., in 1750, was one of his family. His sons, John and James (3) served in the Revolutionary war, the former in the Third Pennsylvania Regi-

ment, Continental Line, and the latter in Capt. George Hays' Company of Cumberland County Militia.

SAMUEL D. COLDREN, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Armagh township, Mifflin county, March 14, 1857, son of Isaac and Mary M. (Graham) Coldren. The Coldren family is of Scotch-Irish descent. The parents of Isaac Coldren having removed from Lancaster county to Walker township, Juniata county, at an early date, he was born in the latter place, January 6, 1820. He passed his boyhood in Juniata county, and was early trained in agricultural business. When about twenty years of age he left home, and resided for the remainder of his life in Milroy, Mifflin county, where he learned carpentry, and continued always in the same vocation; he was for many years in business for himself. On February 23, 1864, he enlisted, and was assigned to Company I, Fifty-third Pennsylvania (Veteran) Volunteers; he served gallantly until the close of the war, a period of eighteen months, and was mustered out and finally discharged at Alexandria, Va., June 30, 1865. His marriage with Miss Graham, who was a native of Reedsville, Mifflin county, born in June, 1823, took place at Milroy in 1848. Their children are as follows: Catherine F., widow of Charles B. McClenahan, Milroy, Pa.; Valetta Jane (Mrs. Isaac R. Hetrick), died February 5, 1896; James W., resides at Hastings, Cambria county, Pa.; William F., of Phoenixville, Chester county, Pa.; Samuel D.; Charles E., died in childhood; Elizabeth M.; Sarah A.; and two that died in infancy. Isaac Coldren died at Milroy February 8, 1896, Mrs. Coldren surviving him.

Passing his boyhood in Milroy, Samuel D. Coldren was educated in the common schools of that borough. At the age of nineteen he began teaching, and for fourteen years he taught during every winter, and always in Mifflin county. During the last four years of that time Mr. Coldren was also justice of the peace. His present position is that of register and recorder, and clerk of the orphans' court of Mifflin county. He was elected to this office in November, 1888, at which time he resigned the magistracy. He is now serving his third term in his present position, having been re-elected in 1892 and in 1895, his majority being doubled at each election.

These facts speak for themselves. Mr. Coldren is a Democrat. He is a member in good standing of Milroy Lodge, No. 213, I. O. O. F., and of Milroy Castle, No. 275, both at Milroy; also of Lewistown Encampment, I. O. O. F., of Lewistown.

Samuel D. Coldren was married in Bedford, Pa., November 28, 1889, to Annie E. Hamer, born in Dauphin county, Pa. Mrs. Coldren is a member of the Lutheran church.

WILLIAM J. BLETT, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Milroy, Pa., August 5, 1853, son of Daniel and Catherine (Riegel) Blett. His grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Blett, were both of German ancestry. Their children were: Jonas; Absalom; Daniel; and Abraham. The second son, Absalom Blett, now resides in Golden City, Col. He went west in 1859, traveling by wagon. He was very successful in prospecting and mining, being one of those whose energy and perseverance bring them to the front in a new and busy community. He became a notable figure in political circles, and by appointment of the President of the United States, served one term as treasurer of the territory of Colorado. The youngest son, Abraham Blett married and removed to Mercer County, Pa., where he is now engaged in wagon-making, besides an undertaker. All the Blett brothers learned wagon-making in their father's shop. Abraham Blett has a family of four children: Eva; Austin; William; and Hattie. Daniel Blett, third son of Peter Blett, was born in Snyder county, Pa., where he passed his youth, attending the common schools, and, like his brothers, learning wagon-making of his father. He lived with his parents until he became a man. About 1850 he married Catherine, daughter of John and Catherine (Bingaman) Reigle. Their children are: Ellen Patton (Mrs. Frederick Smith), has children, Charles, James, Harry, William, Helen, and Catherine; Frederick, has been since 1873 passenger conductor on the Pennsylvania Railroad, Middle Division; Harriet and William J., twins. Harriet Blett was married to Theodore Londen-schlager, of Lewistown, Pa., and besides two children deceased, Ella and one that died very young, has had nine, as follows: Bessie; Maria; Jesse; Mary; Irma C.; William; Harriet; Charles; and Gordon. Soon after his marriage Daniel Blett settled in Milroy, Mif-

flin county, and carried on the business of wagon-making. In 1859 he removed his business interest and his family residence to Lewistown; but in 1860 his private affairs gave way to the urgent needs of the country, and in the spring, having offered his services to the State, Mr. Blett went to Curwensville, in Clearfield county, Pa., to drill the troops composing the old "Bucktail Regiment" of that county. Soon after the beginning of the Rebellion, Mr. Blett was sworn into the regular service, entering the ranks as a private; he was soon, however, commissioned as captain, receiving promotion as a reward of gallant conduct. Captain Blett served throughout the war, until May, 1864, when he was wounded in the battle of Spotsylvania, and died from the effects of the wound at the military hospital at Georgetown, June 30, 1864. His undoubted worth as a man and as a patriot made his loss deeply regretted. Honorable as well as diligent in business, kind and exemplary in his family and as a neighbor, faithful as a member of the church, the memory of his comparatively short life is still cherished by many friends. Mrs. Blett, who is, like her departed husband, a member of the Lutheran church, still resides in Lewistown. Captain Blett's politics were originally those of the Whig party; he was afterwards an ardent Republican.

In his early home, the borough of Lewistown, William J. Blett was first educated in the public schools, and afterwards maintained himself by various occupations. He was frugal and industrious, and faithful to the interests of those for whom he worked. He devoted much attention to local affairs, and served in several borough offices. A warm supporter of the Democratic party, he was honored with its nomination to the shrievalty in 1893, and was elected by a substantial majority, being the only successful candidate on the county ticket of his party. Mr. Blett has shown his public spirit by serving the interests of the community whenever he found it practicable. He promoted the organization of Castle No. 156, K. of G. E., at Lewistown, besides castles of the same order at Reedsville, Belleville, and Milroy, in Mifflin county, and at Adamsburg, Snyder county, Pa. He is a member in good standing of Council No. 1394 of the Royal Arcanum at Lewistown.

William J. Blett was married March 6,

1880, to Elizabeth, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Duke) Keiser. They have six children: Harriet; Charles D.; James E.; William, deceased; Anna; and Helen, deceased. Mr. Blett and his family attend the Lutheran church, of which Mr. Blett is a member.

LOUIS N. SLAGLE, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Patterson, Juniata county, Pa., July 11, 1861, and is a son of John E. and Christina (Haller) Slagle. The family of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Slagle consisted of the following children: Jacob, married Martha Bechtel, and has two children, Ellen and Julia; John, married Annie Patterson, has two children, Dora and Anna; Louis W.; Thomas; and Savilla, wife of Dr. John Howard, residing in Trenton, N. J., and having a family of six children, Harry, Charles, William, John, Julia, and Elsie. John E. Slagle died in 1883; his wife survives him. She is a daughter of John Haller, and both she and her husband were natives of Berlin, Prussia.

The education of Louis N. Slagle was begun in his native town, and his parents removing to Mifflin county in 1870, when he was but nine years old, it was carried on in the public schools of this county until he reached the age of thirteen. He then began to earn his own livelihood, and was first for about two years a boatman on the Pennsylvania canal. In his sixteenth year he began a three years' apprenticeship with the Lewistown Engine and Brass Company, in order to learn the trade of a machinist. This term having expired, he was engaged for five years as a journeyman at Burnham, Pa. He was then promoted to the position of foreman of the finishing department of the Standard Steel Works, in which he continued until he assumed the office of county treasurer of Mifflin county, to which he was elected on the Republican ticket in November, 1893, for a term of three years. He has proved himself an efficient and faithful officer. Mr. Slagle is a member of Council No. 1394, Royal Arcanum; of Lodge No. 97, I. O. O. F.; of Lodge No. 56, I. O. of R. M.; and of Lodge No. 255, K. of P., all of Lewistown. He is also captain of the National Guard at Lewistown.

Louis N. Slagle was married, June 26, 1887, to Mary C., daughter of James and

Eliza A. (Switzer) Stackpole. Mr. and Mrs. Slagle attend the Lutheran church.

HENRY J. WALTERS, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., one of the oldest living residents of the borough, was born in Lewistown, September 7, 1812. His parents were Charles Stewart and Jane (McDaniel) Walters. His paternal grandfather was Jacob Walters, the first poor-master of Mifflin county, during the administration of General Washington; the poor-house was then an old log building at Lewistown. Charles S. Walters, father of H. J. Walters, was a native of Lewistown; he was a practical watchmaker, having perfected himself in that handicraft by study in Europe. He became later a purser in the United States navy. Mrs. C. S. Walters was born in Newville, Cumberland county, Pa. Besides their sons, Henry J. and Charles D. Walters, they had one daughter, who died at about twelve years of age. The father died of cholera, in 1837, in the State of Indiana; the mother died in Harrisburg, Pa.

In the youth of Henry J. Walters, a superior education was not as easily acquired as it is to-day, and his education in the schools was limited to about nine months; but whatever may have been lacking in his early advantages has been largely compensated for by Mr. Walters' intercourse with the world, and his wide experience of men and affairs. Early in life he learned the art of printing; he was in later years publisher of the *Lewistown Republican*, and the *Democratic Sentinel*. He was elected prothonotary, and served six years in that office; he was also for several terms clerk to the county commissioners. For eleven years, he has served as justice of the peace, from which office he retired at the end of his last term, on May 4, 1896, and is now engaged in the practise of law.

Henry J. Walters was married in Lewistown, December 31, 1843, to Henrietta M. P. Horner, whose parents are deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Walters have had three children: Charles W.; W. Edwin; and Elizabeth L.; one alone surviving, W. Edwin, who is in South America, where he has been for several years.

ALEXANDER SAMUEL HARSHBERGER, M. D., Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at McAllistersville, Juniata county,

Pa., January 6, 1850. He is a son of Dr. Abraham and Mary Ann (McCoy) Harslberger. His paternal grandparents were Abraham and Frances (Helmi) Harslberger, whose children are: John; David, married Miss Rischel; Catherine, of Bellefonte, Pa.; Abraham; Mary (Mrs. George Price); William; and Henry, who married Rachel McAlister. His maternal grandparents were Alexander and Elizabeth (McDowell) McCoy, whose children are: John; Frank; Mary Ann (Mrs. A. Harslberger); Margaret; and Hannah. Dr. Abraham Harslberger was born December 12, 1810, and died November 5, 1893; his wife was born October 15, 1819, and died July 19, 1881. Three of their children are deceased: John, born March 22, 1852, died March 4, 1856; Mary Margaret, born December 11, 1855, died June 26, 1860; and Anna Catherine, born June 25, 1858, died July 19, 1881. The survivors are: Frances Elizabeth (Mrs. Butler); Dr. Alexander S.; and Francis McCoy. Mrs. Butler is the widow of the Rev. John Butler, a Presbyterian missionary who was stricken down by Asiatic cholera at his post of duty at Ningpo, China; their son John, a child about six years old, fell a victim to the same fearful disease; their deaths were only about twelve hours apart; their remains are interred at Ningpo. Mrs. Butler, with her younger child, stayed a year longer at the mission station; she then visited her home for a year, and returning to Ningpo, continued missionary work for three years. Then, her health failing, she was obliged to return to America, after having spent in all eleven years in the mission field. She came back in 1894, and now resides with her brother at Tacoma, Wash. The brother, Francis McCoy Harslberger, Esq., who was born February 6, 1862, at Port Royal, Juniata county, Pa., studied law, and graduated at the Columbia Law School, Washington, D. C. He removed to the State of Washington, and has an extensive practise at Tacoma, where he resides. He is married, and has three children: Richard; Catherine; and Albert.

After receiving his elementary education in the common schools of Port Royal, Juniata county, Pa., Alexander S. Harslberger was prepared for college by a three years' course at Airy View Academy, at Port Royal. At the age of nineteen, he entered the University

of Pennsylvania, from which, after two years and a half of study, he was graduated with honors in the class of 1870. He began practice in Milroy, Mifflin county, as the partner of his father, a physician of high standing, with an extensive practise. The elder Doctor retiring from the active duties of his profession in 1880, was succeeded by his son, who continued to practise in Milroy until 1884. He then removed to Lewistown, where he is still in practise, enjoying the regard and confidence of his patients and friends, as well as the substantial rewards due to his useful labors. The Doctor is a member in good standing of the State Medical Association, and of the Medical Society of Mifflin county. He is affiliated with Lewistown Lodge, No. 203, F. and A. M.; Lewistown Chapter, No. 186, R. A. M., and Lewistown Commandery, No. 26, K. T.; Lewistown Lodge, No. 97, I. O. O. F.; and Council No. 1,394, Royal Arcanum; all at Lewistown. The Doctor adheres to the Republican party.

Dr. Alexander S. Harslberger was married December 27, 1871, to Mary Elizabeth, daughter of James M. and Elizabeth (McManigal) Brown. The only child of this marriage is Annie Gertrude, born December 23, 1878. The family attend the Presbyterian church.

Mrs. James M. Brown, mother of Mrs. Harslberger, died August 9, 1871, aged fifty-two; her husband survives her. Of their children, two are deceased: Margaret, died when about eighteen months old; and Samuel McClay, who died at the age of about forty-three years. Those surviving are: Frances Martha, wife of J. Francis McClure; Sarah Jane, wife of William C. Bunnell; Elizabeth (Mrs. Harslberger); and James Wilmot, who married Agnes Morrissey.

HORACE J. CULBERTSON, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., son of Dr. James and Mary (Steel) Culbertson, was born at Lewistown, May 25, 1812. The Culbertson family is of Scotch-Irish origin; it is widely spread through the Middle States, and its members are everywhere found among the refined and intelligent part of the community. William Culbertson, great-grandfather of Horace J., was a resident of Cumberland county, Pa., where, in 1771, he purchased six hundred acres of land, part of which is still in the possession of his descendants. One of his sons,

Samuel Culbertson, spent his early and mature years in Harrisburg, Pa.; he was a man of influence by reason of his intelligence and personal worth. He was a member of the Supreme Executive Council of Pennsylvania. At the age of fifty-six or fifty-seven, Mr. Culbertson married Elizabeth London; their children were two: William; and Dr. James. He retired to his farm in Cumberland county, Pa., in 1798. His son, William Culbertson, married Catherine Urie; they had two children, one of whom, Thomas U., was during the war of the Rebellion, lieutenant of a company in the Ninth Pennsylvania Cavalry. He was placed on the staff of Gen. Thomas J. Jordan, who commanded a cavalry brigade in General Sherman's army. Thomas U. Culbertson served throughout the war, and was mustered out with the rank of captain.

The maternal grandparents of Horace J. Culbertson were Robert and Mary (Steel) Steel. The latter, though bearing the same patronymic as her husband, was not related to him. Robert Steel was one of a family of four; the others were: James; John; and Mary. James was a major in the Revolution, and was seriously wounded at the battle of the Brandywine; he afterwards went to sea, and was never again heard from. John Steel also served through the Revolutionary war; he was a quartermaster. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Steel had but one child, Mary, who became the wife of Dr. James Culbertson; she was born January 8, 1802. Robert Steel died in 1809; Mrs. Steel died at the age of seventy-eight. The early history of the Steel family was associated with that of the State of Delaware.

Dr. James Culbertson, one of the foremost physicians of his day, was born March 12, 1803, near Carlisle, Cumberland county, Pa. His father died when he was but three years old, and he became the ward of a friend and neighbor, Thomas Urie, whose farm adjoined that of Mr. Samuel Culbertson. The boy resided in the family of his guardian until he reached the age of twelve. Being asked by Mr. Urie what he desired to begin life with, young James promptly replied that the first thing was an education. This sensible desire was in full accordance with his father's wishes and arrangements for him, and he was sent to Hopewell Academy, at Newburg, Pa., to prepare for college. Then, entering the

sophomore class of Dickinson College, Carlisle, he was graduated in 1824. He chose a profession for which by natural endowments he was eminently fitted—that of medicine. He began his professional studies by reading with Adam Hays, M. D., of Carlisle; matriculated in the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania, and received his diploma April 6, 1827. Before settling down to practise, he made a tour of the Southern States, and in 1828, began his life-work in Lewistown, Pa., as the partner of Edmund Patterson, M. D.; this connection being dissolved at the end of two years, Dr. Culbertson continued his practise alone. His career of nearly thirty years as a physician in that place is worthy of being held in remembrance. He was diligent and conscientious to a high degree, a constant and faithful reader, never counting himself to have fully mastered his profession, but keeping abreast of its progress by making himself conversant with the best and most advanced literature. He was skilled both in surgery and in pathology. Of a keen analytic intellect, he possessed especial ability in diagnosis. This trait led to his being frequently called into consultation by his brother practitioners, to whom he was endeared also by his genial disposition and his unflinching courtesy. All these qualities secured to Dr. Culbertson eminent success, well merited, because he loved and revered his noble calling, and regarded as his highest object of ambition the title of a good physician. He was much interested in the sciences of geology and mineralogy, and was an active member of the Geological Society of Pennsylvania. Untiring in his industry, he was a frequent contributor to scientific journals, especially those of his own profession. At the time of his death, Dr. Culbertson was president of the Mifflin County Medical Society. Following is a copy of the resolutions passed by that association on the occasion of his death:

Resolved, That in the decease of our late friend and fellow-citizen, Dr. James Culbertson, the profession has lost an able practitioner; his medical associates, a judicious adviser; the sick and afflicted, an attentive physician and sympathizing friend; and society, generally, an exemplary member, whose urbanity and gentlemanly deportment had endeared him to a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

"Resolved, That we sincerely sympathize with his bereaved family in their irreparable loss.

"Resolved, That members of this society attend his funeral April 2, at two o'clock, p. m.

"Resolved, That members of this society, as a mark of respect for the memory of the deceased, wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

"Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting be published in the local county papers, and a copy presented to the family of the deceased."

Dr. Culbertson, though a pronounced adherent of the Whig party, was not an active politician, nor an aspirant for public office. He was, however, always ready to serve to the best of his ability the interests of the community in which he lived. He held several responsible positions, among them that of trustee of the Lewistown Academy and of the Lewistown Bank. The marriage of Dr. James Culbertson with Mary Steel took place July 3, 1839. Their children were: William A., born May 29, 1840, and died October 4, 1843; and Horace J. Dr. Culbertson held the Presbyterian beliefs of his Scotch-Irish ancestry, but did not formally connect himself with that church until late in life. He died March 30, 1854; Mrs. Culbertson died April 19, 1885.

Having taken his preparatory course at the Lewistown Academy, Horace J. Culbertson entered the sophomore class of Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., in September, 1859. He began the study of law in the office of D. W. Woods, at Lewistown, in 1864, and was admitted to the Mifflin county bar in April, 1866. Early in his career, he was honored with the office of district attorney, which he held from 1871 to 1875, with great credit to himself. He is a zealous and active Republican, and has "stumped" the State for the past ten years. In three county conventions, Mr. Culbertson carried his county for Congress. Later, he became the nominee of the Republican convention for president judge of Mifflin county. His consistent and irreproachable life, his dignified and refined deportment, and his agreeable manner, speak strongly in his favor.

Horace J. Culbertson was married, February 6, 1867, to Julia M., daughter of Judge Frederick and Henrietta (Ege) Watts, of Car-

lisle, Pa. Their children are: a son who died in infancy; Henrietta, born July 27, 1872, died December 21, 1876; Gertrude, born March 17, 1875, died December 19, 1876; James, born July 21, 1878, died December 9, 1880; Ellen C., born July 26, 1884, died November 1, 1886; Sarah R., died in early childhood; Frederick W.; Mary S.; Julia; and Anna M. R. Mrs. Horace J. Culbertson died November 2, 1886. Mr. Culbertson and his family attend the Episcopal church.

Mrs. Culbertson's father, Hon. Frederick Watts, was appointed a commissioner of agriculture in 1871, under President Grant, and served until the end of that administration.

JOHN RUSSELL HUNTER, M. D., Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Wells Valley, Fulton county, Pa., February 6, 1868. He is a son of Dr. Robert Irvin and Sarah A. (McClain) Hunter. The Hunters are of Scotch-Irish extraction, and the healing art seems part of their heritage. The grandfather of Dr. John R. Hunter was John Hunter, M. D. a graduate of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, at Glasgow, Scotland; he was a practitioner of Franklin county, Pa., having his home in Upper Strasburg, where, a few years before his death, his son William succeeded to his practise. Dr. John Hunter married Miss Russell. Their children are, Martha A.; Dr. William; Mary; Dr. Robert Irvin; Mary Jane; and one that died in early childhood. On the maternal side, Dr. J. R. Hunter's grandparents were James and Mary (Gosnell) McClain, both natives of Huntingdon county. Their children are: Walter; Sarah Ann (Mrs. Robert I. Hunter); and Mary S. (Mrs. John Stunkard). Dr. Robert I. Hunter was born July 9, 1831, and his wife January 16, 1848; she died May 24, 1890, and the Doctor on July 15th of the following year. Their children are: Mary J. (Mrs. H. H. Breidenstein), born March 27, 1870; Alice Meta, born March 11, 1872, wife of Dr. Charles Arthur Roe McClain, of Huntingdon county, Pa.; Robert McClain, born May 25, 1876, is a student at Juniata College, Huntingdon, Pa.; and William Scott, born August 3, 1880, also studying at Juniata College.

Having acquired an elementary education in the common schools of his native township, John R. Hunter next attended the Normal

School in Fulton county for six terms. He then taught school for four terms in his own township. For two terms he was a student, and for two terms a teacher in the Chambersburg Academy; after which he took up the study of medicine. Taking a three years' course at the Medical-Chirurgical College, Philadelphia, Pa., he graduated in 1893, having passed his examinations most creditably. Returning to his home, Dr. Hunter took up the practise of his father, and continued it for two years and a half. In the autumn of 1895, he removed to Lewistown, where he has already been very successful, winning his way rapidly to confidence and popularity. He is a member in good standing of the Medical Society of Huntingdon county, and of the Pennsylvania State Medical Society; of Everett Lodge, No. 534, F. and A. M., Everett, Bedford county, Pa.; of Lodge No. 607, I. O. O. F., Wells Valley, Pa.; and of Washington Camp, P. O. S. of A. His political views are Democratic.

Dr. John Russell Hunter was married, September 25, 1895, to Mary C., daughter of Capt. Harvey and Rachel Rebecca (Piper) Wishart. Mrs. Hunter is a member of the Daughters of the Revolution. Dr. Hunter and his wife attend the Presbyterian church.

Harvey Wishart, Mrs. Hunter's father, was born June 20, 1838, in Wells Valley, Fulton county, Pa. He served during the Rebellion in Company B, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers; was enrolled August 5, 1862, to serve nine months; participated in all the marches and battles of the regiment; fought at Antietam, Fredericksburg, and Chancellorsville; was discharged May 20, 1863, by reason of the expiration of his term of service. Mr. Wishart was commissioned as second lieutenant, August 5, 1864, by Governor Curtin, to raise a company for one year; was promoted to captain of Company H, Two Hundred and Eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers. The regiment was organized September 12, 1864, with A. B. McCalmont as colonel; was ordered to the front at Petersburg, Va., where it remained during the siege of that place; participated in the movement upon Hatcher's Run, in February, 1865; helped to retake Fort Steadman and the works in front of Petersburg, Va., and followed the rebels as far as Appomattox Court

House, where General Lee surrendered to General Grant, April 9, 1865.

SAMUEL J. BRISBIN, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Boalsburg, Centre county, Pa., October 24, 1825. He is a son of Samuel and Nancy (Johnston) Brisbin, the former of Irish, and the latter of Scotch-Irish descent. Their family were named as follows: William, married Eliza Brown; Margaret (Mrs. Samuel Bender); Samuel J.; Ezra D.; John; Benjamin; Mary Ellen, died at the age of nineteen; two children died in infancy. Mrs. Samuel Brisbin, who was born in Lancaster county, died in 1836; Mr. Brisbin was born in 1800, and died in 1861.

Their third child, Samuel J. Brisbin, was educated in the common schools of his native place, which he attended regularly until he was fourteen years old; he then began to learn the tailoring business with Jonathan Schaffer, of Boalsburg, and remained in his employ for six years; but during this time, being diligent and ambitious, he continued to attend school at intervals, as his work would permit; for, although obliged to earn his own livelihood at an early age, his excellent sense told him that the best preparation for a man's struggle with the world is thorough moral and intellectual training. At the age of twenty-one, young Brisbin went to Marietta, Lancaster county, Pa., and there worked at his trade for four months; then, on August 6, 1846, to Lewistown, Mifflin county. Here he continued to be engaged in tailoring until 1855, when he embarked in mercantile business in connection with Abram Blymeyer and continued in the same until 1877. Since the latter date, Judge Brisbin has been largely engaged as trustee and administrator, in the settlement of estates, and as guardian for numerous wards in Mifflin county. He is also extensively interested in the insurance business. He was elected to his present position, that of associate judge of Mifflin county, in 1891, for a term of five years. He adheres to the Republican party.

Samuel J. Brisbin was married, December 25, 1850, to Catherine, daughter of Abraham and Leah Blymeyer. Two of their children, Mary Ellen; and Samuel J., died in infancy; the others are: Charles B.; Anna L., wife of G. L. Russell, of the firm of William Russell & Son, Lewistown; Aoram B.; William E.;

and Helen B. The family attend the Methodist Episcopal church.

JAMES A. COLEMAN CLARKSON, M. D., Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Cassville, Huntingdon county, Pa., April 14, 1860, son of David and Kate (Walsh) Clarkson. Hon. David Clarkson, who served ten years as associate judge of Huntingdon county, was an influential citizen of Cassville, a friend and promoter of all enterprises tending towards true progress. He was one of the projectors and original stockholders of the Cassville Seminary, an institution which won for itself a deservedly high reputation, and of which the Doctor's mother, then Miss Walsh, was one of the most able and esteemed preceptresses. This lady, a daughter of John D. and Anna (McNanara) Walsh, was born in Rochester, N. Y., and received a superior education in some of the excellent schools of that State. Her parents were Irish by birth; her father was a schoolmaster in his native land, and continued in the same profession for a number of years after settling in New York. He died in 1847, leaving eight children. The marriage of Miss Walsh to Hon. David Clarkson took place April 21, 1856. She has always been an earnest, faithful worker; deeply interested in foreign missions, she has for many years been president of the Cassville Auxiliary of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society, and secretary of the Juniata District Society. She is an effective writer and speaker, and by tongue and pen has done much for the promotion of the mission cause in this State. Nor are her efforts confined to one department of work; as time and opportunity have served, she has interested herself in the Sunday-school, and in other branches of church enterprise, and in temperance reforms, zealously lending her aid wherever it might produce the best results. Two children of this marriage have died: Cora Lincoln, and Lorena Berkstresser. Those surviving are: Emrette F.; Dr. J. A. Coleman; and Anna Leone, who is one of the faculty of the State Normal and Training School at Cortland, N. Y.

Judge Clarkson, by a previous marriage with Eleanor Corbin, had seven children, of whom two are deceased: W. Monroe, who died from wounds received in the battle of Gettysburg; and John Calvin. Those surviv-

ing are: Samantha A. (Mrs. W. E. Craine); Sarah Belle (Mrs. Lewis Hessman); Rev. Benjamin Franklin, pastor of the Franklin Street Methodist Episcopal church, Baltimore, Md., married Laura Kelley; Susan Ida (Mrs. R. M. Lewis); and Mary Eleanor, teacher of art at the high school of Altoona, Pa.

At the age of seventeen, having received a good common school education in Cassville, James A. C. Clarkson began teaching. Having taught school near his home for a year, he became a pupil in the Altoona High School, and graduated in 1880. Estimating an education at its true value, and in no haste for mere money-making, the youth was willing to work for his intellectual outfit, and during this term at the high school, he performed the duties of clerk in the general store of his brother-in-law, W. E. Craine. After graduating, he taught the Cherry Grove School in Cass township, Huntingdon county, for a year, and taught also a year in Cassville. In 1882, he entered Dickinson Seminary, Williamsport, Pa., beginning a three years' course; but by diligence, he attained to graduation after two years of study, and received his diploma with the class of 1884, taking the highest honors here, as he had done in the Altoona High School. From his graduation until the fall of the same year, Mr. Clarkson read medicine in the office of John Fay, M. D., physician and surgeon for the Pennsylvania railroad, at Altoona, where he continued to spend his summers while a student at the university. In October, 1884, he matriculated in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, having obtained a free scholarship by success in a competitive examination; he graduated with credit in 1887. Directly after, he was appointed physician to the East Broad Top Iron and Coal Company, at Robertsdale, Huntingdon county; he remained there eighteen months, and then, in the fall of 1888, removed to Lewistown, where he has ever since carried on an honorable and successful practice. The Doctor is a member of the Mifflin County Medical Society, the Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and the American Medical Association. He has been initiated into Lewistown Lodge, No. 203, F. and A. M., Lewistown Chapter, No. 186, Royal Arch Masons, Lewistown Commandery, No. 26, K. T., and Lewistown Lodge, No. 97, I. O. O. F. He supports the Republican party.

Dr. James A. Coleman Clarkson was married, April 4, 1888, to Emma Florence, daughter of John C. and Ruth E. (Frambes) Leeds, of Philadelphia. They have one child, John Leeds, born October 9, 1889. Mrs. Clarkson was born May 3, 1860, one of a family of six children, four of whom died in infancy; she has one sister, Revilla B., wife of Oscar A. Craime. The family are all members of the Methodist Episcopal church, of which Dr. Clarkson is an official member.

CHARLES A. RINEHART, M. D., Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Pfoantz Valley, Greenwood township, Perry county, Pa., January 17, 1864, son of Jeremiah and Frances M. (Kepner) Rinehart. His grandfather, Jeremiah Rinehart, had two children, Jeremiah, father of Dr. Rinehart; and Mary Ann (Mrs. Theodore Emerick). Jeremiah Rinehart (2) was a farmer in early life. In 1868, he was elected to the shrievalty of Perry county. In 1872, he lost the nomination of the Democratic convention of his district, for congressman, by a single vote; the district being largely Democratic, the nomination was equivalent to election. After his term as sheriff expired, Mr. Rinehart continued farming for a short time, and was then engaged successively in hotel-keeping, in mercantile business and in carrying on a restaurant. In 1885, he went into the real estate business; he afterwards studied law, and was admitted to the bar in Kansas. Mr. Rinehart is at present in the mercantile business. His wife was a daughter of David Kepner, born November 1, 1846. Their children are: Theodore K., born December 10, 1865, educated in the common schools and at New Bloomfield Academy, where he was a pupil for two years, entered Princeton College, but did not complete his course there by reason of ill health, yet received his diploma, went to Kansas, read law, and has begun the practise of the profession; Dr. Charles A.; Annie M. (Mrs. King), of Kansas City, has one child, Ruth; and Mary E., born May 27, 1875, resides at Erie, Pa. The mother of the family died June 17, 1886. A consistent Christian, a devoted wife, a loving mother, and a faithful worker in the church, she possessed the esteem and affection of all who knew her.

After acquiring a good education in the common schools of Perry county, Charles A.

Rinehart, in 1885, began his professional course at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, and completed it in 1887, graduating with honor. He first spent a short time at home, and then commenced practise in Garnett, Kas. He remained there, however, only four months, and then returned to Perry county, and practised at Ikesburg until 1890, when he removed to Lewistown. Here he has built up an extensive and valuable practise. The Doctor is a member in good standing of the following orders: Lewistown Castle, K. G. E., No. 156; Holy Temple Commandery, K. of M., No. 24, at Lewistown; Victoria Lodge, No. 911, I. O. O. F., Patterson, Juniata county; and Kishacoquillas Lodge, No. 262, Ancient Order of United Workmen, Lewistown. His politics are Democratic.

Dr. Charles A. Rinehart was married, April 4, 1889, to Emma A., daughter of Henry and Rebecca (Prizer) Hopple. They have one child, Henry Russell, born February 10, 1890. The Doctor and his family attend the Lutheran church. Mrs. Rinehart's father, Henry Hopple, was born in 1812, son of Henry and Nancy Hopple. Her maternal grandparents were Henry and Rebecca (Jackson) Prizer, the grandmother having been a niece of Gen. Andrew Jackson, who served in the war of the Revolution; he was one of four brothers, who emigrated from Ireland to America in early colonial days. The children of Henry and Rebecca (Prizer) Hopple are: Nancy, died at the age of eight years; John P., married Susan Haupt, has six children: Henry L., married Annie Nable, has two children; Charles H., married Valeria Baker, has one child; Mary (Mrs. Charles Brubaker), has two children; Albert D., married Mary Hayes; Laura R. (Mrs. Richard Griffith); Emma A. (Mrs. Rinehart); William K., married Cora M. King, has one child; Irvin K.; and Hattie J. The father died December 21, 1890.

DR. MOSES R. THOMPSON, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Milroy, Mifflin county, December 24, 1827. He is a son of Robert M. and Sarah (McManigal) Thompson. The family is of the good Scotch-Irish stock, which makes up so large and so valuable a part of this Commonwealth. The Doctor's grandfather was Moses Thompson, who married Miss Adams, of Juniata county. They had the following children: William, married Miss Me-

Farlane, who died, after which he was again married; James, married Jane Reed; Robert M.; Samuel, married Nancy Cooper, of Hollidaysburg, Pa.; and Nancy (Mrs. John Mitchell), of Centre county, Pa. The maternal grandparents of Dr. Thompson were William and Fanny (Kenny) McMaingal. Their children were: Robert, married Elizabeth Bell, was elected sheriff of Mifflin county, and served one term; Thompson, married Rachel Martin; Elizabeth, married James M. Brown, her sister-in-law's brother; and Sarah (Mrs. Robert M. Thompson). The children of Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Thompson are: Isabella, died very young; William, died from an accident in early childhood; Dr. Sidney, married to Louisa K. Isett, resided in Huntingdon county, died, leaving his wife and five children; William John, killed by an accident on the Pennsylvania railroad, left a widow, a daughter of Rev. Samuel Lawrence, from Plainfield, N. J., with two children; Dr. Moses R.; Ira, married Sarah M. Brown, has five children; Ner, married Elizabeth Highland, has one child; and Sarah E., wife of John Culbertson, of Logan, O., has three children.

Moses R. Thompson was educated in the common schools of Milroy. When he was eighteen years old, his father died. For several years after, he cultivated his father's farm; then he taught at the Laurel Run school-house for four winter terms, and at the Milroy Academy for two terms. He then began the study of dentistry, which he pursued under Dr. Locke, at Lewistown, for one year before entering the White Dental College at Philadelphia. He studied there for a year; then returned home, and in 1857 began practise in Milroy. In 1865, Dr. Thompson removed to Lewistown, where he has ever since practised with great success, enjoying the confidence of a large circle of patients. The Doctor is a member in good standing of Lodge No. 255, K. of P., at Lewistown. He is a Republican.

Dr. Moses R. Thompson was married January 8, 1850, to Martha Cooper, born November 30, 1827, sister of Rev. Samuel Cooper. Their children are: Robert H., born May 5, 1851, died September 29, 1855; Elizabeth W., born May 3, 1854, married Harry VanZandt, has one child; Millard, born July 25, 1856, died February 4, 1859; Malvern Mil-

roy, born March 3, 1863, married Christiana McAnsh, has two children; Edwin and Mary, twins, born October 3, 1865, the former died January 29, 1867. Mrs. Martha Thompson died November 21, 1871, universally regretted as a woman affectionate and faithful in every relation of life, in the family, in the church, and in society. Dr. Thompson was again married, August 3, 1876, to Willa Jane McClenahan, whose parents are both deceased; her father died in 1866, and her mother died December 24, 1894.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. McClenahan were five in number: Emma Elizabeth (Mrs. James Dorman), has one child; Mary Ellen (Mrs. Samuel Roland), has one child; Willa Jane (Mrs. Thompson); Sarah Margaret Bell (Mrs. William T. McCafferty); and Andrew Clark, died aged seven. The first marriage of Mr. McClenahan was with Sarah Harper, who died, leaving him four children: John; Robert G.; James L.; and Elmira. Mrs. Thompson's father, Mr. McClenahan, was one of four children. Her maternal grandparents were Robert and Margaret (Bell) Dorman. Their children are: Elizabeth; Mary; James; Catherine, who was the mother of Mrs. Thompson. Dr. and Mrs. Thompson are members of the Presbyterian church.

WILLIAM McCLEIN BAKER, M. D., Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Bannerville, Snyder county, Pa., June 24, 1863, son of Walter and Salome (McClein) Baker. His grandfather, Walter Scott Baker, was a resident of Lehigh county, where his German forefathers settled in the latter half of the eighteenth century. He had eight children, among them was Walter, father of Dr. Baker. The Doctor's maternal grandparents were John and Sophia (Treaster) McClein; Mrs. Walter Baker was their only child. Walter Baker received the average education attainable in his times by country boys. He learned carpentry, but spent his early manhood principally in cultivating his father's farm in Snyder county. He served in defense of the Union during the war of the Rebellion, being mustered into service September 7, 1864, in Company I, One Hundred and Eighty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Capt. L. C. Edmunds. After the war, having been mustered out June 2, 1865, Mr. Baker continued to combine farming and carpentry in

Snyder county, until his removal to Mifflin. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Baker are: James M.; Dr. William McC.; Mary, born April 8, 1866, died December 15, 1867; Ada C., born April 11, 1870, is the wife of Edward S. Anrardt; Ira R., born June 11, 1873, is a student of the Northwestern Ohio University, Ada, O.; Elizabeth M., born July 8, 1875; Elsie V., born in 1880; Kirby, born April 23, 1882; and Samuel S., born May 28, 1878. The eldest of this family, James M. Baker, is an attorney-at-law in Snyder county; having graduated at the Northwestern Ohio University, he read law in the office of Andrew Reed, Esq., at Lewistown; was admitted to the Mifflin county bar, and practised there for one year, before removing to Snyder county, where he is at present district attorney, and has the prospect of a most successful career. He married Mary Yeager, and has one child.

Being studious and diligent, William McClain Baker profited so well by his course in the common schools of Mifflin county that at the age of seventeen he was accepted as a teacher, and taught for a year at the Centre schoolhouse in Decatur township, Mifflin county, whither the family had by this time removed. At the age of eighteen he entered the Northwestern Ohio University, and took the preparatory course. Again in Mifflin county, he taught for two terms at Lilly's schoolhouse, in Decatur township, and in October, 1866, entered the Medical College of Ohio, at Cincinnati. The succeeding winter found him a student of the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia, in which he matriculated in October, 1867; he graduated from that institution in 1868. After spending a few months at home, Dr. Baker began practise at Beavertown, Snyder county, where he remained until October 15, 1895, the date of his removal to Lewistown. The Doctor's professional qualifications have already won for him the confidence of many patients; he is also esteemed for personal traits, and is decidedly a "rising physician." He belongs to Lodge No. 97, I. O. O. F., Lewistown; Camp No. 98, P. O. S. A., Beavertown, Pa.; and to the Sons of Veterans. He is of the Republican party.

Dr. William McClain Baker was married, September 1, 1867, to Mary Willa, daughter of Augustus M. and Elizabeth (Sigler) Ingram. One of their children, Charles F., died

September 2, 1890, aged three months. Those living are: Lloyd R.; Merle W.; Russell I.; and Rex M. The parents of Augustus M. Ingram were William and Martha (Cottel) Ingram, and were of Scotch-Irish descent. His wife was a daughter of George and Sarah Sigler, of German ancestry. Mrs. Dr. Baker is one of ten children; the others are: Elizabeth; Ada L.; Sarah Martha; Robert W.; James H.; Howard L.; Annie M.; Ellen B.; and William. Dr. Baker and his family are members of the Lutheran church.

DR. HARRY C. WALKER, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., is a native of Alexandria, Huntingdon county, Pa., and a son of Henry C. and Susan (Young) Walker. Henry Canan Walker, the father, was born September 27, 1815; his wife on December 3 of the same year. The children of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Walker are: Evander P., married Satira Stewart, has five children living; William C., was killed at the battle of Antietam, having enlisted in Company I, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers; Salome (Mrs. Alfred Porter), of Alexandria, has one child; Mary (Mrs. Charles Ault), died, leaving two children; Caroline (Mrs. John M. Wilson), died, and left one child; Dr. Harry C.; Ralph, married Miss Piper, lost his life through an accident, at Altoona, Pa.; George W., graduated from Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., in June 1889, and died in November of the same year. Both parents are deceased; the father died November 15, 1869; the mother, December 5, 1883.

After finishing his course of study in the public schools of Huntingdon county, Harry C. Walker took up the study of dentistry with Dr. Green, of the same county. His first practise was at Belleville, Mifflin county, where he resided for one year. Afterwards, in 1878, he removed to Lewistown, where he has been very prosperous, having built up an excellent practise. The Doctor is a man in good standing of the P. O. S. A. His political opinions are Democratic.

Dr. Harry C. Walker was married in June, 1877, to Margaret, daughter of James and Catherine (Isenberg) McClintic. Their only child, Edna, who was born August 22, 1881, died July 8, 1894. The Doctor, as well as the other members of the family, attends the Lutheran church.

REV. MARK S. CRESSMAN, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Barren Hill, Montgomery county, Pa., April 13, 1853. He is a son of George W. and Sarah A. (Keely) Cressman. His grandparents, Samuel and Mary (Heritage) Cressman, had seven children; W. Sylvester, married Amelia Levering; George W.; Henry; Mary (Mrs. John Pifer); Henrietta (Mrs. Peacock); Kate (Mrs. Gilbert Youngblood); and Louisa, died aged about eighteen. Mrs. Samuel Cressman was a daughter of Samuel Heritage, an English schoolmaster who came to this country in early times, and for many years was a teacher of music and of a school at Barren Hill. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Cressman both died at about ninety years of age. Rev. Mr. Cressman's maternal grandparents were Henry and Rebecca (Streeper) Keely, whose children are: Edmund; Samuel S.; Mark; Caroline; Sarah A. (Mrs. George W. Cressman); Lucinda; and Elizabeth.

George W. Cressman is a millwright. He has been a contractor, his specialty being the erection of paper mills; he constructed the first mill of that kind west of the Missouri river. He was for many years superintendent of erection for Nelson Gavit, of Philadelphia. Marion, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cressman, is deceased; the other children are: Rev. Mark S.; Alivia; Howard K., married Anna Rex, and has three children; George S., graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, is a practising physician at Pughtown, Chester county, Pa., married Laura Righter, and has two children; and Ida R. The father and mother still reside at Barren Hill, Pa.

After studying the fundamental branches in the common schools of Montgomery county, Mark S. Cressman, at the age of twelve, became a pupil in a private school, which he attended until he was eighteen. After this, he entered Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, Pa., and graduated in 1875; and after a three years' course in the Theological Seminary at the same place, graduated in 1878, receiving in the same year the degree of A. M. His ordination took place at Wrightsville, York county, Pa., in 1878, and on July 1, he entered upon his first charge, which was at Bolling Springs, Cumberland county, Pa., where he remained four years. Rev. Mr. Cressman was then sent to a mission charge in Lincoln, Neb., and there organized the first Lutheran church

in the city, over which he was pastor for three years. Being called to the Lutheran congregation at Muncy, Pa., he assumed that charge on February 1, 1885, and served as pastor there for three years. He was next for six years and nine months pastor at Lionville, Chester county, Pa., and on January 1, 1895, became pastor of the Lutheran church at Lewistown. Rev. Mr. Cressman has in recent years given much study to the history and the theory of medicine. He is a member of Council No. 934, Royal Arcanum, at Lewistown.

Rev. Mark S. Cressman was married, December 5, 1878, to Mary, daughter of Jacob and Jane (Wolff) Streeper, born March 20, 1851. Their children are: Una, born October 25, 1879, died September 12, 1881; Marion, born May 14, 1887, died August 2, 1888; a son, who died in early infancy; and Paul G., born October 28, 1884, now a member of the junior class in the high school at Lewistown. Mrs. Mary Cressman died October 23, 1893. Rev. Mr. Cressman was married again, October 9, 1895, to Mary L., daughter of John and Elizabeth (King) Mattson, of Chester county, Pa.; she was born August 23, 1868. A daughter was born July 17, 1896, and named Alivia.

CALVIN GREENE, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., son of Kenzie L. and Diana (Hudson) Greene, was born at Three Springs, Huntingdon county, Pa., February 19, 1845. Kenzie L. Greene was born in Hampstead, now Coxiestown, Md., and was brought to Pennsylvania at five or six years of age, by William Lovell, his guardian. His wife, Diana (Hudson) Greene, was a daughter of William H. and Linda (Doyle) Hudson. Besides Mrs. Greene, they had two children: George and Nancy. William H. Hudson died at the age of seventy; he was of English descent. Of nine children, the family of Mr. and Mrs. Kenzie L. Greene, five are deceased: Amou; Carroll; William N.; Margaret, who died in September, 1869; and Benjamin Franklin, who died June 16, 1874; he was a practising physician, a graduate of the Jefferson Medical College, of Philadelphia. The surviving children are: Melissa, widow of Thomas C. Ashman; Priscilla, widow of Rev. David H. Hunter; Calvin; and Ruth Ann.

wife of Rev. James T. Bradford, of Shamokin, Pa. The mother died February 28, 1851. The father still survives her, at the venerable age of ninety-three. His circumstances in his youth afforded him but slender educational advantages; but natural intelligence and a laudable ambition enabled him gradually to make good this deficiency, and placed him in a position of respect and influence; and now, in the evening of life, he has reason to congratulate himself upon his useful and honorable career.

After acquiring a thorough knowledge of the elementary branches in the common schools of his native county, Calvin Greene entered the seminary at Shirleysburg, in which he was a student for three years, under Prof. J. B. Kidder. He then took a course at the Iron City Commercial College, Pittsburg, Pa., and graduated in 1865. He afterwards taught in the Shirleysburg public schools for two terms. The only capital with which the young man set out in life, besides health and the strength of youth, was the education acquired through years of diligent study, his sterling character and excellent reputation. With these, and an abundance of courage and hope, he ventured to marry at the age of twenty-four, and a little more than a year later entered as bookkeeper at the establishment of which he has now for years been the head. He was employed in April, 1871, by Leas & McVitty (the latter his father-in-law), in the Saltillo tannery, at Saltillo, Huntingdon county. Here he acquired a knowledge of the tanning business, and in 1873, became manager of the business, into which he was admitted as a partner. The firm was now styled Leas, McVitty & Sons, including, besides the original partners, Hon. William B. Leas and Samuel McVitty, with their sons, David P. Leas and Thomas E. McVitty, of Philadelphia. This partnership was maintained for twenty years, except for the decease of W. B. Leas, whose interest ceased in 1884. In April, 1893, Calvin Greene bought the entire concern, real estate and stock, and organized the firm of Calvin Greene & Son, Edward M. Greene, the eldest son, being the junior partner; he is now the manager of the industry at Saltillo. Mr. Greene had, in 1887, become a partner in the North American Tannery, at Lewistown, Pa., in which he retained an interest, and had general supervision of the busi-

ness, not residing at Lewistown, but visiting the establishment every two weeks; the firm there was styled Leas, McVitty & Greene. It was dissolved in 1893 by mutual consent. The same firm conducted a tannery which they had built at Salem, Roanoke county, Va., from 1890 to 1893; in the latter year Mr. Greene sold out his entire interest in that concern. They had a charter from the State of Virginia, under the denomination of the Salem Tanning Company, capital stock, \$250,000. Mr. Greene was one of the directors. By purchase in 1895, he is now owner of the North American tannery, at Lewistown, buildings, machinery, stock, etc. The buildings are of brick, and substantially constructed; the stock includes hides, leather, bark, etc. He tans exclusively heavy sole leather, with chestnut oak bark. The Saltillo tannery produces annually 782,000 pounds, and the North American, 1,125,000 pounds.

Mr. Greene resided in Saltillo, Huntingdon county, for twenty-four years. In October, 1895, he removed to Lewistown, where he still resides. He was one of the organizers of the Union National Bank at Huntingdon, Pa., in 1894, and served as a director of the same for a year and a half before his removal to Lewistown. He is a member of Cromwell Lodge, No. 572, F. and A. M., and one of its trustees; also a member of Council No. 934, Royal Arcanum, at Lewistown. He is a Republican.

Calvin Greene was married December 24, 1869, to Amanda J., daughter of Samuel and Esther (McKinstry) McVitty. Of their six children, one, Mary, who was born July 17, 1883, died August 1, of the same year. The others are: Edward McVitty; Nora May; Ida Gertrude; Esther McKinstry; and Raymond. Both of Mrs. Green's parents are deceased; Mr. McVitty died March 14, 1891, at the age of seventy-six; his wife survived him until December 29, 1893. Their children are: Emeline (Mrs. Richard W. Hudson), deceased; Thomas Edward, married Phebe Quinby, of Wilmington, Del.; Mary Ellen, who was drowned at the age of about eighteen months; John, died in early childhood; Amanda J. (Mrs. Greene); Alice Belle (Mrs. Dr. W. S. Madden). Mrs. Greene's maternal grandparents were Rodney and Margaret (McCammon) McKinstry; Mr. McKinstry was a native of County Antrim, Ireland.



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Their children were: John; Samuel; Alexander Elliott; James; and Esther (Mrs. McVitty).

Calvin Greene and his family are members of the Baptist church at Lewistown. He is a member of the board of trustees of Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pa., and of the Pennsylvania Baptist State Mission Society.

VICTOR WIERMAN, civil engineer, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., superintendent Lewistown division, Pennsylvania railroad, is the son of Thomas T. Wierman, an eminent civil engineer, for thirty years chief engineer of the Pennsylvania Canal Company, and Emilie Victorine Piollet Wierman. He was born at Towanda, Bradford county, Pa., December 20, 1855. His parents moved from there to Huntingdon in 1857, and from there to Harrisburg, in April, 1859. Mr. Wierman's early education was obtained in the private schools of Miss Sue Wilson and later of Professor Haas. In 1868, he entered the Harrisburg Academy, presided over by Prof. Jacob F. Seiler, which institution he regularly attended until entering Lafayette College, in the Pardee Scientific School, in September, 1872, graduating from that institution June 28, 1876. During his vacations, and in fact before entering college, he was frequently employed in the engineer corps of the Pennsylvania Canal Company, in the capacity of axman, chainman and rodman. For two months during the summer of 1872 he was regularly employed as rodman on an engineer corps on the Bedford and Bridgeport railroad, under John Fulton, chief engineer, with headquarters at Bedford. After graduating at Lafayette in the fall of 1876, he entered the service of the Pennsylvania Canal Company, at the chief engineer's office, Harrisburg. During the summer and fall of 1877, he was constantly employed as transitman on right of way surveys, extending from Pittston along the Wyoming division of the canal as far south as Danville. In the winter of the same year in the chief engineer's office, Harrisburg; for a period in 1878 on topographical maps for the Pennsylvania State Geological Survey; also in the employ of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, looking up right of way data from the records in the Auditor General's office, Harrisburg. When the en-

gineer corps of the canal company took the field in the summer of 1878, he again resumed his position as transitman. The party had reached a short distance above Harrisburg in the first week of November when Mr. Wierman was summoned to the office of General Manager Frank Thompson, of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, Philadelphia, and was gratified to learn that his application, made many months before, had been remembered. An appointment as assistant supervisor, division "B," New York division, was tendered him, which was promptly accepted, his service dating from November 14, 1878, with headquarters at New Brunswick, N. J., under James McCrea, superintendent, and immediately under E. F. Brooks, supervisor. On May 1, 1882, he was appointed supervisor of the same division, and was successful in the seasons of 1882, 1883, and 1884 in carrying off the General Manager's first prize for the best section of track between Pittsburg and Jersey City. December 8, 1884, he was appointed assistant engineer in charge of the maintenance of way department of the West Pennsylvania division, with headquarters at Blaisville, Indiana county. January 25, 1886, he was transferred to a similar position on the main line of the Pittsburg division, with headquarters at Pittsburg. Mr. Wierman's experience on that important division was extended and varied, and included what is known as "the flood period" of 1889, when eight miles of the company's three and four track railroad, with bridges, buildings, roadbed and equipment, were entirely demolished and washed away by the breaking of the South Fork reservoir, May 31, 1889. Mr. Wierman and party were in the very teeth of the flood, being overtaken by that unprecedented bosom of destruction when one mile east of Conemaugh station, endeavoring to open up communication with the east, which had been cut off earlier in the day by the high water and land slides. The party he accompanied, fifteen in all, were reported as "lost in the flood," notice to that effect appearing in the newspapers the morning after the disaster; but the entire party came out all right, though they had a narrow escape. He was employed day and night for two weeks in opening the road for traffic, and for the remainder of the summer was camping out in the flooded district, repairing the damage caused by the

flood. October 8, 1894, he was appointed superintendent of the Bedford division, with headquarters at Bedford, and October 1, 1895, was transferred to his present position.

On October 15, 1890, Mr. Wierman was married to Miss Agnes Metcalf, daughter of Orlando and Agnes McElroy Metcalf, at Colorado Springs, Col. Mr. and Mrs. Metcalf were originally of Pittsburg, Pa., and in 1893, took up their residence there again. Their first child, Agnes Victorine, born September 4, 1891, died February 14, 1892. Their only living child, Victor, was born July 13, 1896, at Lewistown, being the first male child bearing the family name born since his father's birth.

THOMAS THORNBURG WIERMAN, civil engineer, for fifty years prominently engaged in developing the internal improvements and transportation facilities of the State, principally along the Susquehanna and Juniata river valleys, was born in Menallen township, Adams county, Pa., May 13, 1813. He was a direct descendant of Dr. William Wierman and Gertrude Sateman, his wife, who came to this country from Holland in the latter part of the seventeenth century, settling at Germantown, near Philadelphia; they belonged to the Society of Friends. On his maternal side, he was of good old English Quaker stock. His father was Isaac Wierman, and mother Susanna Comly Wierman. Their estate of some 250 acres included a flouring and saw-mill located seven miles north of Gettysburg, near Arendtsville, in Adams county, among one of the numerous Quaker settlements in that section of the State, their place of worship being the Menallen meeting-house near by, on property granted to the Society of Friends by William Penn. Thomas T. Wierman was the only son; he and two sisters, Sarah and Hannah, constituted the entire family. They were brought up under the influence of Quaker parents of strict moral and religious faith, whose marked characteristics were love of the truth, sobriety, industry, economy, integrity and peace. These qualities developed in this State that notable citizenship which has so marked the progress and prosperity of this great Commonwealth, and whose influence we trust will ever be felt by future generations.

Mr. Wierman, as a boy, attended in the

winter months the local schools in the neighborhood, working on the farm in the mornings and evenings, and all day long in the summer months; later attending the private school of Judge McLean, at Gettysburg, and Amos Gilbert, at Strasburg, Lancaster county. Thus equipped with the best education his section of the State afforded in the early thirties, he spent the winter months for two or three years in teaching school, passing the summer season in farming at home. Interested in the development of the internal improvements of the State then in prosecution, he succeeded in 1836, through the favor of the Hon. Thaddeus Stevens, canal commissioner, in obtaining an appointment, and began his professional career as a rodman on the State Survey for the North Branch canal from Wilkes-Barre to the New York State line, under James D. Harris, chief engineer. By untiring energy, inflexible integrity, and close application to his duties, coupled with constant study in the line of his chosen profession, he won the confidence and esteem of his superior officers and associates, and soon established a reputation as an able and energetic engineer, which increased throughout his long and busy career. On September 22, 1845, Governor Francis R. Shunk wrote the following: "Thomas T. Wierman, of Pennsylvania, is most favorably known as an engineer employed in the construction of the public works of this (Pennsylvania) State, in which he was engaged for a number of years. He is correct in his habits, sound in his morals, shrewd, intelligent, industrious and energetic. The reputation he has acquired here commends him strongly to those who require services, in the line of his profession." From his appointment in 1836, above named, he was constantly employed by the State until the appropriations were cut off by the legislature in 1842. Between 1836-1838, he was engaged directly under James D. Harris, chief engineer, in locating and making estimates for the proposed canal from Wilkes-Barre to the New York State line; 1838-1840, in surveys near Philadelphia to avoid the Incline Plane on the State railroad, as assistant to Chief Engineer A. B. Warford; from 1840, he was employed on the repairs and improvements of the State canals from Harrisburg to Wilkes-Barre, and was stationed at Northumberland, until 1842, when State appropriations being withheld, the work stopped. Mr. Wierman then repaired to

his father's farm in Adams county and took up the business of raising and selling fruit trees, which he carried on until 1846, when he was re-employed by the State as agent to stake out and superintend the construction of the eastern reservoir of the canal near Hollidaysburg. After the completion of the same he entered the service of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, then constructing its line between Harrisburg and Pittsburg, paralleling the State work. Between 1847-1850, he was employed as assistant engineer, later as one of the principal assistant engineers, under the direction of J. Edgar Thomson, chief engineer, on the construction of the line between Harrisburg and Huntingdon, the greater portion of the time with headquarters at Duncan's Island. In the fall of 1849, he moved to Lewistown and was until the summer of 1850 in charge of the track-laying to Huntingdon. In 1850, he resigned, to accept a similar position, that of principal assistant engineer, under the State, to construct the North Branch canal, upon surveys which he had been engaged fourteen years before. This work was conducted by him in an able manner, being completed in 1853, and led to his being chosen chief engineer of the Chemung canal, a line of twenty miles in length connecting the North Branch canal from New York State line to Elmira, N. Y. This work he completed in 1855, when he resigned from the employ of the State for the last time, to accept the chief engineership of the Barclay Railroad and Coal Company, organized to build a line of railroad including planes from Towanda, Bradford county, Pa., running southwest to open out and develop coal properties. He remained there two years, until 1857, when he was for a short period engaged as engineer on the Brooklyn Water Supply, conducting topographical surveys on Long Island. From that place, later in 1857, he went to Huntingdon, Pa., as superintendent of the Huntingdon and Broad Top railroad.

When the main line of the State canal was sold to the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in 1858, Mr. Wierman again entered the service of that company, becoming resident engineer of the canal department with headquarters at Huntingdon. In April, 1859, he was appointed chief engineer with headquarters at Harrisburg. Later the organization was separated from the railroad company, becoming

the Pennsylvania Canal Company, and embracing some 350 miles of inland water navigation. The North and West Branch (Susquehanna river) canals were subsequently acquired by the Pennsylvania Canal Company. This gave Mr. Wierman as chief engineer and manager, a wide field of operation. His twenty years of varied experience as an engineer above enumerated, thoroughly equipped him for the numerous duties his responsible positions demanded, and for nearly thirty years he administered the affairs of the Pennsylvania Canal Company entrusted to him in a manner highly favorable to its interests, and with equal satisfaction to the business world its territory embraced until death claimed him in 1887. His official positions brought him in contact with a large acquaintance throughout the central districts of the State, principally between Harrisburg and Hollidaysburg, along the Juniata river valley, and between the first-named city and Lock Haven and Wilkes-Barre, along the Susquehanna river valleys. In the territory as above described, from the almost isolated hamlet to the thriving town and city, his name is well known and his personality is remembered by many friends and acquaintances who survive him at this period (1897). His sense of justice was so keen that no one ever feared to leave to his decision the determination of what was right; and he carried this high rectitude into all the details of life.

When first employed by the State on the North Branch survey, Mr. Wierman, while a resident of Towanda, met Miss Emilie Victorine Piollet, daughter of Joseph Marie Piollet, of Wysox, but originally of France. The acquaintance resulted in their marriage, on January 30, 1840. Five children survive them: Thomas T. Wierman, Jr., chief engineer, Pennsylvania Canal Company; Victor Wierman, superintendent Lewistown division, Pennsylvania Railroad Company; Theresa E., wife of Rev. Dr. S. S. Mitchell, of Buffalo, N. Y.; Sue Marie, wife of Theodore N. Ely, chief of motive power, Pennsylvania Railroad Company, Philadelphia; and Miss Sarah Wierman, Harrisburg.

Emilie V. Piollet (Mrs. T. T. Wierman), was born at Wysox, Bradford county, Pa., in 1817. Her father, when scarcely past his boyhood, served as lieutenant of artillery under Napoleon, and was wounded in the battle

of Marengo. He was afterwards connected with the banking house of Talleyrand, in Paris, and came to the north of Pennsylvania as the representative of certain French capitalists in real estate transactions. He married Elizabeth Whitney, of Massachusetts. Their children were: Victor E.; Joseph E.; Theresa; Emilie Victorine (Mrs. Wierman); and Elizabeth. Mrs. Wierman possessed a strong character and decided convictions, united with a sympathetic and benevolent nature. From the year 1859, she was a member of the Pine Street Presbyterian church, at Harrisburg, and was deeply interested in its work. She took part in founding the Home for the Friendless, besides lending her aid to many similar institutions. The memory of her many beneficent deeds, of her private charities as well as these more public actions, will long be cherished. Her death occurred very suddenly, at her home in Harrisburg, without warning, without apparent pain or distress, on the day after her return from a visit to her son, Victor Wierman, in Lewistown, Pa. During that visit, on the Sunday previous to her death, she attended services at the Presbyterian church in Lewistown, which she had frequented during her residence in that place nearly fifty years before, early in her married life.

Mr. Wierman died August 2, 1887, and his wife March 3, 1897. Both are interred in the beautiful cemetery at Harrisburg, located on the bluff east of the city, facing the Susquehanna river, along whose banks almost their entire lives had been spent. A Harrisburg newspaper, August 7, 1887, in speaking of him said: "The death of Thomas T. Wierman removes from the field of action one who was interested, almost from their infancy, in the public improvements in this State; and by his industry and efficiency as a civil engineer, with his great executive ability, has added largely to the development and prosperity of his native State. He was a man of the strictest probity, cultured and companionable when among friends, and never harsh; and attached to the enjoyment of his happy home life. He was affable to his employees, though demanding of them that honest attention to duty which so markedly characterized him. By reasonable frugality he amassed a considerable fortune, and was fond of recounting how, having at an early age saved \$100,

it was stolen from him by a thief while passing through a crowd near the Jones House in this city; it taking his 'all' necessitated his footing it home thirty-four miles to his father's house, near Gettysburg."

JOHN EVANS, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born near Belleville, Union township, Mifflin county, Pa., on March 7, 1807. He is the son of John and Catharine (Duff) Evans. To his parents were born eleven children: Mary (Mrs. John Zook); Elizabeth (Mrs. Jacob Zook); Daniel; Samuel; Ann (Mrs. Henry Fagan); Katy (Mrs. James Ritchie); John; Naomi (Mrs. Dennis Coder); Obed; Cornelius; and Israel Walker. The honored parents of Mr. Evans lived to a ripe age, his father dying at the age of seventy-four, and his mother at ninety-three. His mother was a daughter of Cornelius Duff, who through most of the years of the war of the Revolution was a soldier in the American army, and also served under Gen. Anthony Wayne in his campaign against the Indians of the West. After selling his farms in Mifflin county and buying in Barre township, Huntingdon county, Pa., John Evans, Sr., on April 5, 1814, removed with his family to the latter place. The son spent his boyhood on the farm, receiving his education in the "subscription schools" of the day. When eighteen years of age he took charge of the farm for his father, and continued in this occupation until he was twenty. Remote from the markets, and not satisfied with the necessarily meager returns to farming, he removed in May, 1827, to Lewistown, and entered on an apprenticeship of three years with Samuel J. Stewart at the trade of painting and paper-hanging. Purchasing from his employer the last few weeks of his time, in the spring of 1830, he established himself in business, adding thereto the manufacture of chairs, and pursued with success his chosen occupation until the year 1872, when he retired from active business pursuits.

On May 12, 1831, John Evans, Jr., was united in wedlock with Amelia, who was born December 9, 1810, daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Brannan) Major, and granddaughter of Peacock and Amy (Barton) Major. Her grandfather, Peacock Major, was a lieutenant in the Pennsylvania Flying Camp of the war of the Revolution, 1776, and subsequently served in other organizations of the

American army of the period. Unto Mr. and Mrs. Evans were born eight children. Of these two survive: Rev. William Wilson Evans, D. D., now presiding elder of the Harrisburg district, Central Pennsylvania Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church; and Catharine Amelia, wife of Edward Frysinger, of Lewistown, Pa. Their deceased children are: four who died in early infancy; Mary Steele, wife of Hiram Willis Junkin; and Agnes Major. In her girlhood, Mrs. Evans became a member of the Methodist Episcopal church at Lewistown, Pa., and Mr. Evans united with that communion in 1830. On July 10, 1888, the beloved wife and mother ended a sweet and lovely earthly life in the holy triumph of the Christian faith. Now past the age of ninety, Mr. Evans, with his mental faculties quite unimpaired, highly esteemed and venerated, cheerful and happy in spirit and mien, lives among the grandchildren of that generation in which he was numbered when he came to Lewistown in 1827. Besides himself, of the male population of Lewistown when he removed thereto, only two survive, and they were little children at that time, aged respectively two and four years. Mr. Evans has six surviving grandchildren: John Evans Junkin, Esq., of Sterling, Kan.; William Willis Junkin, optician, of Erie, Pa.; Mrs. Margaret Amelia (Junkin), wife of Mr. Means J. McCoy, of Lewistown, Pa.; Mary Evans, wife of Prof. Edward Bennett Rosa, Ph. D., of Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn.; Frysinger Evans, Esq., of Philadelphia, Pa.; and Agnes Frysinger, of Lewistown, Pa. He has five great-grandsons; three, the sons of John Evans Junkin, Esq., and two, the sons of Mr. William Willis Junkin.

REV. M. L. SMYSER, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., is a native of York, Pa. He is one of a large family, sons and daughters of Jacob and Elizabeth (Diehl) Smyser, and is descended from Matthias Smyser, who, in 1738, emigrated from Germany, and settled in the vicinity of the town of York.

M. L. Smyser received his primary education in the common schools of York and of Baltimore, Md., and was afterwards a pupil at the York Academy. Left an orphan at the age of nine, he was dependent upon his own resources, and at the age of seventeen began teaching. But study went hand in hand with

self-supporting work, and by the time he reached his majority, Mr. Smyser had completed his academic studies, and, having experienced religion in 1857, was ready to present himself to the East Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church in 1863, and to enter upon his theological course. This occupied four years. In 1867, Mr. Smyser graduated to full membership in the Conference and was ordained an elder. He spent his early manhood in the ministry in the State of Maryland, having been stationed at Hampstead, Westminster, Frederick, and Havre de Grace. He was transferred in 1872 to the Central Pennsylvania Conference, and stationed at Bellefonte; among his parishioners there were several distinguished men, one of whom is the present executive head of the State, Governor Hastings. The membership of the Bellefonte congregation was doubled during Rev. Smyser's pastorate of three years. He was also largely instrumental in the building of a new house of worship. In his next congregation, that of Phillipsburg, Pa., he received two hundred and twenty-five converts into membership. At Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Pa., he met with similar success; from this charge he went to Berwick, in the same county. Here, also, success attended his ministry—large additions to the membership, increased offerings to mission and other benevolent causes, and material prosperity. In 1882, Mr. Smyser was appointed presiding elder of the Danville district, which then comprised forty-two pastoral charges, and in which nearly fifty pastors came under his administration. In 1884, he was elected a reserve delegate to the General Conference, and was appointed by the Board of Bishops a representative from the State of Pennsylvania to the Centennial Conference of American Methodists, held in Baltimore in December. In 1886, he was appointed pastor at Chambersburg, Pa. From that place he went to Bedford, Pa., where his earnest and conscientious labors were again rewarded by the reception of about two hundred converts into the membership. Here he was instrumental in remodeling and improving the house of worship, and in building a new parsonage, costing \$5,300. Here Mr. Smyser organized the first Epworth League chapter in the Conference; the well-known League, now of vast proportions, was then only

beginning to extend through the church. His next station was Curwensville, Clearfield county, Pa.; here he received in one year about one hundred converts, and was actively interested in the movement towards the erection of a new church edifice, which cost \$24,000. He had secured about two-thirds of the required sum, when impaired health compelled him to give up his pastorate, and he became superintendent of the Methodist Book-room, at Harrisburg, Pa., and was so occupied for two years. Mr. Snyder's appointment to the pastorate of the Methodist Episcopal church at Lewistown was made in 1895; thus far, his faithful ministry has been exercised with success, the membership having been increased by over two hundred, the Sunday-school nearly doubled, and benevolent collections improved.

Rev. M. L. Snyder was married December 27, 1865, to Lydia A., daughter of Hon. William H. and Margaret (Shunk) Hoffman, of Baltimore, Md. Their children are: Prof. William E. of the faculty of De Pauw University, Greencastle, Ind.; Jenny H.; Margaret G.; and Harry, who died in childhood. Both of Mrs. Snyder's parents are deceased. Their family consisted of six children. Her father was largely interested in the manufacture of paper, in Baltimore, Md. He served several terms in the Maryland legislature, and was a member of the Constitutional Convention of that State in 1863.

ANDREW REED, ESQ., Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born near Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., February 14, 1832. He is a son of Abner and Rhoda (Brown) Reed. His grandfather, James Reed, settled in the Kishacoquillas valley about 1751, with his half-brother, William Brown, a justice of the peace, commissioned by George III, King of England. They were the first white settlers in the valley, and were of Scotch-Irish extraction; they explored the valley thoroughly before fixing their permanent residence. James Reed and his half-brother, William Brown, established a cordial friendship with Chief Logan, the famous Cayuga warrior, whom Mr. Brown met under rather peculiar circumstances. The Indian chief coming suddenly upon the young settler while he was drinking at a spring, the well-known "Logan Spring" in Brown township. Mr. Brown, af-

terwards Judge Brown, was about to seize his rifle, when Logan removed the priming from his musket, and extended his hand towards him in a friendly manner, and the cordial relation thus begun between them remained unbroken. Reed and Brown went to Carlisle, Pa., where James Reed was married to Jane Ogleby, and with his bride returned to Kishacoquillas valley. There was born their son, James, their first child and the first white child native to the valley. Following the advice of Chief Logan, Mr. Reed and others left the valley during the French and Indian war, and went to Carlisle. After an absence of three or four years, the Reed family came back to Kishacoquillas valley, where the children grew up, and Mr. Reed passed the remainder of his life, attaining to the age of eighty. He was an earnest and consistent member of the Presbyterian church, was heartily interested in the welfare and progress of the community, and always ready to promote any schemes for improvement. Of the ten children of James and Jane (Ogleby) Reed, eight were sons: James; William; Thomas; Andrew; Joseph; John; Alexander; and Abner.

Abner Reed was born in 1787. He received such education as was to be obtained then in rural districts, and devoted his life to tilling the soil. He was married twice. His first wife was Rebecca Nancy Henry; they had the following children: James, who died young; Joseph, died in 1861; Nancy M. (Mrs. Abner Thompson), had children, Mary, John, Ella, Walter, and Edward; and Alexander, commemorated elsewhere in this work. Mrs. Rebecca Reed died in 1826; she was an estimable Christian lady. The second wife of Abner Reed was Rhoda, daughter of John and Mary (Taylor) McKinney, and widow of John Brown. Their children are: John, of Reedsville, Mifflin county, married Elizabeth D. Taylor, has two children, Henry Taylor Reed, a member of the faculty of Princeton University, and Rhoda M.; Andrew, of Lewistown, Pa.; Ogleby J., of Mifflin county, married Agnes Cummins, has three children, John Milton, Mary Brown, and Anna Cummins; Rebecca J. (Mrs. John Hayes), of Brown township, Mifflin county, has five children, Jane A., who died in early life, Rhoda M., John Francis, of California, A. Reed, an attorney-at-law, of Lewistown, and Anna W.;

also Sarah (Mrs. Alexander B. McNitt), of Armagh township, Mifflin county, has children, D. Sterrett, Andrew R., now a student at Princeton University, Nancy M., Rhoda M. Brown, Mary T. Ogleby, and R. Cummins. Abner Reed died October 13, 1855, at the age of sixty-eight; Mrs. Rhoda Reed died June 1, 1877, aged nearly seventy-seven years. Both were faithful and valued members of the East Kishacoquillas Presbyterian church, consistent and exemplary in all relations of life.

After a preliminary course in the common schools, Andrew Reed was a pupil at Tuscarora Academy, in Juniata county, Pa., at the age of fourteen, and studied there three years. In 1850, he entered Dartmouth College, Dartmouth, N. H., and was graduated in 1853. After studying law with Judge Washington McCartney, who had a law school at Easton, Pa., and for a short time with E. L. Benedict, Esq., of Lewistown, Pa., he was admitted to the bar at Lewistown, in August, 1855, and at once began practise in Mifflin county; his practise was soon extended to the adjoining counties. Early in his career, Mr. Reed was elected to the office of district attorney for Mifflin county. In 1873, he was elected to the Constitutional Convention at Philadelphia, and for one year served in the framing of the present Constitution of Pennsylvania. Mr. Reed, besides holding a most enviable position at the bar, has always been a useful citizen, heartily encouraging and assisting all enterprises tending to the advantage of the borough. He was largely instrumental in the establishment of the Mifflin County National Bank, was elected its president, and served until 1894, when he resigned, on account of impaired health.

In 1883, Mr. Reed traveled through the Western States and in Mexico, where he visited his brother who was engaged in mining. On the return trip, he remained for two weeks in San Francisco. In 1893, by the advice of his physician, he visited Europe. Landing at Antwerp, he spent some days in various places of interest; he then went to Brussels, where among other sight-seeing, he visited the famed lace-factories. After a rather protracted stay in Paris, he went to London. Here he took particular pleasure in wandering through Westminster Abbey, recalling and verifying Irving's graphic description of that

wonderful relic and monument. In the Abbey it was pleasure to meet and hold communion with the Past; but the Present was no less interesting, as illustrated by a session of the House of Commons, and a sight of England's grand old commoner, William E. Gladstone. After visiting also the Bank of England, and some other points of interest, Mr. Reed embarked at Liverpool, on the *Umbria*, for New York. He landed late in the evening and went on to Philadelphia the same night, and while walking in the street, accidentally slipped, fell, and broke his knee-cap. This apparently most untimely accident occasioned a confinement of about five months in a hospital. When at length discharged as convalescent, Mr. Reed found that his health was in many respects better than ever before. So, good results having sprung from what was seemingly the most untoward incident of his voyage, he returned home and resumed the management of his numerous interests and the practise of his profession, in association with his nephew, A. Reed Hayes. Mr. Reed's political views are Democratic.

HOFFMAN SONS.—GEORGE S. AND WILLIAM H. HOFFMAN, — Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., are sons of William B. and Frances (Strunk) Hoffman, and their father's successors as dealers in lumber, coal, wood, and building materials. Wilhelm Hoffman, the great-grandfather of these brothers, came to America from his native place, Hesse Cassel, Germany, in colonial times. His son, Christian Hoffman, served in the United States army through the war of 1812. He was a carpenter, and resided first in Carlisle, and afterwards in Lewistown, Pa. He had a family of four children, one of whom, a daughter, died aged seven years; the others were: William B.; Frederick J.; and Christian J. William B. Hoffman, father of the "Hoffman Sons," was born in 1812, at Carlisle, Pa. He attended school there until he was about twelve, when his parents removed to Lewistown. In the new home, he went to school for a short time, and then learned carpentry with his father, with whom he worked until he reached his majority. He then became a contractor and builder on his own account, and was thus engaged until 1860, when he went into the lumber business, and in 1864 added the retail coal trade, continuing to com-

line the two interests until 1867. His next change was to relinquish the lumber trade, and add a flour, feed and grain business to his dealings in coal. In this form the business was continued during the remainder of his life. Mr. Hoffman was one of the pioneer contractors and builders, and one of the first in the lumber trade in Lewistown. Without capital to start upon, except his own strong arm, clear judgment and cheerful determination, he made his way through life, established a reputation for fairness and punctuality in meeting his engagements, and amassed a well-merited competency. He was not only active and enterprising in the conduct of his own affairs, but was public-spirited and serviceable as a citizen. He was a member of the borough council of Lewistown, and of the school board; he also served as chief Burgess. He was for years a deacon in the Evangelical Lutheran church, of Lewistown.

In 1840, William B. Hoffman married Frances Strunk, of Lancaster county, Pa. Of their four children, one Ellen Momenia, died at the age of seven; the survivors are: Henry C., of Milroy, Pa., married Hattie Blymeyer, and has three children; George S.; and William H. William B. Hoffman died May 14, 1872. His wife, who was born in June, 1816, died January 18, 1896. Her parents were George and Susan (Coldren) Strunk. Their children were: Frances (Mrs. Hoffman); Elizabeth (Mrs. Isaac Sides); John, married Mrs. Wakefield, a widow; Harriet, wife of Rev. Mr. Bland; Henry C., married Fanny Taylor; William; Edward B., married Amelia Casel, of Colon, Mich.; George, married Mary Schul; Joseph, married Letitia Owens; Mary (Mrs. Joseph Durst); Rudolph, married Ellen Baer; and Albert R., married Catherine Alexander. Mrs. Susan Strunk died, and Mr. Strunk was married again, to Sarah Alexander, a widow; they had two children: Ella; and Jane.

George S. and William H. Hoffman both received their early education in the common schools, and both took an academic course at Lewistown Academy. George S. Hoffman, who was born January 4, 1843, in Lewistown, was for six years after the completion of his school education clerk for Mr. F. J. Hoffman, his uncle. He then became a partner with his father and brothers in the firm of Hoffman & Sons, dealers in coal. In 1870, he and his

brother, William H. Hoffman, became jointly interested in the sale of grain and coal. At the time of their father's death, in 1872, they succeeded to his business, then carried on in the south ward of Lewistown, where they continued it until 1889. But, losing much of their stock and other property by the flood in October of that year, they removed to the premises which they now occupy, where they have established a large and prosperous trade in lumber, coal, &c. George S. Hoffman is decided in his support of Republican principles, serving the party with zeal and activity. He has been chairman of the Republican county committee, and has served the township in various offices, among them the important posts of councilman, chief Burgess, and president of the school board. He was elected to the State legislature in 1884, in a strongly Democratic district, and was a member of the legislative committees on agriculture, manufactures, printing and public buildings. His sound and clear judgment, combined with a manner dignified, but unassuming, gave his views weight among his colleagues.

Neither of the partners is married. Hon. George S. Hoffman and his eldest brother, Henry C. Hoffman, are members in good standing of Lewistown Lodge, No. 97, I. O. O. F., of which the former was for six years secretary. He is, like his father, faithful in his attendance upon the services of the Evangelical church of Lewistown. All the brothers are members of the same denomination.

REV. WILLIAM HARRISON DECKER, Lewistown, Millin county, Pa., was born at Johnsonsburg, N. J., November 5, 1856. He is a son of Isaac Jansen and Mary (Stutton) Decker, who lived, as their ancestors had done, in Sussex, Warren and Hunterdon counties, N. J. They had the following children: Isaac Dayton; Sarah A. (Mrs. James McCain); Elizabeth, widow of J. Milton Brugler; John L.; Josephine (Mrs. Silas Gibbs); William Harrison; Martha M. (Mrs. William McConahy); Austin; and Julia Bertha (Mrs. Charles Harris). Isaac Dayton Decker is a graduate of Yale College and of Drew Theological Seminary. He has spent several years of study in Germany and France. Impaired health compelled him to seek the climate of

Algiers, where he has for many years been engaged in private teaching and other forms of literary work.

From 1858 to 1876, the family of Isaac J. Decker resided near the village of Hope, Warren county, N. J., where William H. Decker received his elementary education in the common schools. At nineteen years of age he entered the office of the *Belvidere Apollo*, Belvidere, N. J., and was occupied with general newspaper work. He became a member of the Second Presbyterian church at Belvidere in the fall of 1877, under the Rev. James M. Maxwell, D. D., now of Monongahela City, Pa. In January, 1880, he entered the Blair Presbyterian Academy, Blairstown, N. J., and completed his course in June, 1881. In September of the same year he matriculated at Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., and graduated in June, 1885. During his college course he was one of the editors of *The Lafayette*, a college monthly; and at the commencement exercises he was chosen class orator. Mr. Decker entered Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, N. J., in September, 1885, graduating in May, 1888. He was licensed to preach by the Presbytery of Newton, April 14, 1887, and was called to the pastorate of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian church, Albany, N. Y., April 11, 1888. He entered upon the work May 10 of that year, and was ordained and installed pastor of the church on the 20th of the following month. Having served the congregation as stated supply during the preceding summer, he had been instrumental in the organization of the church of which he became the first pastor. The original membership of the church was fifty-three, but at the close of the pastorate, April 3, 1893, it had reached about two hundred. The church was self-supporting, and contributed liberally to the treasuries of the various boards of the denomination, as well as to other benevolent objects. The call from the Lewistown Presbyterian church, of which Rev. Mr. Decker is now the pastor, was received by him March 8, 1893; he entered upon his work in this charge April 30, and was installed June 21, 1893. Since that time the interior of the house of worship has been remodeled and improved at a cost of \$6,000. The benevolent offerings of the church during the fiscal year ending March 31, 1896, were over \$2,100; and in addition the congregation contributed

\$300 towards the million dollar fund for the liquidation of the debts of the benevolent boards of the Presbyterian church. The membership of the congregation is now larger than it has been at any time during its history, which goes back more than one hundred years. More than a hundred members have been received into fellowship during Mr. Decker's pastorate of three years. Besides his pastoral work, he has been a frequent contributor to the *Presbyterian* and the *Presbyterian Journal*, published in Philadelphia, and is the author of an interesting article in the *Chicago Ram's Horn*, for November 14, 1896, treating of the proportion of Christian men to Christian women.

Rev. Mr. Decker was married, January 17, 1889, to Emma, daughter of Samuel and Frances Thomas, of Phillipsburg, N. J. They have one child, a daughter, Ruth. Samuel Thomas, the father of Mrs. Decker, is a representative business man, and a director of the Phillipsburg National Bank.

GRUBER H. BELL, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., son of Thompson G. and Priscilla (Martin) Bell, was born in Derry township, Mifflin county, March 9, 1853. Ascending the maternal line of his father, Thompson G. Bell, we may count back five generations, occupying much over a century of time, of the ancestry of Mr. G. H. Bell; for his great-great-great-grandfather, George Sigler, came from Germany about the year 1761. The leisurely voyages of those days afforded time for many important events to occur during a single passage across the Atlantic; in the case of this young German, what happened was no less momentous than the securing of a helpmeet for life, in the person of Elizabeth Serrault, to whom he was married while on the "rolling deep." Judging by her surname, the bride must have been of French parentage. They were among the early settlers of Mifflin county, where Mr. Sigler took out warrants for land in Decatur township, and at the time of his death owned 400 acres. Their children were: George; Adam; Henry; John; Jacob; Samuel; and Elizabeth. When the eldest, George, was thirteen years of age, he was captured by the Indians; after being held by them for one year, he was set at liberty on the very day when the colonies declared themselves "free and independent," July 4, 1776.

In the year 1791, this George Sigler (2) married Elizabeth Bunn, of New Jersey; his sister, Elizabeth, married Henry Bunn, of the same State, presumably a brother of Mrs. George Sigler's. The children of Mr. and Mrs. George Sigler are: Mary E.; Jacob; Elizabeth; George (3); and Sarah (Mrs. Rothrock), mother of Joseph Rothrock, of Juniata county, Pa. George Sigler (2) died in his sixtieth year, August 3, 1821.

On the paternal side, Mr. G. H. Bell can trace the line in America at least as far back as the John Bell who was a land warrantee of this region in 1786, choosing his place of settlement along the banks of Jack's creek, for its superiority as a hunting ground. He had come from Ireland some years before, and now, with two companions, Dorman and McClenahan, took up his residence in a locality later known as Belltown. He married Margaret McCartney, of Juniata county, Pa. Among their children were: John P.; William, the great-grandfather of Mr. Bell; James; and George. Both parents were members of the Presbyterian church in Dry valley, now Kellys. A descendant of his, John H. Bell, whose home was on the boundary between Decatur and Derry townships, married Mary E., daughter of George and Elizabeth (Bunn) Sigler, about 1811. The land on which they settled was given to Mary E. Sigler by her father, and is the same tract now owned and occupied by William S. Bell. The children of this marriage are: George; William S.; Matilda E.; Thompson G., father of Gruber S. Bell; James Foster; Sybilla Margaret; Sarah B.; Mary Jane; John M.; Ann Eliza; Amanda Ellen; and Adeline. This numerous family were all raised upon the homestead, their excellent parents taking care that they should share the benefits of a thorough common school education, and learn music. Mr. and Mrs. Bell were both members of the Little Valley Presbyterian church, and were consistent and exemplary in their lives. Their doors were ever open to clergymen of all denominations; their cheerful and kindly home life and liberal hospitality made it an esteemed privilege to be their guest. A high moral tone, consistently maintained, commanded universal respect. Mr. Bell was the superintendent of the first Sabbath-school at Kellys, in 1828, and was among the first there to sign the temperance pledge, introduced in 1830.

He died in the prime of his useful life, June 18, 1838, at the age of forty-six years and a half.

Thompson G. Bell was born January 12, 1817. During his youth and early manhood, he lived at the homestead, teaching day-school and singing-school. After his marriage with Priscilla, daughter of Samuel Martin, of Derry township, which took place October 7, 1841, the young couple began housekeeping in the old Red House, on the farm now owned by G. H. Bell. At this home was born their first son, S. Martin, on August 20, 1842; he married Sarah C. Nichols. The next event in the family history was the death of Samuel Martin, Mrs. Bell's father, after which the Bells removed to the white house on the old Bell farm, where they lived until the spring of 1845. Here J. Foster Bell was born, October 16, 1844. In the same fall, an intermarriage took place, similar to that recorded of the Sigler and Bunn families, two generations earlier: Frank Martin, brother of Mrs. Thompson G. Bell, marrying Mr. Bell's sister, Sarah B. Bell. In April, 1846, Mr. Bell removed to the farm of J. M. Martin, in Dry valley, where his son, J. Ellis Bell, was born, August 4, 1846. The next and last removal was to a farm which Mr. Bell purchased from Frank Martin in the spring of 1848; it is now the property of J. C. Bell. Edwin Thompson Bell was born here, May 26, 1848, and died September 21, 1849. Mrs. Priscilla (Martin) Bell died March 21, 1851, aged thirty-three and one-half years. Thompson G. Bell's sister then kept house for him for a short time when he, realizing his need of some one to care for his three little boys, married, in April, 1852, Mary Elizabeth Anderson, of Lewistown, who had spent much of her early life in the home of the Rev. Jacob Gruber. She at once took charge of the home, and proved herself equal to the cares placed upon her, and has ever been a most worthy and efficient helpmeet. She still lives at the old Brown House at Vira, Pa., and is honored and loved by her children and all who know her. The first child by this union was Gruber H. Bell; then Priscilla Mary, who married George S. Himes, now residing near Burnham, Pa., where they are in the mercantile business. The rest of the family are: Jane Ann (Mrs. Theodore M. Bashore); Sarah Matilda; George Thompson, who married Margaret Beyers, of

Johnstown, Pa.; Laura H.; and William Hahn, who married Margaret Dippery. A spirit of cheerful and unadorned piety pervaded the home of Thompson Bell's family, and made it happy, and rich in beneficent influences. Both the parents were members of the Methodist Episcopal church, first at Lewistown, and later at Dry valley, now Kellys, and zealously active in its work. Two of the sons became clergymen: Rev. J. Foster Bell, who married Maria E., daughter of John D. and Mary (Marks) Nagincy, and died March 5, 1878, leaving one child, now a student at Lafayette College, Easton, Pa.; and Rev. J. Ellis Bell, graduate of Evanston College and Theological Seminary, Evanston, Ill., who married Juniata Waters. Thompson G. Bell departed this life in September, 1889; the children still have the presence of their good and faithful mother, Mrs. Mary E. Bell.

Gruber H. Bell attended the public schools of his native township until he was thirteen years old. At the age of seventeen, he was for one term under special instruction; thus far, he had resided on the home farm. In 1870-71, he became a pupil at Kishacoquillas Seminary, attending the normal class. During the winter of 1871-72, he taught school at Brick Church, Kishacoquillas valley. After teaching one more season in the State of Illinois, Mr. Bell returned home and took charge of his father's farm. He still, however, taught during the winter for five or six terms at the Kelly school house, and one term at the graded school at Yeagertown. He then gave his whole attention to farming, purchasing his father's farm in 1879, and continuing to occupy and cultivate it until 1894. During that time, he made many improvements, and brought the farm to a high state of productiveness, adding many modern facilities for agricultural work. Mr. Bell has also dealt extensively in live stock, and has had a broad experience as an auctioneer. In the autumn of 1893, he removed to Lewistown, where he now resides; he has offices and warerooms in that town, and has added the sale of agricultural implements to that of his consignments of live stock. His political opinions are combing, Republican and Prohibitionist.

Gruber H. Bell was married, March 21, 1878, to Nettie J., daughter of John M. and Margaret (Barr) Shadle. Their children are: John Foster, born February 23, 1879, now at-

tending the high school at Lewistown; Harvey Thompson, born June 18, 1884, died June 18, 1890; and Mary Barr, born April 15, 1890. Mr. Bell and his family are members of the Methodist Episcopal church at Lewistown.

The paternal grandparents of Mrs. Bell were Henry and Margaret Shadle; they were among the early settlers of the Kishacoquillas valley. Besides John M. Shadle, Mrs. Bell's father, they had other children; two of these were Sarah (Mrs. Cummings); and Margaret (Mrs. Fleck). Mrs. Bell's maternal grandparents were William and Jane Barr, whose children were: Robert; Christian; John D.; Catherine; Martha; Margaret; and Jane. John M. and Margaret (Barr) Shadle are both deceased; besides Nettie J. (Mrs. Bell), they had two children, one of whom, Harvey, died February 3, 1881, aged about twenty-eight years, of typhoid fever; he contracted the disease while nursing his father, through a very serious attack of the same. Their other son, Samuel W. Shadle, died June 26, 1896. He was a brilliant attorney-at-law, a graduate of Lafayette College. He had held the office of journal clerk in the Pennsylvania Legislature, and had charge of the Second Comptroller's office in the Treasury Department, Washington, D. C. He died aged forty-six years.

HENRY ZERBE, deceased, formerly of Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born August 8, 1816, at Orwigsburg, then the county seat of Schuylkill county, Pa. He was the only child of Henry and Hannah Miller Zerbe. His father dying before the son was born, the latter was necessarily dependent upon his own exertions early in life. His education in the public schools was therefore limited. He learned boat-building, and having mastered his trade, began business on his own account. After working at his trade for several years, Mr. Zerbe bought a boat, and began carrying freight to Philadelphia on the Schuylkill canal. By careful management, he soon increased his carrying facilities, and continued for some years in the shipping business. He then sold his interest, and engaged in the manufacture of coaches and carriages in Reading, Pa. A year later, he removed to Lewistown, Pa., and entered the employ of William Coggeshall, in the same business. It was not long before he bought his

employer's business, and becoming associated with John Clark, under the firm name of Clark & Zerbe, continued the carriage manufacturing business until about 1855; he then sold his interest to Mr. Clark. In partnership with George W. Soult, he now embarked in the bottling business, manufacturing soda and mineral waters. In 1859, having sold his share in this concern, Mr. Zerbe turned his attention to mercantile business, and conducted a store on East Market street, near the Union House, now the Miller House, with much success until his death, which occurred December 16, 1876. From his youth up, Mr. Zerbe was industrious and faithful; his rise from a very modest beginning to the position of a prosperous business man clearly manifests his ability and perseverance. He was faithful and affectionate in his family relations, steady and consistent as a Christian, and exemplary as a citizen. Mr. Zerbe was warmly interested in local affairs, and took pains to promote every laudable enterprise; he was solicitous for the increase of educational facilities in Lewistown, and contributed liberally towards church work in all denominations. He was among the organizers of the Lewistown Gas Light Company, of which he continued to be an officer during the rest of his life. Under the original constitution of the Lewistown Water Company, he became one of its board of managers, and was always retained in the same position. Mr. Zerbe was an ardent Republican; he served in various borough offices, and as county treasurer, to which office he was elected in 1855. Before the formation of the Republican party, Mr. Zerbe was a Whig. Few men have been more zealous for the public interests, or have served them more faithfully.

Henry Zerbe was twice married. By his first marriage, to Matilda Speece, he had three children; the mother and children all died. On January 1, 1850, he was again married, to Hannah M., daughter of Joseph and Susanna (McFadden) Rittenhouse. Their children are: Charles A., who married Cartes B. Allison, and has two children; Fred Allison and Charles Andrew, who died when three years old; Henry R., married Ellen L. Firoved; Edward M.; and Frank J. During Mr. Zerbe's later years, he became a member of the Presbyterian church.

J. J. HUNT, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Ardmore, Montgomery county, Pa., September 8, 1849, son of Joseph and Deborah H. (Kirgan) Hunt. The Hunt family were English Friends, and settled near Philadelphia during old provincial days. Among them was Joseph Hunt, who in 1724, bought and occupied a tract of land in Chester county, Pa., the same now known as the Brinton Serpentine Stone Quarry, in Westtown township. In 1727, Joseph Hunt married Mary Hickman, of Chester Creek valley, Delaware county, Pa. Among their children were three, named William; Joseph; and John. William Hunt's youngest son was Benjamin. The second son of Benjamin Hunt was Nathan Y., grandfather of J. J. Hunt; he married Huldah Taylor, daughter of Colonel Taylor, of Brandywine. Their family consisted of three daughters and two sons, one of whom was Joseph, born August 17, 1820. This Joseph Hunt married Debbie H., daughter of Valentine and Debbie (Taylor) Kirgan, who was born at Westchester, Chester county, Pa., November 1, 1824. Mrs. Debbie Kirgan and Mrs. Huldah Hunt were sisters. The children of Joseph and Debbie H. Hunt are: E. Estelle, born August 29, 1843, married Ralph H. Wilson, of Bel Air, Md.; J. J.; James Valentine, born April 23, 1851, married Emma Bevard, resides at Westchester, Pa.; C. Aurelia, born April 19, 1857; and Bessie, born February 6, 1860. Mrs. Joseph Hunt died April 17, 1893; her husband surviving her until March 5, 1896.

After attending a private school in Philadelphia, J. J. Hunt went to a Baptist educational institution at Hightstown, N. J. He then took a course at the Quaker City College, Philadelphia, and graduated; afterwards serving an apprenticeship of five years in mercantile business in the same city. He was for the next six years connected with the office of Henry Wood, the late president and superintendent of the Philadelphia and Baltimore Central railroad, at Philadelphia. In 1882, Mr. Hunt removed to Lewistown, Mifflin county, and on March 11, 1884, he went into business as seedsman, florist, and dealer in agricultural implements. His warehouses and office are on Court House square, Lewistown. He has established and conducts a successful business in that line. He is a member of

Council No. 1394, Royal Arcanum, at Lewistown, of which he was a charter member. He has served through all the stations, and is now a District Deputy Grand Regent of the State. Also a member of Loyal Additional Benevolent Association and member of State Regents' Association. He supports the principles of the Republican party.

J. J. Hunt was married January 1, 1878, to Emma, daughter of Thomas and Deborah (Sill) Ottey. They have had these children: Joseph, born December 3, 1880; Anna Bross, born April 14, 1882, died February 1, 1889; and Valentine Kirgan, born September 10, 1884, died August 16, 1885. Mr. Hunt and his family are members of the Baptist church.

R. H. McCLINTIC & BROTHER, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., are sons of Robert H. and Isabella (Kirk) McClintic, and succeeded their father as furniture dealers and funeral directors. The elder Robert H. McClintic was born near Lewistown, educated to a rather limited extent in the common schools, and began in early life to prepare for business. He served an apprenticeship at each branch of his business, cabinet-making and upholstery. In 1834, he engaged in business on his own account, near the site of the present commodious warerooms and store on West Market street, where his sons now carry on the flourishing trade, of which he so diligently and substantially laid the foundation. In all his transactions he was strictly conscientious, and this quality, combined with his known skill and ability, ensured his success; this was his most valuable capital and stock in trade. He was elected in 1849, on the Democratic ticket, to the office of county treasurer, and served efficiently and honorably for three years. Mr. McClintic was first married to Elizabeth A. Montgomery, by whom he had five children. She died August 2, 1847, aged thirty years, ten months and five days. Robert H. McClintic was again married, to Isabella Kirk. The children of this marriage are: Thomas Kerr; Robert H.; Kirk H., married Margaret Londenlager; George Kerr; Elizabeth Kerr; Ettie W., died aged two years; Maggie, died October 29, 1883, aged twenty years, two months and thirteen days; Howard H., born April 9, 1867; and William S., died in the autumn of 1871. The father died September

1, 1871, aged sixty years, seven months and eight days. Two of his sons by the first marriage were: John M., died January 23, 1843; and Charles B., died August 8, 1847.

Robert H. and George Kerr McClintic, their father's successors in business, appear, to judge by the liberal share of patronage which they enjoy, both from Lewistown and from the surrounding country, to be proving themselves worthy and capable to take his place. They are diligent in business, and keep their stock and their workmanship up to the latest and most improved standards.

George Kerr McClintic married Effie, daughter of William and Ellen Foy, who died August 10, 1883. She was an excellent lady, a consistent Christian and very faithful and affectionate to her family and friends.

Howard H. McClintic married Margaret McCulloch, of Harrisburg, Pa., May 26, 1896; they reside at Pittsburg, Pa. Howard H. graduated from Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa., in 1887; he is at present general manager for the Sheffler Bridge Company, Pittsburg, Pa., and is also a civil engineer.

THOMAS BENTON REED, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in West township, Huntingdon county, Pa., August 31, 1837, son of Joseph and Harriet (Anderson) Reed. His great-grandfathers on the paternal side were Robert Reed and William McAlevy. The former was born in Ireland, and about 1740, emigrated to America, accompanied by several brothers, of whom but little is known. One of them, John Reed, settled in Kishacoquillas valley, Mifflin county, and reared eleven children; he afterwards removed to Kentucky. Robert Reed settled in Cumberland county, near Carlisle, Pa. He purchased land in the Kishacoquillas valley, but it does not appear that he ever lived there. It is thought that he died in Cumberland county, about the close of the Revolutionary war. An old book which belonged to Robert Reed, and which is now in the possession of his granddaughter, Mrs. Elizabeth (Reed) Elder, is the only relic of him preserved in the family. It is entitled *First, Middle and Last Things*; its author was Rev. Isaac Aubrose, of the Church of England, who wrote during the protectorate of Oliver Cromwell; the volume was printed in London in 1665. Its antique binding, type, spelling, grammar, etc.,

make it a literary curiosity. The book passed from Robert Reed to his daughter, Elizabeth McDowell, from her to her daughter, Elizabeth McGlathery, and was given by her to Mrs. Elder. Robert Reed's wife was Elizabeth Gardiner, whose mother, then Mrs. Walker, came to America from England about 1710 or 1715. Mr. Walker, her husband, died on the vessel, while crossing the ocean. Mrs. Walker was married again in America, to Mr. Gardiner, and Mrs. Reed was their only daughter. A son of Mrs. Walker by her first husband was the father of Hon. Jonathan Walker, Judge of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, whose son, Robert J. Walker, emigrated to Mississippi, represented that State in the United States Senate, was Secretary of the Treasury under President Polk, and more recently territorial Governor of Kansas during the political troubles in that territory. In the general defection of Southern statesmen, it is pleasing to see Robert J. Walker loyal to the Government.

Robert Reed had seven children, five daughters and two sons, John and James. James Reed, the youngest of the family, was born in Cumberland county, June 5, 1752. While a young man, and unmarried, he settled in Ki-hacoquillas valley, on land that had belonged to his father. He was a man of large, stout figure, slightly stooping. His life does not seem to have been an eventful one. He served six months in the militia during the Revolution, while the American army was in winter quarters at Valley Forge. James Reed was married, May 10, 1785, to Jane (or Janet), daughter of William and Margaret (Harris) McAlevy, who was born February 14, 1763. Their son Joseph, born June 17, 1797, was the father of Thomas B. Reed; a daughter, Elizabeth (Mrs. Elder), alluded to above, is the mother of David Elder. Mrs. James Reed died November 26, 1826; Mr. Reed survived his wife about eight years, dying December 13, 1834, at the age of eighty-two years, six months and eight days. From the year 1797, the home of the family was near Shavers Creek, now in Huntingdon county.

William McAlevy, father of Mrs. James Reed, was born in Ireland about 1738. He was only three months old when his parents came to America. It is not known where they settled; probably in one of the eastern coun-

ties of Pennsylvania. A flash of lightning killed them both, and William was left an orphan, not long after their arrival in this strange land. He was brought up by a maternal uncle, who taught him his own trade, that of weaving. Becoming dissatisfied with the treatment he received from his uncle, William left him, and enlisted. He was in General Forbes' expedition to Fort Duquesne, now Pittsburg, and was one of a detachment sent, two years before, to bury the remains of those who fell at Braddock's field. He was then only nineteen years of age. He finally settled in Stone valley, fourteen miles from Petersburg, Pa., at "McAlevy's Fort," now called the "Old Fort," where he owned a large farm, and erected a grist-mill and a distillery. He was a man of portly and robust frame, with a florid complexion. William McAlevy was three times married. His first wife was Margaret, daughter of Robert and Mary Ann (Rodgers) Harris. To this marriage there were four children, one of whom was Janet (Mrs. James Reed). William McAlevy died in August, 1823, at the venerable age of eighty-five.

Joseph Reed, son of James and Janet (McAlevy) Reed, was married March 4, 1834, to Harriet Anderson. Their family included six children: Hannah Anderson (Mrs. James A. Brown), deceased, had one child; Thomas Benton; Sarah Jane, died aged about twelve years; James Anderson, deceased; Martha Evelyn (Mrs. W. P. Rudolph), has two children living, Eva and Joseph R.; Alfred M., died in early childhood. Joseph Reed died May 20, 1855; his wife survived him until 1878.

Until he reached the age of seventeen, Thomas B. Reed was a pupil in the common schools of West township, Huntingdon county; he then entered Milwood Academy, Shade Gap, Pa., where he studied for three years. For several years after completing this course, he remained at home, but not idle; by instructing others, he at once provided for his own maintenance and added precision and arrangement to the stock of information he had acquired. He taught successively, one term each, at a place in Lycoming county, and at two school-houses in Huntingdon county, McAteers, and Neffs, near Neffs Mills, on the "Little Juniata." When the call to arms was heard, Mr. Reed enlisted, and was enrolled

in May, 1861, as a private in Company D, Fifth Pennsylvania Reserves. First appointed corporal, then promoted to sergeant of his company, June 5, 1861, and to first sergeant, January 20, 1862, he held the latter rank until March 5, 1863, when he was commissioned as first lieutenant in the same regiment. He was mustered out after a service of three years, June 11, 1864. Immediately following his return to Huntingdon county, Mr. Reed recruited a company, to serve a hundred days. Having gone with his recruits to Harrisburg, a warrant was offered to him to recruit a company for a year, upon which he declined a commission in the hundred-day company, and by September 3, had recruited and brought to Harrisburg Company D, Two Hundred and Fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, of which he became captain. His regiment was assigned to the Army of the Potomac, and was one of six Pennsylvania regiments which constituted the Third division (General Hartranft, commander) of the Ninth Corps. Captain Reed was appointed brigade inspector on the staff of Colonel Matthews, commanding the Second brigade. He held this position until June 2, 1865; he was then appointed to convey the records of his regiment from Alexandria, Va., to Harrisburg. His "gallant conduct in the battle of Gettysburg," while first lieutenant of Company D, Fifth Pennsylvania Reserves, was rewarded, March 13, 1865, by the brevet rank of captain of volunteers; and his "faithful and meritorious services during the war" received recognition, June 1, 1865, in his promotion to the brevet rank of lieutenant colonel of volunteers. On the next day he was mustered out of service. Two years later, having passed the requisite examination, he was appointed second lieutenant of the Twenty-ninth United States Infantry, regular service. His regiment having been consolidated with the Twenty-fourth, Lieutenant Reed was assigned, July 14, 1869, to the Ninth Cavalry, and in December of that year he was made post commissary at Fort Davis. On February 3, 1870, he was transferred to the Twenty-fourth Infantry. He was retired, November 14, 1871, as being "incapacitated for active service" by "sickness contracted from exposure in the line of duty." "During the war Captain Reed took part in the following engagements: Mechanicsville, Gaines Hill, Malvern Hill, Groveton, Second Bull Run, Fredericksburg, Gettys-

burg, Bristol Station, Rappahannock Station, Mine Run, Fort Steadman, the final assault on Petersburg, April 2, 1865, and various smaller engagements. He was connected with the Third division, First corps; the Third division, Fifth corps; and in the last year of the war with the Second brigade, Third division, Ninth Army Corps. The captain's term of service continued from the beginning to the close of the war, he serving twenty-one months in the ranks, and the remainder of the time as a commissioned officer, going in as a private and coming out as brevet lieutenant colonel. His term of service in the regular army was nearly four years and four months."

His honorable military career ended, Thomas E. Reed became engaged in the United States internal revenue service, and traveled through the Southern States, partly or business connected with that service. In 1882 he took up his residence in Granville township, near Lewistown, where he still lives. His beautiful country seat is an ornament to the environs of the borough. In 1889, Mr. Reed became interested in the Gas and Electric Light Company, of Lewistown, was elected to its first board of directors, and has served in that capacity up to the present time. He is also treasurer of the Gas Company. He is a member of Post No. 176, G. A. R., at Lewistown; also of Pennsylvania Commandery, Loyal Legion of the United States. He adheres to the Republican party.

Thomas Benton Reed was married, October 23, 1865, to Mary Louisa, daughter of W. K. Huffnagle, born October 3, 1835. She died January 27, 1896, regretted not only by her family and nearest friends, but by many whom she had most generously and delicately befriended. Her benevolence and true Christian spirit prompted her not only to liberality towards those in need, but to such modesty and secrecy that her charitable deeds were often unknown to her most intimate associates. She was a devout member of the Episcopal church. Mr. Reed attends the Presbyterian church.

Robert Harris, father of Mrs. William McAleavy, and great-great-grandfather of Capt. T. B. Reed, was born in County Donegal, Province of Ulster, Ireland, August 26, 1702. In the twenty-fifth year of his age, he married Mary Ann Rodgers, who lived in the same county, near the town of Lifford. Their children

were three daughters: Janet; Margaret; and Margery. His wife dying, Mr. Harris remained a widower for some years, and then married another resident of County Donegal, from the vicinity of Letterkenny, named Margaret McElmon; this was probably about 1744. Of their five children, two, the third and fourth, died young; the three who attained to maturity were: Robert; Mary; and William. Robert Harris, Sr., emigrated with his family to America about 1745, and settled on the Swatara creek, in Cumberland county, Pa. He never became a landholder in Pennsylvania, from which we may infer that he was in straitened circumstances. In 1766, he went to North Carolina, and settled in the woods, in Cabarrus county. It is probable that the descendants of his children may be found in that region at the present day, as all the surviving offspring of his second marriage married and settled in North Carolina. The father died December 26, 1788, aged eighty-six years and four months; his wife died only seven months later, at the age of seventy-seven years.

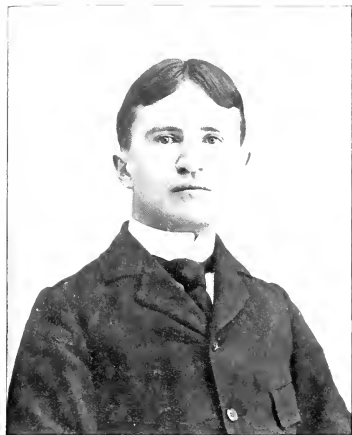
The following information concerning his children is chiefly derived from letters written from North Carolina by the sons of the elder Robert Harris to their niece, Mrs. Jennie (McAlevy) Reed. Ten of these letters are now in the possession of her daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth (Reed) Elder, her son, David Elder, having copies of them. The originals are a curiosity. They were written at intervals between 1813 and 1823; the absence of envelopes and stamps and the rate of postage—twenty-five cents—marked on the letters, give evidence of their antiquity. They are written on foolscap sheets of nearly the texture of wrapping paper. The chirography is a plain round hand; the spelling and grammar are generally correct, though some *Irish-isms* occasionally appear. They treat exclusively of family affairs, births, deaths and marriages among the connection being reported with great particularity.

The eldest of the family, Robert Harris, Jr., was born in 1745. He went with his father to North Carolina in 1766; was married, probably in North Carolina, but nothing was known of his wife except that her Christian name was Eleanor. Mr. Harris died of dropsy June 27, 1817, in the seventy-second year of his age. His wife survived him, but nothing further is known of her. It does not

appear that they had any children. Mary Harris was born about 1747. She married Alexander Ferguson, a widower with five children. By his second wife, Mary Harris, he had five more, four sons and one daughter. Mr. Ferguson died of dropsy about the year 1800; his wife died about three years later, of consumption. Nothing more is known of the family. The youngest child of Robert Harris, Sr., William Harris, was born on Swatara Creek, in Pennsylvania, January 1, 1755. He emigrated to North Carolina in 1766, and succeeded his father on the plantation. In his twenty-third year he married a lady in her seventeenth year. She died a year after her marriage, leaving an infant son. Six years afterward, Mr. Harris married again, June 9, 1783. His second wife was twenty years of age at the time of their marriage. When last heard from William Harris was still living on his plantation in Cabarrus county, N. C., and was sixty-eight years of age; at that time, June 4, 1823, his wife also was still living, and stated that they had lived together as husband and wife for forty years. Following is a brief account of Mr. Harris' family.

William, born in 1777, son of the first wife, married and removed to Georgia, where he died, January 8, 1844, leaving a widow and six children. Her eldest two children were married before her death; the remaining four were invited by their grandfather, William Harris, to come and live with him, but it is not known whether they accepted the invitation. The children by William Harris' second marriage were: Ann, died when seventeen days old; Robert, died at the age of fourteen years; Joshua, settled on a part of his father's plantation, was married September 12, 1811, to Mrs. Ann Allen, who died December 3, 1820, leaving two sons and two daughters, one child being an infant two weeks old, after which he married again, and had one child; Alexander, born in 1791, was married February 15, 1816, to Penelope Morrison, aged eighteen, and settled on a part of his father's plantation; Isaac, born in 1793, died August 13, 1815; Margaret, born in 1795, was married February 1, 1816, to John Cochran, a blacksmith, then in his twenty-third year, settled on a plantation six miles from that of Mr. Harris; Isabel, last mentioned May 13, 1821, was then unmarried





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and living at her father's house; Mary, born in 1800; Ann, born in 1802, was married March 13, 1821, to Elias Small, a blacksmith, reputed to be steady and well-behaved, was then in his twenty-fourth year; Solomon and Josiah, twins, born in 1803, at home with their father in 1823. Mary Harris, at the age of twenty, went to live for a short time with her sister, Mrs. Cochran, and there became acquainted with John Morrison, whom she married, April 10, 1821, against the wish of her father and most of her connections. Morrison was a wagon-maker, of Scotch descent, and was only in his twentieth year at the time of their marriage. He appears to have lived for some time after in the neighborhood of his brother-in-law, Mr. Cochran.

DANIEL ROWE STRATFORD, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Lewistown, May 21, 1852, son of Charles John and Catharine (Rowe) Stratford. He is a grandson of Thomas Stratford, a native and resident of England, whose children were: Sabina; Julia; Frederick; William; Charles and Mrs. Higgins, of Benton county, Iowa. Frederick Stratford, the eldest son of this family, was an eminent instructor in the English schools, and during his latter days, was a Government pensioner. He was also a well-known singer, and belonged to the choir of one of the largest churches in London. Charles John Stratford was educated in the public schools of England, and came to America at the age of eighteen. Landing in Philadelphia, he found employment there for a short time as a stevedore. He next went to Easton, Pa., and applied himself to learning marble-cutting. After serving nearly seven years of his apprenticeship, he bought of his master the remaining six months of his time; the master was somewhat addicted to intemperance, and was especially severe in his treatment of his apprentice. Young Stratford now found his way to Lewistown, where he formed a partnership with Mr. Kemmerling in the business of marble working, and the cutting of tombstones. Mr. Stratford had thoroughly mastered his vocation, and the united efforts of the partners soon made their business a prosperous one. In a few years, by frugality and good management, Mr. Stratford had saved enough to buy out his partner's interest; and for forty years from that time, he con-

ducted an extensive and flourishing business on his own account. In the cemeteries of the Juniata and Susquehanna valleys may be found many monuments bearing the name of Stratford, maker; some of them among those of the largest size and most artistic designs.

In early manhood Mr. Stratford devoted his leisure time to the study of the Latin and Greek languages. He was a lover of books, but excluded from his attention all but the classics of our own and other languages. He became an ardent and enthusiastic advocate of temperance reform, and often, after a day of hard work, would gladly walk fifteen or twenty miles to deliver a lecture on that subject. His name became identified with the temperance cause through his zealous efforts in its behalf. In 1870, Mr. Stratford visited England for the furtherance of temperance principles, bearing the following letter from the Governor of Pennsylvania.

(Copy of letter from Governor John W. Geary.)

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, *Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, March 25, 1870.*

The bearer, Charles Stratford, Esq., of the County of Mifflin, in this State, is about to visit England, the land of his nativity, and I give him this letter recommending him to the confidence of all whom he may meet as a good citizen and of high character, and especially distinguished for his active labors on behalf of temperance reform.

It is hoped all proper facilities may be afforded him to make his sojourn abroad agreeable.

Given under my hand and the great Seal of the State, the day and year above written,
(Signed) JOHN W. GEARY,

Governor of Pennsylvania.

While in England, Mr. Stratford established the first lodge in that country of the temperance society known as the Order of Good Templars. His devotion to the cause continued after his return to America, until his death, which occurred May 6, 1893.

Charles John Stratford was married to Catharine, daughter of Daniel Rowe, January 16, 1837. They had the following children: Temperance, died, aged about three years; Charles, married Elizabeth Gray; Loveday Susan (Mrs. Timothy Swany), deceased; John Frederick, married Elizabeth M. Kramer; Prudence (Mrs. Alfred Smithers);

Annie E., died at about twenty-three years of age; Daniel Rowe; and Laura Helen (Mrs. Grafton Anderson), of Dakota. Mrs. Charles Stratford, the mother, died at the age of sixty-five.

After pursuing his elementary studies in the common schools of Derry township, Daniel R. Stratford attended the Lewistown Academy for a short time. At the age of fifteen he went to Iowa, and was for two years employed in farm work. When he was eighteen he began to learn stone cutting under his father's instructions. In 1870, Charles Stratford, Jr., succeeded to his father's business, and Daniel R. Stratford began business on his own account in 1878, also at Lewistown. But in 1888, owing to the close competition in the trade, the brothers consolidated their interests, and have since done business under the name of the Lewistown Marble and Granite Works. The firm has been more than ordinarily successful. The Messrs. Stratford are masters of their craft, and their work is sought after by persons of means and refined taste throughout the central part of Pennsylvania. Daniel R. Stratford is a Republican. He is a member of the Lewistown Council of the Royal Arcanum. He has always manifested a warm interest in local enterprises, and contributes liberally to such as are calculated to promote the welfare of the community.

Daniel Rowe Stratford was married, October 28, 1875, to Mary E., daughter of Jacob and Julia Ann (Brown) Ellinger, a lady of German descent. Their children are: Harry, born November 29, 1877, died at the age of eleven months; Laura Edith, died in 1894, aged three years; Charles E., born in 1876; Sarah Grace, born October 8, 1881; William F., born October 8, 1883; Julia Ann, born October 2, 1885; and Roy, born July 25, 1887. Mr. and Mrs. Stratford are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mrs. Stratford is one of ten children, of whom five died in early childhood. The surviving members of the family are: Mary E. (Mrs. Stratford); Sarah E. (Mrs. Robert Miller); John, married Martha Wagner; Jacob, married Caroline Montgomery; and William, married Nettie Dillon. Both parents are deceased.

JOHN ALDEN KNIGHT, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Hubbards-ton, Mass., March 25, 1851. He is a son of

Christian Weber and Pauline E. (Alden) Knight. His maternal grandparents were John and Isabella (Phillips) Alden, of Massachusetts. Mr. Alden was a farmer and veterinary surgeon; he was a man of intelligence, interested in the topics of the times, and active in local political affairs. He and his wife were steady and faithful members of the church; they had six daughters and four sons. Mr. Alden traced his descent to the John Alden and Priscilla of "Pilgrim" days, whose pretty romance has become a "household word" among readers of Longfellow. Mr. Knight's grandparents on the paternal side came from Holland. They also had a family of ten, one son and nine daughters. The son was Christian Weber Knight, born in Philadelphia and educated in its superior common schools. He acquired early in life a thorough knowledge of building and construction, and became widely and favorably known through his skill and the success which he carried out many building projects. Mr. Knight married in Hubbardston and resided there for a number of years. In 1854, he removed to Port Deposit, Md., assuming the position of superintendent of the quarry and granite works of McClenahan Brothers. He was of exemplary character, and highly respected. Christian Weber Knight was married March 18, 1841, to Pauline E. Alden. Their children are: George W., of Philadelphia, married; John Alden; William, married, and died while still a young man; Charles, died very young; Luna Isabelle, formerly of Brooklyn, N. Y., married William H. Gamble, who was the business manager of the O. N. T. Thread Works of George A. Clark & Sons, offices in New York City, died in 1892, leaving three children, Christian Weber, who died aged thirteen; Royal A.; and Pauline Alden; and Mary W. (Mrs. H. W. Geiger), of Philadelphia. Christian W. Knight died May 1, 1888; Mr. Knight resides with her daughter, Mrs. Gamble, at Lewistown. She and Mrs. Gamble are members of the Presbyterian church.

Having acquired the rudiments of education in the common schools of Port Deposit, Md., John Alden Knight entered at the age of twelve the academy of the same town. At the age of eighteen, he became a member of the engineering corps under J. B. Hutchinson, employed in the survey of the Columbia and Port Deposit Railroad for the Pennsyl-

vania Railroad Company. This engagement lasted from January, 1872, to January, 1879; he then came, still employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, to Lewistown, where he has since held the position of chief clerk and paymaster of the Lewistown Division. He is a capable official, a public-spirited man, and a promoter of all useful enterprises. Mr. Knight is general manager of the Lewistown Electric Light, Heat and Power Company, and was one of its charter members. He was among the incorporators of the Mann Edge Tool Company, of Lewistown, and filled the position of secretary for more than a year. He is also one of the incorporators, and now the president, of the Masonic Association of Lewistown; is a director, and was for some time secretary of the Lewistown Gas Company. Mr. Knight is a member of Lodge No. 203, Chapter No. 186, and Commandery No. 26, F. and A. M., of Lewistown, and of the Harrisburg Consistory of the same order, Harrisburg, Pa. He is a Republican.

John Alden Knight was married February 19, 1884, to Harriet Howard, daughter of Andrew Parker and Mary Elizabeth (Van Valzah) Jacob, of Lewistown, Pa. Their children are: Elizabeth Van Valzah and John Alden. Mr. Knight and his family attend the Presbyterian church at Lewistown, of which Mrs. Knight is a member.

The Van Valzah family, Mrs. Knight's maternal ancestors, are descended from Robert Van Valzah, a native of Holland, born April 26, 1733, who came to America, and settled near the Croton river, in New York. He married and had sons and daughters. One of his children was Robert (2), born in 1764, who served in the Continental army during the Revolution. He studied medicine, and practised in Union and the adjacent counties of Pennsylvania. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Colonel Sutherland, of Union county. Their children were: Robert; Thomas; John; William; Elizabeth; Jane, and Margaret. Robert Van Valzah (3), and his brother Thomas Van Valzah both became eminent as physicians; the former married and had seven sons, five of whom graduated as doctors of medicine. Dr. Thomas Van Valzah was a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania. He married Harriet, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Harris) Howard. Mrs. Van Valzah died nine days prior to the fif-

tieth anniversary of their marriage. They had four sons, three of whom graduated in medicine from the University of Pennsylvania. Mrs. Howard was a daughter of James Harris, of Derry, Pa., who served in the Revolutionary war, and was in the battles of Trenton, Princeton, the Brandywine and Germantown. The children of Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Van Valzah were: Thomas Howard, born in Lewisburg, Pa., March 29, 1821, graduated in medicine from the University of Pennsylvania in 1845, practised in Clarion, Pa., with his father in Lewistown, served in a hospital during the Rebellion, afterwards practised successfully in Lewistown until his retirement a few years before his death, which occurred January 17, 1894; Robert Harris, born September 18, 1823, graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1847, was a resident physician at the Pennsylvania Hospital in 1846-47, practised extensively at Freeport, Ill., where he died, aged thirty-seven, July 25, 1860; Laird Howard, born February 14, 1828, died February 18, 1843; Mary Elizabeth (Mrs. Andrew P. Jacob), had one daughter, Harriet Howard (Mrs. John Alden Knight); John William, born September 12, 1830, at Lewisburg, Pa., was a graduate of 1855 from the University of Pennsylvania, practised and studied at the Pennsylvania Hospital, 1854-55, practised with his brother, Dr. R. H. Van Valzah, at Freeport, Ill., was surgeon of the Fifteenth Illinois Volunteers during the Civil war, died at Freeport, August 10, 1863, of a disease contracted at the siege of Vicksburg; Jane Howard (Mrs. Ezra Doty Parker), of Millintown, Pa., has four children, Harriet Howard; Rebecca Cloyd; Dr. Thomas Van Valzah, a graduate of Cooper College, San Francisco, Cal., and Edmund Southard, besides a stepson, Andrew Parker, son of Mr. Parker by a former marriage with Mary Hamilton, who died in Juniata county; Harriet Rebecca, died aged two years; and David Douglas, born January 6, 1840, served throughout the Rebellion in the Twelfth United States Infantry, regular army, as first lieutenant, was taken prisoner at the battle of the Wilderness and paroled after eight months' captivity, is at present colonel of the Eighteenth Regiment, United States Infantry, married Ellen Jane Murphy, of San Antonio, Tex.

The father of this large and influential family, Dr. Thomas Van Valzah, was born December 23, 1793, in Union county, Pa. He was educated in the classics by Rev. Thomas Hood, prepared for his medical course under his father, was a surgeon in the army during the war of 1812, when barely twenty years of age, graduated at the University of Pennsylvania in 1818, and practised, first in Lewisburg, then from 1837 to 1842 in Freeport, Ill., and lastly in Lewistown, in all, fifty-eight years. He died, lamented as scarcely any one but an old and faithful physician, the trusted and beneficent friend of many families of all classes, ever is mourned. He was famed for his gracious and kindly manner, his generosity and his hospitality, no less than for his skill as a physician, and especially in the delicate and difficult branch of surgery. He was known far and wide among his professional brethren, as one occupying the foremost rank. In support of this assertion, we can instance only the fact that he performed the second successful high operation in lithotomy accomplished in America, his only predecessors in attempting the operation on this side of the Atlantic having been the celebrated Dr. Gibson, of Philadelphia, and Dr. Carpenter, of Lancaster, Pa.

Mrs. John Alden Knight, formerly Miss Harriet Howard Jacob, was a graduate of the class of 1869 from Monmouth Seminary, Birmingham, Pa. Her father, Andrew Parker Jacob, Esq., attorney-at-law, was graduated from Washington and Jefferson College in 1840, and practised with eminent success at Lewistown, Pa. He was born October 3, 1820, and died December 20, 1856. His widow resides with her daughter, Mrs. Knight, at Lewistown.

CHARLES FRANKLIN KISSINGER, Lewistown, Millin county, Pa., was born at the village of Gratz, Dauphin county, Pa., November 3, 1854, son of Jacob and Susanna (Buffington) Kissinger. The Kissinger family originated in Germany. The grandparents of Charles F. Kissinger were Mr. and Mrs. George Kissinger, whose family consisted of the following children: George; Jonas; John; and Jacob. The last-named, who was the father of Charles F., was born and reared in the Lykens Valley, in Dauphin county. He attended the common schools, and became a farmer, residing all his life in the Lykens val-

ley. Following his important vocation with skill and diligence, he was prosperous, and occupied a respectable position in the community. Jacob Kissinger died in November, 1852. Of the ten children who made up the family of Jacob and Susanna Kissinger, four died young; the others are: Catherine, wife of Hon. H. B. Hoffman, of the Lykens valley, has two children; Henry, married Miss Martz, of Dauphin, Pa., and died in 1870, leaving six children; Amanda (Mrs. Josiah Riegel), has two children; John, married Catherine Hoffman, has nine children; Hannah (Mrs. R. G. Bower), has two children; George M., married first Miss Leiser, of Watsonstown, Pa., afterwards Margaret Moffitt, by whom he has seven children. Susanna (Buffington) Kissinger was a descendant of Benjamin Buffington, the first settler of that name in Dauphin county, having come thither from Berks county, Pa. He died in 1814, and was buried, according to his request, in the graveyard at Short Mountain. His sons were Eli; George; Levi; and John. The three last-named intermarried with the Hoffman family, had large families and were long-lived men. Eli settled near Gratz, where his grandson, Jeremiah Buffington, now resides. He married Elizabeth Kissinger, and had sons: Abraham and John E. The latter was born in 1799 and died in 1867. He married Susanna Artz, and had sons: Elias; Jeremiah; and Daniel. Jacob Buffington, Sr., born in 1800, died in 1878, was a mechanic. He was one of the most expert hunters of his day. He married Mary Guntryman, and had sons: Isaac; Jonas; Jacob; Emanuel; and Levi. Solomon Buffington was born in 1819, and died January 1, 1878; was a mechanic and farmer. He was for many years an active member of the United Brethren church. He was married to Margaret Matter, and had sons: Moses C.; Edward; and Uriah, two of whom were in the Union army during the war of the Rebellion, in which Solomon Buffington was zealously and actively interested.

Until he reached the age of seventeen, Charles F. Kissinger attended the public schools of Shamokin, Pa., being for the last two years of that time in the high school. He then left school, and entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, at McClure, Snyder county, Pa., in the capacity of station agent and operator. This was in

November, 1871, and in September, 1872, he was transferred to Paintersville, Pa., where he remained until the following April; he was then transferred to Middleburg, Snyder county, and remained there until October 15, 1873. On this date he was promoted to the position of yardmaster and ticket and freight agent at Selin's Grove, Pa., in which he continued until, on January 1, 1875, he was transferred to the Philadelphia and Erie Railroad, still remaining, however, an employee of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. From this position, on August 1, 1876, he passed to that of train dispatcher at Lewistown Junction, Lewistown division of Pennsylvania Railroad, and on August 1, 1882, six years later, he was promoted to his present place, that of trainmaster and division operator of the Lewistown division. These promotions speak for Mr. Kissinger's capability and faithfulness and in his official relations as nothing else could do. He takes a warm interest in local affairs, and is a supporter of Republican principles.

Charles Franklin Kissinger was married, March 26, 1879, to Lula E., daughter of William and Anna (Davis) Eckbert. Their only surviving child is George Buffington Kissinger. Mr. and Mrs. Kissinger are members of the Presbyterian church at Lewistown.

LOUIS J. KOCH, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., son of Magnus and Thekla (Breiler) Koch, was born in Huntingdon, Pa., June 12, 1849. His parents came to America from their native province of Hesse Cassel, in which they had their home near the city of Fulda, in the year 1847, landing after a tedious voyage of six weeks in Baltimore, Md. Magnus Koch was a miller, and soon after his arrival in this country, traversed the valleys to find employment at his trade in some one of the Maryland or Pennsylvania mills; at that time they were for the most part run by water power. In this quest, Mr. Koch made his way by canal to Huntingdon, and, as he could find no situation as miller, obtained instead employment upon the construction of the Pennsylvania railroad; and making his home in the vicinity of Huntingdon, he soon became known as an industrious and honorable man, so that although his only capital was his excellent reputation and the help and encouragement of his faithful wife, he was able to maintain his family in comfort, and to lay up for

them a fair provision. The children of Magnus and Thekla Koch are: Louis J.; Elizabeth, born September 26, 1851, resides with her brother H. W., in Huntingdon; Ferdinand B., born May 8, 1854, married Susan, adopted daughter of Edward McHugh, and has six children; George, born July 19, 1859, married Emma ———, has one child, resides at Vineland, N. J.; and Harry W., born May 25, 1865, resides with his sister in Huntingdon. Mrs. Magnus Koch, who was born September 18, 1823, died September 5, 1883; her husband, who was born September 8, 1820, died May 23, 1895. Both were devout members of the Catholic church, were hospitable and kind, and enjoyed the esteem of their neighbors.

Being reared in Huntingdon, Pa., Louis J. Koch attended the common schools of the borough. At the age of sixteen, he began to learn telegraphy, and was first engaged as an operator on the Pennsylvania railroad, Middle division; in 1869, he was assigned to a position in the superintendent's office at Harrisburg, Pa., where he remained until 1872. His next assignment was at Middleburg, Pa., where he assumed the position of freight and ticket agent on the Lewistown division of the Pennsylvania railroad. In 1873, he was promoted to his present position, that of yardmaster at Lewistown Junction. In 1874, he became freight and ticket agent on the Texas and Pacific railway, in Texas. His health failing there, he returned in 1876 to his former position as yardmaster. In 1880, his health again failing, he was absent about a year at the seashore and in the Carolinas, and upon his return, was reinstated in his former position. Mr. Koch has been steadily faithful and efficient in the performance of duty, and has well merited his promotions. He is a good citizen, taking an active interest in the progress of the community.

Louis J. Koch was married November 21, 1882, to Laura J., daughter of Thomas J. and Jane E. (Scott) Cameron. Their children are: Louis Joseph, Jr., born September 16, 1884; Thekla, born August 30, 1885, died very young; Thomas, born September 11, 1886, also died young; Charles Francis, born September 8, 1887, died October 29, 1889; Mary Anna, born July 2, 1889; Clare Elizabeth, born August 4, 1891, died April 8, 1892; and James Richard, born August 15, 1894.

Thomas J. Cameron, father of Mrs. Koch, is descended from the same family as Hon. Simon Cameron, of Pennsylvania. Mrs. Koch is one of four children; her mother died while she was still in infancy. The other children are: Anna M., died in 1874; Sarah (Mrs. Stewart Walker), of Post Falls, Idaho; and Isabella (Mrs. David Scherry), of Altoona, Pa.

RICHARD MILTON McCOY, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Duncannon, Perry county, Pa., March 7, 1859. He is a son of David and Mary J. (Gray) McCoy, both of Scotch-Irish lineage. His paternal grandparents were David and Mary (Moore) McCoy, whose children were as follows: William, of Duncannon, married Margaret Fitzpatrick, had six children; Catherine, wife of Rev. John Kistler, of Cumberland county, had one son, Harry L.; David, Jr., born February 5, 1832; Matthew; Hackett; and Elizabeth (Mrs. Robert Bothwell), of Duncannon. The second member of this family, Mrs. Kistler, died in Africa, whither she had accompanied her husband, they being sent to that country under the auspices of the Board of Missions of the Lutheran church. Mrs. Kistler was an earnest and faithful worker, and bravely took her life in her hand, as every one must do who visits the "Dark Continent," that she might extend the kingdom of Christ; but the malarious climate proved fatal to her; she yielded her life for the cause to which she was so devoted, and her remains rest in the cemetery at Muldenberg, in Africa. Two of the sons, Matthew and Hackett, and one son-in-law, Robert Bothwell, enlisted in the Union army during the Rebellion. Matthew and Hackett McCoy both passed their youth and early manhood in Perry county; both enlisted near the beginning of the war; the latter served until its close, returned home, and now resides in Huntingdon county, Pa.; but the elder of the two, after serving faithfully almost to the end of the struggle, was lost sight of, and probably rests in one of the many unmarked graves that are found on both northern and southern soil. Mr. Bothwell also served throughout the war; he was wounded in one of the Bull Run engagements. All three did their perilous duty with gallant fidelity. Their father, the elder David McCoy, was a farmer; he

was a worthy and useful citizen, and a respected member of the Presbyterian church, to which his wife also belonged. He died in the prime of life, at about fifty years of age; Mrs. McCoy survived him until 1882, when she died, aged seventy.

David McCoy, Jr., was born at Petersburg, now Duncannon, Perry county, where he grew up and was educated in the public schools. At the age of seventeen, he applied himself to learning carpentry. After serving a full apprenticeship, he was employed as journeyman by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for several years. He then entered the employ of the Duncannon Iron Company, and continued in that service, an honored and trusted member of their working force, for over forty years. He was an excellent man, consistent and faithful in every relation of life. His wife, Mary J. McCoy, was a daughter of Richard and Mary (Branyan) Gray, born July 5, 1833. Their children are: Harry, who married Tennie Dunkle; Richard Milton; and Jones W., married Minnie Faisiek, of Altoona, Pa. Both Mr. and Mrs. McCoy were for more than forty years esteemed members of the Methodist Episcopal church, at Duncannon, from which their separation by death was deeply regretted. Mrs. McCoy died November 14, 1884; her husband followed her on March 31, 1895.

After receiving his education in the public schools, Richard M. McCoy continued to reside with his parents until he had passed his majority. At the age of twenty-two, he entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company as freight brakeman, and after serving in that capacity for about two years, was assigned to a clerkship in the railroad office, freight department, at Duncannon. In this position he remained for six years, and was then promoted, in 1889, to be freight and passenger agent at Mapleton, Pa., but six months later, was transferred to his present responsible position, that of passenger agent at Lewistown Junction. These promotions indicate very clearly the efficiency and devotion to duty which he has displayed in every position he has held. Like his father and grandfather, Mr. McCoy is a Republican of decided convictions. He is affiliated with Evergreen Lodge, No. 205, I. O. O. F., at Duncannon.

Richard Milton McCoy was married June

15, 1886, to Carrie E., daughter of Samuel H. and Mary (Gross) Moses. Their children are: David Earl, born May 5, 1887; and Mary Alice, born October 4, 1896. Mrs. McCoy is a member of the Lutheran church.

CLIFFORD S. THOMAS, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., son of Jacob V. and Lætitia P. (Smith) Thomas, was born at Bellefonte, Centre county, Pa. He is a descendant of one of the oldest of Pennsylvania families, its progenitor, a Welsh member of the Society of Friends, having come to the province with William Penn, on his first voyage. From that time to the present, inclusive, the line of descent presents seven generations. The immigrant forefather, Richard ap Thomas, a native of Wlâtford Garden, Flintshire, in the extreme north of Wales purchased 5,000 acres of land in Chester and Philadelphia counties. He was married July 21, 1681, and had children, among whom was Richard (2), who married Grace Atherton, born in England; one of their children, Richard (3), married Phoebe Ashbridge; Richard (4), one of their family, married Thomasine Downing; and among their children was William A. Thomas, who became the father of Jacob V., and grandfather of Clifford S. Thomas. William A. Thomas married Elizabeth Miller; both were natives of Chester county; in 1816, they removed to Bellefonte, Pa., where Mr. Thomas became interested in the manufacture of iron, being one of the first to develop that industry in Centre county; he established offices at Bellefonte and Philadelphia. William A. Thomas assisted towards the building of the first Friends' meeting-house in the town of Bellefonte, and sat at the head of the meeting until his death. He did much in other ways for the establishment and organization of the Society in that vicinity. Of eleven children born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, only four lived to adult age. William A. Thomas died at the age of seventy-two; his wife reached that of eighty-six.

Jacob V. Thomas was twice married. His first wife was Deborah Downing, of Chester county. The children of that marriage are: Joseph, deceased; Eliza; and Deborah (Mrs. Isaac Mitchell), of Bellefonte. Mrs. Deborah Thomas was but twenty-five years old when she died. Mr. Thomas's second wife was Miss Lætitia P. Smith. Their children are: Ann

(Mrs. Dr. Shaffner), of Philadelphia, has two children; Thomasine (Mrs. James B. Lane), has one child; Richard; Clifford S.; Mary; and two deceased. The father, who was born in 1818, died April 9, 1895; his wife survives him. Her parents were Clifford and Ann Smith, whose children were six in number: Eliza; Hannah; Lætitia; Mary; Poultney; and Harry. Mrs. Clifford Smith died at about sixty years of age; her husband reached the age of seventy.

The education of Clifford S. Thomas was begun in the common schools and the academy of Bellefonte, Pa., and finished with the scientific curriculum of the University of Pennsylvania, from which he received the degree of B. S., in 1879. In the same year, he became an apprentice in the Altoona locomotive shops of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and soon giving evidence of much aptitude for mechanical science, and skill in its application, combined with energy and faithfulness, he has been rapidly promoted. In 1883, he became second assistant road foreman of engineers on the Philadelphia division, Pennsylvania railroad; in 1884, assistant road foreman of engineers, New York division; in 1889, first assistant road foreman of engineers, Philadelphia division; and in 1893, he was appointed to his present post, that of master mechanic of the railroad shops, Lewistown division, with offices at Lewistown Junction. His residence is at the corner of Grand and Prospect streets, in the borough. Mr. Thomas holds the political views of the high tariff Republicans or Democrats.

Clifford S. Thomas was married, June 3, 1885, to Margaretta Diel, daughter of George and Josephine (Sill) Henderson. The children of this marriage are: George Henderson; Richard; and William. Mr. Thomas and his family attend the Episcopal church.

The grandparents of Mrs. Thomas were George and Margaretta (Diel) Henderson. George came to America early in life, with two brothers and a sister; he settled in Philadelphia, where he established a large and flourishing mercantile business. His children are: William; Edward; George, father of Mrs. Thomas; and Thomas. George (2), and Josephine (Sill) Henderson had two children: Margaretta (Mrs. Thomas); and Southmayd, who married Kate Shaffner, of Philadelphia, and has one child, Helen K. Mr. Henderson

in early life was a resident of Philadelphia, but now lives in New York City; he is a large wholesale dry goods dealer of that place and of St. Joseph's, Mo.

WILLIAM H. FELIX. Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Lewistown, August 30, 1844, son of Anthony and Sarah B. (Herring) Felix. Stephen Felix, his great-grandfather, was a native of Germany, who settled in a part of Lancaster county, now included in Dauphin county, before the Revolutionary war. There he passed the rest of his life in farming. His family consisted of three daughters and two sons, one of whom was Henry, grandfather of William H. Felix. He learned carpentry, and besides farming, worked at that trade. In his later life, he for some years kept a hotel on the Harrisburg and Lancaster county turnpike, near the Lancaster county line. Henry Felix married Rosanna Lawrence, whose parents were of German ancestry, and resided in York county, Pa. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Felix were: Stephen, married Rebecca House; John, married Miss Wolf, of Columbia, Pa., had three children, and his wife dying, married Emma Grove, by whom he had one daughter; Jacob, married Miss Gross, has two daughters and one son; and Anthony. Henry Felix lived to the age of seventy-seven; his remains are interred near Elizabethtown, Lancaster county. Anthony Felix was born on the homestead in Derry township, Dauphin county, in March, 1818. He lived there until he was sixteen, receiving his education at one of those subscription schools maintained by the farmers in their own neighborhoods, which preceded the establishment of the common school system. After leaving school, young Felix served an apprenticeship of two years at cabinet-making. This over, he maintained himself by doing journeyman work in various places until 1837, when he settled in Lewistown, and went into business on his own account. His excellent workmanship and honorable dealing won for him more than ordinary success, and he continued in this line of business until 1864, when he exchanged it for mercantile pursuits. In this line, also, he found himself fairly successful, and was in business until 1885, when he retired, to enjoy for the remainder of life the fruits of his laudable industry.

Anthony Felix, on March 16, 1839, married Sarah B., daughter of Dr. Asa and Jane (Bush) Herring, of Mechanicsburg, Cumberland county, Pa. Their children are: Henry Addison, born April 18, 1840, married Susan Matters; Selinda Jane (Mrs. Abraham Stouffer), born June 6, 1842; William H.; Anna Milliken (Mrs. George Lindemuth), born May 28, 1846; James D., born October 27, 1849, died in childhood; John Lawrence, born April 14, 1853, died when eighteen months old; Ellen Davis (Mrs. C. B. McDowell), born December 24, 1855; Emma Louisa (Mrs. Hans Kruse), born March 27, 1857, resides at Newell, Ia; Walker D., born May 2, 1859, married Annie Wian, who died, and he married again, and resides in Maryland; and Howard, born January 10, 1862, died aged thirty-one. Dr. Asa Herring, father of Mrs. Felix, was born and educated in the State of New York, and afterwards settled at Stroudsburg, Monroe county, Pa., where he began the practise of his profession. He had an extensive circle of patients and friends. He had four daughters and but one son, James B., who chose the same profession. He was a graduate of Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., read medicine with Dr. Joseph B. Ard, of Lewistown, and received his diploma from the University of Pennsylvania. He also has been a successful practitioner.

William H. Felix spent his earliest school days in the common schools of Lewistown; at the age of fourteen, he entered the academy in that borough, which he attended for two years. He was still a schoolboy, attending the Lewistown high school, when war broke out, and while all patriotic American lads were shouting the "Star Spangled Banner," and "Rally Round the Flag, Boys!" many of them took the call literally, and must needs follow the "banner" to the perilous "front." William H. Felix was one of these; when only seventeen, he enlisted in Company K, One Hundred and Thirty-first Pennsylvania Volunteers, Capt. Joseph S. Waream, for the nine months' service. Being mustered out, May 23, 1863, at Harrisburg, Pa., he re-enlisted a little more than a month later, on June 27, in Company A, Thirty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Capt. H. A. Eisenbise; both enlistments were at Lewistown. By order of Governor Curtin, he was mustered out August 11, 1863. On January 30, 1865, he enlisted

once more, in Company C, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Capt. A. B. Selheimer, and this time served until the end of the war, and was honorably discharged at Nashville, Tenn., September 11, 1865. Mr. Felix now returned to his home, and assisted his father in his business until July, 1866, when, the elder Felix having relinquished the furniture business, the son became his successor, and has built well on the foundation laid by the father. He has now an extensive and profitable trade; he has moreover earned the reputation of an able and conscientious man of business. He erected his present commodious warehouse and store in 1871. His business has three branches, furniture, undertaking, and livery. The last two departments are in Dorcas street, and are under the careful management of his son, Charles H. Felix. Mr. Felix has always been actively interested in local enterprises of a beneficial character. He is a member of Colonel Hulings Post, No. 176, G. A. R., at Lewistown. In 1885, he was elected commander of the Post, and served one term. He was re-elected in 1892, and has held that rank since that date. In 1886, Mr. Felix was appointed an aide-de-camp on the staff of the commander-in-chief, and made the pilgrimage to the Pacific coast during the encampment at San Francisco. He is also a member of Lodge No. 97, I. O. O. F., at Lewistown; of Lodge No. 255, K. of P.; of Onpetonga Tribe, No. 67, I. O. of R. M.; and of Council No. 1,394, Royal Arcanum, all of the same borough. Mr. Felix is of the Republican party.

William H. Felix was married, January 9, 1866, to Sarah D., daughter of Abner and Catherine (Fosnought) Robins. Their children are: Charles H., a graduate of State College, Centre county, Pa., married December 16, 1896, to Clara E., daughter of John H. and Alinda (Haley) Swartz, of Mechanicsburg, Pa.; and Cartie M., married November 12, 1896, to Jonas H. Fretz, of Philadelphia. The family attend the Presbyterian church. The wife and mother, Sarah D. Felix, died January 13, 1897, leaving not only a sad vacancy in the mourning family, to whom she had been a devoted and exemplary wife and mother, but a deep sense of loss in the wider circle of her friends and fellow-members of the church. She was a consistent member of the Presbyterian denomination, was pious and

charitable, and was the object of universal esteem and respect.

MARTIN LUTHER McCLINTIC, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., son of James and Catherine (Isenberg) McClintic, was born March 19, 1860, near Belleville, Mifflin county. The McClintic family is of Scotch-Irish descent. James McClintic, born November 21, 1815, was a prosperous farmer of the Kishacoquillas valley. He was an esteemed citizen, a member of the Lutheran church, and exemplary in the relations of life. His wife, Catherine Isenberg, was born April 16, 1821. Of their children, one, named James E., died when ten years old; the others are: Hon. Joseph H., married to Elizabeth Markley, was twice elected on the Republican ticket to represent Mifflin county in the State legislature, and served with honor, resides near Belleville; David R., of Tyrone, married Elizabeth Brindle; George V., married Emma Proctor, resides in Groesbeck, Tex.; John D., living near Belleville; Maggie A., wife of H. C. Walker, D. D. S., of Lewistown; Martin Luther, of Lewistown, Pa.; and Elizabeth E., wife of George F. Stackpole, editor of the Lewistown *Gazette*. James McClintic died December 19, 1861. Mrs. McClintic died January 4, 1897.

Mrs. Catherine McClintic was born near Allensville, Pa., in 1821. At one time she was a resident of Barryville, but spent the last years of her life, after the death of her husband, in Belleville. Her death resulted from pleurisy, and succeeded an illness of about two weeks. She died at the age of seventy-five years, eight months and fifteen days. One who knew her well wrote thus: "Mrs. McClintic was one of those sweet characters that are developed by the elating of the Lord, for she was made perfect through suffering, having for a number of years passed under the rod of the Master, her latter days being made more painful by a severe cough. Her love was great, not only for her friends, but her charity extended to all, and she had no words of condemnation. Hers were all expressions of sympathy, and her care was not for self, but for others always first. She walked close in the path trod by her Redeemer, and was not only ready to go to Him, but rejoiced that the time was so near; and as her spirit fled, her last expressions were words of confidence

in Him. "Blessed are they who die in the Lord."

Mr. M. L. McClintic was educated in the public schools of Union township, and passed the teachers' examination at Milroy in 1879, under County Superintendent McClenahan. In the spring of 1880, he applied himself to the study of telegraphy at Lewistown Junction, and remained there for about a year, as an operator for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. In 1882, he became private operator for Messrs. Boyd, Stickney & Co., western coal shippers, in their offices at Lewistown Junction. His ability and diligence in the discharge of duty have obtained for him his promotion to the position of manager of the immense shipping business of that firm at Lewistown Junction. He is a member in good standing of the P. O. S. A., Lodge No. 462, at Lewistown. His politics are Republican. Mr. McClintic holds membership in the Lutheran church at Lewistown.

PETER SPANGLER, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born January 16, 1831, at York, Pa., son of Charles and Sarah (Schultz) Spangler, who were of German ancestry. His paternal grandfather was Jesse Spangler; his grandmother's family name was Heckert. Their children were: Catherine; Charles; Louisa; Charlotte; Rudolph; Lena; and Josiah. Of the family of Charles and Sarah Spangler, one named Charles Henry, died aged about three years; the others are: Mary D. (Mrs. Samuel Gotwalt); Peter; Jane, widow of Charles Ginter; Charlotte Ann (Mrs. Samuel Small); Elizabeth, widow of Edward S. Rupp. The mother died September 2, 1843. Charles Spangler, born March 21, 1800, died in February, 1886.

After receiving his education in the public schools of York, Peter Spangler learned the business of tailoring with Jonathan Owens, of the same place, serving an apprenticeship of four years, and afterwards doing journeyman work for Mr. Owens for a year. In 1851, Mr. Spangler entered the employ of James A. Lilly, in Lewistown, and subsequently worked for Isaac T. Cordell; after which he went back to York, and to the employ of Mr. Owens, with whom he remained until August, 1852. Returning to Lewistown, he was again employed by Mr. Cordell, for about eighteen

months; then for a short time by Samuel J. Brislin. In 1855, Mr. Spangler began business on his own account, on East Market street, and continued until about 1861. Then for six years, he was engaged with his father-in-law, Gen. James Burns, as his assistant in his numerous business enterprises. He resumed business on his own account in 1867, in the mercantile line, carrying on a wholesale and retail clothing store until 1870, when he again became identified with the interests of General Burns; this connection continued until the death of the latter, October 26, 1879, since which time Mr. Spangler has not been engaged in any business. He is a member in good standing of Lodge No. 255, K. of P., Lewistown.

Peter Spangler was married, January 19, 1858, to Caroline S., daughter of Gen. James and Cartes (Steely) Burns, and has the following children: James Burns, born in December, 1858, died in March, 1866; Cartes Steely, died in 1870; Charles Henry; Thomas V.; Sarah S.; and Walter B. General and Mrs. Burns had a family of five children: Elizabeth M. (Mrs. James Allison); Mary, married first to Dorsey Gray, and after his death to Montgomery Morrison; Annie B.; Caroline S. (Mrs. Spangler); and James R., married Ellen Ritz, died by accidental shooting. Mr. Spangler and his family attend the Presbyterian church.

ALBERT B. SPANOGLER, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born near Saltillo, Huntingdon county, Pa., July 22, 1851, son of Andrew and Sarah (Baer) Spanogle. His paternal grandparents were Andrew and Sarah Spanogle, whose children were: Jacob; John; Andrew, Catherine; Samuel; David and one who died after his marriage. Mr. Spanogle's maternal grandparents were Daniel and Sarah Bare. Their children are: Mary; Sarah (Mrs. Andrew Spanogle); Peter and Daniel. Andrew Spanogle, after receiving the limited education then attainable in rural districts, continued maintaining himself by farm labor during his minority. In 1864-65 he was engaged in mercantile business at Loyalburg, Bedford county, Pa., and during the latter part of 1865 removed to Lewistown, where he built the North American tannery. Here he conducted on a large scale the manufacture of sole leather until 1879,

when he sold his interest to his former partner, William M. Pennebaker, and bought the Mt. Rock mills in Derry township. Associating with him his son, Albert B., under the firm name of Spanogle & Son, they carried on the business as merchant millers until November 1, 1881, when Mr. Spanogle bought the Reedsville mill in Brown township, and retired from business, leaving as his successors his sons Albert B. and Edwin, and his son-in-law, William J. Yeager. They still conduct the business with success and on an extensive scale. The children of Andrew and Sarah (Bare) Spanogle, who are both of German descent, are: Daniel, who died in 1877; Mary, who died in 1878; Elizabeth (Mrs. M. D. Barndollar); Albert B.; Ahmira (Mrs. W. J. Yeager); Edwin, married Martha McKee; Annie C.; Della; Harry, married Annie Mohler; and Flora.

Before the removal of the family to Lewistown, when Albert B. Spanogle was thirteen, he had attended the Huntingdon county public schools; he continued for some time in the public schools in his new home, and then became a pupil in the academy of Lewistown, completing his preparation for his life work by a course at the Peirce College of Business, in Philadelphia, from which he received his diploma in 1873. The brief story of his connection with the milling business founded by his father, has been told above, sufficient to say that Mr. Spanogle is now the able senior partner in the firm of Spanogle & Yeager, of Derry township, which has its office and warehouse at Lewistown. His political views are Republican. He has always been interested in the promotion of local industries, and the firm of which he is a member has contributed liberally toward the establishment of new industries in the town.

Albert B. Spanogle was married, May 11, 1882, to Anna, daughter of Rev. David W. and Priscilla (Green) Hunter, formerly of Blair county, Pa. The only child of Mr. and Mrs. Spanogle is Donald B., born December 12, 1884. Rev. Mr. Hunter and his wife have three children: Anna (Mrs. Spanogle); Edwin, of Chillicothe, Mo.; and John P., M. D., of Allegheny City, Pa. Mr. Spanogle and his family attend the Baptist church.

JOHNSON MUTHERSBAUGH, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Decatur

township, Mifflin county, December 7, 1844, son of Abraham and Jemima (Sigler) Muthersbaugh. Their family consisted of seven children: Johnson; James K., married Mary Gallagher; Annie Catherine; Isabella M.; Howard, married Miss Alexander, of Illinois; Ellen (Mrs. Thomas Brennan); Emma Sigler (Mrs. William H. Mendenhall). The father of the family is deceased, but his wife still lives, a venerable matron of more than fourscore years. She was one of a family of thirteen brothers and sisters.

The eldest son, Johnson Muthersbaugh, received his early education in the common schools of Decatur township. But his years of early manhood were to bring him a wider experience and sterner teaching than could be known within schoolroom walls. On August 30, 1864, when not yet quite out of his "teens," he enlisted in the war for the Union, and was mustered in at Harrisburg. His enrollment was in Company K, Two Hundred and Fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, under Capt. F. B. McClenahan. His regiment was assigned to the Army of the Potomac, in which he participated in the stirring scenes of the closing year of that great conflict, doing gallant and faithful service. He was discharged at Alexandria, Va., June 2, 1865. At the age of twenty-two, Mr. Muthersbaugh entered Freeburg Academy, Snyder county, Pa., under the tuition of Rev. W. L. Wilson and Professor Van Dyke, and studied there two terms, after which he taught school for one term at Germanville, Schuylkill county, Pa. After this he was for two years engaged in cultivating his father's farm, and then, having by this time been married, he removed to the farm of his father-in-law, where he remained for a year. In the spring of 1872, he entered the employ of Dickson & McGovern, on the Lewistown Division, of the Pennsylvania Railroad, which obliged him to remove to Lewistown. In this position he spent two years, and then turned his attention to carpentry, working with William Smith for one season and afterwards with Daniel C. Matters, for four years. In 1877, Mr. Muthersbaugh went into the business of carpenter and contractor on his own account; he has gradually extended and modified his enterprises, until, at the present time, he is the owner of large and well-equipped shops, containing all the requisites of a first-class plan-

ing mill. He is a member of Lodge No. 270, K. of P.; and of Castle No. 58, Mystic Chain, both of Lewistown; and of Colonel Hulings Post, No. 176, G. A. R., at Lewistown. He is a Republican. His residence is No. 122 Chestnut street.

Johnson Muthersbaugh was married November 5, 1868, to Amelia, daughter of Zeno and Lavinia (Gift) Fees. They have one daughter, Verna F., born December 25, 1870, who is the wife of William M. Lind. Mrs. Muthersbaugh was also the only child of her parents, who are both deceased. Mr. Fees died May 6, 1880, aged sixty-five, and his wife October 16, 1895, at the age of seventy-three. Mrs. Muthersbaugh's paternal grandparents were Jacob and Elizabeth Fees, who had nine children. Her maternal grandparents, Jacob and Elizabeth Gift, had five sons and three daughters. The family attend the Lutheran church.

AMOS HOOT, deceased, was of German lineage, and was born at Selin's Grove, Snyder county, Pa. In that town he received a good common school education, and while yet under twenty, began to qualify himself for blacksmith's work. He was a man of robust frame, active and diligent, and his mind was of the same character as his physical nature. He was observant and thoughtful, and thus made his intercourse with those surrounding him a means of intellectual culture; and his hours of retirement were to a great extent passed in reading such literature as he could obtain. He was thus not merely prepared for making and laying up money, but had much of that higher and better preparation for life which men of good taste and judgment find necessary. He was withal no laggard in business matters. His apprenticeship completed, he began work in Lewisburg on his own account, and although without capital and dependent on his own exertions, yet, having established a good reputation as to workmanship and honorable dealing, he soon became as widely as he was favorably known, and in the course of time, laid up a comfortable support for his declining years. His enterprises were in the line of his original trade, and were mainly in the way of coach and wagon building. Mr. Hoot retired from business at about fifty years of age. He spent the evening of his days in the homestead on East Third street,

Lewistown, in the enjoyment of the society of his family, his friends and his neighbors, among whom he was highly esteemed for his many excellencies of character. He was a Republican, and was elected as such to the office of treasurer of Mifflin county, in 1863. Mr. Hoot was a sincere and consistent Christian.

Amos Hoot married Amanda Spees. Their children were: Joseph, married Sarah Couch; William; Charles, married the widow of Ritz Burns; and Margaret (Mrs. George Murray). Mrs. Amanda Hoot died, and Mr. Hoot was again married, January 1, 1838, to Catherine, daughter of Cyrus and Sophia (Koppenhaver) Matters. Of this marriage there are three children: Harry Z., married Mary Shaw; Edward, married Jeannette Haller, and has one son; and John M., married Mary Benedict, and has one child. Mrs. John M. Hoot is the only child of Homer and Margaret (Parker) Benedict. Her grandparents were Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Benedict, whose children were: Homer and Mary.

SAMUEL EISENBISE, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., is descended from a German family, and is a son of Daniel and Margaret Eisenbise. He was born December 12, 1837. Three children of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Eisenbise are deceased: William, died at the age of thirty-five; Calvin, died aged seventeen; and one other. Those surviving are: Mary Ellen (Mrs. Good), of Altoona, Pa., has one child, Allen; and Samuel. Daniel Eisenbise and his wife are both deceased.

The education of Samuel Eisenbise was begun in the public schools of Lewistown, and his latest school years were passed in the academy of the same town, which he began to attend at the age of thirteen. He did not leave his father's house until, at the age of twenty-three, he enlisted for the three months' service, among the earliest volunteers for the defense of the Union. He was enrolled at Lewistown in Company I, Seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, Col. William H. Irwin, Capt. H. A. Zollinger, and was made fourth sergeant. The regiment was attached to General Patterson's command. Its term having expired, members were discharged at Harrisburg, Pa., in the latter part of July, 1861. About a month later, Mr. Eisenbise again enlisted, this time for three years, in Company

A, Forty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Col. Joseph Knipe, Capt. H. A. Eisenbise, ranking as sergeant. After faithful and gallant service for three years, he was discharged at Harpers Ferry, Va. After a short time passed at home, he once more enlisted, under Captain Eisenbise, in Company A, of the Thirty-sixth, but completed his term of service as second lieutenant of Company C, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Capt. Absalom Selheimer, a regiment which saw much hard service, and earned for itself a large share of the grateful remembrance of the citizens of a re-united country. Returning to Lewistown, Mr. Eisenbise, after a short experience in the business of butchering, opened a restaurant, which he conducted with great success until 1887. In 1886 he built the comfortable cottage, in modern style, on the corner of Wayne and Fourth streets, in which the family now reside. Mr. Eisenbise holds to the political principles of the Democratic party.

Samuel Eisenbise was married in October, 1863, to Elizabeth Sproul. Their children are: Margaret (Mrs. James Wolfkill), has one child; William S.; and Mary Ellen (Mrs. Thomas G. Burke), has two children. Mr. Sproul, father of Mrs. Eisenbise, is deceased, but her mother survives him. Their children were: Robert; William; Margaret; and Elizabeth (Mrs. Eisenbise). Mrs. Sproul is remarried to James McGowan, and has by this union three children: James; Lafayette; and Edith. The Eisenbise family attend the Methodist Episcopal church.

ARTHUR B. LONG, deceased, formerly of Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was the son of James Long, and was born November 5, 1806, in Lancaster county. He obtained his education in the "subscription schools," which preceded the introduction of the common school system. At the age of fifteen, he journeyed on foot from Lancaster county to Mifflin county. Here he found a home with his aunt, Mrs. Mary C. Reed, wife of Thomas Reed. From his uncle Mr. Long learned the trade of wagon-making, which calling he followed in Lewistown, purchasing in that borough a shop and a lot, upon which he not long after built a comfortable home. He was married in 1829, and for four years after continued in the quiet pursuit of his

trade, with encouraging prosperity. In 1833, Mr. Long and his father-in-law, William Shaw, built the Mount Rock Flour Mills, at Lewistown, and conducted them with success for about ten years. At the end of that time, having become interested in the manufacture of threshing machines, with a very flattering prospect for a lucrative trade, Mr. Long sold out his interest in the flour-mills. His next venture was the purchase of the right to manufacture the well-known, now old-fashioned "Hathaway Stove," for sale in six counties. His foundry was built at Lewistown. This enterprise proved a very successful one. Not so his furnace investments. The erection of the Isabella Furnace at Lewistown, in which he was a partner, and the renting of the Hope Furnace, also in Mifflin county, were the occasion of what would have been, to any man of less sound judgment, equanimity and tact, total and irretrievable ruin. His spirit and determination conquered circumstances, and we find him soon again in possession of the Isabella Furnace, which had been sold out by the sheriff, and filling large and profitable contracts with the railroad companies. One of these, a contract with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for the construction of reservoirs and water tanks, continued in force for twenty-eight years, long enough for him to place himself once more on a firm basis, satisfying all his creditors in full.

Mr. Long now became largely interested in coal and timber lands in Clearfield county, Pa., and some time later, associated with himself in these interests his sons, William James and George Henry. These lands were afterwards leased at a royalty for thirty years. The Longs purchased extensive woodlands near Grand Rapids, Mich., where they continued their business for about eighteen years. At the end of that time, they had put on the market an aggregate of one hundred and fifty million feet of lumber. Mr. Long constructed a railroad from his mills to the city of Grand Rapids. The Michigan interest is now under the management of his son, George H. Long. Mr. Long was warmly and actively interested in public affairs. He was an adherent of the Whig party, so long as it existed, and afterwards became a Republican. He never desired or accepted public office.

Arthur B. Long was married, December 1, 1829, to Anna Eliza, daughter of William

and Catherine (Watson) Shaw. Two of their children, Robert Watson and Anna Mary, died in childhood; those surviving are: William James, married Sarah Albright, has four children; George Henry, married Catherine Scheller, has eleven children; John S., married Catherine Turner, has one child; Mary Catherine, wife of Charles S. Hurlbut, M. D., of Lewistown; and Albert B. Mrs. Arthur B. Long was a granddaughter of William Shaw, of Northumberland county, Pa. Her father, William Shaw, Jr., married Catherine Watson, daughter of ———, a native of Ireland, resident in Philadelphia, where he married Miss Corey. Arthur B. Long died in his seventy-eighth year, June 23, 1884. He was a deacon of the Lewistown Presbyterian church, of which he had for many years been a faithful and active member. He was a lover of sacred music. He not only organized the first choir of the Lewistown congregation, but promoted in every way the improvement of that part of the worship.

Albert B. Long, youngest son of Arthur B. and Anna Eliza (Shaw) Long, was educated in the common schools and at the academy of Lewistown. On attaining his majority he became identified with the lumber interests at Grand Rapids, Mich., with his father and brothers. Mr. Long is a Republican, and adheres firmly to party principles. He resides in West Market street, Lewistown, Pa. Albert B. Long was married, September 8, 1880, to Sarah Jane, daughter of Oliver C. and Anna Eliza Chesney. Two of their five children are deceased. Those surviving are: Clarence A.; Hurlbut C.; and Albert B., Jr. Mr. Long and his family attend the Presbyterian church. Mr. and Mrs. Chesney have the following children: Charles C.; William Albert; Blanche; Rosabelle (Mrs. James Stackpole); Mary Ellen (Mrs. Samuel L. Lutz); and Sarah Jane (Mrs. A. B. Long).

JOSEPH H. ALTER, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at New Berlin, Union county, Pa., April 14, 1825, son of Abraham Alter. The parents were German by birth. Left an orphan at six years of age, Joseph grew up in the home of his brother-in-law, Michael Eppmeyer, in Snyder county, Pa. It was in a rural district, and he had received the usual training of farmers' sons. When he was eighteen, he began an apprenticeship of

three years at carpentry, with his brother, Daniel Alter. For several years after, he was a journeyman. Coming to Lewistown in 1845 he worked as such at boatbuilding, and continued for several years in the same occupation. Then, associating with himself Charles Gaskin, under the firm name of Alter & Gaskin, they carried on a prosperous trade in boat building until 1865. Mr. Alter enlisted January 31, 1865, in Company C, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Captain Selheimer, and was assigned with his regiment to the western army, under General Thomas. He was honorably discharged at the close of the war, and returned to Lewistown. There he was soon after employed by the Glamorgan Iron Company as master carpenter, an honorable and responsible position, which he has held since that time. Mr. Alter is esteemed as a good friend and neighbor, and a worthy citizen. He is a member of the F. and A. M., Blue Lodge, No. 205; of Chapter No. 186, and Commandery No. 26, all of Lewistown; also of K. of P., Lodge No. 255; of Ongpatonga Tribe, I. O. of R. M., and of Post No. 176, G. A. R., all of the same place. He is of the Republican party.

Joseph H. Alter was married, July 5, 1852, to Martha, daughter of Martin and Jane (McCurdy) Webb. Having no children, Mr. and Mrs. Alter in 1854 adopted Matilda Mann, a young girl of Swedish parentage, as their daughter. She is now the widow of Jacob C. Blymyer, and has had a family of six children, two of whom are deceased; Jacob J. and Ray Mann. Those surviving are: Martha A.; Josie A.; Lafayette Webb; and Henrietta Mann. Mr. Blymyer died November 12, 1894. Mr. Alter and his family attend the Lutheran church.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Webb, Mrs. Alter's parents, were born, the former in 1800, the latter in 1805. Mr. Webb died in 1857, and Mrs. Webb in 1862, both at the age of fifty-seven. Mr. Webb was for some years superintendent of a warehouse in Lewistown. Three of their children died in infancy. The others are: Lafayette, married Mary McFadden; Martha (Mrs. Alter); Thaddeus B., married Louisa Nicholas; Robert McCurdy, died at St. Louis, Mo., and is supposed to have been killed for his money; and Martin, died when about one year old. Mrs. Alter was born in the Kishacoquillas valley, and the family re-

moving to Lewistown while she was still very young, she was educated in the public schools of that place, and resided in the home of her parents until she was married.

HENRY AUGUSTUS WALTERS, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at the Lewistown Narrows of the Juniata river, July 13, 1838, son of William and Mary (Clathans) Walters. The family of Mr. and Mrs. William Walters consisted of these children: Mary; J. Harry; George Clark, Jr.; and Annie; Anna; Mary, who died in early childhood; and Henry Augustus. William Walters died in August, 1848. Mrs. Walters, who was one of a family of ten, died December 22, 1891.

For a short time after leaving the public schools of Lewistown, where he had received his primary education, Henry Augustus Walters was a pupil in the academy at Lewistown. But his father dying in the early prime of manhood, while Henry was as yet a lad of only twelve, and the family being dependent mainly on their own exertions, the boy could not be satisfied to remain at school, feeling himself a burden rather than a help to his mother. He therefore left school and found employment in driving on the canal for Zechariah Warner, in which occupation he continued during two summers, regularly handing his wages to his mother. He then entered the employ of Alfred Marks, with whom he remained for fourteen years, during part of which time he worked in Mr. Marks' flour-mill at Lewistown. When the war of the Rebellion broke out, Mr. Walters was among the first to enlist. On April 18, 1861, he was enrolled in Company E, Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, known as the "Logan Guards," commanded by Capt. J. E. Selheimer. Mr. Walters was sworn in for three months, was sent to Fort Washington, and was discharged at Harrisburg, Pa., in August, 1861. Either before or after this patriotic service he ran a boat on the canal for William Willis during one season. In the spring of 1866, aided financially by Mr. Willis, Mr. Walters bought a boat, and began running it on his own account. He continued to do so until 1871. He then engaged in the teaming and sand business at Lewistown, and in the following year embarked in the grocery trade, in all his undertakings he met with the most

gratifying and encouraging success. In 1890 he added investments in the coal and wood business, which, with his sand and lime interests, and his grocery store, covers nearly half a block in the west end of Lewistown. This large and profitable trade, supported by a most extensive circle of patrons, has been built up by energy and application out of a beginning of nothing in the way of capital. There is no need to point the moral of a life like that of Mr. Walters. This and the many similar stories met with in life, dispose one to think that to be poor and faithful is the best start that any lad can have. Mr. Walters is a member of Lodge No. 270, I. O. O. F., of the Lewistown Commandery, K. of M., of Lodge No. 270, K. of P., and of Colonel Hulings Post, No. 176, G. A. R., all of Lewistown. His political views are Democratic.

Henry Augustus Walters was married June 13, 1867, to Wilhelmina, daughter of Ferdinand and Eliza Solifelt, an adopted daughter of Noble and Mary Norton. Mrs. Walters' father, Mr. Solifelt, served in the Mexican war, and was killed while in the performance of his duty. Mr. and Mrs. Solifelt had two children: George and Wilhelmina (Mrs. Walters). The Walters family attend the Methodist Episcopal church.

GEORGE B. YOCCUM, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Lekeburg, Perry county, Pa., July 3, 1845, son of Samuel and Mary (Skandish) Yocum. His paternal grandparents were Mr. and Mrs. John Yocum. Three of the children of Samuel Yocum and his wife died in early life. The others are: Sarah Emma (Mrs. John Forsythe), who had two children, and died aged twenty-eight years; George B., and John, of Ohio, married to a lady of that State, has three children, Adam, George and Annie. Samuel Yocum died aged sixty-six years; his wife reached the age of seventy-three.

The removal of the family to Lewistown took place when George B. Yocum was about five years old. He was accordingly educated in the Lewistown schools. He resided with his parents until he attained his majority. Soon after this he began the business which he has carried on efficiently and profitably all his life since, that of making excavations and constructing masonry under contract. This work has been done principally in Lewistown

and its vicinity. But before the start in this handicraft came Mr. Yocum's connection with the great event of the century, for our country—the war of the Rebellion. He was not yet of age when, on July 14, 1864, he enlisted at Camp Curtin, Harrisburg, Pa., for four months' service, under Capt. A. B. Selheimer, in Company H, One Hundred and Ninety-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers. He was honorably discharged November 4, 1864, but was not long out of the patriotic struggle. He re-enlisted March 28, 1865, in Company E, Eighty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and, having faithfully served at Monocacy and Petersburg, and amid other stirring scenes of the last days of the Rebellion, he was discharged June 25, 1865. Mr. Yocum adheres to the Democratic party. He was elected on its ticket to the borough council, in which he served three consecutive terms. In 1894 he received the Democratic nomination for chief Burgess, and was elected for a term of three years. He is a member of Lodge No. 170, K. G. E., and of Colonel Hulings Post, No. 176, G. A. R., and of Lodge No. 270, K. of P., all of Lewistown.

George B. Yocum was married August 5, 1866, to Rebecca, daughter of John and Sarah Soles. Their children are: Samuel, married Hettie Bilger, has four children; Sarah Jane; John, married Amanda Beatty, has one child; Edward, married Laura Willey, has one child; Harry; and Charles Hurlbut, who was born May 20, 1873, and died at the age of eleven years. Mr. Yocum and his family attend the Lutheran church. The parents of Mrs. Yocum, Mr. and Mrs. Soles, are both deceased. Their children are: Eva; Eliza; Sarah A.; John; Mary; Harry; Rebecca (Mrs. Yocum); William; Hannah J.; and George.

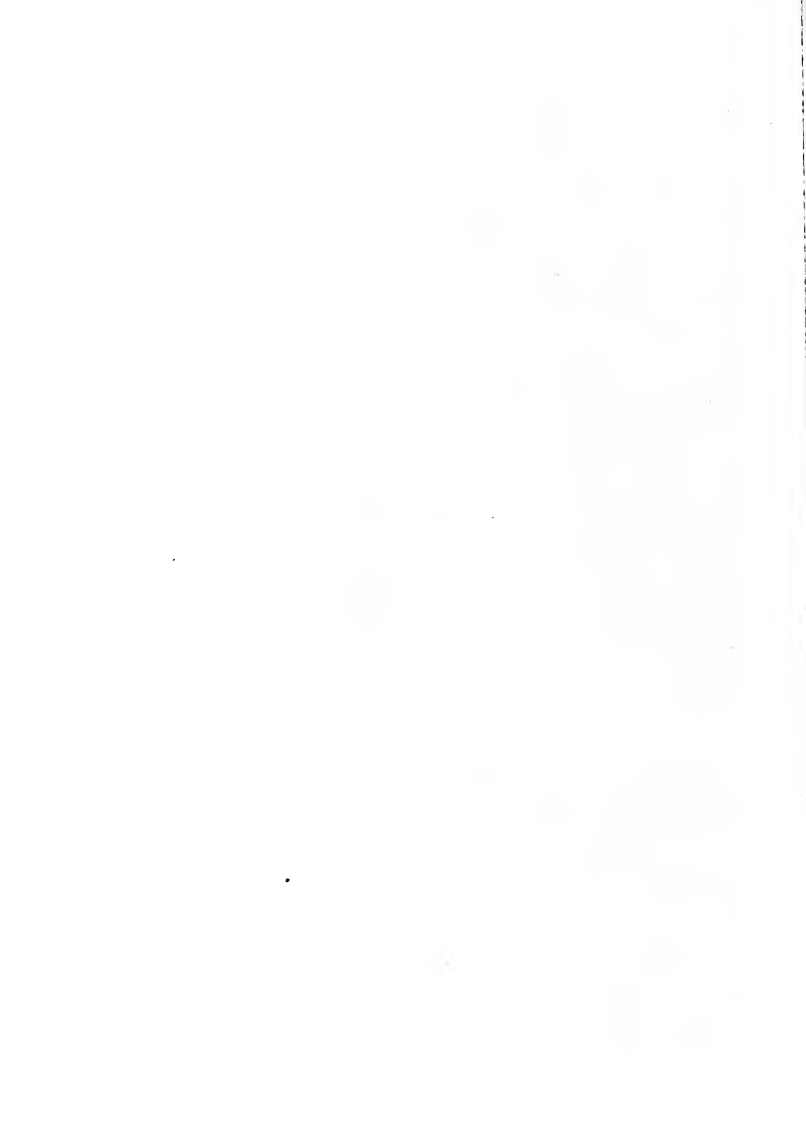
GEORGE WASHINGTON SOULT, deceased, was born in Granville township, Mifflin county, Pa., February 22, 1822. He is a son of Philip Soult, of Huguenot lineage; his mother's family name is Kauffman. Mr. and Mrs. Philip Soult had the following children: Two who died when very young; George W.; Mary A. (Mrs. Samuel Davis); Sarah Elizabeth (Mrs. Matthias Moser); and Jane E. (Mrs. H. Stoll), of California, died in January, 1897.

After receiving elementary instruction in the common schools of Lewistown, George W.

Soult became a pupil in the academy of the same borough. His course in that institution completed, he became a teacher, and labored faithfully in that profession for some years. He enlisted at the beginning of the war with Mexico, and served for two years; for meritorious service, he was promoted to the rank of corporal, but his health failed, and he received his discharge, and returned to Lewistown. There he was for some time employed in a store, and afterwards engaged in mercantile business on his own account. At the beginning of the war of the Rebellion, Mr. Soult was for a short time in the commissary department, at Harrisburg, Pa., but desiring more active participation in the conflict, he came back to Lewistown, recruited Company A, One Hundred and Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was mustered in as first lieutenant, August 30, 1862. He was promoted, January 1, 1863, to the rank of captain and assigned to Company H, of the same regiment. At Gettysburg, Pa., he was wounded in the first day's fight, July 1, 1863, and on June 24, 1865, he received his discharge. Mr. Soult was next employed in the Railway Mail Service, being the first person to enter that service from Lewistown. Five years later he resigned that position and turned his attention to farming in Granville township, where he resided during the rest of his life. The orders to which he belonged were the lodges of F. and A. M. and of the I. O. O. F., at Lewistown. He was also a member of the Grand Army Post of that borough.

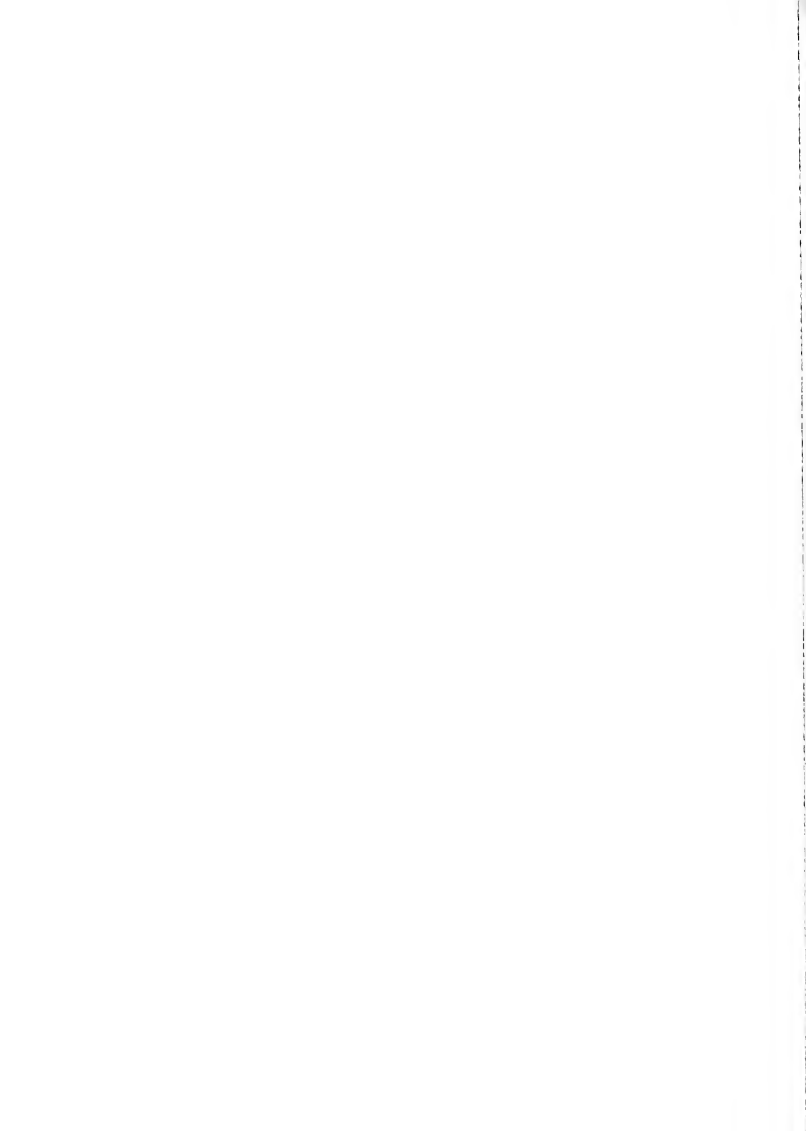
George Washington Soult was married, September 15, 1864, to Eliza A., daughter of Matthew T. Mayes, of Mifflin county, and Martha (Ewing) Mayes, of Huntingdon county. Their children are: Walter, born May 24, 1866, married Bessie Powell, and has four children, is at present employed in the Railway Mail Service, New York and Pittsburgh Railway Post Office; William, born September 6, 1868, married Fannie Van Zandt, has one child, resides on the home-stead; George Howard, born August 28, 1871; and Matthew Frank, born September 4, 1877. Mr. Soult died October 3, 1882. He was an earnest and consistent member of the Presbyterian church at Lewistown.

The paternal grandparents of Mrs. Eliza A. (Mayes) Soult, were Andrew and Annie





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(Shaw) Mayes; their children are as follows: Elizabeth, born May 25, 1788; James, born November 20, 1789, died February 4, 1829; William, born March 16, 1792, died October 5, 1838; Andrew, born October 7, 1797, died February 8, 1856; and Matthew, born July 19, 1803, died August 31, 1845. Andrew Mayes died April 8, 1827; his wife survived until January 28, 1831. Mrs. Soult's maternal grandparents, William and Elizabeth (Anderson) Ewing, had seven children: Mary; James; Margaret; Martha, the mother of Mrs. Soult; Thomas; Elizabeth; and William. Mr. and Mrs. Ewing were of Scotch-Irish descent, and resided in Shavers Creek valley, Huntingdon county, Pa.

JOHN ALBRIGHT, deceased, was born March 27, 1803, in Berks county, Pa. His parents were George and Elizabeth (Miller) Albright, whose family consisted of ten children. His uncle was the celebrated Jacob Albright, founder of the Evangelical church.

After passing his boyhood in attending the schools of his neighborhood, and in such other duties and pleasures as usually enter into the lives of farmers' sons, John Albright went to serve an apprenticeship of three years' duration at tanning with Mr. Hilbish, of Carlisle, Pa. This trade acquired, he began business in his own name in Ferguson's Valley, Perry township, Mifflin county. Here he met with encouraging success, and in the course of a few years purchased a lot, and built the Albright tannery, at Reelsville; this was about 1840. At a later date he conducted a store in the same place, in addition to his tannery. He was successful in both enterprises, and after carrying on a flourishing business for many years, he sold out his interests, having secured a sufficient income to maintain himself in comfort during the decline of life. He then removed to Lewistown, and spent his remaining days with his daughter, Sarah C., who now resides on the homestead. Mr. Albright always adhered to the Democratic party; his first ballot was cast for President Jackson.

John Albright was married April 3, 1825, to Rebecca, daughter of Daniel and Gertrude Klose. Their children are as follows: Elovina (Mrs. Samuel Aurandt), whose husband died, leaving seven children; Mary Margaret (Mrs. W. W. Long), has four children living; George Washington, married Caroline Driver,

has five daughters; and Sarah Catherine, residing on the old homestead at Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa. The mother died January 21, 1880, aged eighty-two years, nine months and four days. The father survived her until February 16, 1885. He was a faithful and devout member of the Lutheran church.

JAMES NICHOLAS BLYMYER, deceased, was born at Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., April 4, 1847, son of George and Mary (Crull) Blymyer. After receiving his primary education in the common schools of Lewistown, and taking an academic course at the academy of the same place, he finished his studies at Lititz, Pa. He was then employed by his father in his milling and other business interests at Lewistown. For three years he conducted the bottling business in the interest of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Bossinger, and during the ensuing three years, was engaged in the hotel business at the Davids House, in Lewistown. He then again gave his attention to the affairs of his mother-in-law, until his health failed. He died March 26, 1890. Mr. Blymyer was a Republican, and, with his family, attended the Lutheran church.

James N. Blymyer was married, March 22, 1878, to Frederica, daughter of John Henry and Frederica (Knoell) Bossinger. The children of this marriage are: John Henry, born March 7, 1879; Mary Margaret, born April 10, 1881, died September 2, 1889; and George G., born December 15, 1883.

John Henry Bossinger, father of Mrs. Blymyer, was born about the year 1814, at Magstadt, a small town in Wurtemberg, Germany. He was the son of Frederick M. Bossinger, and one of a family of four daughters and two sons. He passed his youth in the fatherland; was there married to Frederica, only child of Bartholomew and Mary Margaret (Holzapfel) Knoell, and there all their children were born. As a youth he had learned coopering, but not liking that trade, he afterwards learned brewing and distilling, in which he met with success. At last, however, he determined to try the broader lands of the Western Continent, and emigrated to America, landing in New York, June 12, 1864. For one year he resided in Philadelphia, and then settled in Juniata county, where he bought 4,000 acres of timber land,

and began the manufacture of cooperage stock and of barrels. This enterprise proved a financial success. In May, 1868, Mr. Bossinger removed with his family to Lewistown, where some time after he went into business as a brewer, having as his partner his eldest son, John Henry Bossinger, Jr. In this business he continued during the rest of his life. As may be inferred from this sketch of his life, Mr. Bossinger was an active, enterprising man of business; another most important element of his success was his known integrity, his just and conscientious dealings with his fellow men. Before leaving his native land he had served in the town council of Maggstadt, and had been its treasurer for ten years. His generosity and hospitality won for him the warm regard of every one with whom he came in contact. He was a sincere Christian, and always ready to contribute liberally to the work of the church. Mr. Bossinger has considerable musical talent, the cultivation of which is not neglected in the excellent schools of Germany. He was for twenty years a member of the choir in the church of his youth at Maggstadt.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Bossinger are: John Henry, who married Mary Frash, and has eight children; Christoph Andrew, married Matilda Kauffman, who died leaving five children, and he afterwards married Barbara Harshberger, by whom he has four children; Frederica Muhr, married Martha Heineman, has five children; Catherine Agnes (Mrs. August Miller), has eight children; Louis H., married Elizabeth Fall, has four children; Gottlieb, died when he was two years old; Frederica (Mrs. Blymyer); Mary E. (Mrs. Philip R. Young), has four children; and Sophia Margaret (Mrs. Abraham Kitting), has four children. The excellent father died October 14, 1879; his wife, now over seventy-six years of age, still survives him.

JACOB CRULL BLYMYER, deceased, formerly of Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born January 17, 1830, son of George and Mary (Crull) Blymyer. He was educated in the public schools and at the academy of Lewistown. His early experience in business life was acquired in the mercantile and milling business, in which he was engaged with his father, a dealer in coal, grain, etc., at Lewistown. This connection continued until, under

the pressure of adverse circumstances, the firm suspended operations. Forming a partnership with Isaac Rogers, under the firm name of Blymyer & Rogers, in 1883, Jacob Blymyer resumed the same line of business, that of milling, and dealing in coal, grain, etc., this time very successfully. In 1887 Mr. Blymyer built the handsome cottage in which his family now reside. He was obliged to relinquish active business in 1890 on account of declining health. He died November 12, 1894. He was a member of the F. and A. M. at Lewistown, and an adherent of the Republican party. He was an excellent man, of sincere and consistent Christian character.

Jacob C. Blymyer was first married to Anna Barnitz. They had nine children, all of whom are deceased, except the following three: William Barnitz; Sarah Frysinger and Anna M. (Mrs. Thomas Wilson). Mrs. Anna Blymyer dying, Mr. Blymyer was again married, April 16, 1872, to Matilda Mann Alter, the adopted daughter of Joseph H. and Martha Alter. The children of this marriage are: Jacob J., born July 15, 1872, died April 12, 1873; Martha Alter; Josie Alter; Ray Mann, born February 14, 1881, died November 28, 1883; Lafayette Webb; and Henrietta Mann.

Mrs. Matilda M. Blymyer, who is a native of Sweden, came to this country with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Mann, in early childhood. They landed at Philadelphia, and came to Lewistown. Here Mrs. Mann was taken ill, and died, with one infant. Mr. Mann subsequently went to Minnesota, taking with him three of the children. He still resides in that State, but only one of the children is living, Charles Albert. The two deceased were Hattie and John. Mr. Mann is a good citizen, and one whose personal character invites the respect of all who know him.

LOUIS H. RUBLE, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., is a descendant of Michael Ruble, one of the earliest settlers of Fergusons valley, in Granville township, Mifflin county. Michael Ruble was an industrious and economical farmer, who, by saving his earnings and investing them in land, buildings and other improvements, became the owner of much valuable real estate. Part of the original tract is still in the possession of the family.

The paternal grandparents of Mr. L. H. Ruble had the following children, all of whom grew to mature age: John; Henry, married Caroline Baird, and had sons and daughters; Margaret (Mrs. Peter Rush), had sons and daughters; Susan (Mrs. John Dummire), had a large family of sons and five daughters; ——— (Mrs. Henry Schilling), removed either to Indiana or Jefferson county, Pa.; ——— (Mrs. Sechrist), removed to Western Pennsylvania, had a large family; Hannah (Mrs. Rothrock), also had many sons and daughters; and ——— (Mrs. Moser), removed to western Pennsylvania.

The eldest son, John Ruble, after receiving a limited education in the subscription schools of the neighborhood, continued assisting his father on the homestead, to which he succeeded upon the death of the latter. He was a very successful farmer, being not only of steady and laborious habits, but honorable and intelligent, so that he enjoyed the respect of his neighbors, and through intercourse with those more highly favored with educational advantages than himself, made up for much of his own lack of training. John Ruble was married May 28, 1840, to Anna, daughter of John Lauber, a Dunkard preacher of Union county, Pa. The children of this marriage, who died in early life, are: Oliver, deceased in childhood; James, when about ten years of age; and Juniata, when about seven. The others are: Isaac, married Mary Kerlin, of Juniata county, Pa., they reside in Virginia, and have two children; Mary Jane (Mrs. Frank Roth), of Monticello, Ind.; Louis H.; Aaron, married Catherine Price, removed to Ordway, Col.; Susanna (Mrs. M. H. Carter), resides in Kansas; Adeline (Mrs. William J. Wagner), died in Kansas, where they resided; John W., married in Kansas and now resides in Colorado; and George F., married and resides in San Diego, Cal. Mr. John Ruble, father of the family, died March 4, 1880, aged about sixty-four years; his wife died September 7, 1893, at the age of seventy-four.

Living on the old homestead, Louis H. Ruble attended the public schools of his vicinity, but not very long. He was but a boy when the war of the Rebellion broke out, and he enlisted, at the age of sixteen, August 26, 1861, in Company A, Forty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers (the "Logan Guards"), un-

der Captain Matthews. He came home at the expiration of his three years of service, only to enlist again, with others of the "Guards," on January 31, 1865, and to go on rendering a boy's gallant and faithful service until the close of the war. He was mustered out July 16, 1865. Returning to his home, Mr. Ruble remained there until 1867, when he began farming on his own account, which he did with very gratifying success. In 1883 he bought the farm formerly owned by his father, and cultivated it until his appointment by the directors of the poor to the stewardship of the Mifflin county almshouse, in January, 1887. He still holds that position, for which he appears well fitted by character and manners. He is a member of Colonel Bulings Post, No. 176, G. A. R., and of Juniata Lodge, No. 270, K. of P., both at Lewistown. He is of the Republican party.

Louis H. Ruble was married, January 25, 1866, to Mary B., daughter of James and Rachel (Todd) Kreps. Their children are: Alice Virginia, born November 3, 1869, died January 3, 1877; Walter, born September 21, 1866, died March 26, 1877; Ann Adessa, born October 21, 1868, died May 9, 1883; Charles Howard, born March 24, 1874, died December 18, 1892; Harry Franklin, married Bertha Smith, of South Dakota, they reside in Wyoming; William L.; Edward Garfield; Albert Roswell; and Ima Lorena. The family attend the Methodist Episcopal church.

Mr. and Mrs. James Kreps, the parents of Mrs. Ruble, had the following children, besides three who died very young: Lawrence, married Julia Baker; William, married Hannah Cupples; Wilhelmina (Mrs. B. F. White); David, married Jennie Adams; Laura (Mrs. William Bigerman); Sarah Catherine (Mrs. Gabriel Allen); and Mary B. (Mrs. Ruble). Mr. Kreps, who was a native of Centre county, Pa., came to Mifflin county in his boyhood, and passed his life in farming. He was of German and Irish ancestry; his father, James Kreps, who was descended from a German family, married Margaret Butler, whose parents came from Ireland. Mrs. Ruble's father died at about sixty-eight years of age, and her mother on August 24, 1893, aged seventy-eight years.

ANTHONY McCAULEY, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in County Mayo,

Comaught, Ireland; his parents are Peter and Catherine (Hastings) McCauley. His paternal grandparents, Anthony and Honora (Merrick) McCauley, had the following children: James, married, has five sons and three daughters; Peter; Mary, married Mr. McCauley, has one son Anthony, and one daughter, Mary; Belinda, married Mr. McCauley, has four sons and one daughter; Winifred, married Mr. Cavanaugh, has three sons and one daughter. Peter McCauley, being brought up on a farm, was trained in the business of tilling the soil, and continued all his life in the same occupation. He lived to the age of sixty-one. His wife Catherine, daughter of Peter and Belinda (Harrison) Hastings, is still living, a venerable woman of nearly ninety years of age. She had three brothers, all of whom married and raised families in Ireland; Patrick was the eldest; the next was Darby, who married a lady of his own surname, Hastings, and had two sons and four daughters; the third, Thomas, married Miss Gillespie, and had three sons and one daughter. The family of Mr. and Mrs. Peter McCauley is as follows: Anthony; James, resides in Ireland, married Miss Rutledge, has sons and daughters; Peter, resides at Pmmsstawney, Pa., married Ann ———, has five sons; Belinda (Mrs. Michael Lowther), has a family.

Anthony McCauley spent much of his boyhood in the healthy, if laborious, business of the farm. His education was carried on in the common schools and under private tuition. He also acquired a practical knowledge of stonemasonry, and when he reached his majority, judging correctly that he would find more profitable employment for his talents in a newer country, he set out for America. Landing at New York March 20, 1866, Mr. McCauley proceeded to Pennsylvania, where he speedily found employment at his trade. For several years he was profitably employed in various places, and in 1872 became a contractor and builder on his own account. He built many large stone bridges for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company along the line of the Columbia and Port Deposit Railroad, and along the main line; he also constructed the two county bridges at McVeytown, in 1889. It was not long before Mr. McCauley's reputation as a contractor and builder became fully established in central Pennsylvania. In

1886 he constructed the county jail at Middleburg, Snyder county; in 1893-94 he contracted for and constructed the Masonic Temple and the Opera House at Lewistown, both of which speak eloquently for his skill and taste. He has taken an important part in many of the building enterprises of central Pennsylvania. His own good fortune is a structure that rests on the best and most solid of foundations, intelligence, skill, honest industry and perseverance. Mr. McCauley takes an ardent interest in the affairs of his adopted country, and of the community in which he lives. He is a promoter of all beneficent schemes, whether in the borough or in his own church, the Roman Catholic. His political views are Republican.

Anthony McCauley was married, March 1, 1881, to Catharine, daughter of William and Susan (McKnight) Baum. Their family consists of two sons and three daughters: William P., born December 31, 1881; Susan, born January 23, 1883; Catharine, born January 23, 1884; James A., born April 14, 1887; and Elizabeth, born August 2, 1889. William Baum, Mrs. McCauley's father, died June 1, 1864, aged forty-four; her mother died at the age of seventy-five, February 1, 1890. Their children are: Mary (Mrs. Frederick Geibel), has six children; Catharine (Mrs. McCauley), born August 8, 1853; Anna, born August 24, 1855, died September 1, 1857; and Elizabeth.

JOHN F. HOFFMAN, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born July 12, 1836, near Meiningen, Saxony, son of Andrew and Elizabeth (Fischer) Hoffman, and one of a family of eleven children. He received his education in the excellent public schools of Germany. According to the custom of the country, his confirmation took place when he was fourteen years old, and at school. A year later he came to this country to join his brother Charles, who then resided in Lewistown. After a voyage of fifty-two days, young Hoffman landed in Baltimore. For the first four years of his residence in this country, he was employed at farm work. He then went to Philadelphia and became an employee at Rollins' Iron Works. Here he remained until, on April 15, 1861, he enlisted in Company A of Colonel Small's regiment. He was in Baltimore on April 19, the memorable day of the riot,

and was wounded in that affray, but not so severely as to delay him. On the 20th of April he went to Washington, and was mustered into Captain Yeager's company, from Allentown, Pa. His was one of the first five companies that entered Washington, which were known as the "Allen Infantry;" they then were made part of the Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers. After the three months' term had expired Mr. Hoffman was discharged at Allentown, July 23, 1861. He then came to Lewistown, where he again enlisted, before the end of that month, in the First Pennsylvania Cavalry, under Captain Mitchell. The term of enlistment having ended in February, 1864, while the regiment was in Virginia, he immediately re-enlisted, at Warrington, in the same company. Receiving a furlough for thirty-five days, Mr. Hoffman spent some time with his brother Charles, who was now at Worcester, O. The young soldier then again joined his regiment at Warrington, and saw active service during General Grant's campaign in Virginia. At Deep Bottom, Va., during an attack made by his company, Mr. Hoffman received a gunshot wound which caused the loss of his left leg. He was then sent to David's Island, New York Harbor; thence to Central Park, New York City; thence to Philadelphia; thence to Chester, Pa., and thence back to Philadelphia, where he received his final discharge, May 20, 1865.

Mr. Hoffman then came again to Lewistown, and was in the restaurant business there until 1870, when he paid a visit of four months' duration to his native country. Returning to Lewistown, he was employed in the saloon business until 1887. He then became a mercantile traveler, and visited many States of the Union, meeting with encouraging success in his business. In 1894 he began in Lewistown the business which he still conducts, at the Fountain, a lucrative trade in confectionery. He is honored in the community as one of the few survivors of the first defenders of the Union. He was formerly a Democrat, but in later years has voted the Republican ticket. He is a member of Colonel Hulings Post, No. 176, G. A. R., at Lewistown.

John F. Hoffman was married in 1873, to Anna M., daughter of Michael and Caroline Ayres, who had but one other child, their son George. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Hoff-

man are: William H.; David H.; John F., who died in 1882, aged about twenty-two months; Annie Sophia; and Daisy Dean. Mr. Hoffman and his family attend the Lutheran church.

FREDERICK BOSSINGER, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Magstadt, in Baelingen, Wurtemberg, Germany. He came to this country with his father, John Henry Bossinger, and his sister Catherine, landing in New York May 20, 1864. They went to Juniata county, Pa., January 12, 1865, where the father and his sons engaged in the lumber and cooperage stock business. This enterprise was a very prosperous one. In 1869 the family removed their residence and their business to Lewistown, where they continued the manufacture of cooperage stock, in connection with the brewing business, and with the same or even greater success. The father died in 1879; but the brothers continued the business jointly until 1885. Frederick Bossinger then assumed charge of his mother's interests in the brewing business, and continued to be occupied with them until he took charge of the Keystone Hotel in 1894, having bought the property in 1893. Under his prudent management, the hotel has obtained a large share of public patronage. Mr. Bossinger is a charitable man, not simply just, but also generous in his dealings. He takes an active interest in public affairs, and the estimation in which he is held has been shown by his election to the borough council, in 1887, and also for a second term. He has always been an ardent Democrat.

Frederick Bossinger was married, March 11, 1875, to Martha, daughter of Sebastian and Christina (Sides) Heineman. Their children are: Frederick, born August 24, 1876; Christina, born March 8, 1879; Esther M., born April 11, 1882; Frederica, born January 20, 1885, died August 23, 1887; Martha, born September 7, 1895, died December 31, 1895. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Heineman are as follows: Elizabeth (Mrs. Edward Grose); Henry, who married Margaret Flier, was killed in a railroad accident, February 8, 1879; Mary (Mrs. William Patton); and Martha (Mrs. Bossinger). The father died February 3, 1883; he was born August 23, 1827. He was a worthy citizen, and a good member of the Lutheran church. Mr. Bossinger and

his family also attend the Lutheran church; and to its support and its work he is always ready to contribute liberally.

WILLIAM T. SHIMP, SR., Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Granville township, near Lewistown, April 29, 1830, son of John and Margaret (Thompson) Shimp. His paternal grandparents, Casper and Catherine (Geyer) Shimp, came from Germany about the beginning of the present century. Some time after arriving in Pennsylvania, they settled in Lancaster county, but subsequently removed to Mifflin county, then included in Cumberland. Here Mr. Shimp took up his residence in Granville township, and during the rest of his life was occupied with farming. His family numbered five sons and two daughters. One of his sons was John, father of William T. Shimp, who was probably born in Lancaster county. He received the usual training of a farmer's son, including an education in the subscription schools of those days. Like his father, he made the all-important business of agriculture his life-work. As a citizen, he was much interested in local affairs, an active and progressive man, and held in much esteem. He and Mrs. Shimp were both faithful members of the Presbyterian church, in which Mrs. Shimp was especially regarded as a zealous worker. She is well and affectionately remembered for her hospitality and for her warm, unostentatious charity. Their children are: John Alexander, married Euphemia Low, has four daughters and one son; William T.; Jane (Mrs. Robert Shaw), has five children; Henry, married a lady in Illinois, and now resides in Ohio; and Alvin, married Mary Breneman, has six children. The excellent mother died in 1864, aged about sixty-three years; her good husband survived her until the following year, when he died, aged about seventy-eight years.

As quiet and uneventful as the youthful days of his father and grandfather were those of William T. Shimp, alternating between the limited course of study in the township school, and the useful occupations of the farm. At the age of eighteen the young farmer varied this rather monotonous routine by going to try his fortune in the west. It appears that he was not altogether successful, as he remained three years; but at the end of that

time he found it best to be at home. There he took charge of the management of his father's farm. In 1866 he bought the homestead, and from that time has carried on its affairs with satisfaction and profit. His first farming was done on a tract known as the Banks farm, on which Andrew Spangole now resides. In 1885 Mr. Shimp gave up active work, and has since resided in the borough of Lewistown; his home is a comfortable and convenient cottage on Wayne street. He has always been interested in the affairs of the township; he served nine years as school director, and six years as road supervisor. He is regarded as a worthy and useful citizen. He is a Democrat.

William T. Shimp was married May 25, 1854, to Mary E., daughter of Maj. David and Elizabeth (Dewalt) Hough, who was of Huguenot ancestry, at least on the maternal side. She was born September 26, 1834. Their children are: Joel D., married Rosanna Steely, has one child; Juniata B. (Mrs. George Potter), has three children; John G., married Vina Spears, of Ohio, resides at Columbus, O.; Edward, married Mary Kennedy, of Dauphin county, has four sons; William T.; Ira T.; and Homer. Mr. Shimp is a member of the Presbyterian church at Lewistown, as was also his excellent wife. Mrs. William T. Shimp died December 4, 1896.

JAMES HENRY McCURDY, deceased, was born in Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., March 5, 1832, son of John and Eliza (Bernheisel) McCurdy. On the paternal side Mr. McCurdy was of Irish lineage. His mother's family was of German origin, she being a daughter of Henry and Christina Bernheisel. Her father came from Germany and settled in Lewistown, where he conducted a tannery during the rest of his life; his family consisted of four daughters and a son. Mr. Bernheisel was born February 26, 1761, and died December 25, 1829; his wife was born December 2, 1761, and died March 27, 1829. Among their daughters was Eliza, who married John Beck; of this marriage there were two children: Christina, who married Jonathan Swan; and Mary (Mrs. Campbell Wilson). Mr. Beck died, and his widow was married to James McCurdy; their children are: James Henry; Robert, married Jane Spaulding, of Lewistown, has six children; Agnes

Ann, died in childhood; Eliza Jane (Mrs. Jefferson King), resides in Ohio. Mr. James McCurdy died August 16, 1868; his wife died December 7, 1877.

The education of James Henry McCurdy was begun in the common schools, and completed in the academy of Lewistown. Under his father's instructions, he learned the trade of tanning, and continued working for him for some years. He then removed to Salem, Columbiana county, O., where he worked for twenty years as an iron moulder. In 1880 he returned to Pennsylvania, and resided at McClure, Snyder county, until his final return to Lewistown, where he occupied the home-
stead where Mrs. McCurdy now resides. From the year 1882 he was unable, on account of impaired health, to pursue any vocation; and his death occurred December 27, 1891. He was devoted and affectionate towards his family and friends, kind and affable in general intercourse, and a good citizen. His departure was widely regretted.

James Henry McCurdy was married, September 13, 1853, to Ellen E., daughter of Leonard and Mary (Shenkel) Briner. Their children are: John L., who died in childhood; Howard Wells, married Hannah May Blackburn, has one child, Leda Fay; and Emma Nettie (Mrs. Joseph L. Strunk), has children, Ralph, Carl, Leroy, Howard, Clarkson, who died young, and Wanda Ethel. Mrs. McCurdy, as has been said, resides in the home-
stead; she is a member of the Presbyterian church, and attends at Lewistown. Her son, Howard W. McCurdy, is a printer and stationer, at Salem, O.

JOHN CAMPBELL, deceased, was born in Tell township, Huntingdon county, Pa., April 3, 1801, son of William and Rachel (McDonnell) Campbell. Both the parents were of Scotch-Irish extraction. The parents of William Campbell, on coming to America, settled in New Jersey, where he was born. They afterwards removed with their family to Chambersburg, Pa., where they spent the latter part of their lives. William Campbell was a farmer, and lived to be about one hundred and two years of age. His wife, Rachel McDonnell, had received an academic education, and taught school for many years in Tuscarora valley and in Franklin county, Pa. Their children were: John; Stephen, died

from injuries caused by the kick of a horse; Ezekiel; Elizabeth (Mrs. Daniel Owens), had a family of five sons and one daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Yohn, residing on the home-
stead in Lack township, Juniata county; Bathsheba (Mrs. Robert McFarland), had eight children, all of whom are deceased except two; and Mary Ann. The third son of this family, Ezekiel, married Lydia Polk, of Juniata county; they had eight children; their eldest son, Eli Campbell, served in the United States army throughout the whole war of the Rebellion, except while, having been captured, he was confined in Andersonville prison; after his return home he married, and died; his widow resides in Norristown, Pa. The two surviving children of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McFarland, above mentioned, are Rachel (Mrs. John Stong), of Lincoln, Neb.; and Amanda (Mrs. Samuel Wax), of Lack township, Juniata county, who has three children.

The eldest son, John Campbell, was educated in the old-fashioned subscription schools, and passed a quietly useful boyhood on his father's farm, where he remained until he married. He then settled in Ferguson township, Clearfield county, Pa., where he became a very prosperous farmer. In his later days he removed to Blair county, Pa., where he died in 1888, on January 16.

John Campbell married Elizabeth, daughter of Samuel and Sarah (McMullen) Briggs, a native of Tell township, Huntingdon county. Two of their children, Briggs and Elizabeth, died in early life; Bathsheba (Mrs. David Alleman), of Cumberland county, Pa., died, leaving five children; and John B., is also deceased. The children of Mrs. D. Alleman are: Katie (Mrs. Silas Reese), of Phillipsburg, Pa.; John, killed in a railroad accident in Ohio; Curtin, residing in Illinois; Hight, also of Illinois; and David H., of Shippensburg, Pa. John B. Campbell enlisted during the Rebellion, was captured at Culpeper, and died five days later; he had married Susan McCracken, and left two children: John Briggs, married and residing at Kermoor, Pa.; and Mary (Mrs. John Davis), of Elk county, Pa. The surviving children of John and Elizabeth (Briggs) Campbell are: Rachel (Mrs. Robert Hope), of Oliver township, Mifflin county; Jane, resides with her sister, Mrs. Hope; Lavinia (Mrs. Nelson Young), had eleven children, of whom Linnie Jane died,

and John C., a graduate of Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., was ordained to the ministry, and is now stationed at Three Springs, Huntingdon county; Lemuel, merchant, of Louisville, Clearfield county, Pa.; and M. A. (Mrs. W. J. Owens), had six children, of whom five are deceased. The eldest son of Mrs. Owens, Horace L., married Mary F. Auker, and resides at Lewistown Junction, Mifflin county, Pa., where he is employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. Mrs. Owens was married again, to L. Cole, of California; he died, and Mrs. Cole has returned to make her permanent residence in Lewistown, Mifflin county, where she has invested in real estate.

WILLIAM JOHNSON, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in County Derry, Ireland, March 28, 1819, son of Thomas and Nancy (Hazlett) Johnson. Their children were as follows: Mary, died unmarried at an advanced age; Jane (Mrs. James McGonigal), had sons and daughters, now all deceased; Nancy (Mrs. William McGonigal), has one son, who having assumed his mother's family name, is known as John Johnson, and resides at Bethlehem, Pa.; Margaret (Mrs. John Clark), has three children living, John; William; and Annie; Matilda (Mrs. Henry Stewart), of County Derry, Ireland, has four children living, one of whom, William, resides at Shamokin, Pa.; Jeannette, died in Ireland; Jane, also died in the land of her birth; Leah, died in the home land; and William. The paternal grandparents of this family were Thomas and Jane (Boyd) Johnson.

After receiving his education in the rural schools of Ireland, William Johnson resided at home until he was twenty-one, assisting in the labors of the farm. In May, 1840, he set out for the Western Continent, hoping to find a broader field for the exercise of his powers, and a fuller opportunity for success in business. After a not unpleasant voyage of fifty-six days, he landed in Philadelphia, where he remained a short time before coming to Lewistown. Here he found employment at general work with Lewis G. Watson, and was thus engaged for about five years, after which Mr. Watson, having learned to know Mr. Johnson's abilities, and finding him worthy of confidence, promoted him to a clerkship in his store. After filling this position for seven years, Mr. Johnson, in 1852, went into the

business of shoemaking, beginning on the same premises where he now resides, and in the very room in which he conducts his present extensive and prosperous trade. He has not, however, occupied the premises uninterruptedly. In 1855, he sold the business to Joseph Wills, who conducted it for one year; Mr. Johnson then purchased it again, and carried it on until 1859. In that year he removed to Lewisburg, Union county, Pa., where he was in the boot and shoe trade for a year, coming back at the end of that time to Lewistown and the old stand, which he had formerly rented, but now made his own by purchase. Since that time, he has constantly occupied the old Market street premises, conducting a large and well-patronized boot and shoe store; a substantial merchant and an honored citizen of the town to which nearly three score years ago he came an alien, poor, and scarcely more than a boy. He is always interested in and ready to promote the welfare of the community. He is a zealous Republican.

William Johnson was married, January 17, 1856, to Julia Ann, daughter of John and Catherine (Bingman) Reigel, of Union county, Pa. Their children are: William Hazlett, born April 30, 1857, died January 8, 1868; Maggie Bingman (Mrs. John C. Axe), of Lewistown, born July 5, 1865; Mary Hazlett, born October 30, 1869; and Thomas Spangler, born March 24, 1872. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson are members of the Lutheran church at Lewistown. Maggie Johnson was a pupil at the Moravian Seminary at Bethlehem, Pa. Mary Johnson studied in the academy at Lewistown, and finished her course at the Lutherville Seminary, near Baltimore, Md. Thomas Johnson acquired his education in the public schools of Lewistown and in the academy at the same place. He is now the manager of his father's large establishment, and is an industrious and promising young man of business.

Mrs. William Johnson's paternal grandfather was George Riegel, who removed from Pennsylvania to Ohio, and there spent the latter part of his life. Her maternal grandfather, Frederiek Bingman, born January 15, 1755, was a son of Johan Yost and Juliana (Ort) Bingman, who came from Germany to Berks county, Pa., in 1754. Within a year the father died. The family first resided in New York City, removing later to Reading,

Pa.; in the vicinity of that town young Frederick grew up and learned iron working. He was skilful and industrious, and growing up with the country, he became an iron master, was prosperous, and at his demise left a large estate. Entering the Continental army as a drummer boy, he served through the seven years of the Revolutionary war and rose to the rank of captain, participating in the battle of Brandywine and other engagements of the memorable struggle. Captain Bingham married Christina Hufnagle, who was born May 3, 1758. Of their children, Henry was born August 4, 1794, and Catherine married John Reigel, father of Mrs. William Johnson. The old Revolutionary hero lived to see the goodly number of ninety-one years roll over his head, and passed away in 1846. He died near Troxelville, Pa.

John and Catherine (Bingman) Riegel had, besides Mrs. Johnson, thirteen other children, of whom three died in early childhood. Those who lived to maturity are: Mary Elizabeth (Mrs. William Anderson), whose husband was a native of Scotland, residing in Philadelphia, has three children living; Frederick Bingham, married Mary Ann Weil, has six children living; Mary (Mrs. Jackson Howell), has five children living; Peter, married Matilda Middleworth, has seven children living; Catherine (Mrs. Daniel Blett), has four children; Jacob, married Levina Gill; William, died while a young man; Rachel (Mrs. John Ernest), has eight children; Charles, married Eliza Shipton, has five children; and Henrietta (Mrs. Ephraim Howell).

JOHN CLARKE, SR., Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Cookstown, County Tyrone, Ireland, November 18, 1822. He is a son of Robert and Jane (Clarke) Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clarke were not related; she was a daughter of John and ——— (Hutton) Clarke, and was of Scotch-Irish descent, by both parents. Robert Clarke, who was a shoemaker, came to America in 1826 or '27; he readily found employment at his trade in Philadelphia, and after a few years of industry and frugality, he sent for his wife and son, John, then the only child. They joined him in Philadelphia in 1832, and the family continued to reside in that city; the other children were born there; they are: William,

married Mary Sloan, has three children, resides in Philadelphia; Daniel, married Melissa Heins, has three children living, resides in Philadelphia; Eliza Jane, died aged about forty-five; and David Graham, married Eleanor Heath, has three children, resides in Philadelphia. Robert Clarke died at the age of sixty-seven; his good wife survived him until she had completed her three score and ten years. Both were members of the Central Presbyterian church, at Eighth and Cherry streets, Philadelphia.

John Clarke was already a school boy before he came to America, and he attended school for a few years after in Chester county, Pa. He lived with his parents during his youth, learning his trade of shoemaking with his father, and afterwards, while working on his own account, remained in the city until 1850. He then came to Lewistown. Here he worked for some time at his trade before opening a store, part of the time as foreman for his brother-in-law, William Johnson. In 1859, Mr. Clarke began dealing in shoes in the house where Mr. Joseph M. Selheimer now resides, and was very successful. In 1865, he removed to his present location, and has so conducted business there as not only to build up a flourishing trade, but to give his establishment a high reputation. Mr. Clarke is regarded as a worthy and public-spirited citizen; he is an ardent Democrat, and has served the borough as burgess and as assessor of taxes, being elected as an independent candidate.

John Clarke, Sr., was married January 22, 1846, to Margaret Johnson. They have had four children, one of whom, Samuel Hazlett, died in 1855. Those surviving are: Annie Jane; John J., Jr.; and William Robert, married Elizabeth Firobel, has three children, James F., Mary Grace, and John Robert. Mr. and Mrs. Clarke are members of the Presbyterian church. Mrs. Clarke is a daughter of Thomas and Nancy (Hazlett) Johnson, and a sister of William Johnson.

EPIRAIM WIAN, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born April 1, 1839, in Union township, Mifflin county. He is a son of Solomon and Catherine (Rearick) Wian. His grandparents, William and Catherine (Holzapfel) Wian, were both descendants of German families; William Wian was a tailor. They spent the latter part of their lives in

Brown township, Millin county. Their children were: four who died young; John, married Miss Anderson, had four sons and one daughter; James, married and removed to Clarion county, Pa., has fourteen or fifteen children; Benjamin, twin brother of James, married Miss Mosser, has six children; Philip, removed to Morrisons Cove, Pa., where he married, has ten daughters and sons; Solomon; George, married Mary Anna Hawke, had one child; Catherine (Mrs. Isaac Fleming), started for the West with her husband on the morning after their marriage, by wagon, took up land on Alum creek, in Delaware county, Ohio, settled there and lived there for forty years before the family heard from them; Elizabeth (Mrs. James Fleming), was married at the same time with her sister Catherine, Isaac and James Fleming being brothers, and the two couples went to Delaware county, Ohio, together, where their descendants are to-day substantial and respected residents; Mary (Mrs. Jacob Harman), resided in Brown township, had eight children; Susan (Mrs. Samuel Harman) resided in Brown township, had seven sons and one daughter; Martha (Mrs. Robert Sankey), resided in Union township, had three daughters and four sons; Christine (Mrs. Robert Clark), had one son, William, removed to Illinois; Fanny (Mrs. Joseph McGirk), resided in Fergusons valley, Granville township, had ten children. William Wian lived to the age of sixty, and his wife to that of eighty years.

Solomon Wian, the fifth son of this large family, was born in Union township and educated in the common schools. He resided with his parents until he became a man, obtaining at home a practical knowledge of farming, which was his lifelong business. He was a just and conscientious man, and was esteemed by his neighbors and acquaintance. During the latter part of his life, he lived in Centre county, Pa. His wife, Catherine, was the daughter of Peter and ——— (Shook) Rearick. Three of their children died very young; the others are: John, married Eve Ann Hyle, had seven children, and his wife dying, he was married again to Elizabeth Mallory, and had by this marriage four children; Peter, of Bellefonte, Pa., married Elizabeth Hyle, had twelve children; Ephraim; Eliphaz, married Catherine Cafferty, has four children living; Levi, died when about eleven years old;

Elizabeth (Mrs. Scott Tate), of Centre county, has twelve children living; Catherine (Mrs. George Taylor), of Bellefonte, Pa., has four children living; Molly (Mrs. Aaron Mallory), of Bellefonte, has seven children living; and Mary Jane, who died aged about fourteen, on the same day with her brother Levi, both dying from lead-pipe poisoning. Solomon Wian died at the age of seventy-eight; his wife survived him until she was eighty-one years old. Both were earnest and consistent members of the Dunkard church.

Ephraim Wian attended the common schools of Union township, and worked on the home farm until he was sixteen. He then began working as a farm hand for the farmers of the vicinity. When about twenty-two years of age he was employed in William Mann, Jr., & Company's Axe Factory, and remained in their employ for about thirteen years. In 1874 he began farming on one of the John R. Mitchell farms, in Dry valley; here he remained for two years, but upon the decease of his wife, returned to Reedsville, and resided there for one year. He then removed to Lewistown, and lived in Third street. In 1885, he removed to the house in which he now resides. Since his residence in Lewistown, Mr. Wian has been engaged in butchering, but relinquished it for farming in 1895, when he purchased the Henry Bueh farm in Granville township. He has judiciously improved this farm, and brought it to a fine state of cultivation. Mr. Wian's comfortable and assured position among business men has been acquired by his ability, diligence and honorable dealings. He is a "self-made" man, in regard to his means, which are the outcome of his own persevering efforts. Although frugal, he gives willingly to further the progress of the borough, or for any beneficent object. Although decided in his opinions on politics, as a Democrat, he has no aspirations towards political office.

Ephraim Wian was married May 7, 1861, to Elizabeth, daughter of William and Mary Ann White. Two of their children are deceased; George Thomas, died May 25, 1873, when about thirteen months old; and Anna Margaret (Mrs. Walter Felix), died in Cumberland, Md., aged about twenty-six. The other children are: William Harrison, married Mary Martin, has three sons, Walter E., George Irvine, and James Oscar; Charles

Benton, married Annie Hill, has one son, Robert E.; and Mary Olive (Mrs. Finley McGirk). Mrs. Ephraim Wian died November 11, 1873; she, as well as her husband, attended the Methodist Episcopal church.

JOSEPH COLLINS, Sheriff, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Fulton county, Pa., March 3, 1846, son of James Thornhill and Maria (Reeder) Collins. James Collins, his grandfather, came to America as a drummer boy with the British troops during the Revolution; at the close of the war, he remained in this country, and became an American citizen. It is said that he made his way to the part of Pennsylvania now included in Franklin and Fulton counties, where his occupation was that of butcher and drover. He married and had a family of children, one of whom was James Thornhill Collins. The father dying in the prime of manhood, James T. was left an orphan while he was but a boy; he was, however, of a very manly, exemplary character, faithful to duty, industrious, kind and generous. He was always ready to share his earnings with others in need, and as he grew up he became the support of his widowed mother, and continued to be so until her second marriage. He received a common school education, and learned the art of working in iron, following this calling in different counties of Pennsylvania; his later years were spent at Burnham, Mifflin county. He was a consistent and earnest member of the Methodist Episcopal church. James T. Collins was first married to Maria, daughter of Michael and Sarah (Fowler) Reeder. Their family consisted of the following children: William, who died in childhood; Robert, married Jane Ross, had nine children, Maria, Mary Ellen, Margaret, Rebecca Jane, Laura, Alice, Ida, James, and Dolly; John, married Jane Lewis, had four children, Clara, Emma Jane, Charles Joseph, and James Harry; Thomas, married Margaret Hooper, had seven children, Maria, Juniata, Belle, Selina, Howard, Edgar, and Elsie; James, married Mary Trembath, has five children, Maria, Edward, Frank, Charles and Walter; Sarah Elizabeth, died aged about sixteen; Samuel, died of typhoid fever while serving in the United States army, August 31, 1862; and Joseph. The mother of these children dying, James T. Collins was married again, in Huntingdon coun-

ty, to Sarah Grady, widow of Jonathan Grady. Their children are four in number: Martha (Mrs. Matthew Cramer), has ten children; Mary Catherine (Mrs. Dallas McFall); and two who died in early life.

Five sons of James Thornhill Collins enlisted under the "star-spangled banner," for the defense of the Union. Robert Collins enlisted in Company M, Nineteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry; John in Company H, Two Hundred and Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and Thomas in Company C, Two Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, each for one year's service. Samuel enlisted in Company I, Seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, for the three months' service, and re-enlisted in Company E, Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, his brave and patriotic career ending, as we have seen, with his life. Joseph Collins also enlisted twice; first for the three months' service, in Company H, Thirty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and again in Company E, Twentieth Pennsylvania Cavalry, which was later consolidated with the Second Pennsylvania Cavalry. The war having closed, Mr. Collins was discharged at Philadelphia, and mustered out at Cloud's Mills, Va.

After his mother's death, which occurred while he was very young, Joseph Collins went with his father to Huntingdon county, and when he was ten years old, to Mifflin county. There the boy attended the common schools. His father taught him his own trade of working in iron, and later, Joseph Collins took up also the business of engineering, which he has been engaged in at intervals ever since. He has always taken a lively interest in political affairs, especially those of his own locality. He is a Republican, and influential in his party by reason of his sound judgment, his conservatism, and practical sense. He was unanimously made their nominee for the shrievalty of Mifflin county, and elected by a substantial majority. Mr. Collins is a member in good standing of Lodge No. 156, K. G. E., and of Colonel Hulings Post, No. 176, G. A. R., both at Lewistown.

Joseph Collins was married in 1869 to Mary, daughter of Isaac C. and Rebecca (Gillan) Gorsuch. Their children are: James Franklin; and Richard Cramer. The family attended the Methodist Episcopal church.

Both sons, James Franklin and Richard

Cramer Collins, have been appointed by their father to the position of deputy sheriff. In 1885, Mr. Collins took Beulah Belle Kerr, then three months old, as a foster child, with the kind intention of rearing her to womanhood.

JOHN CARSON SIGLER, deceased, formerly of Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the Sigler homestead in Decatur township, Mifflin county, Pa., August 6, 1810, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Carson) Sigler. Late in the Eighteenth century, Samuel Sigler came to Decatur township, one of the pioneer settlers of the region. He was a farmer, an energetic and industrious man, conscientious and exemplary, as became a faithful member of the church. He was for years an efficient office bearer in the Presbyterian church at Kelly, now Vira. He lived beyond his seventieth year. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Sigler were: William, married Rosanna Mitchell, and removed to Bucyrus, O., where their descendants are now worthy and substantial citizens; George, married Jane McCloskey, resided in Derry township; John Carson; Elizabeth (Mrs. Samuel Hopper), went to California, had children, Emma and Harry. Mr. Hopper died in California and Mrs. Hopper in Seattle, Wash.; and Caroline Ruth (Mrs. John Cubbison), of Lewistown. Mr. and Mrs. Cubbison had children: Lilla (Mrs. George Himmelwright), of Lewistown; Mary (Mrs. William Wagner), of Lewistown; Wilbur, deceased, married Annie Jackson, resided in Lewistown, and after his death she married Joseph Dummire; Benjamin Crever, married Rebecca Berkey, of Juniata county, Pa., resides in Derry township; John Carson twin brother of Benjamin C., also married, and resides in Derry township; Elizabeth (Mrs. Charles Ettinger), of Harrisburg, Pa.

John C. Sigler passed his youth on the homestead, acquiring as good an education as might be obtained in the subscription schools that preceded the establishment of the free school system. At the age of sixteen he began learning carpentry, serving a four years' apprenticeship with John Musser, of Lewistown. He then began business on his own account; one of his first undertakings was the building of a house which is still standing, on his father's farm in Decatur township. Mr. Sig-

ler soon became widely known as a skillful mechanic, and was therefore not long in achieving success as a contractor and builder. He erected for James Milliken one of the first mills built at Lewistown, besides many other edifices in the borough and vicinity. He was prosperous, and his prosperity was the outcome of his diligent and conscientious attention to business, his integrity and perseverance. Mr. Sigler was also a public-spirited man, interested in the progress and true welfare of the community in which he lived and worked. He was in early life a Democrat, and was elected county treasurer on the ticket of that party, filling the office so as to give universal satisfaction; he served also in various borough offices. Later, he became active in the temperance movement in the county. At the beginning of the war for the Union, he became an anti-slavery man, and from that time identified himself with the Republican party. He was a charter member of Lodge No. —, I. O. O. F., at Lewistown. Mr. Sigler was an earnest and faithful member of the Methodist Episcopal church at Lewistown, and served his congregation in various offices. His hospitable home was much frequented by the local and visiting ministers of his denomination, and was always open to them. He died January 14, 1883, at the age of seventy-three.

John Carson Sigler was married April 10, 1838, to Amanda M., daughter of James and Elizabeth (Martin) Kinsloe. Their children are: Mary Elizabeth, born February 3, 1839, wife of Rev. E. H. Ying, of Cleveland, O., has one son, John C.; Caroline Amelia, born August 19, 1840, died August 11, 1895; Ellen Jane (Mrs. H. M. Dummire), of Lewistown, born February 14, 1842, has children, Edward J., born May 29, 1868, died December 3, 1887; Nellie G., born April 10, 1871, Maslin B., born December 28, 1873, and Bessie H., born July 13, 1877, died July 6, 1886; Homer M., born October 7, 1843, married Elizabeth Murray and has children, now resides in Ohio; Howard, born April 29, 1845, died November 9, 1845; Emma (Mrs. H. Henderson), of Lewistown, born February 29, 1848, has two children, John Carson and Charles Howard; John Carson, Jr., born July 9, 1857, died April 7, 1858; and John Carson, Jr. (2), born October 9, 1860, died October 24, 1861. Dr. Dummire, who married Ellen Jane, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.

C. Sigler, was a successful dental surgeon of Lewistown; he was the preceptor of several prominent dentists of Mifflin and the adjacent counties. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, a good husband and father and a worthy citizen. He died September 20, 1880; his death was occasioned by an accident.

Mrs. John Carson Sigler now resides with her daughter at Lewistown. She was one of four children, who constituted the family of Mr. and Mrs. James Kinsloe; the others are: Robert M., married, and resides in Mifflin county; William Armstrong; and Elizabeth Armstrong; these two died in childhood. Robert M. Kinsloe died, and left children: Emma (Mrs. Ferron Mann); Henry Clay, married Elizabeth Hamilton; Mary (Mrs. Morrison); and Belle. Amanda Kinsloe (Mrs. Sigler), was born in Lewistown, February 19, 1817. Her paternal grandfather emigrated from Ireland to America, and settled in Juniata county, Pa.; he was a farmer. Mrs. Sigler's mother, whose family name was Martin, was of Scotch-Irish ancestry.

Homer M. Sigler, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Sigler, who lived to reach manhood, enlisted in the war of the Rebellion to defend the Union. He was about sixteen when he was enrolled, in August, 1861, in Company A, Forty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers, the "Logan Guards;" after serving three years, he re-enlisted in the same company and regiment, and endured the perils and privations of army life to the end of the conflict. Dr. Dummire also enlisted, July 6, 1864, for the three months' service, in Company F, One Hundred and Ninety-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers; he was mustered out at Harrisburg, Pa., November 6, 1864.

JOHN KENNEDY, deceased, formerly of Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in November, 1802, in Ballymena, County Antrim, Ireland. He was a son of John Kennedy, descended from Scotch ancestors resident in Ireland, a people famed for their many sturdy virtues and their interesting history. John Kennedy (2) was brought up in the country, and attended the rural schools of his native land. When he arrived at man's estate, he emigrated to America to seek his fortune in this younger and broader country. He found employment in a mercantile house in

Philadelphia, and remained there for a short time. When he became able to do so, he engaged in business on his own account, and met with encouraging success. After some time, in 1838, he removed to Lewistown, and took up his residence in the same place where his son John now lives. Here he carried on mercantile business, and built up a very thriving trade. He was a good business man, shrewd, economical, honorable and persevering, and from the small and uncertain beginning of an unknown new comer into the borough, became after a few years a substantial citizen, well known and well respected. He was a Democrat, of decided convictions, but never sought or desired public office. He was a devout and consistent member of the Presbyterian church, of a hospitable and generous disposition; he died in November, 1861.

John Kennedy was married in 1825, to Theodosia Wilson, born in Ireland, of a Scotch-Irish family. Their children are: Sarah, died in Philadelphia, in her infancy; Ellen W. (Mrs. Robert H. Junkin), of Lewistown; Joseph Sanford, deceased; Elizabeth Grace, deceased; Sarah Boyd (Mrs. James Firobed); John, married Mary Matters; and Josiah Wilson, married Mrs. Mary Rodgers. Mr. and Mrs. James Firobed have children as follows: Elizabeth Grace (Mrs. William R. Clark); Ella (Mrs. Harry R. Zerbe); Theodosia, died aged about four years; and Anna Boyd (Mrs. B. F. Stine), has children, Sarah, Anna and James F. The only child of John and Mary (Matters) Kennedy is William, who married Alice Knepp, and has children: John N.; Walter; and William. Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Wilson Kennedy also have one child, Elizabeth Grace. Josiah W. Kennedy enlisted in the war of the Rebellion for the nine months' service, in Company K, One Hundred and Thirty-first Pennsylvania Volunteers. He was wounded at the battle of Fredericksburg; he died at the age of forty-two or forty-three. The excellent mother and grandmother of this numerous family, Mrs. John Kennedy, Sr., survived her husband until she completed her seventieth year.

Robert H. Junkin, son-in-law of John Kennedy, was born at Junkin Mills, near McVeytown, Pa., March 26, 1823. He was brought up on the home farm, and educated in the subscription schools of the neighborhood. At the age of fourteen, he was employed in the

mercantile establishment of John A. Sterrett, at Lewistown, and continued in the same for about three years. He then passed into the employ of Lewis T. Watson, afterwards Watson & Jacobs, whose confidence and regard he won, so that he continued with them for about twenty years, after which he embarked in business on his own account, at Lewistown. In 1862, he enlisted for the "nine months' service," in Company K, One Hundred and Thirty-first Pennsylvania Volunteers. The exposure and privations of camp life brought on an illness which unfitted him for duty; he was therefore discharged on account of disability, and returned home. Recovering his health, he again enlisted, in the One Hundred and Ninety-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until the close of the war. He was honorably discharged at Harrisburg, Pa., and returned to Lewistown. He has since been engaged in various clerical occupations. Although taking the interest of a good citizen in the political affairs of the community, as well as in social and religious schemes for advancement, Mr. Junkin has never aspired to hold office. In early life he was a Whig, and on the organization of the Republican party, transferred his allegiance to it, and has ever since been one of its zealous supporters. He is a member in good standing of Colonel Hulings Post, No. 176, G. A. R., of Lewistown; also of Lodge No. 203, F. and A. M.; of Chapter 136, Commandery 26, K. T.

Robert H. Junkin married Ellen W., eldest daughter of John and Theodosia (Wilson) Kennedy. Their children are: John A., who is a telegraph operator; Joseph Willis, married Mary, daughter of John and Mary Kulp, and has children, Robert Kulp, Jesse J., Joe Kennedy, and Tillman K.; Lily G.; and Anna; the last two died in childhood. Mr. Junkin and his family are members of the Presbyterian church at Lewistown.

JOSEPH A. FICHTHORN, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Lewistown, December 15, 1832, son of Daniel and Margaret (Smith) Fichthorn. His great-grandfather, Andrew Fichthorn (1), was a gunsmith, and had a brother of the same handicraft as himself; both served as artificers in the Revolutionary army. Andrew Fichthorn (2), grandfather of Joseph A., married Catherine Hartman, of Al-ace township, Berks

county, Pa., in 1803. He lived to an advanced age, spending his latter days in Reading, Pa. Their children were as follows: John, of Reading, born in 1805, had children; Daniel, born in 1806; George, of Reading, born in 1808; served for many years as clerk to the commissioners of Berks county, had four daughters and two sons; Sarah, born in 1809; Charles, of Reading, born in 1810, had two sons; Catherine (Mrs. Henry), born in 1812, has a son and a daughter; Susan (Mrs. William Call), born in 1814, has one daughter; William, of Reading, born in 1816, died aged forty-five, had a large family, but only one son; Lewis, born in 1818, died in early manhood, left a daughter, Louisa, married and resides at Pine Grove, Pa.; Henry, born in 1820; and Andrew, born in 1822, is a harness maker at Reading, and has two sons and two daughters. The maternal grandfather, Philip Smith, was a stone mason, and a number of the bridges and culverts in the vicinity of Lewistown were built by him. He died at the age of forty-five; his wife died at the venerable age of ninety-four.

Daniel Fichthorn, born August 29, 1806, received his education in the schools of Reading. When eighteen years of age he chose the trade of a batter, which he learned in his native town. He came to Lewistown, and for a time followed brick-making, building and shipping on the Pennsylvania canal. Two years were spent in Ohio, when he returned to Lewistown, and established himself as a contractor and builder. The houses on East Market street occupied by J. I. Quigly and H. C. Jackson, the building of the Fame fire engine company, the Lutheran parsonage, and other structures were erected by Mr. Fichthorn. His industry and perseverance were rewarded with abundant success. He was actively interested in all that pertained to the welfare of the community, and gave liberally to the churches of the town. He was a Whig, and later a staunch supporter of the Republican party. Daniel Fichthorn married Margaret, daughter of Philip and Martha (Robinson) Smith; she was born in 1809. Their surviving children are: Joseph A.; Daniel, of St. Peter, Minn., proprietor and editor of the *St. Peter Tribune*, was for fourteen years a printer in Indiana, and for a number of years an editor in Iowa, married a lady of Indiana and has one daughter, Minnie; Lewis, born November 3, 1839,

married Susan Lytesol, of Spring Mill, Centre county, Pa., died March 30, 1897; had children, Joseph, Lewis and Roswell; Ellen (Mrs. Daniel Barr), of Harrisburg, has a daughter, Ellen Gertrude; Catherine (Mrs. Joseph R. Cordes), of Pittsburg, Pa., has children, Frank, Charles and Ellen; William Augustus; Andrew, whose death at the age of eighteen was caused by an accident; Jane and Charles died in infancy. Daniel Fichthorn died August 28, 1858; his wife died aged eighty-two. They are buried in the old Methodist graveyard at Lewistown.

Joseph A. Fichthorn, after attending the district schools, became a student at the academy at Lewistown. Choosing the trade of tinsmith he served an apprenticeship of three years under Daniel Eisenbise and Abraham Blymyer. He then followed boating for two years on the Pennsylvania canal; went in 1858 to Minnesota, and for one year engaged in lumbering; then returned to Lewistown, and resumed his trade. On April 16, 1861, at Harrisburg, he enlisted with the first volunteers, known as the Logan Guards, and was assigned to Company E, Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers. In Baltimore, this company was attacked by the mob. Discharged July 29, 1861, he re-enlisted June 27, 1863, in Company A, Thirty-sixth Pennsylvania Militia, and was in service until August 11, 1863. Being drafted August 17, 1863, he enlisted July 14, 1864, in Company H, One Hundred and Ninety-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until November 4, 1864. He again enlisted February 6, 1865, was assigned to Company C, Seventy-eighth Pennsylvania (Veteran) Volunteers, stationed at Nashville, Tenn., served until the war closed, and was discharged at Nashville, September 11, 1865. Returning to Lewistown, he engaged in the tin and hardware business, which he at the present time conducts with much success. Mr. Fichthorn has always taken an active interest in local affairs; he gives liberally to the churches; his position in the community is one of influence and respect. He is a Republican. In 1878 he was elected to the office of county treasurer, and served three years. He is a member of Lodge No. 155, K. of P., at Lewistown, and Ongpatonga Tribe, No. 6, Independent Order of Red Men at Lewistown.

Joseph A. Fichthorn was married Septem-

ber, 1853, to Sophia, daughter of Peter and Sarah (Lively) Hoover, of Lancaster, Pa. Their children are: Daniel, died in early life; Andrew, of Norristown, Pa., a minister of the Lutheran General Synod, and a graduate of the Pennsylvania Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, Pa.; William, married Mary Couch, of Lewistown, who died March 2, 1897, leaving children, James and Susan Willis; Sarah (Mrs. J. Irvin Quigly), of Lewistown, has one son, Richard Fenton; and Joseph, a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia, and a civil engineer with the Shiffler Bridge Company, at Pittsburg, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Fichthorn are members of the Lutheran church.

J. STRODE MCKEE, Strodes Mills, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the McKee homestead in Ferguson valley, December 21, 1822. He is a son of Robert and Orpah (Strode) McKee, who had also these children: Andrew, married Maria Applebaugh; Catherine (Mrs. Robert Rothrock); Robert A., married Annie Comfort; Mary (Mrs. Ashley Pierce); Hannah (Mrs. Johnson Sigler); Hervey, married Mary McKee. The father died at the age of sixty-nine years; the mother lived to the advanced age of eighty-nine years.

In his earlier years, J. Strode McKee attended the subscription schools, and later became a scholar in the public schools of his district. He was reared to manhood on his father's farm in Ferguson's valley, and on the death of his father in 1845, assumed the management of the homestead. In 1866, having bought out the other heirs, he became the owner of the place, and under his able direction it has been greatly improved. Mr. McKee resided on the homestead until 1884. He has always taken an interest in local affairs, and any salutary enterprise has ever met with his earnest and hearty approval and co-operation. Although he has never sought political preferment, he has served in the various township offices. He is a member of the Democratic party.

Mr. McKee was married August 14, 1861, to Lucy A., daughter of Samuel and Jane (McKinney) McKee. Though their surnames were the same, they were not relatives. They had three children; Samuel Bruce, born July 3, 1863, died in December, 1865; Strode McKinney, married Ella May Davis, of Juniata

county, has two children, Robert Lee and Charles Davis; and Hattie Blanche, at home. The parents and their children are members of the Presbyterian church at Lewistown.

DAVID C. HAMAKER, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Lewistown, May 18, 1853. He is a son of Adam and Matilda (Smith) Hamaker. Adam Hamaker was born March 4, 1807, near Hummelstown, Swatara township, Dauphin county, Pa. He received his education in the schools of his neighborhood, and was apprenticed to Mr. Hummel, harness-maker and coach-trimmer, whose shop stood in what is now the central part of Harrisburg. In 1829, having finished his term of service, Adam Hamaker walked the whole distance to Lewistown, Mifflin county. Here he first worked at his trade as a journeyman, and afterwards opened a shop of his own. In 1851 he became the proprietor of the Black Bear, now the Valley House. Some time after he took the Union, now the Miller House. Mr. Hamaker was encouraged by his success, and decided to rent the National House, which he afterwards purchased, and made a well-kept, successful house. He also purchased the old Lewistown Hotel; this he closed, repairing and improving the property to make for himself a comfortable home. In 1865 he retired from business, and removed with his family to the dwelling thus prepared for them. Mr. Adam Hamaker may be called a self-made man. His patience, untiring industry and careful but liberal management, enabled him to spend the latter days of his life in ease and comfort. He was interested in the improvement of the community, and although he never desired office, he has always identified himself with the Republican party. Mr. Adam Hamaker was married, September 12, 1830, to Matilda Smith, who was born at Lewistown, May 18, 1811. They had seven children: James P.; William Wilson; Henry Harrison; Marion F.; Reuben Smith; Lee Emma; and David C. All the children are dead except David. Mrs. Hamaker died January 29, 1884; her husband on November 22, 1884. David C. Hamaker received his education in the public schools of Lewistown, Pa., and remained at home until he attained his majority. He has been for twenty-five years, and is at present, the agent of Adams Express Company, at Lewistown. Mr. Ham-

aker is a substantial citizen; inheriting his father's sense of justice and sound business principles, he occupies an honored position in the community. Like his father, he adheres to the Republican party. He is also a member of Lewistown Council, No. 934, of the R. A.

David C. Hamaker was married September 23, 1880, to Catharine, daughter of Jacob and Susan (Murray) Breneman. They have two children: Maud Irwin; and Walter Murray. Mr. Hamaker and his family are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

COL. JOHN B. SELHEIMER, deceased, formerly of Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Milford township, Juniata county, Pa., August 18, 1826. He was a son of Absalom B. and Eleanor (Beale) Selheimer. His great-grandfather, Nicholas Selheimer, a native of Hesse Cassel, Germany, settled in Franklin county, Pa., about ten years before the war of the Revolution. When that great struggle for freedom began he abandoned the peaceful pursuits of agriculture, to which he had devoted himself, and fought for his adopted country throughout the war. The children of Nicholas and his wife Mary (Miller) Selheimer were: William; Conrad; George; John; Jacob; and Susan. The fourth son, John Selheimer, served under Commodore Perry in the War of 1812, and was killed on board the *Niagara*, in service on Lake Erie. A relic treasured by the family is a large silver medal, one of a number awarded by the State of Pennsylvania to individuals among its troops who had distinguished themselves by valor; it is thus inscribed: "To John Selheimer, in testimony of his patriotism and bravery in the naval action on Lake Erie, September the 10th, 1813." Jacob Selheimer also served in that war.

The eldest of the family, William Selheimer, was born in 1776, in Franklin county. He was a paper manufacturer; he built a mill in Chester county, Pa., and conducted it until 1815, when he removed to the part of Mifflin county now included in Juniata county, and resided there, carrying on the same business with abundant success until 1826, in which year he died. He owned a large tract of land in Juniata county, on which he erected his paper-mill, besides several dwellings. He married Elizabeth Houltry, of Hagerstown, Md. They had the following children: Absa-







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lom B.; William; James; John; Patterson; Elizabeth (Mrs. Thomas Kerr); Catherine (Mrs. William Kirk); Mary (Mrs. William Robison); Sarah (Mrs. John McKennan); Jane (Mrs. John P. Low); and Maria (Mrs. David Doughman). The eldest son, Absalom B. Selheimer, was born in 1798, in Franklin county. He was with his father in Chester and Juniata counties, occupied in both localities in the manufacture of paper. His first wife, to whom he was married in 1821, was Eleanor, daughter of Judge William Beale, of Beale township, Juniata county; their children are: William B.; Napoleon B.; John B.; and Hannibal S. The second marriage of Mr. A. B. Selheimer was with Louisa A., daughter of David Crawford, M. D., in 1833. Their children are: Robert S.; David Crawford; Absalom B.; Jane A. (Mrs. E. W. Eisenbise); and Oliver P. Absalom B. Selheimer died in 1852, in Rochester, N. Y.

Col. John B. Selheimer was educated in the common schools of his native district, Milford township, Juniata county. At the age of sixteen he began learning the trade of a tinsmith at Lewistown, Pa., perfecting himself in the business afterwards in Philadelphia. In 1848 he embarked in the hardware business in Lewistown, and conducted it on broadening lines and with increasing prosperity throughout his life. He was a Free Mason, a member of Lewistown Lodge, No. 203, and of Lewistown Commandery, No. 26. Colonel Selheimer was an adherent of the Democratic party, in which his cool judgment, excellent reasoning powers and decision of character gave him a leading position. He served in various public offices; by the borough of Lewistown, he was chosen as school director, town commissioner and burgess; by the county, he was elected treasurer for a term of two years, in 1859. He was elected State senator in 1884, to represent the Thirty-first Senatorial District for four years. During that term he served on the following committees: Constitutional Reform; Canals and Navigation; Military Affairs; Banks; Federal Relations; and Pensions and Gratuities.

Colonel Selheimer's first military distinction was conferred upon him when, in 1858, he was chosen captain of the newly organized "Logan Guards." About the beginning of April, 1861, the "Guards" offered their services to the United States government, and

on the 15th the offer was accepted; this was immediately after the attack upon Fort Sumter, and the issuing of the call for seventy-five thousand volunteers. The company was immediately recruited to the number of one hundred, and on the evening of the day on which the telegram of acceptance was received, was on its way to Harrisburg, Pa. On the 17th, at midnight, orders were received from Governor Curtin to proceed to Washington on the following morning. The Logan Guards were not only the first company to report at Harrisburg, but the first one mustered into the United States service. With four other companies from Pennsylvania, they set out April 18, 1861, for Washington, having only such arms as they brought from home, the State not being as yet prepared to arm its companies. They passed through Baltimore on the day preceding the coming of the Sixth Massachusetts, and the bloody conflict of that regiment with the mob. The Pennsylvania men found the mob ripe for mischief, abusive and insulting almost beyond endurance; but by marching, according to the orders of Captains Selheimer, Irwin and others, in solid column, deigning no reply whatever to the jeers and threats of the mob, with the best possible display of their scanty supply of arms, they succeeded, though not without the assistance of the police, in passing through the city without any fighting. On the next day they handed in the first morning report in Washington. Their quarters were for a short time in the capitol, but they were soon ordered to Fort Washington, and kept on duty there until their term of service expired. The Logan Guards, with other companies, afterwards constituted the Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Captain Selheimer being elected its lieutenant-colonel, and the Logan Guards being the color company. The Twenty-fifth belonged to the three months' service.

The Selheimers deserve to be called a soldierly family, one or more of its representatives having served in every war recorded in the history of our Union. Of the earlier generations and their military record we have already spoken. Napoleon B. Selheimer, brother of Col. John B., served during the Mexican war, in the cavalry, and three other brothers took part in the war of the Rebellion, David C. Selheimer, a business man in South Carolina, left for the north immediately after

the attack upon Fort Sumter, and although arrested more than once on his way, succeeded in reaching New York, where he enlisted in the Ninth Volunteers, and was later transferred to the Logan Guards, Forty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers, ranking as second lieutenant. After re-enlistment as a veteran, he served as aide-camp to Gen. Joseph S. Knipe, in Sherman's March to the Sea. He was wounded at Peach Tree Creek, Ga.; the wound eventually proved fatal. Absalom B. Selheimer, Jr., enlisted as a private in 1861, in the First Pennsylvania Cavalry. He was discharged on account of illness, but later enlisted again for nine months, and still later in an emergency regiment. He afterwards raised a company, of which he was captain, and was in service in Tennessee until the close of the war. Oliver P. Selheimer was but fifteen when he enlisted for the nine months' service, in which he continued until the time expired.

Col. John B. Selheimer was married, March 23, 1850, to Eliza J., daughter of Joseph Mathews, of Lewistown. Their children are: Joseph M.; Eleanor B.; William L.; Elizabeth B. (Mrs. Dwight S. Beckwith), of Orleans county, N. Y.; Harry C.; Charles M., deceased; and Mary L.

Their eldest son, Joseph M. Selheimer, was born in Lewistown, January 3, 1851. He was educated in the public schools and the academy at Lewistown, and at the age of twenty began a course at the Crittenden Commercial College. After graduation there he entered his father's store, and acquired a thorough knowledge of the various departments of the hardware business. In 1886 he became the capable and fully successful manager of his father's extensive trade, and conducted the business until the death of the latter, December 17, 1893. Since that time Joseph M. Selheimer has managed his father's entire estate, with all his business interests. He has succeeded to his father's interests in the Lewistown Gas Company, the Lewistown Electric Light, Heat and Power Company, and the Mann Edge Tool Company, of Lewistown, in each of which corporations he is a director. He is public-spirited, active and liberal in promoting the interests of the borough. He shares his father's political views, those of a genuine Jeffersonian Democrat; has occasionally served in local offices when it was

thought that he could serve the public good by so doing, although he is not ambitious for political preferment. He was for some years an active member of the fire department of Lewistown. He belongs to the Lewistown Commandery, F. and A. M., and is a past high priest of Lewistown Chapter, No. 186; he is also a member of Lulu Temple, Mystic Shrine, at Philadelphia.

Mr. Selheimer is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church at Lewistown; while faithful to his own denomination, Christian churches of every name share his liberality and hospitality.

GEORGE WILSON ELDER, son of Robert and Esther Elder, was born in Half Moon valley, Centre county, Pa., July 28, 1821. His grandfather came from Franklin county, Pa., to this valley in 1787, when it was an unbroken wilderness. He was of a family who emigrated from Scotland about 1730, settled in Paxtang, Dauphin county, and took an active part in the Revolutionary struggle. The mother of George W. Elder was of Quaker descent; her ancestors came over with Penn when he made his first visit to America; they settled in Chester county, Pa., whence her father removed to Half Moon valley soon after Abraham Elder, the paternal grandfather already mentioned, took up his residence there. The old homestead is still occupied by members of the family.

In this home George W. Elder spent his early years, engaged in the occupations of the farm in the summer, and attending the schools of the neighborhood in the winter. About two years of this early period were spent in the store of his brother-in-law in Warriors Mark, Huntingdon county; after which Mr. Elder entered the preparatory department of Allegheny College at Meadville, Pa. In 1843 he became a student at Jefferson College, Cannonsburg, Pa., entering the sophomore class, and graduated in 1846. Returning home, he immediately registered as a student-at-law with Hon. H. N. McAlister, of Bellefonte, Pa., and after due preparation entered the law department of Harvard University, graduating with the class of 1849. In the same year he took up his residence in Lewistown, where he has since been in continuous practise. Although deeply interested in the political welfare of his country, he has never sought or de-

sired to hold any official position. The educational institutions of the town have ever received Mr. Elder's cordial support. He served several terms on the borough school board, and as president of the board of trustees of the academy. He was influential in the organization of the Library Association, and was for many years its president. He has been about thirty years a director in the Mifflin county National Bank. The year in which he became a resident of Lewistown saw the opening of the Pennsylvania Railroad to that place; he was present, and took part in the opening ceremonies. Soon after he was appointed attorney of the railroad company at Lewistown, and has been in their employ to the present time.

George Wilson Elder was married in 1853, to Margaretta Scott Shaw. Their family consists of three sons and two daughters: Rufus C., a graduate of Princeton College, pursued the study of law with his father, and is associated with him in the practise of his profession, married Leah B. McFarland; George Robert, also a graduate of Princeton and prepared for legal practise in his father's office, removed on his admission to the bar to Leadville, Col., where he still resides, and is married to Ida Dull; Herman Scott, engaged in the milling business, is senior member of the firm of Elder & Egbert; Esther, the elder daughter, married Frank E. Mann, resides near Lewistown; and Mary T. (Mrs. William G. Brinton), resides in Oxford, Pa.

THOMAS F. MCCOY, ESQ. (brevet brigadier-general), Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in what is now Bratton township, near Junkin mills, Mifflin county, February 17, 1819. He is of Scotch-Irish descent, on both the paternal and maternal sides, being a son of John (2) and Jane (Junkin) McCoy. His grandfather, John McCoy (1), died in Pennsylvania, leaving issue as follows: I. Alexander, went to Kentucky. II. Thomas, served in the Revolutionary war as first lieutenant in Capt. William Bratton's company of the Seventh Pennsylvania Regiment, which was discharged in April, 1781, at Carlisle, Pa.; he died, leaving issue: i. Mary (Mrs. William Atkinson); ii. John, whose children were Alexander, Nancy, James, Mary, Elizabeth and Margaret; iii. Gilbert; iv. William; v. Mitchell, in Ohio. III. Gilbert,

served as private in Captain Bratton's company, above mentioned; died leaving issue: i. William, had children; ii. Francis; iii. Priscilla. IV. William, served as sergeant in Capt. William Hendrick's company of riflemen, who took part in the Canada campaign of 1775, under Morgan, and was captured in the assault upon Quebec, at Palace gate; left issue: i. John; ii. Jane; iii. Thomas; iv. Matthew; v. Mary (Junkin); vi. Sarah; vii. David; viii. William; ix. Priscilla. V. Matthew, served as second lieutenant in the Fifth Company of the Seventh Battalion of the Cumberland county militia, in the Continental army, died leaving no issue. VI. Jane (McCoy) Garrett. VII. Mary (Mrs. David Steel), left issue: i. John; ii. Elizabeth; iii. David; iv. Alexander; v. William. VIII. Elizabeth, no issue.

Of the Junkin family in America the following record is preserved. Joseph Junkin (maternal great-grandfather of Thomas F. McCoy), came to America from County Antrim, Ulster, Ireland, in 1742, married Elizabeth, daughter of John Wallace, of Peach Bottom, York county, Pa., and in 1747 settled on the Conodoguinet creek, near "Silvers," in East Pennsboro township, Cumberland county, Pa., which was their permanent home. They died, Joseph Junkin in 1777, his wife in 1796, leaving issue as follows: I. William, born in 1744. II. Joseph (2), born January 2, 1750, married May 24, 1779, Eleanor Cochran, of Marsh Creek, near Gettysburg, Pa., had fourteen children, of whom eleven married. Joseph and Eleanor Junkin both died before 1829, at Mercer, Pa., leaving issue, from whom are descended the families bearing the name in Philadelphia, Mercer and Beaver counties, and other places. III. Mary, married John Culbertson, who in 1783 had 250 acres of land on Culbertson's run, in Mifflin county; they had a large family. IV. Benjamin, ancestor of the Perry county branch of the family. V. George, no record. VI. John, an officer in the United States army. Both George and John had descendants. William Junkin, eldest son of Joseph (1), took out a warrant August 6, 1766, for 150 acres of land in Wayne township, Mifflin, then Armagh, Cumberland county. He created the old homestead in 1782. Soon after locating his claim he married Jane Galloway; they had issue: i. James, born October 9, 1772,

lived and died on the homestead, and was the father of Jane Junkin, who married Capt. Casper Dull, and had children: James Junkin; Daniel; Joseph; Hannah, married John Vance Criswell, father of Mrs. Henry McCormick; Nancy; George Macklin; Margaret; Andrew Jackson; and Casper Penrose, ii. Ann (Mrs. Steele), born September 23, 1774. iii. Rebecca (Mrs. Archibald Moore), born May 8, 1776. iv. Jane (Mrs. McCoy), born December 30, 1777. v. Catherine (Mrs. David Lusk), born April 21, 1780. vi. Margaret (Mrs. Robert Johnston), born July 3, 1782; her son, James M. Johnston, died in Williamsburg, Pa., in 1897, leaving a family; a son of his, Lieut. Robert M. Johnston, was killed in the battle of Antietam. vii. William, born September 28, 1784. viii. Andrew, born June 15, 1786.

John McCoy (2), grandson of John McCoy (1) and eldest son of William McCoy, was born in 1775, and became a resident of Mifflin county in the latter part of the eighteenth century. Here, in 1794, he married Jane, daughter of William and Jane (Galloway) Junkin. They had eight children, as follows: William Junkin; Sarah (Mrs. Thomas Jacobs); John M.; Catherine E.; Margaret H.; Nancy J.; Rebecca, married Capt. Matthias Niece; James Galloway; and Thomas Franklin. The eldest son, William Junkin McCoy, of McVeystown, Pa., married a widow, Mrs. Correll. The eldest son of Sarah (McCoy) Jacobs, William J. Jacobs, Esq., was an attorney-at-law at Lewistown, and removed to Minnesota, where he practised law; he died at Lake City, Minn. John M. McCoy married Miss Roller; their children reside in Lewistown. Frank Niece, son of Rebecca J. (McCoy) Niece, enlisted during the war of the Rebellion in Company K, Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, as a lieutenant, served his term of enlistment, and was honorably discharged. His father, who was captain of the same company, also served with honor and credit throughout his term. John McCoy (2) died at his home in Mifflin county from an accident which occurred in the course of his business, he being a millwright; his death occurred in 1825, when he was about fifty years of age. Thomas F. McCoy, his youngest son, continued to reside with his widowed mother until her death, in 1843. Mr. and Mrs. McCoy were earnest and consistent Christians;

Mrs. McCoy was a member of the Presbyterian church at McVeystown.

Thomas Franklin McCoy was six years old when his father died. He received a good education, and while still a young man, became editor and publisher of the *McVeystown Village Herald*. For seven years previous to the breaking out of the Mexican war, he had served in the Pennsylvania State militia, and in February, 1847, he was commissioned by President Polk as first lieutenant in the Eleventh United States Infantry. With his regiment he marched to the Rio Grande, thence to Vera Cruz, and thence into the interior of Mexico, first meeting the Mexican forces at the National Bridge. He was afterwards in the fight at La Hoya. After Contreras, Chermuseo, Molino del Rey, Chapultepec and Garita San Cosme, the young lieutenant was brevetted captain for his gallant and meritorious conduct. At Molino del Rey, four of his superior officers having fallen in that desperate engagement, the command of the regiment devolved upon him. General Cadwalader, the brigade commander, referred to his conduct in these words: "A reference to the official reports will show that his services were not overlooked either by the late commanding officer of his regiment, Lieut. Col. William M. Graham, or after his death, by his successor, Major Hunter, and that he is also particularly named in high terms in my own report."

After his return to his home in Mifflin county, Thomas F. McCoy was for two consecutive terms prothonotary of the county. He then applied himself to legal studies under the preceptorship of William J. Jacobs, Esq., and D. W. Woods, Esq., of Lewistown; he was admitted to the bar of the county in 1857. Having offered his services to Governor Curtin at the beginning of the war of the Rebellion, he was appointed in April, 1861, to the position of deputy quartermaster-general of the State of Pennsylvania, and served efficiently and with his characteristic fidelity in this branch of the service until, upon the death of Col. Thomas A. Ziegler, of the One Hundred and Seventh Veteran Volunteers, he was solicited by the officers of that regiment to assume its command. The stirring scenes of the camp and the field, with all their perils, possessing strong attractions for a spirit like his, he willingly consented, and in August,

1862, was commissioned by the Governor as colonel of that regiment; he assumed command of the regiment, then attached to General Pope's army, at Cedar Mountain, near Culpeper, Va., on August 15, 1862. From this time until the close of the war he was in active service; he took part in more than twenty engagements, not seldom commanding whole brigades, or detachments of various regiments, and always, to quote the words of General Duryea, "as an officer, cool and deliberate under fire, and subordinate and respectful in an eminent degree, commanding the confidence of his companions in arms."

At the battle of Fredericksburg, his daring and successful charge won for him the highest commendation from Colonel Root, then brigade commander, in his official report. At Chancellorsville he held the skirmish line on the right of the army for two days and nights without relief. At Mine Run he was designated, with his regiment, to lead the charge on the enemy's line. At DeBoeys Mill, in February, 1865, the One Hundred and Seventy, under his leadership, distinguished itself by two valiant and desperate charges. There General Morrow, having been severely wounded, passed the command of the brigade over to Colonel McCoy, with the brigade flag which he had borne through the perils of the fight; the latter received the trust, and through the fight and through the wintry storm of snow and sleet, carried the precious ensign of his brigade to the close of the battle. "His conduct," General Morrow said, "was such as to inspire me with a high regard for his courage as a man and skill as an officer; and from all I have heard from General Crawford and others, I know his conduct during the whole engagement, February 6 and 7, to have been gallant and skilful." At Mitchell's Station, in the winter of 1863-64, he performed dangerous outpost duty to the satisfaction of his superior officers. In the great flank movement of the Army of the Potomac in June, 1864, to the James river, the duty of protecting the army from the attacks of the enemy was placed upon Warren's Fifth Corps, and in recognition of Colonel McCoy's gallantry in that movement he received the following commendatory words from Major General Crawford, his division commander: "The general commanding the division expresses his satisfaction at the efficient manner in which

you, and the officers and men of your command, performed the part assigned you on the 13th instant, in effectually holding your position without support."

In the ten months' siege of Petersburg, from June 18, 1864, to April 2, 1865, many battles were fought by different corps. Three battles were fought by Warren's Corps for the possession of the Weldon Railroad, in one of which Colonel McCoy was surrounded and made prisoner, but in the excitement of the raging battle, at the risk of being shot down, he made a sudden dash for liberty, and reached the Union lines in safety. For his services in the noted battle of Five Forks, he was brevetted brigadier-general, and had the honor of receiving the thanks of his brigade commander, Gen. Henry Baxter, on the battlefield. All his superior officers, among whom were Gen. Peter Lyle, one of his brigade commanders, and Gen. John C. Robinson, his division commander, were unanimous in their expressions of praise and admiration of his skill, bravery and personal worth. General Baxter, with whom he served more than two years, said: "I wish to express my high appreciation and regard for the moral worth and integrity of purpose that have governed him in every action, and the promptness and ability with which his services have been rendered under all circumstances. In the camp, on the long and tedious marches, and on the battlefield, his duties have been performed with that decision and ability which cannot but render a command effective and reliable, which his has ever been." But the key to General McCoy's absolute devotion to duty, to his valor, his subordination, and all his other fine soldierly qualities, is found in that fidelity to conscience which is at once the foundation and the crowning merit of a character like his. This moral integrity rendered him as successful in promoting a dignified and manly self-restraint among the men under his command in their hours of relaxation, as he was in leading them on the march or in the field. Without cant, but at the same time without reserve, he never failed to acknowledge the protection and guidance of God, nor to show an interest in the moral and religious welfare of his command.

At the close of the war General McCoy returned to Lewistown, and resumed the practise of law. He has ever been interested in

the enterprises and improvements projected for the advantage of the borough. For over thirty years he has been connected with the Lewistown Water Company, is a director of the same, and has been its secretary for many years. He is a member of Colonel Hulings Post, 176, G. A. R., at Lewistown.

Thomas F. McCoy was married May 22, 1873, to Margaret Eleanor, daughter of John A. and Jane (Witherow) Ross, of Harrisburg, Pa. Their children are: Frank Ross, a graduate of 1897 at West Point Military Academy, N. Y.; Janet Witherow, died in 1878; Margaretta; Hannah Junkin; Edgar and Mary, died in infancy; and John Howard. General and Mrs. McCoy are members of the Presbyterian church, in which he has for nearly half a century borne office as a ruling elder.

The maternal line of descent of Mrs. Thomas F. McCoy, from the original immigration, is as follows: John Johnson, her great-grandfather, came from Ireland. He lived to the age of one hundred and four years, and is interred in Bratton graveyard. The children of John and Mary Johnson were: James, served in the Revolution; David, served in the Revolution; Alanson (or Lancelot), sergeant in the Continental army; John, also served in the Revolution; Mary, of Lexington, Pa., lived to be over one hundred years old; and Elizabeth, great-grandmother of Mrs. McCoy, married James Macklin, an immigrant from Ireland. He served in the struggle for independence, and was wounded in the battle of the Brandywine. He was cared for at the home of certain persons, to whose eldest son he devised by will ten pounds sterling, in grateful acknowledgment of their kindness. The children of James and Elizabeth (Johnson) Macklin were: Nancy (Mrs. Gonzales), of Ohio; Margaret (Mrs. McCartney), of Ohio; Mary (Mrs. McLaughlin), of Ohio; Prudence (Mrs. Lukens), of Illinois; Jane (Mrs. Atkinson), of Pennsylvania; George; Lydia (Mrs. Dull), of Pennsylvania; and Elizabeth, grandmother of Mrs. McCoy, whose husband was Samuel Witherow, of Chester county, Pa. The children of Samuel and Elizabeth (Macklin) Witherow were: Lydia (Mrs. Patterson); Sarah (Mrs. North); David; Margaret (Mrs. Ross); William; Rebecca; and Jane (Mrs. John A. Ross), the mother of Mrs. McCoy.

ROBERT W. PATTON, of Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., but at present residing in New York City, was born February 21, 1834, son of George M. and Rachel (Wooliston) Patton. His paternal grandparents were Robert and Jane (Williams) Patton. The children of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Patton are: Robert W.; Rachel Jane (Mrs. A. S. Patterson), of Washington, D. C.; G. Marie, of Washington, D. C.; George W., attorney-at-law of Charleston, W. Va., and at present State Senator for that district.

Robert W. Patton's education was begun in the common schools, and carried on further in the academy of Lewistown. While still young he was left dependent upon his own resources. He first took up carpentry and building, which calling he followed for about two years. He is now in the United States Assay Department in New York City, where he resides. Robert W. Patton married Elizabeth M., daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Moore) Milliken. Their children are: Joseph M., deceased, married Mary B. Thomas; George W., deceased; Elizabeth, deceased; Maria S.; Mary J. (Mrs. Wilberforce Schweyer), of Mifflin, Pa., whose husband is now district attorney of Juniata county; and Robert W., attorney-at-law, at Lewistown.

CHARLES A. SHUNKWEILER, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Reedsville, Pa., October 4, 1859, son of Daniel and Rachel (Romig) Shunkweiler, both of German ancestry. His grandfather, Solomon Shunkweiler, was a resident of Northumberland county, Pa., a farmer and blacksmith. Daniel Shunkweiler was born and educated in that county, and learned his father's trade. Some time before the year 1844, he became a resident of Mifflin county, and was one of the first to be employed by William Mann, Sr., at the establishment of his axe factory. Several years later, he for some time conducted a smithy on his own account, but in 1866 he returned to the axe factory, and held his position there until 1886. Daniel Shunkweiler was first married to Susanna Miller. The children of this marriage are: Hannah E.; Mary C.; Sarah C.; and Laura Jane. Mrs. Susanna Shunkweiler died, and Mr. Shunkweiler married Rachel, daughter of Charles and Mary (Hoffnagel) Romig. Their children are: Charles A.; Susanna, died March

10, 1897; Rebecca, died very young; Ellen (Mrs. R. K. McDonald), has four children; William S., married Matilda Reed, has one child. Mr. and Mrs. D. Shunkweiler are members of the Lutheran church.

Having received his education in the common schools and under private tuition, at Reedsville, Charles A. Shunkweiler was, at the age of eighteen, employed by William Mann, Jr., & Company, in the axe factory. Afterwards, having made the requisite preparation, he was for two years a teacher; was then again in the employ of William Mann & Company until 1890; from that year until 1895 he was traveling salesman for Janney & Andrews, of Philadelphia. In August, 1895, he became manager for Witman, Schwarz & Company, wholesale grocers, of the Lewistown branch of their business. He is a member of Lodge No. 213, I. O. O. F., of Milroy, and a charter member of Lodge No. 162, K. G. E., at Reedsville. His politics are Democratic.

Charles A. Shunkweiler was married February 11, 1892, to Maud E., daughter of John A. and Margaret (Tevling) Bower. Their children are: Harry Bower, who died when about seven months old; and Edward Maurice. Mr. and Mrs. Shunkweiler are members of the Lutheran church, and promoters of its work.

HENRY C. LEWIS, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Pottsville, Pa., April 19, 1834, son of Nathan H. and Hannah (Mendenhall) Lewis, of Chadds Ford, Pa. Nathan H. Lewis was born October 10, 1804, and died February 17, 1843; his wife survived until February 2, 1891. Their children were: Caleb, born September 3, 1828, married Susan Burnett; Lydia, born February 24, 1830, married Dr. John S. Phillips, of Kennett Square, Pa.; Edwin, born December 17, 1831, died November 17, 1838; Henry Clay; William H., born June 14, 1840, died January 8, 1843; and Samuel A., born March 26, 1843, went down off Cape Hatteras December 31, 1863, on the iron-clad Monitor, on which he was third assistant engineer. Nathan H. Lewis, having removed to West Chester, Pa., built the first iron foundry there, and conducted it until his death in 1843. Henry C. Lewis attended the schools of that borough until his mother, when left a widow, removed to the vicinity

of Chadds Ford, and two years later to that of Concordville, Delaware county. In both places he continued to be a pupil in the common schools. He afterwards resided for a short time with his cousin, Evan G. Phillips, in Newcastle county, Del., after which he found employment in Philadelphia for one year in the drug store of Paul G. Oliver, and then in the hardware store of Longstreth & Buzby, on Market street. He next entered the shops of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Mifflintown, Pa., to learn the business of a machinist, and remained there about six years. In 1857 he was employed by the Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad Company as fireman and machinist, between Allegheny and Alliance, O.; then by the Northern Central Railroad Company as machinist and locomotive engineer, at Baltimore, being promoted some time later to the position of foreman of the machine shop. After five years, he left the Northern Central for the Western Maryland Railroad. He was subsequently employed by the Summit Branch Railroad Company as master mechanic in Lykens valley; by the Pennsylvania and Ohio Anthracite Coal and Transportation Company as superintendent at Losh's Run Station for about eighteen months, and by the same company at Lewistown Junction until the autumn of 1890. At the last-named place he was superintendent for Boyd, Stickney & Company. Mr. Lewis is neutral in politics.

Henry Clay Lewis was married in September, 1858, to Abigail J., daughter of George and Nancy Losh. Their children are: Hannah Mary, died when about two years old; and Lilly J. Mr. Lewis and his family attend the Presbyterian church.

HENRY A. FELIX, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Lewistown, April 18, 1840, son of Anthony and Sarah B. (Fisher) Felix. He was educated in the common schools and at the Cumberland Valley Institute, Mechanicsburg, Pa., where he studied for three years. He then for one year assisted his father in his cabinet-making establishment at Lewistown. In November, 1857, he embarked with his father in general mercantile business at Lewistown, and continued in the same until 1884. On January 1, 1872, he went into the wholesale grocery and confectionery business on his own account, and has

carried it on ever since with excellent success, gradually enlarging the business, from his moderate beginning to the present valuable interest. Mr. Felix is usually active in local enterprises. He was an important factor in the organization and incorporation of the Masonic Association of Lewistown, of which he was elected a director, and is now president. He is a member of Lodge No. 203, F. and A. M., Lewistown; of Lewistown Chapter No. 186, and Commandery No. 26; of Lodge No. 255, K. of P., Lewistown, and of Lulu Temple, Mystic Shrine, Philadelphia. He is a Republican.

Henry A. Felix was married in November, 1862, to Susan, daughter of Cyrus and Sophia Matters. Their children are: Elizabeth H., born in May, 1863, died June 21, 1896; and Effie M. Mr. and Mrs. Felix are members of the Presbyterian church of Lewistown. Mr. Felix is now president of the Board of Trustees of the church. Elizabeth H. Felix, his daughter, was an earnest and devoted member of the same church, active in charitable work, and generally beloved and esteemed.

DAVID E. ROBESON, deceased, son of Moses and Susan (Poole) Robeson, was born in Blair county, Pa., near the village of Birmingham, in Huntingdon county. The Robeson family is of Scotch-Irish descent. The children of Moses Robeson and his wife are: David E.; John M., of Neosho, Mo., has two children; Moses, Jr., of Galena, Kan., has four children, is largely interested in the lumber trade, and is president of the Citizens' Bank at Galena; Sanford, of Clearfield county, Pa., has four children, owns large agricultural and mining interests; Mary, widow of Josiah Gallbraith, of Clinton, Ia., has sons and daughters; Priscilla, widow of George Colvin, Warriors Mark, Pa., has sons and daughters; Jane, widow of Vincent Miller, residing at Warriors Mark, Pa., has sons and daughters; and Sarah (Mrs. Novilling), died leaving four children.

David E. Robeson was educated in the public schools. At the age of sixteen he became salesman in a store at Birmingham, Pa., in which position he displayed such ability as to lead to his appointment as station agent at Tyrone, Pa. In 1856 he was made ticket and freight agent at Lewistown Junction. This

position he resigned in 1865 to assume the duties of cashier of the National Bank of Lewistown, which he continued to perform until his death, which occurred October 20, 1895. He was a Republican, interested in local affairs, and although not an office-seeker, was elected to various posts in the borough.

The marriage of David E. Robeson to Martha E., daughter of John and Barbara McCullough, took place November 20, 1855. Their children are: James C., married Elizabeth, daughter of William and Catherine (Reese) Coleman; Mary (Mrs. Edwin H. Molly), of Lebanon, Pa., has one child, Martha; Dr. William F., of Pittsburg, Pa., married to Marion B. Giddin; and Effie. William F. Robeson, M. D., is a graduate of the Universities of Pennsylvania and of Berlin, Germany. He was formerly a resident physician at the Blockley Hospital and Almshouse, in Philadelphia, and afterwards at the Wills Ear and Eye Hospital, in the same city. He is now practising in Pittsburg, Pa., and makes a speciality of diseases of the eye. James C. Robeson, born August 27, 1856, attended the common schools of Lewistown, and at the age of twenty entered the Eastman Business College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. After his graduation, he filled a clerical position in the bank with his father until 1893. He is a Republican. The family attend the Methodist Episcopal church, of which the late David E. Robeson was a faithful member.

WILLIAM WILLIS, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Lancaster county, Pa., near Mt. Joy, son of John and Frances Willis, of German birth. From early boyhood the life of Mr. Willis was a busy and useful one. He began at the age of sixteen to help maintain the family. At twenty years of age he entered the employ of John Patterson, of Mt. Joy, a shipper of produce, and for a number of years conducted Mr. Patterson's market cars to Philadelphia. He then became an employe on the old Columbia Railroad in Lancaster county, and was promoted until he held the position of engineer. His next office was that of general manager of the iron furnace of Henry Musselman, Henrietta, Lancaster county, Pa., after which he came to Lewistown, and until 1852 was manager of the Glamorgan Iron Company, and also superintended the erection of the blast furnaces

at Lewistown. Mr. Willis then engaged in the milling business with Alfred Marks, and under the firm name of Marks & Willis, carried on until 1864 an extensive and successful industry. At this time he enlisted in the army. Having been assigned to a company in the Two Hundred and Fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, under Colonel Matthews, of Lewistown, he served as quartermaster, and was stationed with his regiment before Petersburg. He remained in service until the close of the war, then returned to Lewistown and engaged in the mercantile business. Mr. Willis was largely interested in land investments in Iowa and Nebraska, and was also prominent in many enterprises in Mifflin county and other counties of the State. He was for a number of years president of the Mifflin County National Bank, and for a long time served as a member of its board of directors. Mr. Willis was a self-made man. Beyond the limited education obtained in boyhood, his acquisitions were all his own. The qualities that made him successful were industry, justice in his dealings with all, and friendliness. He was kind and helpful to young business men; he gave freely to the church and her institutions and was a worthy and public-spirited citizen. Mr. Willis was a Republican, but had no political aspirations.

William Willis was married to Susan, daughter of Philip and Sarah (Lively) Shaum. They had two children, of whom one died very young; Theresa, died aged seven. Mr. Willis died April 6, 1894, aged seventy-four. He was a member of the Lutheran church, as also is Mrs. Willis, who survives him.

HON. JOSEPH M. WOODS, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in New Berlin, Union county, Pa., January 5, 1854, received his primary education at Lewistown, and studied at the Academy at Bellefonte, Pa., for three years. He then entered Princeton College, from which he was graduated in 1876; studied law and was admitted to practice in November, 1878. Mr. Woods was elected district attorney of Mifflin county for the years 1881, 1882 and 1883; since when he has been a member of the firm of D. W. Woods & Son, attorneys-at-law, of Lewistown. He has always been a Republican, and as such was elected to the Senate of Pennsylva-

nia in November, 1888, and re-elected in November, 1892.

GEORGE T. CHILDS, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Philadelphia county, Pa., January 2, 1841, son of Nathan and Catherine (Sonder) Childs. His paternal grandparents were Thomas and Susan (Grubb) Childs, who had four children: Nathan; Joseph; John; and Anna. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Childs are: Susan (Mrs. William Waters); George T.; Harriet W.; Elwood M., married, has four children; and Hannah E., died aged about sixteen. Both parents are deceased. During his boyhood, George T. Childs attended the schools of Philadelphia county, and assisted his father in farming. At the age of fifteen, he began to earn his own livelihood. He was eighteen when he was first employed in the grocery of Samuel Beidler, who about two years later received the young man into partnership. This connection lasted about seventeen years. Mr. Beidler retiring from business in 1884, Mr. Childs carried on the establishment alone until June 1, 1895, when he removed to Lewistown. Here he has an extensive wholesale grocery, with connections in six counties in the valleys of the Susquehanna and Juniata. He is a member in good standing of Northern Liberties Lodge, No. 17, I. O. O. F., and Apollo Lodge, No. 9, K. of P., both of Philadelphia. In politics, he is neutral.

George T. Childs was married, January 17, 1867, to Rachel A., daughter of Aaron and Margaret (Feaster) Engle. They have one son, Frank E. Childs, who married Margaret W. Freed, and has two children: Earl Wayne Freed; and Frank Eagle. Mrs. Frank E. Childs is a daughter of Joseph D. and Mary (Fulton) Freed, and their only surviving child, two having died young, and one, Jennie, aged about forty-five. The Childs family are members of the Episcopal church.

WILLIAM F. ECKBERT, JR., Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born February 6, 1863, at Selins Grove, Pa., son of William F. and Anna E. (Davis) Eckbert. He is descended from Henry and Sarah (Fox) Eckbert, early inhabitants of Northumberland county. His paternal grandparents had nine children. His maternal grandparents were Capt. James K. and Margaret (Himmel)

Davis; the Captain served in the war of 1812. They had thirteen children. The family of William F. and Anna E. (Davis) Eckbert is as follows: Margaret C.; Annie M.; Henry J., married Ida F. Ryan, has five children; Lulu E. (Mrs. C. F. Kissinger), has one child; Olivia E. (Mrs. J. A. Frank); Charlotte D. (Mrs. A. M. Luffler); William F., Jr.; and Elizabeth A., wife of Frank G. Patton, son of Hon. John Patton, of Clearfield county, has two children.

Having received his education in the common schools of Selins Grove, William F. Eckbert, Jr., assisted in his father's store at the same place for three years. He was then employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, at Lewistown Junction, until 1891, when he became assistant train master for the P. and W. W. R. R. Company, at Bellwood, Pa. Two years later, he engaged in the coal business, associated with his brother-in-law, Mr. Patton, at Coalport, Pa., where he remained about eighteen months. In December, 1892, he entered into partnership with Herman S. Elder at Lewistown, in the merchant milling and coal business, conducting the Logan flouring mill. Of this he has made a successful business. Mr. Eckbert is a member of Lewistown Lodge, No. 203, Lewistown Chapter, No. 286, and Lewistown Commandery, No. 27, F. and A. M.; he is a past eminent commander of the order. He is also a member of the Harrisburg Consistory, and the Lulu Temple of the Mystic Shrine, Philadelphia. He is a staunch Republican.

William F. Eckbert, Jr., was married December 25, 1895, to Kathryn Keller, daughter of William H. and Elizabeth (Brisbin) Keller, of Lancaster county, Pa. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Keller are: Daniel A.; Leah; Harry H.; John B.; Kathryn K. (Mrs. Eckbert); Margaret; and Anna. Mr. and Mrs. Eckbert are members of the Lutheran church, in which both were reared.

JOSEPH R. MANN, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Mill Hall, Clinton county, Pa., February 16, 1859, and is a son of Robert and Christina (Reesman) Mann. He is one of a family of ten. Mr. Mann was educated in the common schools, at the Kishacoquillas Seminary, and at Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., which he entered in 1876. He withdrew from the class at the end of the

sophomore year, in 1878, and returned to his home at Mill Hall. Here he found opportunity for the exercise of his fine business abilities in connection with the establishment conducted by his father and brothers, under the firm name of Robert Mann & Sons; the junior partners being Thomas R. and A. C. Mann. Their business was ably managed, and substantially prosperous, and Joseph R. Mann continued to be identified with it until 1886. From that year until 1890, he was engaged in the real estate and loan business in Kansas. He then returned to Pennsylvania, and assumed the position of general superintendent of the American Axe and Tool Company, at Pittsburg, Pa. Two years later, this engagement was discontinued, and he organized the Mann Edge Tool Company, at Lewistown. The incorporators of this company were: Col. John B. Selheimer; Col. William Willis; Sylvester B. Weber; D. E. Robeson; J. A. Muthersbaugh; A. C. Mayes; Joseph R. Mann; and J. Alden Knight. The incorporation was completed in 1892. The board of directors elected Mr. Mann to its presidency; he has remained in office ever since, his experience, energy, and good judgment contributing in no small degree to the success of the enterprise.

The Graybill property was purchased, and the building remodeled and adapted to the requirements of axe manufacture. In the beginning of 1893, the plant was completed, having a capacity of fifty dozen per day. Large and numerous orders were received, and the prospects for the near future were most encouraging, when, on April 13, 1893, the factory was destroyed by fire. It was, however, rebuilt without delay, and with enlarged capacity, on the same location, but with greater conveniences and of more enduring construction. The manufacture of edge tools was resumed in the early part of 1894, at the rate of about seventy-five dozen of finished axes per day. The introduction of their manufactures in the markets of this country was sufficient to insure an immense demand, and the company has been forced to enlarge its capacity from time to time, until at the present time the product of the factory is over one hundred dozen per day; the reputation of these wares having spread beyond the home market, and created a demand from foreign countries which it requires this enormous out-

put to supply. The excellence of the tools sold by this company arises from a careful and discriminating choice of the materials used, from the employment of skilled workmen, and from processes which are the outgrowth of long and scientifically conducted experiments.

The present officers of the corporation are: Joseph R. Mann, president; Robert Mann, Jr., vice-president, residing at present in Philadelphia, Pa.; E. H. Haverly, secretary; and Sylvester B. Weaver, treasurer. The board of directors, besides the above officers, includes these additional members: J. A. Muthersbaugh, Horace J. Culbertson, Esq., Joseph M. Selheimer, Dr. A. S. Harslberger, and J. Alden Knight, of Lewistown; and David Salmon, of Lock Haven, Pa.

PETER DREYER, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born July 11, 1854, at Ofenbach, near Landau, Bavaria, Germany, son of Frederick and Catherine (Kochthaler) Dreyer. He was one of a family of four; the others are: John; Francis; and Theobald. The mother died when her youngest child, Peter, was but six weeks old. Frederick Dreyer was a farmer. After coming to America, he married a second time, at Milroy, Pa., June 11, 1874, his wife being Rebecca Sydney, daughter of William and Susan (Bice) Davis. Their children are: Frank, died in early infancy, August 18, 1875; Susan Bice, born July 6, 1876; Jeannette Gertrude, born June 20, 1878; Catherine Elizabeth, born November 22, 1885; Edgar Paul, born February 14, 1890. The children of Mr. and Mrs. William Davis were: James, deceased, married Annie Aurandt; Elizabeth Ann, married first to Arthur Wood, afterwards to William Beaver; Susan (Mrs. Henry Ort); Joanna (Mrs. John Kintzel); John Bice, married first Julia Muthersbaugh, afterwards Lillian Fisher; Mary (Mrs. George Frysinger); Sarah (Mrs. August Hering); Rebecca S. (Mrs. F. Dreyer), born October 2, 1855; William Clarke, married first to Emma Starr, afterwards to Emma Reed; and three daughters who died very young. Mrs. Davis died November 9, 1887, aged fifty-four years; Mr. Davis died June 10, 1892, at the age of seventy-seven. His parents were John and Susan (Biswartzly) Davis, the former English by birth, the latter of French descent,

of a Huguenot family. Mr. Frederick Dreyer is deceased.

GEORGE FRYSSINGER, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Hanover, York county, Pa., November 4, 1811. He is a son of George and Elizabeth (Ritter) Frysinger; his father was a descendant of an Austrian, his mother of a Swiss family. George Frysinger, Sr., was a native of York county, Pa., where he was educated in subscription schools, and learned wagon-making. For a number of years he pursued that occupation with success in Hanover, Pa., where he was a prominent citizen, valued for his character and his public services. He was a Federalist, and was active in the local and political affairs of York county. After serving in several county offices, he was elected in 1811, by a substantial majority, to the State legislature, in which he had a seat for one term. He was a member of a militia company at Hanover, with which, in 1814, he took part in the battle of North Point, near Baltimore, Md.; here he was promoted to the rank of captain of his company. In 1835 he was appointed clerk of the courts of York county; after having fulfilled the duties of this office for three years, he was relieved of them by the adoption of the new Constitution. All this time he had continued to conduct the business of wagon-making in Hanover, and was more or less actively engaged in that business so long as his health and strength permitted. George Frysinger, Sr., was married in 1804 or 1805 to Elizabeth, daughter of Jacob and Magdalena (Mott) Ritter. Their children are: Jesse, who married Caroline Grumbine; Elizabeth (Mrs. Horatio Price); Mary (Mrs. Jeremiah Honck); George, Jr.; Matilda (Mrs. Francis Shriver); Jacob, who married a lady of Baltimore, Md.; and William, who married Henrietta Stine. Mrs. George Frysinger, Sr., died May 21, 1852, at the age of sixty-six years; Mr. Frysinger died at the age of eighty-seven, April 5, 1870. Both were consistent Christians.

The education of George Frysinger, Jr., was begun in the private schools, and completed in the academy at Hanover. After leaving school he learned printing as an apprentice in the office of the *Baltimore American*, Baltimore, Md., and then worked at his trade for several years in Washington, D. C. Being disabled by an accident, he returned to

his home in Hanover, Pa., where in 1835 he established the *Hanover Herald*, and published it for several years. In 1841 he purchased the *Lebanon Courier*, Lebanon, Pa., but his health failing, he sold that paper. In 1846 Mr. Fry-singer purchased the *Lewistown Gazette*, at Lewistown, Pa., of which he was the editor and publisher for over thirty-five years. This paper he sold in 1883 to Messrs. George and James Staekpole, who have continued to be its editors and proprietors up to the present time. Mr. Fry-singer is a veteran of the newspaper fraternity, and by his ability and honorable conduct when actively engaged in the business, merited and obtained the respect which ought to attach to that character. He did all in his power to promote the interests of the community. He was formerly a Whig, and after the change of party lines and names, became an ardent supporter of Republican principles. During the earlier part of his career he was elected to several borough offices; he served four terms as chief Burgess.

George Fry-singer, Jr., was married June 16, 1839, to Sarah S., daughter of Daniel and Maria (Möhler) Barnitz. Their children are: Rev. William M., of the Methodist Episcopal church, now stationed at Carlisle, Pa., married Sarah Allen; George R., married Elizabeth Smith, of Armagh township, and had one child, Margaret Belle, who died aged six years; and Charles, died at Lebanon, Pa., at about two years of age. The second son, George R. Fry-singer, learned his father's trade, and was for many years a printer; he has now been for several years editor and proprietor of the *Lewistown Free Press*. Mr. and Mrs. George Fry-singer attend the Lutheran church.

FATHER WILLIAM J. HOOMAN, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., is a native of Coughton, Warwickshire, England, born January 12, 1851. He is a son of Richard and Ann (Whitmore) Hooman, of whose four children only two survive: William J.; and Richard, who resides in England. At the age of four William J. Hooman went with his parents to Stone, Staffordshire, England, where he attended the parochial school until he attained the age of fourteen. He then entered St. Charles College, Bayswater, London, where for five years he studied under the late Cardinal Manning. In 1870 he became a stu-

dent at St. Joseph's College, at Mill Hill, near Hendon, a missionary college of the Catholic church, where he remained until 1875. On June 4, 1875, he was sent by that institution, then under Bishop Vaughan, of Sauffort, England, to the United States, to do missionary work among the freedmen. Landing in New York in 1875, Father Hooman proceeded to Baltimore, where, after three months devoted to the further study of theology, he became assistant to Father John H. Graue, at Upper Marlborough, Prince George county, Md. In 1876 Father Hooman was made pastor of St. Mary's church, at Marlborough, of the church of the Holy Rosary, and of the church of St. Ignatius, all adjoining parishes. Among his parishioners here were the Surratt family, who were tried and condemned for complicity with the assassin of President Lincoln, the mother, Mrs. Surratt, being executed as accessory to the crime after the fact. The family of Major Lee also belonged to Father Hooman's parish. In 1879 he was sent to Louisville, Ky., to take charge of St. Augustine's church. Two years later, in 1881, he was sent to Washington, D. C., as successor to Father Felix Barrotti, at St. Augustine's church, but had been in charge of this parish only a short time when he was stricken down by typhoid fever, and endured a severe and lingering illness. After his recovery he remained for about a year in Baltimore, at the institution at St. Francis Xavier. He was then sent to Charleston, S. C., to succeed Father Dennis Hurly in the charge of St. Peter's church; here he remained until 1888. The edifice of St. Peter's was seriously damaged by the earthquake of 1886, and many of the parishioners were killed by the upheaval of 1888; and in that year Father Hooman again went to Washington, D. C., where he remained until the next year as assistant to Father Walsh.

In 1889, his health being impaired for the want of long-needed rest, Father Hooman visited his native country, going via Halifax, N. S., and St. John's, Newfoundland. He visited Paris during the Exposition, and after four months spent abroad, having traveled through England and Ireland, he returned to the United States. The Bishop Vaughan Missionary Society had by this time dissolved by common consent, some of the original members having gone to Brooklyn, N. Y., some to Cleveland, O., while others remained in Bal-

timore, Md. Father Hooman selected the diocese at Harrisburg, Pa., where he was assistant from October, 1892, until May, 1893. He then became rector of the church of the Sacred Heart, at Lewistown, and of the church at Yeagerstown. Father Hooman is an earnest and faithful worker in his sacred vocation, and enjoys the esteem and respect of all who know him.

HOWARD OSMAN LANTZ, ESQ., of Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., son of Rev. J. Max and Catherine Lantz, was born at Wrightsville, York county, Pa., December 8, 1866. Rev. J. Max Lantz, who was of Swiss descent, was a clergyman of the Methodist Episcopal church. He was educated at Tuscarora Academy, Academia, Juniata county, and after completing his course in literary branches, studied for the ministry, and was installed in the old Baltimore Conference. He possessed a fine mind and was well equipped both intellectually and spiritually for his sacred work. He was devoted to his calling, and was esteemed and beloved as a pastor, having filled the largest appointments in the Conference. He was a delegate to the General Conference at Omaha. He was married March 6, 1866, to Catherine, daughter of Isaac and Catherine Mundorff. Their children are: Howard Osman; and J. Max, Jr.; the latter attended Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., but at the time of his father's death left college, and became an employee of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Lewistown. He is married to Vema, daughter of W. H. and Annie Taylor, of Tyrone, Pa. The father, Rev. J. Max Lantz, died August 21, 1894; his departure was mourned by many friends and parishioners.

The education of Howard O. Lantz was carried on during his early boyhood by his father. After receiving this most important part of his training, he became a student at James Kelso's Academy, at Danville, Pa., where he continued until 1882. He then entered the Wesleyan University, at Middletown, Conn., and after four years of faithful application, was graduated with the class of 1886, receiving the degree of A. B. The family then resided at York, Pa., where Mr. Lantz continued his studies under his father's guidance. They removed to Lewistown in 1887, and in April of that year he began reading law in the of-

fice of Hon. Horace J. Culbertson. In 1889 he received the degree of master of arts from his *Alma Mater*, the degree being given for work in English literature. He was admitted to the bar of Mifflin county in January, 1890, and at once began the practise of law in the office of his preceptor. In that year he was elected auditor of the borough, and was chosen Burgess of Lewistown in 1893, in which year also he began practising law independently. Mr. Lantz at once took an active part in local political affairs; and in 1895 he was nominated for the office of district attorney, and was elected, on the Republican ticket, by a flattering majority. He is an ardent supporter of the principles of his party. In the performance of his public duties he not only displays ability of a high order, but conscientious faithfulness for public interests.

Mrs. Lantz and her sons are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, of which Howard O. Lantz is a trustee.

ROBERT H. MYERS, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., son of Peter and Sarah Ann (Askin) Myers, was born at New Haven, O., January 5, 1836. His grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Myers, were born in Lancaster county, Pa., and later removed to Franklin county, Pa., where Mrs. Daniel Myers died. They had five children: Peter; Hannah; William; John; and Henry, who married and removed to Shirleysburg, Huntingdon county, Pa. Henry Myers was a blacksmith, having learned that trade in Franklin county; he died aged seventy-nine years, and his wife at about eighty-one years of age. Their children were: Daniel, who married and had four children; Edward, married Miss Thompson, has six children; Annie, died at the age of thirty; Ellen (Mrs. William Harris), had two children, Leslie, married, and resides in Shirleysburg; and William, resides in Shirleysburg. Peter, son of Daniel Myers, was born in 1799, in Franklin county, where he received a limited education, principally in German, in subscription schools. He served an apprenticeship at tailoring, and at the age of twenty-one began business on his own account; through industry and frugality he soon established a good trade. He removed first to Concord, Franklin county, afterwards to Shirleysburg, Huntingdon county; in 1834 he removed with his family to New Haven, O., and in

1838 returned to Shirleysburg, and in all these places he continued to work at his handicraft. His removals to and from Ohio, with his family and household goods, were effected by means of wagons. After his return he lived for many prosperous years at Shirleysburg. For six years he served as post-master, by appointment of President Lincoln, and resigned his office when President Johnson came into office. In 1869 Mr. Myers went to reside with his son John in Illinois, where he died December 28, 1875. Mrs. Peter Myers was a daughter of Thomas and Maria Askin; the children of Mr. and Mrs. Myers are: Daniel, who died when eighteen months old; Margaret (Mrs. Perry Etchison), of Huntingdon county, whose husband was a lieutenant in the Twelfth Pennsylvania Reserves, and died of a disease contracted in army service during the Rebellion, after which she was married to Mr. Hawn, of Huntingdon county, who died in 1878, and Mrs. Hawn died in 1897, aged sixty-nine, leaving a son and five daughters: Mary B. (Mrs. Calvin Wallace), of Lewistown, has one daughter and one son; Catherine (Mrs. Adam Bryan), of Huntingdon county, had one child; John J., married Rebecca White, had one son and three daughters, resided in Marion county, Ill., died in October, 1879; and Hannah (Mrs. Henry Lahr), resided in Huntingdon county, had two daughters and two sons.

Robert H. Myers after being educated in the common schools and the academy of Shirleysburg, began at the age of eighteen to learn carpentry with Charles Bowersox; three years later, having finished his apprenticeship, he became a journeyman, and continued working for two years for Mr. Bowersox. He then undertook building contracts on his own account, and worked in the construction of the Pennsylvania canal. Mr. Myers enlisted, August 7, 1862, in Company I, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, served until June, 1863, and after spending a short time at home, re-enlisted August 7, 1864, in Company M, Nineteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry. He was in battle at Antietam, Chancellorsville, Nashville, Tenn., and elsewhere, served until the close of the war, and was discharged June 1, 1865, at Baton Rouge, La. After this patriotic episode in his life, Mr. Myers resumed work at his trade in Shirleysburg, and continued it until July 5, 1870,

when he entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company as carpenter on the Middle division of the road. On November 9, 1871, he was transferred in the same capacity to the Lewistown division, promoted to master carpenter September 1, 1872, and in 1875 was made supervisor and master carpenter of the Lewistown division, which is his present position. In 1879 Mr. Myers met with a painful accident at McClure, Snyder county, being struck down by the tender of a locomotive, which passed over him and cut off his arm. He has always taken considerable interest in local affairs. In 1885 he was elected county treasurer, and served one term of four years. In 1882 he built his present home, a convenient dwelling in fine modern style on West Market street. He is a member of Colonel Hulings Post, No. 176, at Lewistown. Mr. Myers' father was a Whig; he adheres to the Republican party, of which his father, late in life, became an ardent supporter.

Robert H. Myers was married October 6, 1866, to Mary J. (Jones) Fisher, widow of Daniel Fisher. Mr. and Mrs. Myers have the following children: Dr. Frank F., a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, practised one year at the Mercy Hospital, Pittsburg, Pa., is now city physician at Allegheny City, where he has practised very successfully, and where he married Ada Palmer; Anna E., residing with her parents at Lewistown; John H., a graduate of Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa., now a member of the engineering corps of Allegheny City.

The maternal grandfather of Mrs. Myers was Thomas Askin, a minister of the Methodist Episcopal church, of Irish parentage. He was a scholarly man, and an able preacher. He died and was buried in Franklin county, Pa. His wife, Martha Askin, was Scotch by birth. Their children were: Thomas; George; Margaret; Matilda; Arabella; and Sarah Ann (Mrs. Peter Myers).

WILLIAM F. KENNEDY, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born near Mauch Chunk, Carbon county, Pa., January 26, 1864, son of James and Jenny (Andrews) Kennedy. His paternal grandparents, Samuel and Jenny (Hyndman) Kennedy, had six children: Rev. Edward, graduate of Lafayette College and Princeton Theological Seminary, married Mary Lewis; Jenny (Mrs.

James McCloskey); James; Mary Jane; Samuel, married Mary A. Scott; and William, who married Charlotte ——. Mr. W. F. Kennedy's maternal grandparents were James and —— Andrews; their family consisted of four daughters and three sons. Mr. Andrews and his three sons went to Australia, where they took an active part in the public affairs of the colony. James Kennedy was a farmer, a man of intelligence and inquiring mind, who, not having enjoyed opportunities for liberal intellectual culture in youth, sought compensation in the intervals of his agricultural labors, in reading; his preference was for history, and many college-bred men might safely have been challenged to rival him in acquaintance with the character and events of ancient and modern times. In family and church relations, he was always devoted and faithful. Two of the children of James and Jenny (Andrews) Kennedy died very young; those in mature life are: Jane (Mrs. Joseph Brown), has one child; James A., married Matha Porter, has four children; Mary J. (Mrs. Thomas E. Myers), has one child; Elizabeth H. (Mrs. George W. Boss); William F.; Margaret (Mrs. John H. Morrow), has two children; Esther H.; and Edward, a graduate of Lafayette College, Easton, Pa. James Kennedy died in February, 1892; his wife is still living.

After finishing the course of studies in the public schools of East Mauch Chunk, William F. Kennedy taught school for one term, and was then for two terms a student in the Susquehanna Collegiate Institute, at Towanda, Bradford county, Pa. Again for one term he was a teacher, and then again for two terms was at the institute, under the tuition of the Rev. Darwin Cook. After this thorough intellectual and experimental preparation, Mr. Kennedy, having decided to adopt teaching as a profession, was engaged in the graded schools of Potteryville, Camptown, Ulster and New Albany. In the spring of 1890 he became a teacher in the academy at Duncannon, Perry county, Pa., and in the following spring was elected principal of the high school of that borough. He was still in the same position when, in the spring of 1894, he was chosen for the place which he now fills, that of supervising principal of the borough schools of Lewistown. In early manhood Mr. Kennedy did not "despise the day of small things;" in

order to obtain the higher education which he coveted, and to prepare himself more thoroughly for his life work, he was willing to labor through winter terms at the pittance of twenty-six dollars per month. His patience and willingness to wait as well as to work, coupled with his manifest ability and faithfulness, have placed him in his present responsible position, and will no doubt accomplish still more for him in the future. The salary pertaining to this principalship is \$125 per month. Early in life Mr. Kennedy acquired a stock of musical knowledge which has been of great advantage to him in his career. He is a Republican.

William F. Kennedy was married, December 24, 1891, to Leora G., daughter of Daniel Dwight and Eliza (Camp) Chaffee, born October 7, 1863. Their children are: Paul C., born June 4, 1893; and Elizabeth, born December 4, 1894. Daniel D. Chaffee was a cabinet-maker and undertaker, doing business for many years in Bradford county, Pa. He was a just and conscientious man, and highly respected. Like the elder Mr. Kennedy, he was a close student of history, being particularly well versed in that of the United States. He was born October 21, 1819, and died January 3, 1889. Mrs. Chaffee is still living. Mr. Kennedy and his family attend the Presbyterian church at Lewistown, in which he is an elder. His residence is in Logan street.

ANDREW PARKER MARTIN, deceased, formerly of Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was a son of Dr. Robert and Margaret (Jacobs) Martin. Robert Martin, M. D., was a descendant of a Scotch-Irish family. After receiving his literary education in Mifflin county, he became a student of medicine, and was graduated with honors from the University of New York. His name is recorded among those of the members of the earliest medical society of Mifflin county, where his professional life began and ended. During the boyhood of his second son, Andrew P., he took up his residence in Lewistown, where he opened a drug store, and managed it in connection with his practise during the remainder of his life. He was a careful and conscientious reader of professional literature, keeping up with the progress of medical science. His courteous and kindly manner inspired his patients with confidence, and was a powerful factor in his success. Dr. Martin

was a member of the Presbyterian church. His family consisted of three children: Samuel W.; Andrew Parker; and Mary, who died in early life. Samuel W. Martin, the elder son, was educated in the common schools of Mifflin county and the academy at Lewistown. He then took the full course and graduated at the College of Pharmacy, in Philadelphia, Pa. He began business as a pharmacist in Harrisburg, Pa., and afterwards removed to Cleveland, O. His thorough knowledge of chemistry gives him prominence in his line of business. Dr. Martin died some years ago; his wife still survives him.

Being a young child at the time of the removal to Lewistown, Andrew P. Martin was educated in the public schools and at the academy of that borough. He afterwards completed his course of study in Philadelphia; but meeting with an accident, he was obliged in consequence to remain at home, and accordingly began business as a druggist in his father's store. He became well known as a competent pharmacist, besides being universally esteemed for his obliging and affable manners. He took an interest in the affairs of the borough, and was liberal in promoting schemes for municipal or social improvement. Mr. Martin was an earnest advocate of fraternal societies, and was himself an active member of the Knights of Malta, Knights of Pythias, Knights of the Golden Eagle, and Patriotic Sons of America. His politics were Democratic.

Andrew Parker Martin was married, September 27, 1870, to Lavinia B., daughter of Henry and Anna (Williams) Hansburg. Their children are: Mary Jacobs; and Bessie Lavinia, deceased. Mary Jacobs Martin was married to Samuel R. Russell, of Shamokin, Pa., June 8, 1890. Mr. Russell is a cashier of the Guarantee Trust and Safe Deposit Company, of Shamokin. Their daughter, Lavinia Mayer, was born April 17, 1891. Mr. Martin died February 8, 1894; his death was lamented not only by his friends, but by a large circle of acquaintances.

Henry Hansburg, father of Mrs. Martin, was of German parentage. He was extensively engaged in the manufacture of furniture in Philadelphia, and was well known in the trade generally. Both he and his wife are deceased. Their children are: Lavinia B. (Mrs. Martin); Taylor, died in early childhood;

Elizabeth (Mrs. John Bennett), of Philadelphia; Peter, who married Hannah Buchanan; Winfield Scott, married first Josephine McDowell, of Philadelphia, and after her death, Julia Kelley; Clara (Mrs. H. A. Webb), of Philadelphia; Anna (Mrs. Thomas D. Parker), of Tyrone, Pa.; Harry D., of Philadelphia, married Emma Hoover; Adelaide, married Dr. C. F. Goodno, who died at Newcastle, Col., and she resides at Tyrone; Samuel; Eliza (Mrs. Benjamin Glover), of Delaware county, Pa.

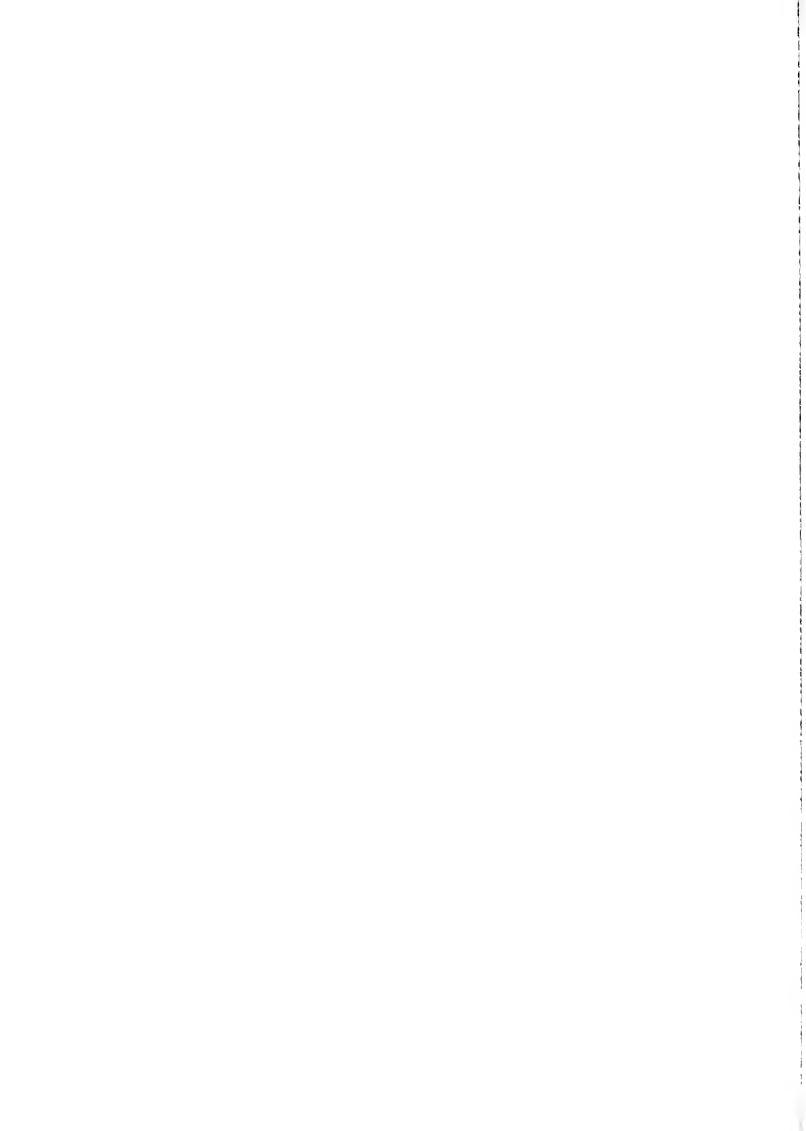
WILLIAM EDWARD FINLEY, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Salltillo, Clay township, Huntingdon county, Pa., November 28, 1861. He is a son of William A. and Margaret (Gallaher) Finley. His paternal grandfather, Dr. Finley, was educated in Scotland, which was his native country. Shortly after his marriage, about the beginning of the present century, he emigrated to America, and began the practise of his profession in central Pennsylvania; later he opened an office in Shippensburg, Cumberland county, Pa., where he spent the remainder of his life. He died from the effects of injuries received in a fall from a building. He was an able and successful physician, respected and esteemed by all who knew him. Mrs. Finley survived her husband several years; both were members of the Presbyterian church. Their children are: Margaret, married and removed to Adams county, Pa.; William A.; Virginia, resides at Mercersburg, Franklin county, Pa.; Edward, died when about sixty-seven; and Elizabeth (Mrs. Thomas McDowell), of Mercersburg, has two children, William and Lillian. Mr. Finley's father, William A. Finley, was born at Shippensburg, Pa., where he received his education, and for a short time read medicine with his father. He afterwards abandoned the study of medicine, and learned tanning at Shippensburg. For a number of years he had a tannery of his own at Concord, Franklin county, Pa., and later he became foreman for the firm of Leas & McVitty, tanners at Salltillo, Huntingdon county, Pa., where he remained until 1886, when he retired from business. William A. Finley was married to Miss Amanda Irwin, of Concord, Franklin county, Pa. They have two children: Mary J., M. D., of Mansfield, O., married; and Au-







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gustus, died in early boyhood. Mrs. Finley died, and Mr. Finley was married again, to Margaret, daughter of James and Mary Gallagher, natives of Ireland. Her father was a dresser of fine morocco; he and his wife emigrated to America, and settled near Wilmingon, Del. William A. and Margaret (Gallagher) Finley have four children: William Edward; John A., foreman of the Saltillo tannery, for the firm of C. Green & Son, married Etta McNeal, has one daughter; Lewis A., of Saltillo, Huntingdon county, married Miss Heck, has children, Jay and Daniel; and Amanda E. (Mrs. Lean), of Mansfield, O., where her husband is engaged in manufacturing agricultural implements. Mr. William A. Finley and his wife reside at Saltillo, Huntingdon county, Pa.

William Edward Finley was educated in the district schools of Saltillo. When he was eighteen he learned tanning under his father's supervision, and has devoted his attention entirely to that business. In 1882, or '83, he was made foreman of the Saltillo tannery, for Leas & McVitty, and in 1887 was transferred to Lewistown, and became foreman of the North American tannery, for Leas, McVitty & Green, which position he still holds. His well-merited promotions are the reward of faithful, conscientious service. In 1888, Mr. Finley bought his present homestead on Logan street, where he has made many improvements, putting in all the modern conveniences, and surrounding his home with a beautiful lawn and choice shrubbery. Here he enjoys the comfort won by his industry and enterprise. He is a Prohibitionist, and is actively interested in all the affairs of the township. He is a member of Council No. 1394, of the Royal Arcanum, at Lewisburg, Pa.

William Edward Finley was married, January 20, 1882, to R. Jenny, daughter of George W. and Margaret (Widney) Cobill, of Huntingdon county. They have two children: Orris Claude; and Edward Max. Mr. Finley and his wife are members of the Baptist church at Lewistown, Pa.

GEORGE McCLELLAN THOMAS, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in West Market street, Lewistown, January 3, 1863, son of James M. and Angelina (Stahle) Thomas. The Thomas family is of Huguenot ancestry. James M. Thomas has resided dur-

ing the greater part of his life in Lewistown. He was for about five years proprietor of the Miller House; for a short time, he kept the National Hotel, and at some period also the old Lewistown Hotel, opposite the court house. The parents of Mrs. J. M. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. John Stahle, were of German descent. The children of James M. Thomas and his wife are: Valeria J. (Mrs. W. H. T. Rider), of Lewistown, has three children; Matilda (Mrs. Benjamin Pawling), had one child, and died at about twenty years of age; James B., married Emma Baker, has three children; William H., died in early childhood; Harry H., married Matilda Solos, has three children, resides in Harrisburg, Pa.; Andrew M., of New Britain, Conn., married, and has four children; George M.; Eclairas, married, and resides in Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mary B. (Mrs. Joseph M. Patton), has one child, her husband died in Philadelphia; and Ida M. (Mrs. Harry Hoffa), of Brooklyn, N. Y., has three children. Mr. and Mrs. James M. Thomas still reside in Lewistown.

George McC. Thomas attended the common schools at Lewistown, but enjoyed only rather limited opportunities, as he began to earn his own living at the age of seventeen. He was first employed for general services on the Pennsylvania Railroad, and being found willing and industrious, soon obtained the position of car inspector, other promotions following in due course of time. In the autumn of 1888, he was made locomotive engineer, and has ever since satisfactorily filled that position. His run is between Lewistown and Sumbury, Pa. Mr. Thomas resides on West Water street, in a comfortable and inviting home. He is a member in good standing of Lodge No. 97, I. O. O. F., at Lewistown; and of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. He is also the leader and manager of the Lewistown Silver Cornet Band. He is a Democrat.

George McClellan Thomas was married May 20, 1886, to Rebecca M., daughter of John S. and Martha (Middlesworth) Smith. Their children are: Charles M.; and George McClellan, Jr. John S. Smith is one of a large family, the sons and daughters of Mr. and Mrs. George Smith. Mrs. Thomas' maternal grandfather, Xer Middlesworth, of Snyder county, Pa., represented his district for a number of terms in Congress. Mr. Thomas and his family attend the Lutheran church.

HENRY C. JACKSON, Lewistown, Pa., was born at Lewistown, October 18, 1860, and is a son of Robert A. and Lavinia (Stahl) Jackson, of Scotch and German ancestry respectively. Robert A. Jackson came early in life to Mifflin county, where he was reared, educated in the common schools, and learned cabinet-making. After acquiring this handicraft, he was for many years a journeyman in the establishments of Anthony Felix and of Robert McClintock. Mr. Jackson was a skilled and intelligent workman, and a worthy citizen. He was married at Mifflintown to Lavinia, daughter of Henry and Susan Stahl. Their children are: Annie M., married Wilbur Cabbison, who died, leaving two children, George and Carrie, after which she married Joseph Dunmire, and resides in Mifflin county; Ellen, widow of Adam Rankin, has one child, resides in Lewistown; James A., of Lewistown, married first Miss Reed, and after her death Elizabeth Miller; Charles, of Lewistown, married Nettie Anrandt, has one child; Henry C.; Susan M. (Mrs. W. H. Houtz), of Lewistown, has one child. Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Jackson were of excellent Christian character, members of the Presbyterian congregation at Lewistown; Mrs. Jackson was an estimable lady, a good neighbor and friend. She died in 1890, and her husband in 1888.

After attending the common schools, Henry C. Jackson was employed in the store of Willis & McCoy, and afterwards with Willis & Schoch, of Lewistown. These engagements occupied about seven years, during which time he gained considerable experience in mercantile business. In 1879 he entered the employ of the Glamorgan Iron Company as clerk. It was not long before he rose to the position of foundryman, and served under the superintendence successively of the late Col. William Willis, H. R. Knotwell, Thomas W. McEwen, William Kelley, and Austin Farrell. During the term of Mr. McEwen, Mr. Jackson began business for himself by entering into a contract with the company for handling and shipping its product. The undertaking was a laborious one, but by strict attention to business was made successful. From 1886 to 1888, Mr. Jackson resided in Granville; in the latter year he again entered the establishment of Willis & Schoch; in 1889 the firm was dissolved, Mr. Willis carrying on the business until 1890, when he sold out. Mr. Jackson remained in his employ up to that time,

and then engaged in milling at Lewistown, in partnership with I. H. Rodgers, the firm being styled Rodgers & Jackson. By mutual consent, the connection was dissolved in 1891, and Mr. Jackson embarked in mercantile business on West Market street; this enterprise has so prospered under his capable and prudent management that in 1896 he was compelled to enlarge his store to meet the demands of his growing trade. Mr. Jackson has thus made his own way by persevering application and by wise business methods to a position of comfort and influence, in which he is able to be of service not only to his family and friends, but to the community; to aid local enterprises, and to encourage and promote the work of the church. He is an advocate of fraternal organizations, and a member of Lodge No. 203, F. and A. M., and of Lodge No. 270, K. of M. He was married September 20, 1881, to Annie D. Kerstetter, of Mifflin county. Their children are: Annie; and Esther Consele. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson are members of the Lutheran church. Mrs. Jackson was the daughter of William Kerstetter, who was born and reared in Snyder county, Pa., and died in 1888. Leah, his wife, was also born and reared in Snyder county, Pa. She now resides at Wagner, Mifflin county, at the age of about sixty-one years. It is generally conceded that H. C. Jackson has the largest and best equipped department general store in Mifflin county, managed on business principles.

JACOB BRENEMAN, deceased, formerly of Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born near Maytown, Lancaster county, Pa., July 1, 1808. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Breneman. His father died December 19, 1816, and his mother September 22, 1817. Both were members of the Methodist Episcopal church of Lewistown. After the death of his parents, his guardian, Christian Brandt, of Lancaster, Pa., cared for him until he attained his majority. He learned distilling, but abandoned the business and turned his attention to keeping hotel. Financially, Mr. Breneman was very successful, his genial manners and his hospitality made him very popular, while his enterprise and liberal management rendered his house comfortable and attractive. His first hotel was the Black Horse, Harrisburg, Dauphin county, Pa. After eight years in Harrisburg he removed to Lew-

istown, and took charge of the Union House, now known as the Miller House. At the end of one year he took the Black Bear Hotel, afterwards called the Valley House, which under his care soon became a popular stopping place. It was well kept and was a prosperous hotel up to the time of Mr. Breneman's death. One of the causes of its success was the unflinching kindness of its host, who was never known to refuse a hearty meal to a hungry traveler, however destitute. Mr. Breneman never failed to recognize the assistance given him by his faithful wife, whose constant care and oversight had contributed in no small degree to his success.

Jacob Breneman was married, July 26, 1855, at Middletown, Dauphin county, to Susan, daughter of Jacob and Catharine (Witmer) Murray. They have three children: Christian Brandt, born in November, 1856, married Mary Wilson, has two children, Edgar and Mary; Catherine M. (Mrs. David C. Hamaker), of Lewistown, born August 25, 1859, has two children, Maud Irwin and Walter; and Charles M., born December 31, 1863, married Julia, daughter of Joseph and Anna (Myers) Adams, has one daughter, Anna Roumania. Mr. Jacob Breneman was a consistent member of the Presbyterian church at Lewistown. He died May 16, 1882; his wife is still living, and is a member of the Lutheran church at Lewistown.

CAPT. WILLIAM H. EWING, grain, coal and lumber dealer, Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, Pa., was born January 28, 1827, in the beautiful County Tyrone, in the north of Ireland. He is a son of William and Margery (Hopper) Ewing. Captain Ewing comes of the hardy, liberty-loving and industrious Scotch-Irish race. His father, who was a farmer and weaver, was born in the same county. The father owned and operated a mill of his own, making Irish linen and other similar fabrics of rare workmanship. By his marriage to Margery, daughter of Dennis Hopper, a farmer of the same county, he had eight children, of whom four now survive, as follows: Capt. William H.; Samuel, of Newton Hamilton; Margaret (Mrs. Patrick M. Gilchrist), of Bloomington, Ill.; and Sarah J. (Mrs. L. H. Miller), of Kankakee, Ill. The four who died are: James, a brave soldier for the Union, during the Civil war, and lost an

arm in the service of his country; Joseph, also a brave Union soldier, a member of the illustrious Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers; John, who was drowned in the canal near Huntingdon; and one who died in infancy. William Ewing, the father, came to America in 1836, accompanied by his family. Their industrious habits, hardy determination, and thrift insured their success in the land of their adoption. The family came over in the sailing vessel "Pacific," embarking from Liverpool, and making the voyage to New York in thirty-one days. From this point they came to Philadelphia by steam cars and steamboat. From Philadelphia to Millerstown, Pa., the trip was made by a canal boat. At the latter point, the boat was frozen up, and it was necessary to hitch the canal horses to a team in order to reach Newton Hamilton. Mr. Ewing rented a farm in Wayne township, and cultivated it until 1844, when he bought two boats on the Union canal, for the transportation of freight between Philadelphia and Hollidaysburg, Blair county, Pa. The boats were managed by the father, assisted by his five sons. One of the principal features of their business was dealing in coal. Mr. Ewing continued the freight business for three years, after which he retired from boating, and was known afterward as a "buckwheat lawyer." He lost his wife by death in 1838. He was married again in 1840, to Mary A. Wallace, of Concord, and has two children: Hugh; and John, both of whom are farmers in Fulton county. William Ewing was a man of strongly marked and original character, and of great independence of thought and action. He was an old line Whig, and was one of the first Abolitionists in Mifflin county. He was a strict Presbyterian. In County Tyrone, Ireland, he had become a member of the Grand Lodge of Orangemen, as had been his father before him.

Capt. William H. Ewing received his education in Ireland, in subscription school, kept in an upper room of his father's house. Coming to this country with his parents, he settled with them in Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa. The story of the early life and struggles of Captain Ewing read almost like a romance, and is fascinating in its details, as it recalls a bygone period. His first employment was in 1837, when he worked three months for Samuel Mursin, of Wayne township, receiv-

ing a compensation of two dollars a month. But these were the palmy days of the canal, when it was the great artery of travel and commerce between the seaboard cities and inland points. Where was the boy of those days, who was near the tow-path, that did not feel its fascinating influence? It need not be a matter of surprise that young Ewing fell under the spell. Besides he thought it opened the way to better compensation. He obtained a position as team driver on the canal, between Hollidaysburg and Philadelphia, at four dollars per month. After four months, he was engaged to drive two horses, for which he received double his former pay. Thus the summers of 1838, '39, and '40 were spent, his pay during the last year being ten dollars per month. In 1841, he was for eight months a towman on the boats "Enterprise" and "Champion," at twelve dollars per month. The season of 1842 he passed as steersman on the boat "Cincinnati," plying between Hollidaysburg and Columbia, Pa. During the season of 1843 he steered on the boat "Experiment," of Newton Hamilton. During 1844 and 1845, he commanded the "Here I Am," for his father, making trips between Hollidaysburg and Philadelphia. For the season of 1846 and 1847, he commanded the boat "Yankee," between Hollidaysburg and Columbia, Pa. In 1848, becoming of age, he cast his first vote for Gen. Zachary Taylor for the presidency. During this season and the next, he commanded the boat "Indian." In 1850, he ran the section boat "Young Indian," for which service he received \$135.00 per month. The "Young Indian" had first been named the "Son of Temperance," but fighting whiskey on the deck did not show much consistency with the title, which caused Captain Ewing to change the name. By this time, he was one of the best known and most expert men on the canal. In the fall of 1851, he bought a boat of his own and four mules. He named the boat the "Wild Indian," which gave origin to his own subsequent appellation of "Indian Bill." The Captain plied this boat for three years between Hollidaysburg and Philadelphia. In 1852, he purchased a second boat which he renamed the "John A. Lemon," in honor of Senator Lemon. This boat he ran for four years, after which he bought a new boat, built in Hollidaysburg, which he operated for seven years. In 1862, the Captain had

a magnificent boat built, under his own personal supervision, which he named "Edward B. Purcell," in honor of a prominent merchant of Newton Hamilton. Mr. Purcell was, at that time, substantially, *the* banker of that section. Money had become so scarce that the only way to secure a circulating medium was by the issue of fractional currency shipplasters, redeemable in amounts of five dollars at Mr. Purcell's store. Captain Ewing ran this new boat for eight years, being at the same time in the grain business at Newton Hamilton. Soon after this he had a new boat built at Newport, Perry county, which he named the "Harry," in honor of his son. This boat also he ran for eight years. Another boat, built for him at Beech Haven, Pa., by Daniel Brader, was named the "Susie," in honor of his wife. This boat he continued to use until it was bought by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, at a valuation of \$3,000, which ended his career in connection with the canal. Captain Ewing brought the first ton of coal that was burned in the town of Newton Hamilton, where he now sells upwards of two thousand tons yearly. He has been in the coal, grain and lumber business for more than thirty years. The career of the Captain strikingly illustrates what industry, thrift, business tact and just dealing can accomplish. From a poor boy, he has become an affluent merchant, drawing his stores of grain from the whole surrounding country, owning nine houses in Newton Hamilton, besides an interest in two others, while his mercantile operations extend through the whole surrounding section of the State. The Captain is not only wealthy, but still better, is respected and esteemed for his many superior qualities and his rugged, innate honor.

Captain Ewing was married in 1852, in New Bloomfield, Perry county, Pa., to Miss Susan Hayes, daughter of Capt. Christian Hayes, an honored veteran of the war of 1812. This union has been blessed with six children; those surviving are: John G., a tinner, of Bellwood, Pa.; Charles B., a postal clerk on the Pennsylvania railroad, running between New York and Pittsburg; and Harry H., a graduate of the institution at Bloomington, Ill., and a resident of Great Falls, Mont. The deceased children are: Ellie B. (Mrs. B. F. Bryan), of Rochester, N. Y.; Susie E., who

died single; and Edward P., who died at home, March 24, 1897.

At the call of the citizens of the town, Captain Ewing has ably filled the office of school director for fifteen years. He has also been constable, member of the town council, and auditor. He is a member of McVeytown Lodge, No. 376, F. and A. M., at McVeytown; and of Anghtwick Lodge, No. 472, I. O. O. F. Of the latter organization the Captain is the oldest living member, having been connected with the lodge during forty-four years, in which time he has drawn exactly two weeks' benefits. He is a consistent member of the Presbyterian church, and has been for nearly all of his adult life, a teacher in the Sunday-school. The Captain is a Republican to the backbone. The annals of Captain Ewing's life illustrate in a remarkable degree, the truth of the couplet.

"Honor and fame from no condition rise;
Act well your part; there all the honor lies."

CAPT. JOHN D. MILLER, general merchant, Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, Pa., was born July 8, 1841, in Wayne township, Mifflin county. He is a son of John and Susan (Speicher) Miller. The Miller family is of German ancestry; belonging to the class of hardy pioneers of that nationality that settled at a very early period in Berks county, Pa. Captain Miller's great-great-grandfather appears to have come from the fatherland to that county, of which he was among the early settlers, between 1717 and 1733. His son, Christian Miller, and his grandson, John Miller, were both born in that county. The original spelling of the name was Mueller. John Miller, born in July, 1780, was a carpenter, joiner and cabinet-maker; he was also a contractor and builder. In 1825, he removed to Mifflin county, where he engaged in wagon-making, also carrying on farming, at Ryde Station, where he settled. He had been married in Berks county, to a Miss Harshberger, of that county. Their children were as follows: Amelia; John; Leah; Jesse; George; Sarah; Lydia; Christian; Catharine; and Benjamin. John Miller died in 1864, at the age of eighty-four, his faithful partner of more than half a century having preceded him by two years. He was a Whig as long as that party existed, and became a Republican with the first organization of the

new party. He was a member of the Menonite church.

John Miller, the father of Captain Miller, was born in Bern township, Berks county, May 20, 1806. His education, so far as school training is concerned, amounted in all to three months, spent in a German school. He was a self-educated man in both German and English. He began business life on his father's farm, and when of age, undertook farming, starting for himself, in that part of Oliver township, Mifflin county, which is now Bratton township. In 1833, he bought 260 acres of untouched woodland. Building a log house and barn, he began clearing the land. In 1849, the log house gave place to a frame one, by which time he had also erected a fine barn, and with the help of his sons, completely cleared over one hundred acres of land; this, with other improvements, had transformed the forest, where bears had been their almost daily visitants, into a place of beauty and fertility. Here he passed the remainder of his days, until, full of years and honors, respected and loved by all who knew him, he was called away, April 5, 1890. He was buried in McKinstry cemetery, near Ryde Station, Mifflin county. John Miller had married in Berks county, March 9, 1829, Susan Speicher, a native of that county, born July 31, 1808, a connection of the celebrated Colonel Speicher, of Revolutionary fame. They had seven children, as follows: Jacob S., a farmer, of Wayne township; Elizabeth R. (Mrs. W. A. Kaim), of Somerset county; Benneville, who died at Annapolis, Md., in 1862, while in the service of his country as a member of the Twelfth Pennsylvania Cavalry, after having been a prisoner in the hands of the enemy; John D.; Jesse J., who died at home, February 1, 1865; William C., a farmer, of Wayne township; and one child who died in infancy. The father was in early life a Whig and died a Republican. He voted for Andrew Jackson, the only Democratic vote he ever cast for the presidency. He was a member of the Baptist, or Dunkard, denomination. Among the responsible positions he held were those of school director and supervisor. His worth was acknowledged by all the members of the community in which he resided.

Capt. John D. Miller received the first rudiments of his education in the public schools kept in a log school house, in Wayne township;

this was supplemented by six weeks in a select school at Newton Hamilton, conducted by Prof. J. R. Downing, of Princeton College. He began life on the homestead farm, in agricultural pursuits, and remained there until he was of age. Captain Miller's war record is of the most patriotic character. When barely of age, he enlisted, September 23, 1862, at Lewistown, in Company M, Sixteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry. He served gallantly through the entire war, until honorably discharged at Lynchburg, Va., June 25, 1865, having participated, during that time, in thirty-four battles and skirmishes, amongst which were such noted and bloody engagements as Kellys Ford, Chancellorsville, Aldie, Middleburg, Upperville, Gettysburg, Bristol Station, Wilderness, Hawes Shop, Reams Station, Stony Creek Station, Dinwiddie Court House, and Five Forks; he was present at the surrender at Appomattox. His duty faithfully performed, and the war ended, Captain Miller returned to the homestead farm, which he cultivated for two years; then for six years he cultivated the McVey farm, after which he bought a farm of 173 acres in Wayne township, on which he resided for eight years. Selling this, he moved to Newton Hamilton, where he has since been successfully engaged in mercantile business, having bought out the interest of L. V. Postlethwait. During these thirteen years, his business has grown to huge proportions, while his fair and judicious dealing has commanded the confidence of the community.

Captain Miller was married, in Wayne township, February 14, 1868, to Sarah D., daughter of Elijah McVey, born June 20, 1838. His bride was the granddaughter of John McVey, who founded McVeytown. They had seven children, five of whom died young. The living are: Effie E.; and Anna, both engaged in teaching; The deceased were named as follows: Elijah G.; Charles R.; Nellie; Edith; and William. Mrs. Sarah D. Miller died August 28, 1883. In Altoona, Pa., July 30, 1884, Captain Miller was united to Anna Elizabeth Shafer, born in Stanfield, Blair county, July 13, 1856, daughter of John and Mary (Breth) Shafer; she was one of three children. The father of Miss Shafer served in Company G, Twelfth Pennsylvania Cavalry, during the Civil war. He was a man of great excellence; he died November 19,

1889. Her mother had died October 5, 1878. By this second marriage there were two children: Bertha L., born August 8, 1885; and Lavinia F., born June 5, 1887.

As might be expected, the ability and capacity of Captain Miller in business matters has been acknowledged by his election to many responsible public positions. Under President Harrison, he was the postmaster at Newton Hamilton. In Wayne township, he was for ten years a justice of the peace, during which time his decisions were always upheld by the higher courts. He has, also, filled in Wayne township, the position of school director and auditor; has served as a member of the borough council, and is the present burgess. All these places have been filled acceptably and profitably to the public.

Captain Miller is a prominent member of Surgeon Charles Bower Post, No. 457, G. A. R., Newton Hamilton; and of McVeytown Lodge, No. 376, F. and A. M., McVeytown. He is a staunch Republican. He is a prominent member of the Presbyterian church, having formerly been one of the trustees. He has been for many years closely identified with the Sunday-school work, as teacher and superintendent.

SAMUEL EWING, undertaker and wagon builder, Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, Pa., was born February 19, 1834, in County Tyrone, Ireland. He is a son of William and Margaret (Hopper) Ewing; and a brother of Captain Ewing, of Newton Hamilton. He was brought to this country at two years of age by his parents, who settled at Newton Hamilton. He attended the public schools of Wayne township, and a select school taught by an old Irish lady named Mattie Kilpatrick, an excellent teacher. At the age of nine, he began to work for his father on the canal, on the boat "Here I Am." He was thus employed for three summer seasons, going to school in the winter months, and hauling wood. He then obtained employment with the Pennsylvania railroad, as a team driver; two years later he was promoted to section boss. After six months in this position, he returned to the canal, working for his brother, Capt. William Ewing, on the boat "John A. Lemon," until 1854. At this date, abandoning forever the canal and railroad, he began to learn carriage building, at Newton Hamilton, with Benja-

min Norton, spending four years as apprentice and three as journeyman. He then rented his former master's shop, and conducted the business three years for himself. In 1861, he removed to Mount Union, Huntingdon county, where he engaged in wagon building. In July, 1861, Mr. Ewing enlisted at McVeytown, in Company K, Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers. Being forwarded to Harrisburg, thence to Washington and thence to the Army of the Potomac, he participated in his initial engagement. From that time on, Mr. Ewing's experience was of the most thrilling character. Most heroically did he endure the ordeal through which he was called to pass. He participated during the war in thirty-two battles, some of the most prominent of which were: Yorktown, Va., in April and May, 1862; Williamsburg, Va.; Gannets Hill, Va.; Golden's Farm, Va.; and other engagements comprised in the famous "Seven Days' Fight," Savage Station, White Oak Swamp, and Malvern Hill; Crampton's Gap, Md.; Antietam, Md.; Fredericksburg, Va., in December, '62, and in April, '63; Salem Church; Gettysburg, Pa.; Funkstown, Md.; Rappahannock Station, Locust Grove, and Mine Run, Va.; and the Wilderness. He was wounded at the battle of the Wilderness, in May, 1864, having his leg broken below the knee. He lay on the field for ten days, and was then captured and taken to Richmond, where for three months he endured cruel treatment and starvation fare. At one time, he watched for three hours for a chance to kill and eat a rat, to satisfy to some extent his gnawing hunger. Exchanged, in August, 1864, he was sent to Camp Parole, at Annapolis, Md., where he spent a short time, after which he was sent home on a sixty days' furlough. Being sent back to the camp at Annapolis Junction, he was assigned to hospital duty, being ward-master for a short time, and division ward-master. He was finally discharged in July, 1865. After returning home, Mr. Ewing removed to Bloomington, Ill., where he worked at his trade for six months, at the expiration of which time, he returned to Newton Hamilton. Building a shop, he engaged in business for himself, at which he has continued ever since, carrying on undertaking also in connection with wagon building. He is the only undertaker in the town.

Mr. Ewing was married in 1856, at Shir-

leysburg, to Matilda Ewing, a native of Perry county. They have two children: Wilson M., a stock raiser, residing in Colorado; and Samuel T., who died young. The wife died in 1860. Mr. Ewing was again married, in March, 1867, to Catharine E. Wharton, who was the widow of Thomas I. Drake, and the mother of D. S. Drake, of Huntingdon. To this union were born five children, as follows: Robert B., secretary and treasurer of the Drake Telephone Company, Huntingdon; Annie B.; Maggie I., deceased; Myrtle B., wife of Harry Clark, a foreman on the Pennsylvania railroad; and Mabel G.

Mr. Ewing has acceptably filled numerous offices; he was for sixteen years a school director; was chief burgess for one term; borough treasurer for two terms; a member of the town council for several terms; and has also frequently served on election boards as judge and inspector. Mr. Ewing is a prominent member of Aughwick Lodge, No. 472, I. O. O. F., at Newton Hamilton, in which he is deputy grand master. He has also been treasurer of the lodge for thirty years, besides filling numerous other positions. He is a member of Lewistown Encampment, I. O. O. F., at Lewistown. Mr. Ewing is also prominent in Surgeon Charles Bower Post, No. 457, G. A. R., at Newton Hamilton. He has been a member of the Order of Rebecca, Improved Order of Red Men, Sons of Temperance, Independent Order of Good Templars, and other organizations. He is a consistent member of the Presbyterian church, in which he has been an elder for many years. He has taken a deep interest in the Sunday-school, having been a teacher, and for thirty years a superintendent. He is a staunch Republican.

JOHN T. ROOP, justice of the peace and manufacturer, Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, Pa., was born January 8, 1841, in Armagh township, Mifflin county. He is a son of John L. and Catharine (Reynolds) Roop, of German descent. His grandfather, Henry Roop, was a miller, operating principally in Mexico, Juniata county, Pa. In his old age, he made his home at Loek Mills, Mifflin county, with his son, John L. Roop. One day he set out to visit Mexico, but was never afterward heard of. The mystery of his disappearance was never unraveled. He was the father of seven children, as follows: Sarah;

Elizabeth; John L.; Joseph; Thomas, who was county commissioner one term; George, who was drowned in the river at Mexico, Pa.; and Isaac. His wife died in Mexico, before his removal to Lock Mills. He was a Democrat. His son, John L. Roop, father of John T., was a good German and English scholar, educated in the subscription schools of Mexico, Pa. He worked with his father, operating a mill in all its departments at the age of sixteen; he also learned the trade of mill-wright. From Mexico he removed to Centre county, where for some time he worked at his trade, after which, he removed to Armagh township, Mifflin county, and successfully conducted the Lock Mills for twenty years. He afterwards bought a farm of 150 acres in Armagh township, where he remained for twenty years. Having sold this, he bought a farm in Wayne township, Mifflin county, on which he resided until his death in 1871. He was married in Centre county, Pa., to Catharine, daughter of George Reynolds, born in Jefferson county, Pa. Mr. Reynolds was drowned in Centre county while his daughter was quite young. Mr. and Mrs. John L. Roop had six children: Mary, widow of Philip Fiekes, of Kishacoquillas valley; Sarah, deceased; Rachel (Mrs. Isaac Speicher), of Elwood, Ill.; John T.; William, who died in youth; and Margaret C. Mrs. Roop died in Wayne township. Mr. Roop was a hardy, industrious man, and was highly respected. He was a prominent and consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church, a class-leader and Sunday-school superintendent. Among the offices he was called on to fill was that of school director. He was a Democrat.

John T. Roop attended the public schools at Lock Mills, and at a very early age began the routine of farm life with his father. At fourteen years of age he attended the academy at Lock Mills for one term. Having been very studious while in attendance upon the public school, he was able to accomplish a great deal in this term at the academy, and obtained a superior education, as the reward of close and incessant application. His work in the academy was followed by more than a year of hard study in the Kishacoquillas Seminary, after which he was engaged in teaching for nineteen years, with remarkable success, being universally loved and respected by patrons and pupils. Of the time spent in teaching,

fourteen years was passed in Reedsville, where he was for three years principal of the high school. The remaining five years he taught in Armagh township, where he had among his pupils many young men who are now occupying responsible positions in the county. Exchanging the school room for the factory, Mr. Roop began the manufacture of carpets in Mifflin county. He removed later to Ellwood, Ill., where he carried on the same business for three years. He then returned to Pennsylvania, and, on August 15, 1886, became a resident of Newton Hamilton, where he has conducted the business successfully ever since.

Mr. Roop was married, April 22, 1868, at Milroy, to Sarah E. Swabb, born at Reedsville. Their only child, Elmer K., is now a printer at Lewistown, Pa. Mrs. Sarah Roop died at Lewistown, in 1881. Mr. Roop was again married, at Belleville, September 8, 1886, to Ida E., daughter of Amos Early, of Belleville. They have had one child, Harold C., who is dead.

Mr. Roop has the universal confidence of his fellow-citizens, who know him to be an upright man, of keen insight into affairs and good judgment. As a consequence, he has held the office of justice of the peace for five years in Reedsville, and for seven years in Newton Hamilton. His decisions have always been based on equity, have been satisfactory to the community, and upheld by the higher courts. He has also, for six years, filled the position of school director, and is clerk of the Newton Hamilton town council. Mr. Roop is a member of the Presbyterian church, being one of its trustees; at Reedsville, he was teacher and superintendent in the Sunday-school. He is a Democrat. Mr. Roop is physically crippled, through the carelessness of a nurse, who had left him, when an infant, in a dark room, without the necessary attention. But there does not live in Newton Hamilton, or in Mifflin county a man of brighter mind or one more respected and beloved.

D. CLARK NIPPLE, M. D., Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, Pa., was born August 1, 1852, near Millerstown, Perry county, Pa. He is the son of Henry and Mary (Ormer) Nipple. Frederick Nipple, grandfather of the Doctor, was born in Ireland, being of the hardy, industrious and intelligent Scotch-Irish race that has left so strong an

impress upon the progressive development of the New World. Emigrating to America, he settled in Greenwood township, Perry county, where he owned a large and finely improved farm. Late in life he lived in retirement at Newport, Perry county. He was killed by a fast train on the railroad. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, and in political views a Democrat. He was much respected and esteemed in the community, and as a good citizen always took an active part in county and township matters. He married in Perry county, and was the father of five children. Henry Nipple, the father of Dr. Nipple, was born in Perry county. After receiving a common school education and spending some years with his father on the farm, he learned the blacksmith trade, which occupation he followed in Greenwood township, and also along the canals. Later in life he owned and conducted a farm in Greenwood township of more than 200 acres. He improved it by the erection of very complete buildings and in other ways. Here he breathed his last, June 10, 1890. In Perry county he married Mary, daughter of Martin Orner, a farmer of Greenwood township, who was also of Scotch descent. They had seven children: Rebecca; Henry M., M. D., of Selins Grove, Snyder county, Pa.; Frederick, a farmer in Greenwood township, Perry county; John O., M. D., of Port Trevorton, Snyder county; James C., of Saville township, Perry county; D. Clark, M. D., of Newton Hamilton; and Mary. Henry Nipple was a staunch Democrat. He filled ably and acceptably the office of school director, and other positions of trust in his township. He was a member of the Lutheran church. His wife, with whom he journeyed so long through life, preceded him by two years to the other world; she died in March, 1888.

Dr. D. Clark Nipple passed his boyhood industriously laboring during the summer months on the farm, and in winter attended the public schools of Greenwood township. Naturally a receptive and diligent student, he began teaching at the age of sixteen, and was for seven years a successful teacher in Snyder, Juniata and Perry counties. During this time he enlarged his mental training by attending the Millerstown Normal School for two terms, and Freeburg Academy for one term. He now began his professional reading

with Dr. S. T. Lineaweaver, of Millerstown, Perry county, with whom he remained three years, doing at the same time clerical work in the drug store. This was followed by one term at the Jefferson Medical College, of Philadelphia, and two terms at the Ohio Medical College, Cincinnati. The effects of Dr. Nipple's habits of close study and careful investigation, which had distinguished him from boyhood, were shown in the gratifying results of his collegiate course. He graduated with very high honors from the Ohio College, in the class of 1877. Returning to Pennsylvania the Doctor practised for a short time at Fremont, Snyder county, whence he removed to Freeburg, in the same county, entering into partnership with his brother, Henry. He remained here until 1882, with an extensive practise, having become especially noted throughout Snyder county for his skill and success in surgery. From Freeburg he removed to Newton Hamilton, to become the successor of Dr. J. T. Mahon. Compounding his own medicines, phenomenally successful with his patients, enjoying the confidence and esteem of a wide circle of devoted friends, Dr. Nipple has built up a practise, which is unsurpassed in the county of Mifflin. The Doctor takes a keen interest in all matters connected with his profession and with the alleviation of the ills of suffering humanity. He is a member of the State Medical Association, as well as of the Mifflin County Society, of which he has been the treasurer for the past four years.

Dr. Nipple was married February 22, 1882, at Harrisburg, Pa., to Miss Laura A. Boyer, a refined and highly educated lady, a daughter of Francis Boyer and niece of Prof. Boyer, of the Freeburg Academy. Their only child is Lorna, born May 18, 1885. Dr. Nipple is a member of McVeystown Lodge, No. 376, F. and A. M., of McVeystown; and of Lodge No. 472, I. O. O. F., of Newton Hamilton. He was also a member of the P. O. S. of A. The Doctor is a consistent member of the Presbyterian church, and is very punctual in his attendance upon all church services. He is a staunch unswerving Democrat. He has been for six years a school director in Newton Hamilton, and chief Burgess of the town for a term of four years. The duties of these offices were faithfully and efficiently discharged to the satisfaction of all his constitu-

cuts and for the best interests of the community.

FRANKLIN DRAKE, retired farmer, of Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born December 22, 1825, at Drake's Ferry, Huntingdon county, Pa. He is a son of Samuel and Catharine (Beard) Drake. His grandfather, Samuel Drake, Sr., born in New Jersey, established Drake's Ferry in Huntingdon county. (See sketch of D. S. Drake, of Huntingdon). One of his sons was Samuel Drake, Jr., the father of Franklin Drake. This son was born in 1801, at Drake's Ferry. He received an excellent education in the subscription schools of Huntingdon county, and was especially noted for his fluency as a reader. Early in life he worked on the farm with his father through the day, and in the mornings and evenings, when there was the heaviest travel, he assisted at the Ferry. In 1830 he gave up ferry work, devoting his time to farming, and about this time erected the large stone dwelling still standing on the furnace property. Prior to 1837 he spent two years on the canal, one year as steersman for Captain Fields, and one year running on his own account a boat owned by Richard Miles, of McVeytown. In the spring of 1837, selling the homestead farm to Capt. James Caldwell, of Mexican war fame, Samuel Drake removed to Newton Hamilton, buying a Wayne township farm of 100 acres of highly improved land, on which he erected a fine barn, and made other improvements. In 1864 he removed from this farm to Mt. Union, where he died in 1866, at the house of his daughter, Mrs. Ross. Samuel Drake married Catharine Beard, of a Mifflin county family, of Scotch-Irish descent. They had seven children, as follows: Franklin, of Newton Hamilton; Nancy, born January 1, 1827, wife of Alfred Walker, both deceased; Catharine, born December 28, 1829, wife of Alexander Taylor, both deceased; William, born March 31, 1832, died in California; James, born May 6, 1834, died in early life; Sarah Ann, born July 16, 1839, who was also called away in youth; Mary Rebecca, born July 25, 1845, widow of John Ross, of Mount Union, Pa. The mother of these children died at Mt. Union, in the year 1870. Samuel Drake, or as he was generally known throughout Huntingdon and Mifflin counties, "Uncle Sam,"

was a very robust man, of a genial, happy disposition, which was manifested by his constant habit of singing. He was highly respected for his unsullied integrity. He was a very active member of the Baptist church, in which he became a convert in early life. He was guided even in the most trivial actions by his conscientious convictions of duty. "Uncle Sam" took considerable part in public affairs, and was for three years one of the commissioners of Mifflin county, elected on the Whig ticket. He was first a Whig and died a Republican. He was a "mighty hunter," having in his early days shot many of the bears and other wild animals that infested the forests. His son, Franklin Drake, attended the public schools of Newton Hamilton during the winter months, working on the farm during the summer, until, at the age of eighteen, he began to learn bricklaying and stone masonry, at which he worked for several years. Later, in connection with Joseph Ewing, he bought the Gaff farm, which they cultivated together for two years. He then sold out his interest to Ewing, worked a rented farm in Shirley township, Huntingdon county, for three years. Selling off his farm stock, he moved to "Long Hollow," in Wayne township, Mifflin county, where he bought a small farm and also carried on mason work until 1892, when he retired to live with his son, John P. Drake.

Franklin Drake was married at Concord, Franklin county, to Elizabeth Jane, daughter of Mitchel McKim, a Franklin county farmer of Scotch-Irish descent. They have three children; Catharine (Mrs. George P. Foster), of Huntingdon, Pa.; Rosa Belle, (Mrs. John H. Green), of McKean county, Pa.; and Annie Elizabeth (Mrs. Thomas Chapman), deceased. Mrs. Elizabeth J. (McKim) Drake departed this life in 1856. Mr. Drake was again married April 3, 1860, to Elizabeth Jane Birely, born in Shippensburg, Pa. They had three children, as follows: John P.; George A., a farmer, living on the old James Drake homestead in Wayne township, married Miss Alice Caldwell; and Samuel R. Franklin Drake, who is well-known throughout the county, and everywhere respected for his honesty, integrity and manliness, has always been an industrious and hard-working man, a kind husband, an indulgent father and a worthy citizen. He is

an active and consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church, of which he was formerly one of the trustees. He takes an active part in politics, and is a staunch Republican. He has acceptably filled the office of school director in Wayne township. He was also elected constable.

John P. Drake, eldest son of Franklin and Elizabeth J. (Birely) Drake, was born February 26, 1861, in Wayne township, near Newton Hamilton. Educated in the public schools, he passed his life upon his father's farm until he was twenty years of age, when he learned wagon-making with S. Ewing. After this he was engaged for four years in the store of B. E. Morrison. Since that time he has cultivated the John McDowell farm in Wayne township. John P. Drake was married June 14, 1894, to Elizabeth, daughter of James and Elizabeth (McManigal) Dy-sart, of Newton Hamilton. Their children are: one son, who died in infancy; and Rebecca Elizabeth Drake, born March 11, 1897. Mr. Drake is a Republican. He is a member of the P. O. S. A. and of the I. O. O. F.

BOWER E. MORRISON, general merchant, and editor of the *Watchman*, Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, Pa., was born March 29, 1848, in Wayne township, Mifflin county. He is a son of Elijah and Mary (Stickle) Morrison. His grandfather, Joshua Morrison, a native of Lancaster county, of Scotch-Irish descent, with his two brothers, William and James, settled at an early period in Wayne township, Mifflin county. He married Miss Wright in York county. They had a family of twelve children: Samuel; Hannah; Mary; William; Eliza; Jane; John; Julia; Elijah; Rachel; Ann; and Matilda, all of whom are now buried side by side in the Morrison cemetery. The two last mentioned were the children of his second wife, who before her marriage was Miss Sarah Chilcott. Joshua Morrison died on the homestead farm, a good man, universally loved and respected. He was a member of the Presbyterian church.

Hon. Elijah Morrison, the ninth child of Joshua Morrison, and the father of Bower E. Morrison, obtained his education in subscription schools, the only kind in existence when he was a boy. The log school house in which they were held had plank benches and paper

instead of glass in the windows. He passed his life on the homestead farm, in Wayne township. On the death of his father he purchased it from the estate, and greatly improved it as to buildings and in other respects. At the age of sixteen he had been apprenticed to the tanning business in Somerset, Pa., where he spent three years, returning home when he had acquired his trade. When, in 1831, he bought the homestead farm for \$6,000, Mr. Morrison had less than twenty dollars in his pocket, but by integrity, industry and strict attention to business, he paid in a few years the last dollar of indebtedness on the property, and from that time to the day of his death prosperity followed him in all his undertakings. He soon purchased the Bunker farm containing over 130 acres, and also two farms in Illinois. He was noted for raising excellent stock. He was a model father, and as his children reached their majority, it was his custom to aid them liberally as they stepped from beneath the paternal roof to battle with the realities of life.

Elijah Morrison married, March 20, 1831, Miss Mary Stichel, a native of York county, born November 15, 1811, daughter of Abraham and Susannah (Bensely) Stichel. Her father was a York county farmer of German descent, who subsequently removed to Illinois. This happy union was crowned with ten children, as follows: Robert F., an extensive agriculturist in Illinois, now deceased; Henry T., who died in January, 1897, was for several years an orange grower at Riverhead, Hillsborough county, Florida; Susan M. (Mrs. William V. Johnson), of McVeytown, who died at Osceola, Mo.; George S., a produce merchant at Oreana, Ill.; John H., an extensive mine owner and operator, of Denver, Col., who during the Civil war was in the United States service for four years as first lieutenant in the Sixteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and as musician in the Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers; Lizzie J., widow of Dr. William M. Jackson, of Huntingdon; William A., an extensive mine owner of Denver, Col.; Charles M., of Kansas; Bower E., of Newton Hamilton; and Taylor, who died at the age of three years. In 1865, Elijah Morrison retired from active duties, and lived a quiet and peaceful life, until October 30, 1884, he met death in the same room in which he had been born, in the first log house erected

on the homestead farm. The aged partner of his life still survives, residing with her daughter, Mrs. Jackson, of Huntingdon.

Few men exercised greater influence for good in any community than did the Hon. Elijah Morrison in Mifflin county, and it falls to the lot of none to be more abundantly honored and respected than was he. He was one of the first school directors of Wayne township under the free school system. He also filled the offices of supervisor, tax collector and assessor. In 1854 he was elected on the Whig ticket to represent Mifflin county in the State legislature. His course in that body was distinguished by an honesty of purpose that secured to him high commendation from members of both political parties. Shortly after his election, he received a communication from the officials of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company enclosing a pass. This he declined to accept, preferring to pay his fare and feel that he was untrammelled in his vote on any subject in which the interest of the railroads might be involved. It was during this session of the legislature that he became the fast friend of the late Hon. Simon Cameron, for whom he cast his vote for United States Senator. This warm friendship remained unbroken until they were separated by death. The Hon. Elijah Morrison returned to his constituents the same honest, pure-minded man that he had been before his election to office, and they were anxious to heap other honors upon their faithful representative. In 1861 he was placed upon the Republican ticket for associate judge of Mifflin county, and triumphantly elected. He held that office for a term of five years with the greatest satisfaction to the public and credit to himself. On all occasions he dealt out justice with an impartial hand. So exalted was his reputation for probity that his counsel was eagerly sought by the neighboring farmers on all matters, even when he was not acting in an official capacity. The Hon. Elijah Morrison was a pioneer Methodist. He joined the church in 1832, and erected on his farm a house of worship, which he maintained for thirty years. Here, from time to time, for many years, preached that wonderful pioneer missionary of Methodism, "Father" Gruber; and his home was always with the Morrisons, when he passed through Mifflin county. Elijah Morrison took a very active part in church

affairs, he was a class-leader, a Sunday-school teacher, and, during nearly his whole life, a trustee. He never used spirits or tobacco in any form. Not only did he take an active part in political matters and all things connected with the public welfare, but, during the Civil war, he was prominent in assisting the cause of the Union by furnishing men, and by every other means in his power. Of his five sons at home four were in the service, two being wounded. The fifth son, Bower E. Morrison, then a lad of less than fifteen years, only remained out of the army because, after riding for days in search of a man to take his place on the farm, he could not obtain one.

Bower E. Morrison, son of Elijah Morrison, attended the public schools of Wayne township, for three months of the year, until he was seventeen years of age, working on the homestead farm during the summer months. In his early boyhood things were lively in the vicinity, for during the construction and early operation of the canal, his father's house had been made a stopping station for teamsters and boats. Mr. Morrison supplemented his common school work with one term in the Kishacoquillas Seminary, after which he learned carpentry under James D. Norton, of Newton Hamilton, and spent three years with him assisting in the construction of several houses and barns. During the first year he received fifty cents a day; after that time, one dollar per day. In 1868 he went to Lafayette, Ind., where he was clerk in a dry goods store six months, and for six months was an equal partner in the business. Having sold out his interest, he was for six months in the hat and cap business in the same place. Again selling out, he was for the next year manager for William Doyle & Company, of a similar store at Champaign, Ill., after which he bought out their business and conducted it until 1875. In that year on account of his losses through the panic, he was obliged to give up business. Having started for Colorado Mr. Morrison met a friend in Chicago, who advanced him money enough to start an auction store. His wife being taken sick, he returned east in the autumn of 1875. He was obliged to borrow money to return home. After remaining during the winter, in Wayne township, he went to Philadelphia in March, 1876, where in a few days he obtained a position on the police force, which he filled for

eleven months. During that time he had a severe attack of typhoid fever. He was then, for valuable services rendered during the Expedition, made special officer on the secret force, which place he held until February, 1877, when he resigned and returned home. At the suggestion of his father he engaged in mercantile business in Newton Hamilton, with a stock of about \$100. This business he has carried on ever since. It has grown and prospered until now he has the finest store of the section, outside of Lewistown. December 25, 1879, Mr. Morrison began the publication of the first newspaper ever issued in Newton Hamilton, first called *The Flee Bite*, afterwards *The Watchman*; it is devoted to morality, good sense and intelligence. He set the type himself, with the assistance of Prof. G. W. Alloway, who is and has been principal of the Jonestown (Ohio) schools. It was a four-page sheet, six by nine inches. The first issue was 1,000. After six months the name was changed to *The Watchman*. The motto is "*Ogniuno per se e Dio per tutti*," meaning "Every man for himself and God for us all." For several years during the campaigning season, the paper has been issued for about two weeks as an eight page daily. Finding that the weekly in its original form did not fully meet the wants of the public, Mr. Morrison enlarged it in 1891 from a four to a six-column eight-page paper, issued weekly. His foreman has been I. H. Wilson, of Mifflin. During 1895 and 1896 Mr. Morrison conducted the Morrison House, catering to the traveling public. He is also an auctioneer, the only one in Newton Hamilton, and has an experience of over twenty years in the business.

Bowen E. Morrison was married in 1871 in Lafayette, Ind., to Hettie Thomas, born in 1855, in Nashville, Tenn., daughter of Jonathan and Mary (Freese) Thomas, both natives of Philadelphia, who had removed to Tennessee. Mr. Thomas died there, while Mrs. Morrison was quite young. Mr. and Mrs. Morrison had one child, who died in infancy. They have an adopted daughter. Mr. Morrison held the position of postmaster at Newton Hamilton for nine years under Presidents Grant and Hayes. Recently, he was a candidate for the nomination for Representative, but was unsuccessful at the primaries. He has also held the position of tax collector for

two years. The enterprise Mr. Morrison has shown has been of incalculable benefit in the advancement of Newton Hamilton, and there are doubtless still higher honors awaiting him in the future from his appreciative fellow-citizens. He is a "red hot" Republican.

Mr. Morrison is a member of Tippecanoe Lodge, No. 55, I. O. O. F., of Indiana; of Washington Camp, No. 263, P. O. S. A., and of Lewistown Council, A. P. A. He has been connected with Junior Sons of America and the Independent Order of Good Templars. He is a prominent and consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church and a teacher in the Sunday-school.

JAMES A. DYSART, retired farmer, Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, Pa., was born December 23, 1837, in Wayne township, Mifflin county. He is a son of John and Rebecca (Cunningham) Dysart. His grandfather, Joseph Dysart, who was a native of Ireland, of the Scotch-Irish race, settled at an early period in Wayne township, where he bought 250 acres of land. He also owned land in Sinking Valley, Blair county. He built a barn and a frame dwelling house, cleared a portion of the land and made other improvements. He was a valuable and much respected citizen. His specialty was stock-raising, his horses being especially celebrated for their beauty and excellence. He married Miss Peterson, of Wayne township. Their children were: James; Joseph; John and William. Both Joseph Dysart and his wife died on the homestead farm. They were buried at McVextown. His son, John Dysart, the father of James A. Dysart, also followed farming in Wayne township, where he owned a farm of 118 acres, and was celebrated as a stock-raiser. Like his father, he was an upright man, of strict veracity and respected by all. He was also a brave soldier in the war of 1812 against Great Britain. His constitution was undermined by exposure while in service, which led eventually to his death. He was a Democrat. He served his township as school director. He was a member of the Presbyterian church. John Dysart was married in Wayne township to Rebecca, daughter of Nathaniel and Mary Cunningham, born in Chester county. Her father at the time of their marriage was a farmer in Wayne township. They had seven children, as follows:

Elizabeth, deceased, was the wife of Arthur H. Clark, a merchant of Newton Hamilton; Mary (Mrs. Samuel B. McCord), of Bedford, Pa.; William, who died in youth; Hannah, who died at an early age; Margaret J. (Mrs. James N. Postlethwait), of Wayne township; James A., of Newton Hamilton; and Jonathan, deceased. John Dysart died on the farm in 1842; his widow died at the homestead in 1888.

James A. Dysart attended the subscription school in the old log school house in Wayne township, as well as the public schools. He continued his education in a high school at Shade Gap, Huntingdon county; in the Millwood Academy, where he spent three terms, and in an academy in Juniata county, which he attended for two terms. After this he went to farming in Wayne township. His father died when he was five years old. At the age of twenty he took charge of the home farm and cultivated it for thirty-one years, assisting in the support of his widowed mother and the family, and at the same time making considerable improvement on the homestead. In 1890, selling the farm and purchasing a fine brick building in Newton Hamilton, he retired from active duties, and before settling to his life of leisure made a pleasure tour through the Western States. Mr. Dysart served for two months in 1862 in Company F, Forty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteer Militia, and at the expiration of the time was honorably mustered out at Camp Curtin, Harrisburg. In Wayne township he has filled the offices of school director, tax collector, assessor and auditor. In the borough of Newton Hamilton he has been school director for six years and assessor for two terms. He has also been honored with the position of auditor of Mifflin county, being elected on the Democratic ticket. He is a member of McVeystown Lodge No. 376, F. and A. M., at McVeystown.

In 1865 James Dysart was married in Wayne township to Elizabeth McManigal, born at Lewistown, daughter of Sheriff McManigal, of Mifflin county. To this union was born one child, Ann Elizabeth (Mrs. John Drake), of Wayne township. Mrs. Elizabeth (McManigal) Dysart died July 31, 1869. Mr. Dysart was married again, January 16, 1872, to Miss Lizzie Withrow, born in Wayne township. She died April 24, 1874. Mr. Dysart is emphatically one of "nature's noblemen,"

respected and beloved by all who know him. He has been for the past eighteen years a ruling elder in the Presbyterian church; has been active as a teacher and superintendent in Sunday-school work; has been trustee of the church, and held other offices.

JAMES M. GRAHAM, general blacksmith, Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, Pa., was born April 6, 1845, at Waterloo, Juniata county. He is a son of James and Mary (Montgomery) Graham. His great-grandfather, Hamilton Graham, was born in County Tyrone, Ireland, came to this country during the Revolutionary war and settled, together with Robert Hogue, in Juniata county. Here he married Miss Sarah Hogue, a sister of Robert, after which removing to Canada, he settled two and a half miles above the town of Chippewa, where he spent his later days. While in Juniata county, from 1790 to 1800, he operated a distillery, and was engaged in teaching school. He left two sons in Juniata county, George and Robert, of whom the former was the grandfather of James M. Graham. He was born at Graham's Ferry, Juniata county, and was a millwright and surveyor in Juniata and Mifflin counties, working at the same time a small farm. He died in Paxton, Ill., where he was at the time living with one of his sons. He married Miss Margaret McCoy, born in Dauphin county. They had two children: James M., born at McCoytown, Juniata county; and Nancy, who died in youth. Mrs. Margaret (McCoy) Graham died in Juniata county, after which Mr. Graham married Miss McMullen, a native of Mifflin county, and a daughter of the well-known William or "Billy" McMullen, a veteran of the Revolutionary war. To this second union six children were born, as follows: William; Stewart, now residing in Arkansas; Sarah; Jane; Fleming; and Robert; all except Stewart are deceased. Mr. Graham's second wife died at McCoytown, Juniata county. George Graham was a Democrat. He was a member of the old school Presbyterian church.

His son, James M. Graham, received a good education in the common schools of Juniata county. He was a shoemaker and also taught school at Waterloo, Juniata county, where he passed his entire life. He died November, 1844, before his son, James M., Jr., was born. He married Miss Mary Montgomery, a native

of Fannettsburg, Franklin county, Pa., and the daughter of a cabinet-maker, named John Montgomery, who had emigrated from England. They had four children, as follows: Margaret; John, a railroad conductor, at Galesburg, Ill.; Annie, wife of Edward Bell, a farmer of Blair county; and James M. Mrs. Mary Graham was married again to Jacob Norton, a blacksmith, of Newton Hamilton, and had three children, as follows: Alice, who taught school for nineteen years in Newton Hamilton; Julia, who died aged three; and Isabel (Mrs. Samuel McCullough), of Grand Rapids, Mich. The mother died in 1890. James M. Graham, Sr., was a Whig. He was an active member of the old school Presbyterian church.

James M. Graham, Jr., after attending public school in Newton Hamilton, took a course in Duff's Commercial College, at Pittsburg, graduating in 1864. He then learned the blacksmith trade with his step-father, also working for a time in a store at Tipton, Blair county. He afterwards worked at his trade for some years at Kaukakee, Ill, and at Monmouth, Ill. Returning to Newton Hamilton in 1868 he entered into partnership in the blacksmith business with Felix Norton, under the firm name of Norton & Graham. This firm was the first in central Pennsylvania to manufacture two-horse wheel corn plows. After the firm had conducted a general blacksmith business for twenty-five years, Mr. Graham bought out Mr. Norton, and has since carried on that business himself.

Mr. Graham married in 1872, Ellen Coulter, a native of Wayne township, daughter of Samuel Coulter, a farmer. To this union were born four children, as follows: Isabel M., a school teacher and musician; Mary N.; Nellie C.; and James M.

Mr. Graham enlisted June 29, 1863, at Newton Hamilton, in Company F, Forty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteer Militia, Captain Dysart, in which he served for two months and was then honorably discharged at Harrisburg. He again enlisted at Newton Hamilton, July 6, 1864, in Company F, Capt. W. R. Jones, One Hundred and Ninety-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Col. J. I. Nagle commanding. The company did guard duty at Harper's Ferry and other points in Maryland and Virginia. He was honorably discharged November 6, 1864. Mr. Graham

has been entrusted by his fellow-citizens with many responsible positions, including four years in the borough council; eleven years in the school board, during eight of which he was president of the board; borough assessor and borough auditor. All of the duties of these offices have been ably and impartially performed by him. Mr. Graham is a gold Democrat, but is not an active politician. He is a prominent member of the Presbyterian church. He is not only an active member, but also a past commander of Surgeon Charles Bower Post, No. 457, G. A. R., and at one time belonged to the I. O. R. M. Mr. Graham has been all his life a hard-working man, noted in the community for his industry and integrity, his genial disposition and fondness for home life. He is a kind husband and a good father, and is universally respected in the community. He has done much to improve and develop Newton Hamilton.

C. C. FIELDS, flour manufacturer and farmer, Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born December 7, 1847, in Wayne township. He is a son of William and Keziah (Graham) Fields. His paternal grandfather came from Ireland at an early period, and settled in Mifflin county, where he engaged in farming. William Fields, father of Mr. C. C. Fields, was born in Wayne township in 1810. He received a fair education in subscription schools and commenced life on the farm. He soon, however, became a teamster and a canal boatman, in which latter occupation he soon rose to such prominence as the commander of various boats, that to this day the name of Captain Fields is one of the best known among old canal men. In middle life he discontinued boating and devoted his time during the winter to the supervision of his farm, a tract of over 130 acres, in Wayne township, and to stock raising, while in the summer he was employed along the canal in the capacity of stone mason and carpenter. He died in 1891 at the home of his son, C. C. Fields, at Mt. Union. Captain Fields married Miss Drake, born in Wayne township. They had two children, both of whom died young. His wife died in a few years, after which he was again married to Keziah Graham, born in Wayne township, daughter of a farmer of that township, who died in the State of Indiana. The children of this marriage are:

Mary M., deceased; C. C., of Wayne township; George, of Newton Hamilton; William P., of Kansas City, Kan.; J. Frank, of Newton Hamilton; Annie (Mrs. George Sailor), of Mt. Union; Jane, deceased, was the wife of Dr. Rhodes, of Mt. Union; and Sydney (Mrs. Jackson Vanzandt), deceased. The mother of these children died in 1888. Captain Fields was prominent and useful in the community; he was active in the Democratic party. He served as school director, and was a commissioner of Mifflin county for one term. He was one of the founders of the Central Banking Company at Mt. Union. Mr. Fields was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

C. C. Fields, after attending the public schools of Wayne township, studied for one term at the Kishacoquillas Valley Seminary. He remained on the farm until he was eighteen years of age, when he spent one year at railroading. In 1865 he went to Venango county, where he worked for two and a half years in the oil fields. He saved a little money there, but lost it by having loaned it. Returning home, he opened a little store at McVeytown Station in partnership with George Hanawalt. One year later he sold out and became engaged in harness making, at which he worked for a number of years. He then returned to Mt. Union. After laboring there for a short time he was appointed engineer at Mattawana, near McVeytown, where he remained six months, again returning to Mt. Union, where he worked for one year as engineer in a flour mill. After another six months at the Mattawana mills, he was employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at the stone quarries at McVeytown Station. He was next an engineer at a saw-mill at Singer's Gap, Huntingdon county. Returning again to Mt. Union, he worked at the East Broad Top Railroad for some time, and was afterwards fireman for two and a half years at the Lucy Furnace, and then for three years engineer of the steam mill at Mt. Union. Following this, Mr. Fields for eleven years successfully carried on the butchering business at Mt. Union. On account of the panic, he discontinued this and took charge of the Union mills, in Wayne township, now owned and operated by the Fields Brothers, who have much improved the machinery of the mills, and enlarged the capacity to twenty-

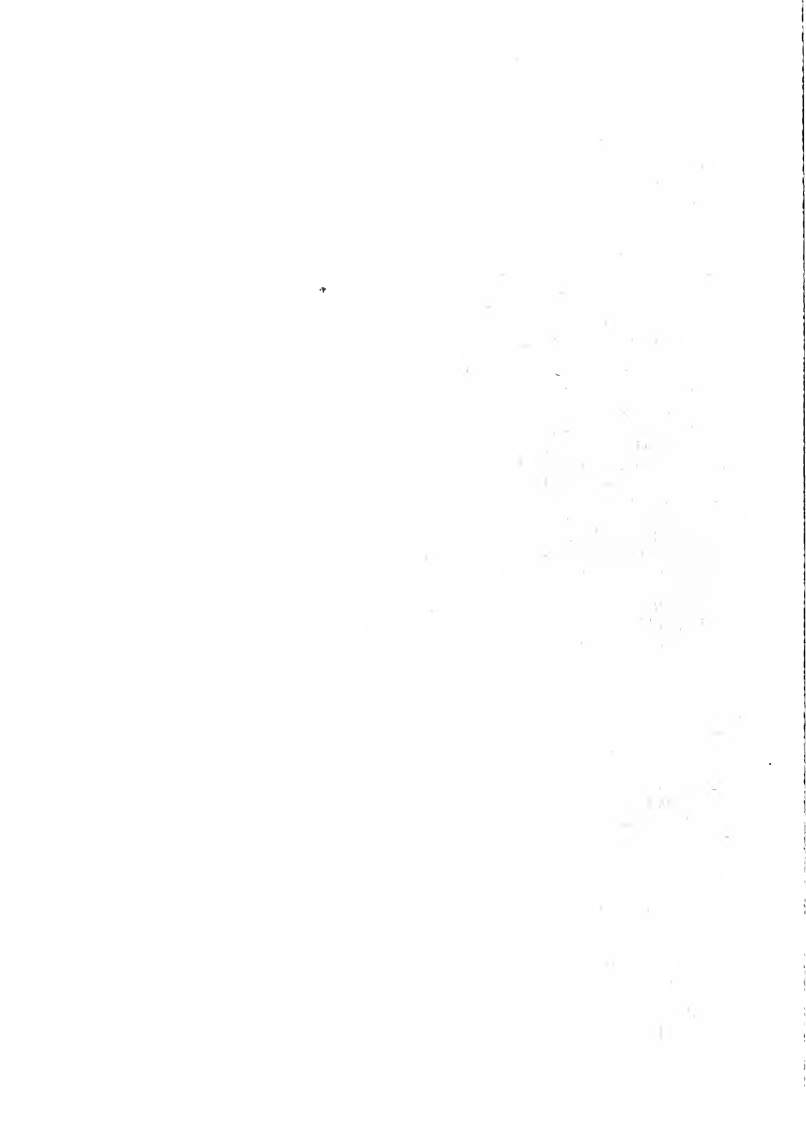
five barrels per day. He also, at the same time, oversees the work on his farm.

Mr. Fields was married in 1871, in Mattawana, Mifflin county, to Miss Rebecca Kaufman, born at Mattawana, daughter of Henry Kaufman, of Mifflin county. They have six children, as follows: E. Clark, a butcher, residing at Mt. Union; Alice, deceased; Myrtle; Indiana; Annie; and Charles.

Mr. Fields, who is extremely popular in the community, being respected for his integrity, industry and many good qualities, is an active and consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He is a Democrat. At one time he belonged to the I. O. O. F.

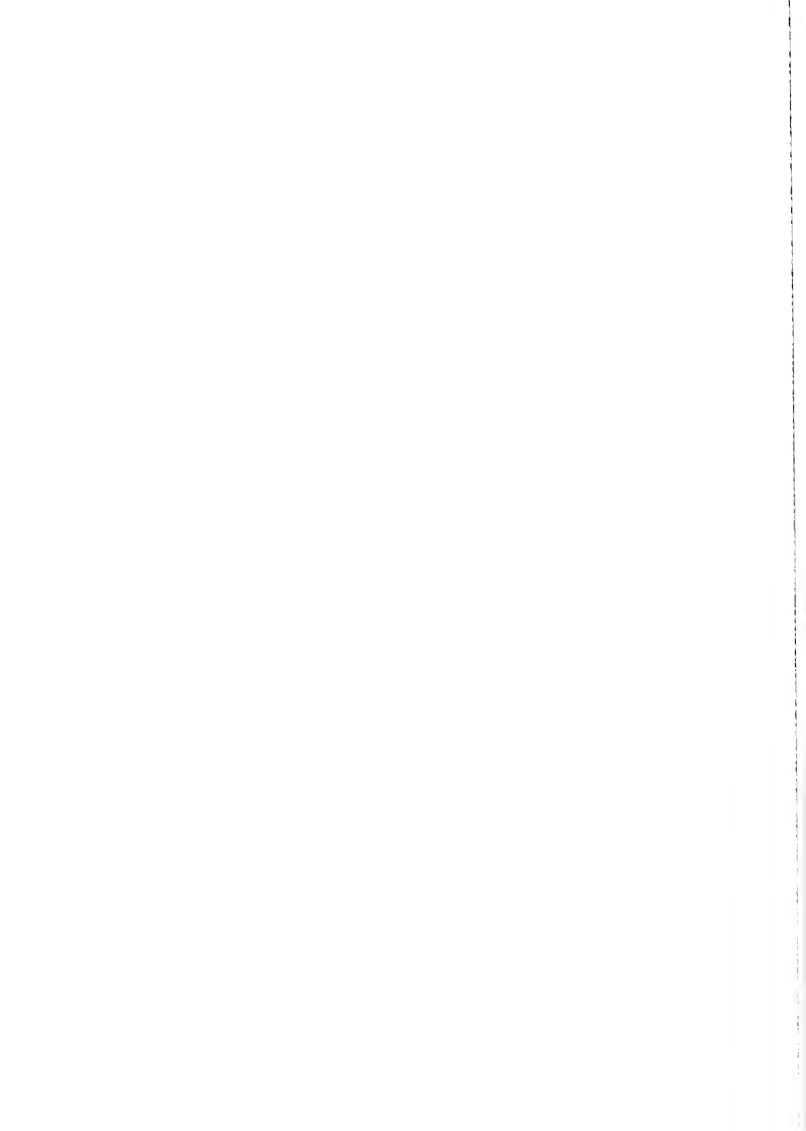
CAPT. JAMES C. DYSART, retired, Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born April 7, 1854, in the same township in which he now resides. He is a son of William and Abigail (Carmichael) Dysart, and a grandson of Joseph Dysart, a native of Ireland, of Scotch-Irish descent. Joseph Dysart was an early settler in Wayne township, where he bought 230 acres of land. He also owned land in Sinking Valley, Blair county. He was a successful farmer and a respected citizen. He made a specialty of stock raising, his horses being noted for their excellence. His wife was Miss Peterson, of Wayne township, and bore him four children: James; Joseph; John; and William. Both himself and wife died on the homestead farm, and were buried at McVeytown. William Dysart, the father of Captain Dysart, owned and cultivated a productive farm of more than 100 acres, finely situated in Wayne township, on which he erected commodious buildings and made other improvements. He was very successful both as a stockman and a grain grower. He married Abigail Carmichael, a native of Mifflin county, daughter of John and Elizabeth Carmichael, of Irish descent. She was reared in Tennessee until she was ten years of age, when her parents returned to Mifflin county. They had ten children, of whom five died in infancy. Of those who reached adult years, all are now deceased except Captain Dysart. The names were: Joseph; Elizabeth (Mrs. William L. Postlethwait); John; James C.; and David P. He was a Democrat, and filled the township offices of school director and tax collector. He was a consistent member of the Presbyterian







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church, a man of force of character, conscientious and upright, and universally respected. He died on the homestead farm in 1838. His wife died at the house of her son, James C., in 1865.

James C. Dysart received his elementary education in the public schools of Wayne township, after which he attended for five years the Milwood Academy, at Shade Gap, conducted by the Rev. J. Y. McGinnis, pastor of the Presbyterian church, where he graduated in 1851. He then took charge of the farm, conducting it for his widowed mother. In 1862, however, his feelings of patriotism were too strong to permit him longer to remain away from the tented field where a nation's destiny was being decided. Captain Dysart's war record is of the most brilliant and honorable character. He first enlisted at Newton Hamilton in Capt. Joseph S. Waream's Company K, One Hundred and Thirty-first Pennsylvania Volunteers, Peter H. Allbaugh, colonel commanding. Appointed a corporal, he was sent to Harrisburg; thence to Washington, and thence to Fairfax, Va. He participated with honor in the bloody battles of Antietam, Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville. At the expiration of his term, he was honorably discharged in June, 1863. Returning home, he recruited Company F, of the Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Militia, under Col. John J. Lawrence, of Mifflin county. Captain Dysart was sent to Philadelphia with his company to enforce the draft. At the expiration of two months, the regiment was mustered out of service, when he was offered by Colonel Cummings a captaincy in the Nineteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, but was obliged at that time to decline the offer in order to return home and attend to the interests of his widowed mother upon the farm. On February 25, 1864, he again enlisted as first lieutenant of Capt. Henry B. Huff's Company D, One Hundred and Eighty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Col. John H. Stover commanding. With his regiment, Lieutenant Dysart participated in the sanguinary conflict at Cold Harbor, and before Petersburg, June 16, 1864. Here he received a ball in the leg. Being sent to the division hospital, he was forwarded to Washington, and thence home on a thirty days' furlough. Rejoining his company, when his wound was partially healed, he participated in the desperate en-

gagements of Deep Bottom, Reams Station and Boydton Roads. He witnessed the mine explosion in front of Petersburg, participated in the operations around the historic Dutch Gap, the Hatchers Run campaign, and the terrific series of engagements which at length resulted in the capture of the last stronghold of the Confederacy—the city of Petersburg. Joining with his command in the pursuit of Lee, he witnessed the final scene, the surrender at Appomattox. Having remained with his company until the regiment was mustered out, near Washington, D. C., July 14, 1864, he returned home. After some time passed in farming he obtained a position under the Pennsylvania Railroad Company as switch-tender, which he held for seventeen years. He then retired, and is now living pleasantly and quietly at home with his family.

Captain Dysart married in the autumn of 1866 Miss Hannah C. McKinstry, born in Wayne township, daughter of Alexander McKinstry, a canal man of Wayne township. This happy union has been crowned with six children, as follows: James M., an employee of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, living at Altoona; Abigail B.; Annie B.; William, living at Altoona, in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad; and two who died in infancy. In his earlier days Captain Dysart was, for twenty years, active in politics, attending many Democratic county conventions as a delegate. In 1866 he was elected, on that party's ticket, a county commissioner of Mifflin county, which office he filled acceptably for three years. He also served three years as poor director of the county. The Captain is a consistent member of the Presbyterian church.

JOSEPH MCKINSTRY, farmer and fruit grower, Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born December 10, 1835, in Wayne township, near Ryde Station. He is a son of James and Barbara (Harslbarger) McKinstry. His paternal great-grandfather was born in Ireland, and emigrated to America, settling in what was then Huntingdon county, Pa., where he married and had several children. Alexander McKinstry, grandfather of Joseph McKinstry, owned and cultivated a farm of more than 138 acres, on which he made considerable improvements. He was a

successful hunter of the wolves, bears and other wild animals which then infested the forests. He married in Wayne township and had five children, as follows: James; Thomas; Alexander; Joseph; and Jane (Mrs. James Butler). He was a Democrat, and a consistent member of the Presbyterian church. Both the grandfather and grandmother died on the homestead farm. His son, James McKinstry, obtained a good education in the subscription schools. He spent his younger days on the homestead farm of his father. Later in life he taught subscription school, principally in the old log school house on the Harvey property near Ryde Station; the building was subsequently converted into a blacksmith shop. He owned and cultivated a farm of over one hundred acres, on which he built a stone dwelling house and barn, besides making other improvements. He had a high reputation for his stock, raising and owning some of the finest horses ever seen in this section of the State. For a number of years, besides farming, he ran a boat on the canal for Cresswell & Company. Capt. James McKinstry, as he was universally called, died at the age of fifty-six, at the old homestead, of diseases contracted through exposure on the canal.

James McKinstry married Barbara Harshbarger, born in Wayne township, daughter of David and Catharine Harshbarger. Her father was a native of Berks county, who had removed to Wayne township, Mifflin county, and was one of the largest farmers there. Mr. and Mrs. McKinstry had thirteen children, of whom four died in infancy. The nine who reached adult years were: Joseph; Elizabeth; David, now residing in Shelby county, O.; Thomas, who resides on the homestead farm; William; Alexander; James; George and John; the last five are deceased. James McKinstry was a Democrat, and ably filled several township offices. He was a zealous Christian, a man of fixed principles, renowned for honesty and uprightness, and an earnest member of the Presbyterian church.

In his boyhood, Joseph McKinstry spent his summer months in labors on the farm, and in winter attended the school kept in the old Wharton stone school house. At the age of sixteen he served an apprenticeship at carpentry in Bratton township with Samuel Hiester, one of the finest carpenters in that

whole section of the country. After spending four years at his trade, Mr. McKinstry returned to the homestead and assisted in the cultivation of the farm until his father's death, which occurred when he was twenty-four years old. During the four following years he and his brother, David, worked the farm, supporting their widowed mother and the family. In March, 1865, Mr. McKinstry enlisted in Capt. Samuel Mathews' Company C, One Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, Col. James Patchell commanding. He was employed in guard duty, principally in Virginia, and after four months service, was mustered out, June 28, 1865. Returning home, he worked for four years at carpentry, principally in Mifflin and Fulton counties. At the expiration of this time, he moved back to the old Samuel Wharton farm, in Wayne township, where he has been ever since, cultivating over 120 acres of land, giving much attention to the raising of fruit, and also, like his father, showing great taste in the direction of fine stock, especially horses.

Mr. McKinstry was married in 1861 on the old Wharton farm, in Wayne township, to Rebecca Wharton, born in Wayne township in 1835, the only child of James Wharton, a prominent farmer of the township. To this union were born five children: Harry, who died in youth; Edward, a machinist in the Pennsylvania Railroad shops at Altoona; Annie, married B. W. Beek, who died leaving three children; and again married to John E. Giffin, of Saltillo; James T., brakeman on the Pennsylvania Railroad, S. & L. Division; and Robert, who farms the homestead place. The fourth of this family, James T., married Miss Catharine McCormick, and has two children, twins, Hazel R. and Helen R. Mr. McKinstry has been a school director for seven years, taking an active part in educational matters and doing all in his power for the furtherance of educational interests. He is heartily in favor of compulsory education. He was for five years road supervisor, taking an active part in behalf of good roads. He is in favor of macadamized highways, believing that they are not only the best, but in the end the cheapest. He has also been tax collector for Wayne township. Mr. McKinstry is an active comrade of Surgeon Charles Bower Post, No. 457, G. A. R., at Newton Hamilton. Mr. McKinstry was formerly a

Democrat, but is now a Populist, which he believes will be the party of the future. He is an earnest member of the Presbyterian church, of which he was formerly one of the trustees. He takes a prominent part in all matters for the good of the church or Sunday-school.

HARRY B. WHARTON, farmer and stock raiser, Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born January 28, 1864, at Huntingdon, Pa. He is a son of Harry S. and Anna Wharton. The Whartons were among the first settlers of Wayne township, the pioneer being Henry Wharton. His son Henry was the father of Samuel Wharton, born in Wayne township, the grandfather of Harry B. Wharton. One of Samuel Wharton's sons was Harry S. Wharton, born in Huntingdon in 1832. His son, Harry B. Wharton, in early life attended a private school in Huntingdon taught by Miss Miller, and later received the instructions of a special private tutor. After this he attended the Normal College in Huntingdon, Pa., for a period of three years. In 1883 he came to Wayne township, Mifflin county, for the purpose of managing the Wharton estate for his aunt, Mrs. Anna Eliza Wharton Kinsloe. In 1886 he moved from one of the upper farms into the old Wharton homestead, the house of his great-great-grandfather, which is situated in a picturesque and charming spot on the banks of the Juniata river opposite the Vineyard bridge of the Pennsylvania Railroad, midway between Lewistown and Huntingdon. It is the garden spot of Mifflin county, commanding a view of the blue Juniata to the westward for a distance of ten miles or more. This place has been in the possession of the Wharton family since the earliest settlement of the valley. Desiring to modernize and improve the homestead and its surroundings, he began, in 1894, to make improvements on a gigantic scale, through which the place has become the most complete country residence in central Pennsylvania. The house has been fitted up with all modern improvements, and large verandas extend around the front and the two sides. All the work was done under Mr. Wharton's personal supervision. The work on the ground surrounding the house was planned by Mr. McClain, of Harrisburg, an adept in lawn designing, and done under the supervision of

Patrick Shean, a contractor of Philadelphia, noted for his fine work in terracing. This lawn, containing over two acres, was terraced and graded to conform to the surroundings. It has two large fountains, lily ponds and other suitable adornments, the water being brought a distance of two miles, with a fall of two hundred and eighty-three feet and a pressure of eighty pounds.

Harry B. Wharton was married March 15, 1894, in Lewistown, Pa., to Miss N. Kenna Contner, born in Kishacoquillas valley, daughter of Davis Contner, a prominent and respected citizen of the valley.

Mr. Wharton is a Republican. The family are connected with the Presbyterian church. With a brilliant mind, and inheriting keen mental activity from a long train of noted ancestors, there is every reason to expect an illustrious future for Mr. Harry B. Wharton. At present he is devoting his time, principally, to the decoration of the magnificent house in which he takes so absorbing an interest.

LIEUT. WILLIAM L. VAN ZANDT, farmer and stock raiser, Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born August 27, 1832, where he now resides, on the homestead farm, near the Center school-house. He is a son of John and Lydia (Utley) Van Zandt. His grandfather, George Van Zandt, was a native of Holland, came in his youth, with his parents and four brothers, to this country, and settled in Berks county, Pa., prior to the Revolutionary war. The people of the Netherlands have, in all ages, been noted for their ardent devotion to liberty, and from their first arrival, patriotism appears to have been as natural to the Van Zandts as the air they breathe. The five brothers took an active part in the Revolutionary war. George Van Zandt was a captain, and he and his brothers passed through some thrilling experiences. He witnessed the nameless horrors of Valley Forge, where the snow was tracked with the blood of his shoeless feet. Crossing the Delaware with Washington, he bore a conspicuous part in the battle of Trenton, where he received a desperate wound. Now the Van Zandt family have been scattered until they are found in almost every State, east, west, north and south. One of the prisoners captured by Mexicans during the war for Texan independence

was a Van Zandt who was one of Davy Crockett's fearless band. After the Revolutionary war, George Van Zandt came to Huntingdon county and settled at Shirley, where his occupation was wagon-making. A short time after Peggy Hamilton was captured by the Indians, near where Newton Hamilton now is, George Van Zandt led a small force of men up the Juniata as far as the stone quarry, where, wading the river, he and his men concealed themselves under some thorn bushes, near Standing Stone, now Huntingdon, and advanced stealthily towards the hostile band so as to be able to open fire upon them before their presence was known; the Indians were completely routed. George Van Zandt was a man of influence in the community, a sort of un-official judge and peace-maker, whose advice was often sought by neighbors in the settlement of difficulties. He was married five times, yet he died a widower; one of his wives was Susan Hoyle, who was the mother of John Van Zandt. She was also the mother of Susan, who married James McDonald, a farmer of the Kishacoquillas valley. It was at her home near Allensville, Mifflin county, that George Van Zandt died at an advanced age; he was buried in the Brick church graveyard, west of Belleville, in the Kishacoquillas valley. George Van Zandt was a member of the Methodist church.

John Van Zandt and a brother named George were born at Shirley, Huntingdon county. John Van Zandt had only such education as the country schools afforded. At an early age he worked with his father at wagon-making and afterwards learned carpentry, becoming one of the most expert carpenters and joiners in that section of the State. He was the contractor and builder of the first Methodist Episcopal church in Newton Hamilton. His work in window sash and panelled doors is still pointed out in Newton Hamilton and many other places as a model that cannot be excelled. He bought a farm of eighty-five acres, on which William I. Van Zandt now resides. In the large frame house which he erected thereon, the Methodist Episcopal preachers conducted the first protracted meeting ever held in Wayne township, and laid the foundation of what was afterwards the Methodist congregation of Newton Hamilton. The house was afterwards used by the Presbyterians, under the Rev. M. Woods, who here

formed what became the nucleus of the first Presbyterian congregation of Newton Hamilton.

John Van Zandt married in Wayne township Letitia Neice, born in Berks county. They had four children: James; Jacob; Sarah; and Joseph; all deceased. Mrs. Letitia Van Zandt died in Wayne township. Mr. Van Zandt's second wife was Lydia Utley, born in Wayne township, daughter of John Utley, a farmer of the township, and a native of Scotland. Their children are as follows: Eliza (Mrs. Joseph Curfman), of Pike county, Ill.; Joseph, a farmer of the same county; William L., of Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa.; George, also of Pike county, Ill.; Letitia, the widow of Samuel Hoover, of Elk Grove, Sacramento county, Cal.; and Benjamin, who is a hop grower of Sacramento, Cal. The mother of these children died at the homestead October 18, 1859. John Van Zandt contracted a third marriage with Jane Colter, a widow lady, who survived him, and died in 1879. His death occurred September 18, 1872, in his seventy-ninth year, in Newton Hamilton, where he was living a retired life. John Van Zandt began life as a Democrat, but died a Republican. He held numerous offices, including those of chief Burgess of Newton Hamilton and member of the town council. He was an earnest, consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church, a citizen of influence in the community, honest, industrious, a kind husband, a loving father and a genial associate, a man respected by all his neighbors.

William I. Van Zandt received his education in the public schools of Huntingdon and Mifflin counties, after which he worked for a time on the homestead farm. At the age of fourteen he began to learn harness-making, in Newton Hamilton, with Samuel E. Wise, with whom he stayed for three years. He then worked at his trade as a journeyman in various sections of Pennsylvania. He was in business on his own account in Petersburg, Huntingdon county, for two years, and then sold out, and went to Iowa City, Ia. He had worked for three years, when his health failed, and he traveled about for nine years, finally returning to Wayne township. When the clarion call of 1861 was ringing through the land, the fighting and patriotic blood bequeathed from Revolutionary ancestors im-

pelled William I. Van Zandt to do what he could to save the nation. He first enlisted as bass drummer in the regimental band of the Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, where he spent nine months. During this time he went through McClellan's Peninsular Campaign. Returning home, he enlisted as a private in Capt. Joseph Wareham's Company K, One Hundred and Thirty-first Pennsylvania Volunteers, Col. Peter H. Allabaugh commanding. With this regiment he went nobly through the bloody battles of Antietam, Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville, together with some minor engagements. At the battle of Fredericksburg he received a ball through the right leg. He dressed the wound himself without going to the hospital. At the expiration of the term of service the regiment was discharged at Harrisburg. Mr. Van Zandt's third enlistment was as sergeant in Company F, One Hundred and Ninety-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers. The term of service was one hundred days, which was spent principally in Maryland and the Shenandoah valley, during which time the regiment was in a number of minor engagements. October 11, Mr. Van Zandt was promoted to second lieutenant. At the expiration of the term of service the regiment was mustered out at Harrisburg. In addition to these three enlistments, Mr. Van Zandt was also twice in the State service, as an emergency man in Company F, Forty-sixth Pennsylvania Militia, holding the position of orderly sergeant. After the war he took up carpentry, and worked several years with his father in Newton Hamilton and Wayne township. He also worked for himself for some time in Wayne township. He was at Altoona for two years as a car-builder; and also passed two years in Colorado and other parts of the west. Returning to Pennsylvania, he settled on the homestead farm, which he improved by the erection of fine buildings, the planting of extensive orchards, and in other ways.

In 1854 Mr. Van Zandt was married in Allen'sville, to Miss Sarah McConkey, born in the Kishacoquillas valley, daughter of James McConkey, a native of Ireland, a teacher and navigator, who had settled in the valley and engaged in farming. They had four children, as follows: Janette, now housekeeper for her father; John, a stair-builder, of Leadville, Col.; Reuben, of the State of Nevada; and Thomas. His loving wife was taken from

him February 26, 1896, in her sixty-fifth year.

Mr. Van Zandt has been constable in the township for three terms. He is a prominent comrade in Surgeon Charles Bower Post, No. 457, G. A. R., being a past commander and having held other offices in the Post. He is a leading member of Aughwick Lodge, No. 472, I. O. O. F., having passed through the chairs five times, besides holding almost every other office in the lodge. He has also held the appointment of deputy grand master of the lodge. Mr. Van Zandt is a Republican. He is an earnest and devoted member of the Presbyterian church; and is identified with Sunday-school work as a teacher and a member of the Bible class.

ALEXANDER CUMMING, retired farmer, Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born April 7, 1823, at Perth, Scotland. He is a son of James and Jane (Whitock) Cumming. James Cumming, of Perth, Scotland, was a harness-maker. His wife, Jane (Whitock) Cumming, was also a native of Perth. They had four children, as follows: Elizabeth, who died in England; Jane (Mrs. Daniels), married in New York City; Alexander, of Wayne township; and John, an Australian miner. The mother died in Scotland, and the father before leaving Scotland was married again to Miss Rooper, to which union were born two children, namely: George, who was killed during the Crimean war; and Sarah (Mrs. McDonald), was married and died in New York City. James Cumming came to this country about 1853, after the death of his second wife, and settled in New York City, with his two daughters, working there at his trade. He died there at the house of his daughter, Mrs. McDonald, in the year 1858, having in 1855 paid a visit to his son Alexander, in Mifflin county.

Alexander Cumming received his education in the schools of Perth, Scotland, and learned harness-making with his father. At the age of twelve he ran away from home, walking to Edinburg, by way of Dundee, with the intention of going to sea as cabin boy. His sister at Edinburg sent him home. After remaining one year he went to Glasgow, where he found employment at his trade. At the age of seventeen he went to Demarara, British Guiana, South America, where he spent

two years and a half as clerk in a harness and hardware store. After a spell of sickness and six months spent in working on a plantation, he took a vessel for New Orleans. He remained there a week, and then went by way of the Mississippi and Ohio rivers to Pittsburg, where he worked at his trade for three months; he next came to Newton Hamilton, making the trip on the canal with Captain Bowman. At Newton Hamilton he found employment with Mr. George Askins, a prominent harness-maker of the place. After working for him one winter, Mr. Cumming went into business for himself, which he carried on for twenty years. During that time, however, he took a trip to Pike's Peak, spending a year and three months in Salt Lake City. He found that whole section a very rough country, as it was in those days, and therefore returned to Newton Hamilton, making it a point to get home in time to vote for Abraham Lincoln for president, in 1860. There is not on the face of the earth a braver or more patriotic race than the Scotch. Centuries of history prove this. When our nation's life was assailed, Alexander Cumming rushed to the defense of his adopted land. In 1862, he enlisted at Newton Hamilton, as a sergeant in Company F, Forty-sixth Pennsylvania Militia, in which he served for sixty days. He enlisted again in Company F, One Hundred and Ninety-fourth Pennsylvania Emergency Men, where he was again a sergeant. Full of ambition, Mr. Cumming made an excellent soldier. The regiment was employed principally for guard duty and also participated creditably in several minor engagements. The term of service was one hundred days. After the war, while continuing to work at his trade, Mr. Cumming also bought a farm of 140 acres, which he cultivated for four years. Then, leaving the farm in charge of his sons, he opened a harness-making shop at Mt. Union; in this he continued four years, and then, selling out, he returned to the farm, where he has ever since resided. For many years he has rented out the farm, and led a quiet, retired and peaceful life, enjoying abundantly the respect and confidence of all who know him. He is a successful stock raiser, and no one is a better judge of a horse or mule than he.

Mr. Cumming was married, in 1847, at Lewistown, to Miss Jane E. Taylor, a native

of Mifflin county, daughter of Matthew Taylor, late of Ki-shacoquillas valley, Mifflin county. The union with this excellent woman proved to be a happy one, as for more than forty years they journeyed through life together. Mr. Cumming and his wife were the parents of eleven children, as follows: Ellen, widow of Hugh Murphy, of Illinois; Bruce, who was a valiant soldier in the late war, participated in the Atlanta campaign, and now resides in Red Willow county, Neb.; Matthew T., a railroad conductor, of Renovo, Pa.; Jessie B. (Mrs. Eli Bubb), of Taylor county, Ia.; Sadie, a dress-maker, in Kansas City, Mo.; John, of Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa.; William, of Red Willow county, Neb.; Lincoln and Samuel, twins, of whom the former is a brakeman on the Pennsylvania Railroad, residing in Altoona, and the latter is deceased; Mary, deceased; Alexander, a railroad employee, of Iowa. The loving wife and mother died in 1890.

The good judgment, rectitude and ability of Mr. Cumming have been recognized by his fellow-citizens by his election to numerous offices. In Wayne township he has filled the position of school director, for several years; assessor, for two terms; auditor; and judge and inspector of elections. He has been deputy marshal for Wayne township, under the Federal government; and was in 1893 elected on the ticket of his party, the Republican, to be a director of the poor, of Mifflin county, the duties of which office he discharged with credit to himself and satisfaction to the public. He is an earnest and efficient working comrade in Surg. Charles Bower Post, No. 457, G. A. R., of which he is a past commander. He is also a prominent member of the order of I. O. O. F., in which he has passed through the chairs; he is the oldest Odd Fellow in Mifflin county. He was at one time a member of the Sons of Temperance. Mr. Cumming is a consistent member of the Presbyterian church. A diligent reader, a keen observer, well acquainted with public affairs and deeply interested in them, Mr. Cumming passes his time quietly and peacefully in the retirement of his home.

JOHN V. RUNK, farmer and stock raiser, Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born January 14, 1824, in Leacock township, Lancaster county, Pa. He is a son of Samuel

and Catharine (Bahner) Runk. His paternal great-grandfather was a native of Germany. His grandfather, Valentine Runk, was born in Lancaster county, where he owned in Leacock township one of the finest farms in that garden of the world. He was the father of seven children. Both he and his wife died in Lancaster county. He was a Democrat. Valentine Runk was a consistent member of the Lutheran church. His son, Samuel Runk, had a good English education, and was a farmer in Lancaster county, where he was born and reared near New Holland. He also worked at the construction of post fences. In 1837 he removed with his family to Huntingdon county, where he bought in Tell township a farm of 160 acres, which he improved with new buildings and in other ways, and which he cultivated to the time of his death. He was married to Catharine Balmer, of Lancaster county. They had thirteen children, of whom two died in infancy. The eleven who reached adult years were: Lucy, who died young; Margaret A. (Mrs. John Snyder), now deceased; David, deceased; Lucinda, deceased; John V., of Wayne township; Elizabeth (Mrs. William Snyder), of Shade Gap, Huntingdon county; Samuel, deceased; Hannah, the widow of Samuel Wyser; Edward, a farmer in Cromwell township, Huntingdon county; Sarah J. (Mrs. Washington Morgan), of Black Log valley, Huntingdon county; and Mary E., the widow of Charles Laird, of Black Log valley, Huntingdon county. Samuel Runk died in July, 1883. His wife died in 1887, in Cromwell township, Huntingdon county. Samuel Runk was a Democrat. He was born a Lutheran, but connected himself with that branch of the Baptist denomination usually termed Dunkard.

John V. Runk received a common school education in the schools of Lancaster county and of Dublin township, Huntingdon county. He began life on the farm, with his father. At the age of eight years he was put out with a farmer in the neighborhood, to work for his board and clothes, and remained in that place four years. He then resided at home until he was nineteen years of age, when he found employment amongst the farmers in Germany valley for two years. He then for one year drove a team at Shirley. After two years as a laborer on the poor-house farm, and another

year of employment in Germany valley, he came to Wayne township, Mifflin county, where he was employed at farm labor by L. E. Johnson, for one year; the next year he passed on the Cottage farm. He also worked in a saw-mill for John W. Smith. Mr. Runk spent in all upwards of thirty years in Wayne and Oliver townships, working as a farm laborer. In 1869 he formed a partnership with D. M. Doll, of Oliver township, which continued for seven years, at the end of which time he sold out, and went to farming, renting various farms for four years. In 1880 he bought his present farm of seventy-five acres, on which he has made great improvements. His first house was burned in 1881, entailing a heavy loss.

Mr. Runk was married in Wayne township, to Mary C. Gilliland, born in Shirley township, Huntingdon county. They have had fourteen children, of whom five died young: Adam; Lucy; Margaret; Henry; and Jesse. The nine who reached adult years were named as follows: Prudence A. (Mrs. John Wible), residing in New York State; Elizabeth (Mrs. John Bortel), whose husband is a saddler of MeVeytown; Hannah J., the widow of John Gilliland; Martha (Mrs. Samuel Gerheart), of Oliver township, Mifflin county; Sarah (Mrs. John Matthews), of Altoona; Samuel, a farmer of Wayne township, Mifflin county; Matthew, a Pennsylvania Railroad brakeman, residing at Altoona; Emma (Mrs. George Vaughn), of Wayne township; and Eva (Mrs. John Harman). Mr. Runk has more than seventy grandchildren and thirty great-grandchildren.

John V. Runk is universally respected by his acquaintances for his industry, integrity and sterling worth. He has held the office of supervisor of Wayne township. He is a Republican. A consistent member of the Presbyterian church, he is actively interested in Sunday-school work, being a teacher, and also the superintendent of the school at Mt. Hope.

JOHN T. CALDWELL, retired farmer, Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born January 21, 1825, in Granville township, Mifflin county. He is a son of Andrew and Mary (Woods) Caldwell. His father, Andrew Caldwell, was born in County Tyrone, Ireland, and coming to America, engaged extensively in farming and stock raising. He

owned over 340 acres of land, on which he made great improvements. He was married in Lancaster county to Mary Woods. They had six children, as follows: William, deceased; Franklin, also deceased; Rebecca (Mrs. Joseph Strode), of Mifflin, deceased; Andrew, a resident of Ottawa county, Kas.; Mary A., the widow of Woods Tremble; and John T. Andrew Caldwell died when his son John T. was quite young. Mrs. Caldwell died at a later period, at Strodes Mill. She was a member of the Presbyterian church. Andrew Campbell was a Democrat.

John T. Caldwell attended the public schools of Granville township. He worked on the homestead farm for his mother until he was eighteen years of age, when he took that portion of the farm situated nearest to McVeytown, and farmed it for seven years. Selling out at the expiration of this time, he came to Wayne township, where he bought 265 acres, built on his land a fine dwelling house and made other improvements. He made farming his business for life, giving special attention to raising fine stock and dealing in the same. In 1892 he retired.

In 1855 Mr. Caldwell was married, in Wayne township, to Mary Koplin, born in Mifflin county, daughter of David Koplin, deceased, a farmer, of Scotch-Irish descent. Their children are: Nancy (Mrs. John Parker), residing near Pittsburg, Pa.; William S., a resident of Ottawa county, Kas.; Alice (Mrs. George Drake); David, married Alice McVey, and now resides on the homestead farm; Sarah (Mrs. Isaac Pyle), of Altoona; and Rebecca J. Mr. Caldwell's faithful and loving partner died on the homestead farm in the year 1884. Mr. Caldwell is a man of sterling integrity and honor and a power in the community, in which he is universally respected. He takes a deep interest in popular education and whatever is to the advantage of our social system. As a school director, which position he filled for several years, he did much for the good of the schools. He has also filled the office of township assessor. He is a staunch Republican. He is an active, earnest member of the Presbyterian congregation at Newton Hamilton, taking a deep interest in church matters. During the Civil war Mr. Caldwell was drafted, and furnished a substitute. Wayne township contains no more worthy or enterprising man than John T. Caldwell. Left

without a father's care in early life, he is emphatically a self-made and self-educated man. In the leisurely, retired life which he now leads, he makes frequent trips to the west, where he has in the State of Kansas 460 acres of good land highly cultivated.

FERD. KIEFHABER, general merchant and postmaster, Atkinsons Mills, Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born July 8, 1862, at Atkinson Mills. He is a son of Frederick J. and Susan (Seaburn) Kiefhaber. His grandfather, John Kiefhaber, was a native of Germany, who came to this country when a young man, and died in Wayne township, where he had settled. One of his sons was Frederick J. Kiefhaber, who was born May 22, 1819, at Karthouse, Clearfield county. He was a blacksmith, and followed his trade for more than forty years at Atkinsons Mills. He had learned the trade under George Green, at Stronds Mills, Mifflin county. He married Susan Seaburn, a native of Pennsylvania. They had twelve children, of whom one died in infancy. The others were named as follows: Lizzie; Katie; Elmira (Mrs. C. C. Coulter), of Wayne township; Clara; William, a blacksmith, residing at Atkinsons Mills; Ferd, postmaster at Atkinsons Mills; L. Edward, residing in California; Harry, a blacksmith in Clay county, Mo.; North; Scott; Hannah, died young. Frederick J. Kiefhaber was a member of the Republican party, and took a citizen's interest in public affairs. He was a pious, upright man, who was for more than forty years a member of the United Brethren church. He died February 26, 1888. His wife died November 23, 1880.

Ferd Kiefhaber attended the public schools of Wayne township, and also a normal school conducted in Mifflin county. In early life he learned the blacksmith trade with his father, but never followed it. He was for eight years engaged in school teaching in the townships of Wayne, Bratton and Granville, Mifflin county. Having saved a little money, he went into a general mercantile business in partnership with his brother, L. E. Kiefhaber, under the firm name of Kiefhaber Brothers. This continued until 1895, when he bought out his brother's interest and has since conducted the business himself, meeting with an encouraging degree of success. On March 1, 1895, he was appointed by the department at Washing-

tion as postmaster for the place. In this position he has been a courteous official. He is unmarried; a Republican in politics; and a member of the Presbyterian church. He is also an active Sunday-school worker, as superintendent and teacher. He is known in the community as an able, upright and industrious man, of great promise.

MAJ. WILLIAM T. McEWEN, retired, of Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born May 16, 1834, at Lewistown, Pa. He is a son of John S. and Isabella (Hilands) McEwen. His grandfather, Henry McEwen, was a native of Carlisle, Pa., of Scotch-Irish descent. He was a carpenter. After the Revolutionary war, in which he took a prominent part, being on the staff of Gen. Benedict Arnold, during the daring invasion of Canada, he removed to Centre county, becoming one of its first settlers. He worked there at his trade. He participated in the siege and battle of Quebec, in which he was wounded and captured together with the other members of his company. The second night after his capture he succeeded in making his escape into the woods, after which he returned home. Henry McEwen was married July 11, 1786, to Mrs. Elizabeth Gregg, a relative of the family of Governor Curtin. They had eleven children, as follows: William, born June 20, 1788; Naney, born September 26, 1790; Sally (Mrs. Hugh McFadden), of Lewistown, Pa., born December 26, 1792; Betsey (Mrs. William McCloskey), of Centre county, born March 14, 1795; Isabella, born June 14, 1797; James G., born October 29, 1799; Henry, born August 19, 1802; John S., born May 19, 1805; Samuel, born October 29, 1807; Marda G., born April 22, 1810, wife of John Goodhart, and mother of Postmaster Goodhart, of Lewistown; and Mary (Mrs. John Lauver), of Centre county, born January 16, 1814. Henry McEwen was a member of the Presbyterian church. He was connected with the Whig party. Physically, he was a man of gigantic size. In principles he was a true American, and had an intense dislike for the Tories. Both he and his wife died in Centre county, he being at the time of his death, considerably over eighty years of age.

John S. McEwen had but a limited education. He was reared in Centre county, but at the age of sixteen left home and came to Lew-

istown, where he learned the trade of hatter with his brother-in-law, Hugh McFadden. He continued to work in Lewistown for some years as a hatter, but when the hat factories started up all over the country, he was obliged to find some other employment, and was a general laborer for the remainder of his life. He was for fifty-one years sexton of the Presbyterian church, during which time he never lost a single day from his post of duty. By industry and economy, he secured for himself a cosy little home in Lewistown, where he died July 31, 1887. He married Isabella Hilands, born near Perryville, Pa. Their children are as follows: James, editor and publisher of the *Democrat Sentinel*, of Bens-laer, Ind.; William T., of Wayne township; John S., a resident of Coquille, Ore., where he is the editor and publisher of a paper; Fanny, wife of James B. Bellford, a lawyer in Colorado; Elizabeth, living with her sister, in Denver, Col.; Hoover; and Samuel; the last two died young. The mother of these children died some time before the father. John S. McEwen was a Democrat, but did not take an active part in political matters. He filled in Lewistown the positions of councilman and constable. He was an unassuming man, of good reputation, and a pious and devout member of the Presbyterian church.

Maj. William T. McEwen received his education in the public schools of Lewistown. At a very early age, he began to assist the farmers in the vicinity of Lewistown at various kinds of labor, frequently earning from twenty-five to sixty cents a day. He continued at farm labor until eighteen years of age, when he learned cooperage, in Lewistown, with a man named Swartz, with whom he worked for nine months, and then found employment at his trade until he attained the age of twenty-one. He enlisted in the regular army of the United States, July 6, 1855, at Lewistown, and was assigned to Company C, Second Cavalry, and sent to Texas. He spent five years on the frontier, during which time he was engaged in several sharp fights and skirmishes with the Indians; in one of these he was slightly wounded by an Indian arrow. At the expiration of his term, he returned to Lewistown, October 17, 1860, where he worked in the axe factory until the breaking out of the Civil war; the next year opened to him a wider career of glory. The military record of Maj.

William T. McEwen, is of the most brilliant character. He began it by leaving Lewistown, April 16, 1861, with that celebrated body of troops, the "Logan Guards," a portion of "The First Defenders" that reached the imperilled capitol of the nation. The "Logan Guards" were commanded by Capt. J. E. Selheimer, and were attached to Col. H. L. Cake's Twenty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers. With the "Logan Guards" and the other "First Defenders," Mr. McEwen's command endured the stoning of the infuriated Baltimore mob, but they pressed on resolutely, and, thanks to them, the capitol was saved. Returning to Lewistown at the expiration of the three months' term, Major McEwen next enlisted in Company C, First Pennsylvania Cavalry, which was the Forty-fourth of the Pennsylvania line, and the Fifteenth of the Pennsylvania Reserve Corps, August 5, 1861. August 7, he was commissioned a second lieutenant; was promoted to first lieutenant, February 26, 1862; to captain of the company, October 7, 1862; and to major of the regiment, February 10, 1863. The regiment started out under Col. George D. Bayard, who, as a brigadier general, bravely fell at the battle of Fredericksburg. The original captain of Company C, was J. P. Taylor, now known as General Taylor, of Reedsville. Major McEwen, with this regiment bravely participated in the battles of Drainesville, Harrisonburg, Cross Keys, Cedar Mountain, Gainesville, the Second Bull Run, Fredericksburg, and Brandy Station, besides other numerous skirmishes and smaller affairs. At Harrisonburg, the Major was wounded in the shoulder by a fragment of shell. At Brandy Station he was again wounded, in the left ankle, and was clubbed over the head with the sabres of the hostile troopers. He was incapacitated for further active service with the regiment, and was sent to the hospital at Alexandria, Va., where he remained three months. When partially convalescent, he was sent to the Seminary hospital, at Georgetown, D. C., where he remained until mustered out of the service, on account of permanent disability arising from his wound, October 17, 1863. Returning to Lewistown, Major McEwen spent two years in the photographing business, associated with his brother, John S., after which he sold his interest. In 1866, he was elected sheriff of Mifflin county, on the Democratic ticket, hav-

ing a most complimentary majority of the popular vote. He served ably and efficiently for a term of three years. Major McEwen then went west, settling for a time in White county, Ind., where he rented a farm and cultivated it for four years. On account of the unhealthfulness of that section, he sold out and returned to Lewistown; then he obtained employment at the Mt. Rock Mills, of Mifflin county, where he remained for three years. The Major next went to Texas, and lived on a ranch near Fort Worth. Returning again to Mifflin county, he settled down for life on a small farm, on which he made extensive improvements.

Major McEwen was married, in 1864, at Newton Hamilton, to Arabella Morrison, daughter of John Morrison, a painter and a justice of the peace at that place. They have six children: J. Morrison, residing in Colorado; Esther (Mrs. W. H. Davis), of Colorado; William J., a railroad telegraph operator at Corona, N. Y.; Hoover, a railroad employee, at Hagerstown, Md.; Frank, deceased; and Fannie.

Major McEwen has been a school director for one term, and was for two years a tipstaff of the Mifflin county court. He is an active comrade of Colonel Hudings Post, No. 176, G. A. R., at Lewistown. Major McEwen, although in earlier years a Democrat, is now a Republican.

JACOB CASNER, merchant and postmaster, of Shanks Run, Ryde Station, Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born August 4, 1833, in the Kishacoquillas valley, Menno township, Mifflin county. He is a son of Joseph and Martha (Williams) Casner. His grandfather, Jacob Casner, was a native of England, who came to America when a young man, and settled in Juniata county, where he lived all his life. He served as a private in the war of 1812-15 against Great Britain. One of his sons was Joseph, born in Juniata county in 1804. He had but a limited education, and began life on the farm, working for farmers in the vicinity. At an early age he learned shoemaking, at which he subsequently worked both in Juniata and Mifflin counties. He removed to Mifflin county and settled in the Kishacoquillas valley, Menno township, where he followed his trade and spent the remainder of his days, dying

there in 1847. In 1829, he married Martha Williams, a native of Juniata county, of Irish descent. They had six children, as follows: James, of Juniata county; Samuel, deceased; William, was a soldier in the Civil war, now resides in Allensville in the Kishacoquillas valley; Joseph, was killed in front of Petersburg, Va., while a soldier in the United States service; and Margaret (Mrs. George Bordel), of the Kishacoquillas valley, deceased. Joseph Casner was a Democrat. His wife survived him a few years, dying in White Hall, in 1850.

Jacob Casner attended the public schools in the valley, and at the age of eleven years began life on the shoemaker's bench, with his father. When at the age of fourteen he lost his father, he continued working at the trade in order to support his widowed mother and the family. At the age of seventeen he lost his mother, which also imposed upon him additional care in raising the younger members of the family. Nobly and well did he discharge his duty. He continued at his trade at White Hall until 1865. He then removed to Ryde Station, then called Manayunk, in the Kishacoquillas valley, where he continued working at his trade, and also bought a farm which he cultivated during the summer season. His first purchase of land was fifty acres, which he paid for with money he had earned and saved by hard labor at his trade. For eleven years more he continued this work during the winter season and at night, when he could not attend to farm duties. In 1875, he opened the first store ever kept at Ryde Station, and made a success of his undertaking. He has now been in mercantile business at that place for twenty-one years; he has also been postmaster for twenty-one consecutive years, without any change being made under the successive administrations.

Mr. Casner was married in 1858, in Menno township, to Amanda Morgan, daughter of Francis Morgan, of Allensville. They have had eleven children, as follows: Clara (Mrs. William A. Bratton), of Ryde Station; Anna J. (Mrs. John S. Nepp), of Roanoke, Va.; Barbara E. (Mrs. George W. Kauffman), of Bratton township; Mary F. (Mrs. George S. Appleby), of Huntingdon county; Sarah E. (Mrs. R. L. Bratton), of Bellwood, Blair county, Pa.; Frank, a farmer; Gertrude V.; Blanch; Ida; Naomi, deceased; and Martha

L., deceased wife of William Marshman. Mr. Casner filled the office of township auditor; he was also elected a justice of the peace, but never served. He is a Democrat. Mr. Casner is a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and active in Sunday-school work, having been for a number of years a teacher, and also assistant superintendent.

The life of Jacob Casner indicates in a remarkable manner, how a youth beginning life in poverty, can achieve worldly success and command the unlimited confidence and respect of the community, simply by industry and integrity.

JAMES SAYERS, general merchant, Ryde Station, Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born April 6, 1848, in Wayne township, Mifflin county. He is a son of Grier and Margaret (Walls) Sayers. Grier Sayers was born in Centre county, near Half Moon, and followed farming. In 1831 he removed to Mifflin county, settling in Wayne township, where he bought a farm, and made upon it considerable improvements. Here he passed the remainder of his life. He was married in Wayne township to Margaret Walls, of Irish descent, born in Oliver township, Mifflin county. They had eight children, as follows: William, a railroad employe at McVeytown; John, residing in Kentucky; Jane, widow of Samuel Shade, of Wayne township; Mary, wife of William Temple, of Altoona, Pa., an engineer of the Pennsylvania railroad; Robert, who died in the army, in 1861; James, of Wayne township; Jackson; and Henry; the last two reside in the same township. Grier Sayers was a Democrat. He was a member of the Presbyterian church. Amongst the offices which he held was that of school director. He died in 1870; his wife in 1878.

James Sayers received his education in the schools of Newton Hamilton, and spent his boyhood on the farm, where he remained until the death of his father, after which he took charge of the homestead and cultivated the farm for eight years. He then spent six months in Kansas, working for Mr. E. B. Pursell, a warehouse owner, after which he returned to Pennsylvania. He was next employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for twelve years, at Ryde Station, as an engine cleaner. He then bought a farm in Juniata county, and after cultivating it for one year,

he sold it and returned to Ryde Station. In 1894, he embarked in a general mercantile business, in which he has been eminently successful. His store is in the building of the Jr. O. U. A. M. Hall.

James Sayers was married in 1878, in Bratton township, to Tillie Clipper, born in Bratton township, daughter of Henry Clipper. They have one child, Clarence U., who is now attending school. Mr. Sayers is a Democrat, and in favor of silver. He is a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and is prominent in church matters, being a Sunday-school superintendent; he has been class-leader for the past six years, and is a church trustee. He is an active member of Shank's Run Council, No. 433, Junior O. U. A. M., and is the chaplain of the council, and one of the trustees. Mr. Sayers was the treasurer of the building committee, when the council erected, at a cost of \$1,200, the beautiful hall which it now occupies.

THOMAS J. EMERY, car inspector for the Pennsylvania railroad, Ryde Station, Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born April 19, 1848, in Bratton township, Mifflin county. He is a son of Perry and Hetty (Kauffman) Emery. Perry Emery was born in Juniata county, of English descent. He received a common school education, and was in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, in the capacity of brakeman on freight trains. He married Hettie Kauffman, born in Berks county, daughter of Joseph Kauffman, a shoemaker of Wayne township. Thomas J. was the only child. After the death of Perry Emery, in Juniata county, his widow was again married to Stephen Kauffman, of Wayne township. She died in Wayne township in 1891. Perry Emery was a Democrat, but took no active part in politics. He was, however, prominent in church matters, being a zealous member of the Presbyterian church.

Thomas J. Emery attended the public schools at the old Wharton school house till he was fourteen years of age, when he began to work for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, his father being dead and he being obliged to support his widowed mother. He was first an attendant on the Pennsylvania railroad stone-masons for six months, after which he went into the repair gang of the

road, at which labor he remained for four years. At the expiration of this time, he was promoted to assistant foreman on Division No. 33. Four years later, he was promoted to foreman on the Lewistown and Sunbury railroad, in which place he remained for three years. He was then, for five years, foreman at Bells Mills, on the Bedford County railroad. From this place he was sent to Manayunk, now Ryde Station, to take charge of a floating gang. After eight months, he went to work at cleaning engines at Ryde Station, and continued at this for six years. April 28, 1888, he was appointed by John Dietrick, of Mifflin, car inspector at Ryde Station, which position he has acceptably filled ever since. Mr. Emery's record, during all these years of service with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, has been one of industry, close attention to duty, and zealous, acceptable devotion to the best interests of the company. Since 1881, thousands of cars have passed through his hands, while his service to the company has, on all occasions, been intelligently and faithfully given.

In 1875, Mr. Emery married Hester Mitchell, born in Snyder county, daughter of Henry Mitchell, a justice of the peace of Snyder county. They have five children: Sadie P. (Mrs. A. M. Bratton), of Bratton township; Thomas E., who is still attending school and is a noted hunter; Blanche; Ethel; and Tulula, who died in early life.

When but fourteen years of age, Mr. Emery made an effort to enlist in the army, going to Harrisburg to enter the "Bucktail" regiment. He was not, however, tall enough to be accepted and was brought home by his mother. He is a prominent member of Council No. 433 of the Jr. O. U. A. M., being one of its past commanders; he was chairman of the building committee which erected the new hall, and is now one of its trustees. He is also a member of a lodge of the I. O. O. F., in Snyder county. He belonged to the I. O. R. M.; and to Bratton Grange, No. 771, P. of H., in which he passed through all the chairs. He is also a member of the Pennsylvania Railroad Relief Association. A fine house which Mr. Emery had erected was destroyed by fire, in 1870; but with indefatigable energy, he has replaced it with a much better one, having in other ways much improved his home. Mr. Emery is a Democrat, and enthusiastic

for silver. He is a consistent member of the United Brethren church.

JOHN R. McVEY, retired farmer, of Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born September 18, 1821, near McVeytown. He is a son of Elijah and Mary (Yost) McVey. His grandfather, John McVey, born near Philadelphia, of a Quaker family, was a teamster with the Revolutionary army. He came to Mifflin, then Cumberland county, when a young man, and settled where McVeytown now is, owning all the land in that vicinity. He was an extensive farmer and stock-raiser. He married Mary Waketfield, of English and German descent. Their seven children were as follows: William; John; Eiel; Elijah; Rachel (Mrs. Jacobs); Sarah (Mrs. Lewis Bond); and Mary (Mrs. Humphries). John McVey died in McVeytown. He was an old-line Whig, and a member of the Presbyterian church. His wife died in Wayne township. Elijah, son of John McVey, born in McVeytown, in 1799, received a common school education. He was a farmer all his life. Moving from McVeytown to Wayne township, he cultivated one of his father's farms there, for many years, after which he sold it, and bought the farm where John R. McVey now resides. He was celebrated for the fine stock he raised. He married Mary Yost, born near Lewistown, of German and English descent, whose family had been among the early settlers of that section. They had six children: John R., of Wayne township; Mary H. (Mrs. Samuel Wharton), of Wayne township, deceased; Eiel, who died in youth; Sarah, who died in early life; Eiel (2), who was drowned when thirteen years old; and Sarah (Mrs. John D. Miller), deceased. Elijah McVey was a Whig, and died a Republican. He was an active member of the Presbyterian church, taking a keen interest in all church matters. He held the office of supervisor of roads, and overseer of the poor. He died in Wayne township, in 1865, in the old log house in which he lived, and which is still standing. His widow died at the age of seventy-three, December 4, 1871.

John R. McVey obtained his education in the public schools of Shirley township, Huntingdon county, and of Wayne township, Mifflin county. He began life on the farm with his father, working also on his farms in Wayne

township. At the age of twenty-three he went west, driving a two-horse team to Iowa, with his uncle. Returning to Pennsylvania after a year, he assisted his father in the cultivation of the homestead farm, at the same time cultivating for himself 200 acres of land which his grandfather had given him. He also operated on the farm, a saw-mill, turning out a very large amount of lumber, for which there was a ready demand. He has continued at farming during his entire life, taking charge of the homestead after the death of his father, and giving much attention to the raising of fine stock.

Mr. McVey was married in 1848, in Sugar valley, Wayne township, to Mary A. Gibson, born in Huntingdon county. They have twelve children, as follows: Elizabeth (Mrs. George Fields), of Newton Hamilton; Elijah, residing in Oregon; William, of Newton Hamilton; Ellen (Mrs. Charles Flott), residing in Kansas; Annie (Mrs. George Fields), deceased; John, a farmer in Sugar valley; Laura M. (Mrs. James Heart), residing in Nebraska; Juniata (Mrs. William McClay), residing in Oregon; Flora M., deceased; Nannie M. (Mrs. James Morrison), resides on the homestead farm; Alice W. (Mrs. David Caldwell), of Long Hollow; and James, residing in Sugar valley, Wayne township. Mr. McVey has been all his life an industrious, hard-working man, who in his old days enjoys the respect and confidence of all in the community. He owns over five hundred acres of land in Wayne township. He has filled the office of township supervisor. Mr. McVey is a Republican; he was in the olden days, a member of the "Know Nothings." He is a consistent, zealous member of the Presbyterian church.

OWEN J. CASSADY, farmer and stock-raiser, Wayne township, P. O. Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, Pa., was born May 8, 1854, in Newport, Vermont. He is a son of Thomas and Catharine (Donigan) Cassidy. His father, Thomas Cassidy, was born in County Monaghan, Ireland, and was a farmer. At the age of sixteen he emigrated to America, coming from Quecstown in a sailing vessel that required six weeks to make the passage. Landing at Quebec, Canada, he remained there for some time, and then came to Lowell, Mass., where he secured employ-

ment as watchman in a cotton factory. From there he returned to Canada, settling at Magog as a farmer. He subsequently removed to Cold Spring, N. Y., where he worked in a foundry for several years, but eventually came to Pennsylvania, in August, 1869, and resided in Mifflin county, where he was a miner at the Matilda Mines and furnace of Wayne township, at the same time working with his sons on the farm. He has attained to robust old age, and resides with his son, Philip Cassady. Thomas Cassady was married to Catharine Donigan, born in Magog, Canada, where their marriage took place. They had twelve children, as follows: Charles, engaged in the livery business in the State of New York; David, working in the railroad shops in Altoona, Pa.; Edward, a farmer in Wayne township; Ellen (Mrs. Daniel B. Snyder), of Mt. Union, Pa.; Annie (Mrs. William Eaby), of Huntingdon, Pa.; Owen J., of Wayne township; James, a railroad employee at Huntingdon; Ella (Mrs. William Hatt), and Jennie (Mrs. John Hatt), twins, whose husbands are brothers, and are both employed in the Orbisonia Mines; Philip H., a farmer of Wayne township; Joseph, foreman in the cotton factory at Magog, Canada; and Edward, who died in infancy. His wife having died in Magog, June 30, 1846, he was married again in 1866, to Mary Smith, of Vermont, born in Magog, Canada. The children of this marriage are: Margaret, deceased, was the wife of Harry Walker, a railroad employee of Orbisonia; Catharine, wife of Charles Kline, a railroad employee, of Jersey Shore, Pa.; Bridget, and John, both of whom died in youth. Mrs. Mary Cassady died in Orbisonia, Pa., in 1872. Thomas Cassady was a Democrat, but became a Republican. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Owen J. Cassady received his education in the public schools of Vermont and of Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa. He began life as a hired hand on a Vermont farm. At the age of sixteen, he went into the store of Moore & Webster, at Magog, Canada, where he remained several years, leaving that place to come to Pennsylvania. He taught school for some time, having previously been a teacher in Canada for five terms. He then for eight years farmed for shares on one of the Long Hollow farms, after which he bought a half interest in the Lucy Furnaces, which has

2,500 acres of land attached to it, of which one hundred and fifty are under cultivation. He has given much attention to stock-breeding, his brother Philip conducting the farm.

Mr. Cassady was married in 1879, in Wayne township, to Mattie Barben, born in the Long Hollow, Wayne township, daughter of Alexander Barben, a farmer of German descent. To this union four children have been born, of whom two died in infancy, and another, Russell J., at the age of four years. The survivor, Ralph B., is now attending school. Mr. Cassady has held the position of tax collector during four terms; he is a Republican. He is a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and is prominent in church work, being one of the trustees, a faithful Sunday-school teacher, and also for three years a superintendent of the Sunday-school.

J. WEST SHAVER, farmer and stock raiser of Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born February 2, 1831, in Wayne township. He is a son of Jacob and Julia (Morrison) Shaver. His grandfather, John Shaver, of German descent, was an extensive farmer of Shirley township, Huntingdon county. He fought bravely for the independence of our country, having been a major in Washington's army during the Revolutionary war. He owned more than 500 acres of land, where Mt. Union is now built. He was married to Miss Glass and had ten children, as follows: Samuel; Jacob; Henry; Nicholas; John; George; Peter; William; Ann (Mrs. John Morrison); and Catharine (Mrs. Joseph Langston). He was an old-line Whig, and a member of the Presbyterian church. Both he and his wife died in Mt. Union. Jacob Shaver, second son of John Shaver, born in Mt. Union, in 1797, had a common school education, in both the English and German languages. He began life on his father's farm, and also distilled for his father; he made farming his occupation during his entire life. He owned and cultivated more than 400 acres of land in Wayne township, Mifflin county, to which location he had removed when a young man. On this farm he erected three houses and two barns, besides making many other improvements. He was a stoutly-built man, of a most genial temperament, who acquired great celebrity as a fisherman and as a stock-

raiser. Jacob Shaver was married in Wayne township, to Miss Julia Morrison, daughter of Joshua Morrison, and an aunt of B. E. Morrison, of Newton Hamilton. They had seven children, as follows: Mary A. (Mrs. Robert McDowell), deceased; Julia A. (Mrs. Walker McDowell); Matilda, wife of Dr. Alexander Linn, of Concord, Franklin county, Pa.; J. West, of Wayne township; Sarah (Mrs. John T. Lane), of Newton Hamilton, deceased; Joshua M., residing in Newton Hamilton; and Lee, who died in the year 1862. Jacob Shaver died March 17, 1879. He had been an old-line Whig, and died a Republican. He filled acceptably the offices of supervisor and school director. He was an earnest, zealous member of the Methodist Episcopal church and an eminently pious man. He took an active part in all church matters, having been one of the trustees of the congregation; and for more than forty years was a class-leader.

J. West Shaver is largely a self-educated man, having had in early life only the limited opportunities afforded by the subscription and public schools of Newton Hamilton. He began farm life when but a boy, and continued working for his father until he was twenty-four years old, after which, buying eighty-seven acres of the homestead, he farmed for himself, making great improvements on the tract which he had purchased, and on which he has now resided continuously for more than forty years, with the exception of one month spent in Ohio visiting his daughter. He is an extensive stock dealer, and has a wide reputation as a breeder of stock of superior excellence.

Mr. Shaver was married in 1856, in Newton Hamilton, to Sarah Morrison, daughter of John Morrison, a justice of the peace, in Newton Hamilton. They have nine children, as follows: Belle (Mrs. Philip Cassady), whose husband is a farmer of Wayne township; Emory, foreman of the machine shops at Salem, O.; Jennette, wife of Warren Baldwin, a fruit grower of Wayne township; Mollie, who resides at home; John, a teamster in Wayne township; Henry, a clerk, residing in Altoona; Ellen, who resides at home; and Esther and Frank, both of whom died in youth. The ability, good judgment and general business qualifications of Mr. Shaver led to his being placed in responsible positions in the township. He has been for six years a

school director, and for eight years a supervisor of Wayne township. He is a Republican. Mr. Shaver is an earnest and consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and takes a great interest in the Sunday-school, of which he is one of the teachers.

SAMUEL HARVEY, deceased, who was one of the most progressive farmers of Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born April 26, 1823, on the Harvey farm in Wayne township; and died in the same township, May 24, 1895. He was a son of Samuel Harvey; his mother's family name was Linn. Samuel Harvey, Sr., of an illustrious family of Scotch-Irish descent, was born in the Marsh Creek settlement of Adams county, Pa., a few miles from Mason and Dixon line, from whence he came, at an early age, to Huntingdon county, settling at Shirley, Shirley township, where he engaged in farming, and married Miss Linn. They had four children, two of whom died in early life. Those who reached adult years were: Ellen, died unmarried in 1879; and Samuel. Mr. Harvey afterwards removed to Mifflin county, where he bought a farm of 160 acres on which he erected one of the finest stone houses in the township, besides making other improvements. He was much respected. Industrious and thrifty, he improved everything that was connected with his place and acquired the reputation of raising excellent stock. He was an old line Whig; and a devout member of the Presbyterian church. He was buried at Shirley, Huntingdon county, beside the faithful wife, who died some years before he did.

His son, Samuel Harvey, Jr., received his education in the subscription schools that were conducted in the old stone school house of Wayne township, one of the first school houses erected in the county. He began life on the farm with his father, whom he assisted until the father being no longer able to endure the labor, he took charge of the homestead himself, on which he remained and which he cultivated until he in his turn retired from active duties. He cared for his father in his old age. He became celebrated throughout Mifflin county as the breeder of most excellent stock, and made numerous improvements on the homestead farm, after which he purchased a farm of 300 acres in Long Hollow, which had been the property of the Shade heirs, and

which is now cultivated by J. L. Postlethwaite. He was universally respected.

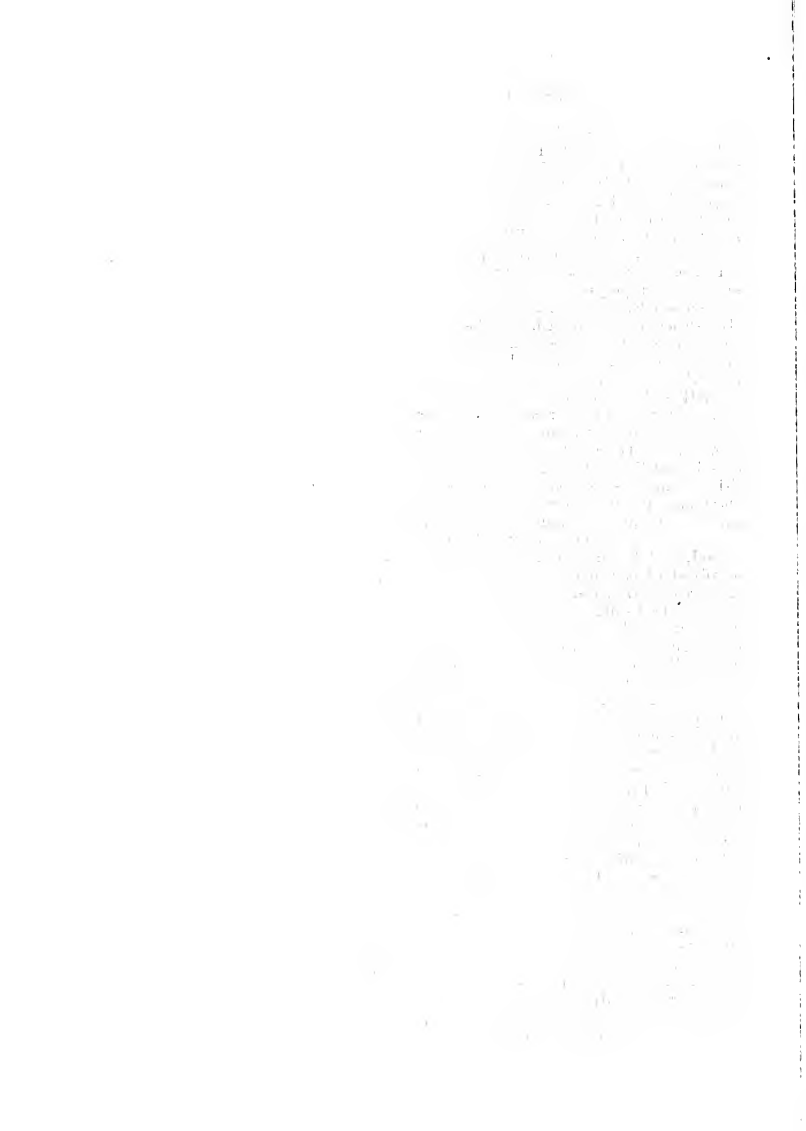
Samuel Harvey married, in Wayne township, Mary Taylor, a native of that township. Of their six children, four died in infancy. The survivors are: Annie; and Addie. His wife died on the farm in 1879, and is buried in the Presbyterian cemetery of Newton Hamilton. He was married a second time, in Wayne township, in 1886, to Isabella Corbett, a native of Wayne township, born near Newton Hamilton, daughter of James and Isabella (McNear) Corbett, both of Scotch-Irish descent. Mr. Harvey was a Republican. He held the position of tax collector and other township offices. He was a devoted member of the Presbyterian church, of which he was one of the trustees. He was a constant attendant at Sunday-school, and a careful student of the Bible. He was a practical temperance man, and had never used tobacco in any form; he was known through the community as a courteous neighbor, a good husband and a kind father. In 1865, he removed to Newton Hamilton, where he bought a fine brick residence and lived a retired life, with his wife and daughters. His death was caused by heart disease. He was interred in the Presbyterian cemetery in Newton Hamilton.

John McNear, Mrs. Harvey's maternal grandfather, was a shoemaker, born in Donegal, Ireland. At the age of nineteen he emigrated to America, coming from Liverpool in a sailing vessel which required six weeks to make the voyage, and landing in Philadelphia about the year 1801. He went first to Lancaster county, Pa., where he worked at his trade. In journeying from place to place in pursuit of occupation, he came to Lycoming county, where he married Catharine Frazier, of Scotch-Irish descent. They had seven children, of whom three died in early life. Those who reached adult years were: Isabella, the mother of Mrs. Harvey; James; Catharine (Mrs. Samuel Murfin); and William. John McNear subsequently removed to Reedsville, Mifflin county, and thence to McVeytown, at both of which places he worked at his trade. In 1830, he removed to Wayne township, where he spent the remainder of his days, dying there in 1865, at the age of eighty-two, respected by the whole community. His wife had died in 1854. Mr. McNear was an elder in the Presbyterian church of Newton

Hamilton. In his political views, he was a Democrat.

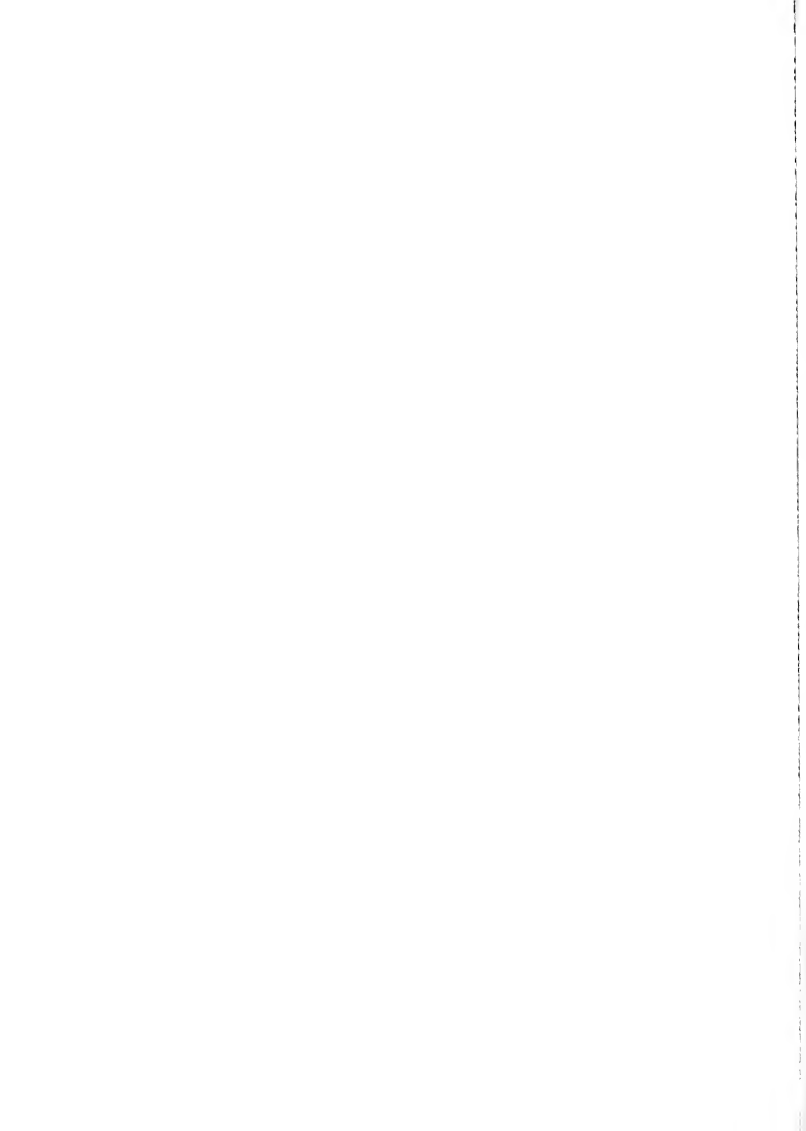
The paternal great-grandfather of Mrs. Harvey was Joseph Corbett, a native of Ireland, who emigrated to this country, and settled in Mifflin county. He took up a large tract of land in the Long Hollow in Wayne township, where he lived and died. One of his sons was William Corbett, the grandfather of Mrs. Harvey. He also was a farmer, owning and cultivating a large farm in Long Hollow. He erected on his property fine barns and an extensive log house which is still standing, besides making other improvements. He married Sarah Roberts, a native of Huntingdon county. They had a large family, of whom nine reached adult years, as follows: Robert; Stuart; James, the father of Mrs. Harvey; Samuel; Thomas; Joseph; Sarah (Mrs. Samuel Wise); Mary, who died unmarried; and Amelia, wife of George Outman, of New York, who was killed in the Civil war. Joseph Corbett died on the homestead farm. His widow died in Marion county, Ill., in 1850. He was a Democrat, and a member of the United Presbyterian church.

James Corbett, the father of Mrs. Harvey, was educated in the common and subscription schools of Wayne township. In earlier life he was a farmer, and also taught school in Wayne and Oliver townships, Mifflin county. In 1848, he removed to Illinois, and engaged in mercantile business in the town of Princeton, at which occupation he continued for the remainder of his life, meeting with great success. He was married in Wayne township, to Miss Isabella McNear. To this union was born one child, Isabella, now the widow of Samuel Harvey. Mrs. Corbett died in 1836, four days after the birth of her daughter, Isabella. Mr. Corbett was again married, in 1840, to Evelyn Glasgow, daughter of Matthew Glasgow, a Wayne township mill-owner. They had three children, as follows: Sarah (Mrs. Allen Cook), of Nebraska; William, a United States soldier in the Civil war, deceased; and John, who also served as a soldier in the Civil war, and is now engaged in the livery business, in Peoria, Ill. James Corbett died in 1878. His widow died at the residence of her son, John, in August, 1881. Mr. Corbett was respected by all who knew him. He was a Democrat. He and his family were consistent members of the Presbyterian church.





J. F. McCoy



SAMUEL C. BARDINE, farmer, stock raiser and fire clay manufacturer, of Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born August 16, 1861, at Glasgow, Cambria county, Pa. He is a son of John and Ellen (Troxell) Bardine. His grandfather, Samuel Bardine, was an iron worker, employed in the mines and works of Huntingdon county, Pa., and died at Manor Hill, in that county, from the effects of an accidental blow from a forge hammer. He had married Anna Holland, of England, and had children: John; Charlotte; Eliza Jane; Margaret; and Joseph.

John Bardine, the father of Samuel C. Bardine, was born at Glasgow, Cambria county, Pa. He was a farmer and stock raiser, cultivating over 100 acres of land in Cambria county, which he sold in 1866, and removed to Wayne township, Mifflin county. Here he bought from Jacob Correll, a farm of 140 acres, on which he erected a fine dwelling house. He also bought the Wallace farm of 160 acres, on Green Ridge, which he cultivated for some time, and then sold it to Joseph Harman. He afterwards bought from William Fleming another farm of 190 acres, which he cultivated until the time of his death, doing also an extensive business in stock raising. The land which he once owned in Cambria county subsequently proved to be very valuable, and is now under the control of a coke firm. John Bardine was married at Altoona, which at that time consisted of but few houses, to Ellen Troxell, born near Glasgow, Cambria county, daughter of Abraham Troxell. Their family included eleven children, as follows: Jennie (Mrs. George McElhone), of Newton Hamilton, deceased; Nancy, deceased; Samuel C., of Wayne township; Lizzie, deceased; John, a railroad employe at Altoona; Rebecca (Mrs. Harmon Stine), of Benton, Columbia county, Pa.; Emma (Mrs. Bruce Traxler), of Newton Hamilton; Joseph, a railroad employe, at Altoona; Thomas, of Newton Hamilton; Edward, who died on the homestead farm; and Henry, who died in Cambria county. John Bardine had a good war record. He enlisted in 1864, in Company D, One Hundred and Eighty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, with which regiment he participated in the bloody engagements of Cold Harbor, Petersburg, Deep Bottom, Reams Station and Boydton Road, besides many less important affairs and skir-

mishes. He was discharged with the company, July 14, 1865. Mr. Bardine was an old line Whig, and died a Republican. He was a consistent member of the Baptist church. He died May 5, 1888, on his farm, in Wayne township. His widow still resides on the old homestead.

Samuel C. Bardine attended the public schools of Wayne township, and for two terms, an advanced school in Newton Hamilton. He began life on the farm with his father, where he remained until 1886; he then removed to his present farm of 190 acres, where he has made many improvements and has devoted much attention to the raising of fine stock. Mr. Bardine has shown much enterprise in the development of a field of fire clay which he discovered in 1895. The works, which are as yet in their infancy, employ four men. Mr. Bardine prepares the clay himself in a crushing mill, of his own construction, which he has erected on his premises. He has already shipped eleven carloads to the Huntingdon Tile Works, and large quantities to the railroad company for use in the foundry connected with the Altoona shops.

Samuel C. Bardine was married in February, 1886, in Lewistown, to Mary E. Bratton, daughter of William B. Bratton, a farmer of Bratton township, Mifflin county. Their children are: William B.; and Dora May. Mr. Bardine is one of those industrious, pushing, progressive men that advance a community. He has held the position of school director for two years. He takes a deep interest and an active part in political matters, being a staunch Republican, who cast his first presidential vote for the "Plumed Knight," of the Pine Tree State. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, in the Sunday-school of which his wife is a teacher. He is a member of Washington Camp, No. 265, P. O. S. A., of Newton Hamilton.

The Troxell family, from which Mr. Bardine comes on the maternal side, is of German origin. His great-grandfather, John Troxell, was a native of Germany; his grandfather, Abraham Troxell, was born in Cambria county, Pa., where he made farming his lifelong occupation. He was married in Glasgow, Cambria county, in 1824, to Nancy Glass, born in Yeagertown, Md., August 26, 1801, daughter of George Glass, a farmer of Cambria county. Of their ten children, one

died in infancy. The others were: Joseph, residing in Clearfield county; Edward, deceased; Ellen, widow of John Bardine; Mary (Mrs. John Burns), of Osceola, Pa.; Alexander, a resident of Cambria county; George, of the same county; Caroline (Mrs. George Coon), of Cambria county; Catharine (Mrs. Plummer Eberly), of Clearfield county; and Abraham, deceased. Abraham Troxell, Sr., was an old line Whig. He was a member of the United Brethren church. He died in Cambria county in 1850. His widow, now in her ninety-sixth year, resides with her daughter, Ellen. She is in the best of health, and expects to attain the century mark. She has more than one hundred grandchildren; fourteen great-grandchildren; and several great-great-grandchildren.

OLIVER S. TEMPLE, day watchman for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, at Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, Pa., was born August 29, 1827, in Wayne township, Mifflin county. He is a son of William and Avis (Morrison) Temple. William Temple, of Scotch-Irish descent, was born in Mifflin county, in 1801. He learned plastering in Lewistown, and followed that occupation for the greater part of his life. For five years, he cultivated a rented farm in Wayne township, after which he worked for a short time on the canal; he then obtained a position as watchman on the Pennsylvania railroad, and held it until his death, which occurred in Newton Hamilton in 1875. He was married in Mifflin county to Avis Morrison, daughter of Joshua Morrison, a farmer of Newton Hamilton, of Scotch-Irish descent. They had eight children: Oliver S., of Newton Hamilton; Wilhelmina (Mrs. Joseph McKibben), of Mifflin county, deceased; Margaret (Mrs. Samuel H. Taylor), of Mifflin county, deceased; John, deceased; William, an engineer of the Pennsylvania railroad, residing at Altoona, Pa.; Jane, deceased, who was the wife of Matthew Cornelius, a farmer of Mifflin county; Bower, deceased; and Annie, wife of Rev. C. H. Hodges, minister of the Baptist church, at Coalport, Pa. William Temple was a Jacksonian Democrat. He held the office of school director. He was highly esteemed and respected in the community, and took an active part in all temperance movements. His wife died in Newton Hamilton in the year 1886.

Oliver S. Temple attended a subscription school in Wayne township taught by Martha Killpatrick, an Irish lady, and also the public schools, but was to great extent a self-educated man. He began early to work at plastering, with his father. He was also for some time a repairman on the canal, after which he worked for several years with farmers of the vicinity. May 19, 1847, he enlisted for the Mexican war, in Newton Hamilton, being assigned to Capt. James Caldwell's Company M, Second Pennsylvania Volunteers. The company went to Pittsburg on the canal, and thence to New Orleans by boat down the Ohio and Mississippi rivers. From the latter place, the men were transported by steamer to Vera Cruz, Mexico. Mr. Temple was in service fifteen months, during which time he traveled over 5,000 miles by land and water, and participated in a number of battles and minor engagements. Returning home, he worked on the canal for three years, until in 1851 he obtained a position as repairman on the Pennsylvania railroad. He has now worked for this company for forty-five years, during fifteen of which he was division foreman, and filled the place with credit to himself and to the entire satisfaction of the company. On account of conscientious scruples with regard to the observance of the Sabbath day, he resigned that position, and became day watchman; in consideration of his long and faithful service, he enjoys the special privilege of being exempt from all Sunday work.

The only break in Mr. Temple's duties on the railroad was during the Civil war, when, animated by patriotism, he again followed the flag of his country to the field of battle. His war record is long and brilliant, comprising distinguished services in both the eastern and western armies. He enlisted at Newton Hamilton, 1861, in Capt. Mathias Neice's Company K, of the Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, commanded by Col. William H. Irwin, of Mifflin county. Being sent to Camp Griffin, he was soon detailed out of his regiment into the Signal Corps of the Department of the Potomac. His term of service covered a period of three years and two months, and he was finally mustered out in 1864, at Knoxville, Tenn. During this time, he participated in many engagements among which were those of Winchester, March 26, 1862, the Second Bull Run, South Mountain, Gettys-

burg, Crab Orchard, Resaca, Big Shanty, Altoona Pass, Pine Mountain, Peach Tree Creek, Lost Mountain, and Little Washington. At Winchester, he was wounded in the left forearm by a ball, but was not confined to the hospital. Mr. Temple took a prominent part in the operations at the siege of Atlanta and Knoxville. Returning home he resumed his duties on the railroad, where he has been ever since, being the oldest employee of the company, at Newton Hamilton, in continuous service.

Oliver S. Temple was married in McVeytown, in 1850, to Mary Jane Beard, of Newton Hamilton, daughter of Thomas Beard, a shingle manufacturer, of Scotch-Irish descent. Their children are: Sarah M. (Mrs. John Holland), deceased; Annie, widow of William Sechrist, who was killed on the Pennsylvania railroad, near Newton Hamilton, by falling through a bridge; Robert N., who died young; William F., who died at the age of thirty-six; Thomas J., constable of Newton Hamilton; Harriet M., wife of I. H. Wilson, a compositor on the *Watchman*, published at Newton Hamilton; Maryland Myrtle, who died young; Mary Elizabeth, wife of Frank Moore, a railroad fireman, at Altoona, Pa. Mrs. Oliver S. Temple died February 13, 1895. Mr. Temple has filled the office of school director for several years, taking a deep interest in the advancement of the cause of education. He was for two years the president of the board, and has also been its secretary. He has filled acceptably the offices of chief Burgess of Newton Hamilton, and of judge and inspector of elections. He has always taken an active part in town matters. He was a Democrat for the greater part of his life, but is now a staunch Prohibitionist. He is a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which he filled the position of class-leader for twelve years, and of Sunday-school teacher for a number of years. He has also been a trustee and a member of the building committee. Mr. Temple is an active member of the F. and A. M., at McVeytown; and of the Anglwick Lodge, No. 472, I. O. O. F., with which he has been connected for forty-three years. He is a member of No. 263, P. O. S. A., at Newton Hamilton; and a comrade of Surg. Charles Bower Post, No. 457, G. A. R., of the same place. He was at one time very active in the Good Templars; has been connect-

ed with Swatara Tribe, I. O. R. M.; and was a member of the Senior O. U. A. M., of Newton Hamilton.

DAVID BELL JENKINS, farmer of Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born January 31, 1835, on the homestead farm in Wayne township. He is a son of David and Ann (Laird) Jenkins. His paternal great-grandfather, David Jenkins, was a native of Donegal, Ireland, who came to America as an officer in General Braddock's army. He participated in the memorable action of July 9, 1755, which resulted in the defeat and death of General Braddock, and in which Washington first became conspicuous. He finally settled in Mifflin county, where, assisted by his wife, he taught mathematics and the languages, being the first teacher in the confines of what is now Mifflin county. He was married to Margaret Wayne, a cousin of Gen. Anthony Wayne, in whose family she had been reared, and in whose house she was married. The eldest of their children was William, the grandfather of David B. Jenkins. William Jenkins was married to a daughter of James Ross, who came from Ireland to York county, Pa., about 1760, and soon after, about 1762, settled on the Juniata between Mt. Union and Newton Hamilton, on the place now owned by the Saylor. James Ross was but fourteen years of age when he came to this country from Ireland. He was a brave soldier in the cause of the colonies, during the Revolutionary war. William Jenkins and two of his brothers served with distinction in the war of 1812-15, against Great Britain. One of these, Robert Jenkins, was a color-bearer, and was struck down in battle at Black Rock, by the fragment of a shell; but in the throes of death he quickly leaped to his feet, and uttering words of devotion to the Stars and Stripes, expired. The other brother, James Jenkins, received a wound at Sandusky by which his eyes were injured. William Jenkins was the father of seven children, one of whom was David Jenkins, father of David B.

David Jenkins was born August 31, 1800, in Wayne township, Mifflin county. Here he passed all his long and well spent life, dying in Wayne township, February 2, 1894. He was married in 1827 to Miss Ann Laird. For fifty-three years the couple journeyed through

life side by side, until his wife was called away fourteen years before his own death. To David Jenkins and his wife were born ten children, seven of whom survived their father, as follows: James, of Warren, Pa.; David B. and Annie, residing on the homestead; Martha (Mrs. Theodoric C. Bennett), of Petersburg, Ill.; Sarah, married to Dr. Joseph W. Newcomer, also of Petersburg, Ill.; Mary (Mrs. Charles Hanback), now of Baltimore, Md.; and John R., who resides in Juniata county, Pa.

David Jenkins lived under every national administration except that of Washington and the present one. His first presidential vote was cast for Andrew Jackson in 1824, and his last for Grover Cleveland, in 1892. He had participated in seventy-three general elections, never missing one, and was a Democrat from first to last. Mr. Jenkins had always, except in the last few years of his advanced life, taken an active part in the affairs of his own community and county. A man of integrity, good practical judgment, and unswerving honesty, he had the respect and confidence of all, and was entrusted by his fellow-citizens with many important and responsible positions, which he ably filled. In 1846, he was elected a commissioner of Mifflin county, and he was also one of the commissioners appointed in 1850, to select and purchase a new site for the almshouse. During his long life Mr. Jenkins saw vast and wondrous changes. What was a wilderness when he was born, was, when he died, one vast panorama of fertile farms, populous towns, and crowded avenues of travel. In his early life, the river was the principal mode of transportation. By means of rudely constructed boats he took produce along the Juniata and Susquehanna rivers to the eastern markets, and by this slow and laborious process he brought back merchandise, delivering goods as far up as McVeytown and Newton Hamilton. Early in life he settled on the farm on which he lived so long, at first renting and then buying. When he first occupied the farm only a few acres were tillable, the remainder being all in forest, but under his strong hand and resolute will, acre after acre were cleared and cultivated, resulting in the beautiful and fertile farm of later years. David Jenkins was a devout and consistent Christian. In 1826 he and his wife united with the

Presbyterian church of Waynesburg, now McVeytown, under the ministry of the Rev. Dr. Woods. He continued with this congregation until 1846, when he and his family transferred their membership to the Newton Hamilton congregation, which was under the charge of Rev. Peter Hassinger, and which had been organized in 1838. He continued his church relations here until his death, always taking a deep interest and an active part in all church matters. In 1857 he was ordained a ruling elder of the Newton Hamilton congregation, a place for which he was especially fitted, being a man of good judgment and wise counsel. Mr. Jenkins was not only useful in the community, but he was also a true patriot. With the blood of Revolutionary heroes coursing through his veins, he volunteered during the Civil war, although more than sixty years of age, as an "emergency man," and entered the ranks of the army. During the closing years of his life he enjoyed the devoted attention of his children, especially of the two, David B. and Annie, with whom he resided.

On the maternal side of the family Mr. Jenkins' ancestors were equally noted for those sterling qualities that establish the stability of a people and nation. His great-grandfather, William Bell, came from Ireland about 1755. On January 4, 1760, he married Elizabeth Stuart, who came from Scotland to escape religious persecution. William Bell served with distinction as an officer in the army of the Revolution, and his descendants have served in all the important wars of the nation from that time to this. One of them, Gen. William Bell, of Mifflintown, Pa., served with distinction in the late war of the Rebellion, and carries the marks of Rebel bullets on his person to the present time. Ann Bell, daughter of William Bell, married Samuel Laird, and their daughter, Ann, married David Jenkins, as has been stated.

The early life of David B. Jenkins was spent on the farm where he now lives in helping his father with the farm work during the summer and attending the district school three or four months in the winter. With the exception of one term at an academy and a course at Duff's Commercial College at Pittsburg, Pa., his education was limited to that received at the common school. He was fond of study, and had the quality of application

in an eminent degree. History and stories of adventure were his delight. To the influence of the latter he attributes in a great measure his own adventurous life. In 1858, he left his father's house for Minnesota, going by way of Pittsburg, Pa., thence by steamboat down the Ohio and up the Mississippi river to St. Paul, then a city only in name; thence by private conveyance to what was then known as the Redwood or Lower Sioux Agency, where he settled and engaged in the Government contract business, furnishing hay and grain for the Indian Agencies and for Fort Rigely, transporting supplies, building houses and breaking (ploughing) land for the Indians. In 1860 the Government attempted to make a treaty with the Northwestern or Red Lake Chippewa Indians. To D. B. Jenkins was awarded the contract to deliver the treaty goods at the confluence of Red Lake river with the Red river of the north. At this time the furthest frontier settlement in the Northwest was the town of New Ulm, the county seat of Brown county. The vast beyond was inhabited only by savages, wild beasts and more savage Indians. The goods were loaded on wagons drawn by oxen, and by this slow method were taken across the trackless prairie and delivered in safety at the point designated. At this time Mr. Jenkins, with two companions, traveled as far north as Lake Winnipeg in the British possessions. In 1861, when the news of the firing on Fort Sumter reached him, he disposed of his business and returned to his native State to take part in the war. He visited the army in the field and after spending some time with the Pennsylvania Reserves, for the purpose of acquainting himself as far as possible with military duties, he returned home and joined Capt. William Bell, of Mifflintown, Juniata county, in recruiting a company for the Twelfth Pennsylvania Cavalry, One Hundred and Thirtieth Volunteers, then organizing. Enlisting as private in Company F, on November 27th, 1861, he was promoted to first lieutenant of the same company, February 16, 1862; to captain April 25, 1862, and to major of the regiment on March 21, 1865. When organized the regiment was ordered to the front, and joined the army under General McDowell, then at Manasses Junction, Va., early in the spring of 1862. Shortly after Captain Jenkins was appointed provost mar-

shal at Manasses Junction, which position he filled with credit until the second battle of Bull Run took place, in which action he participated. Then followed the Maryland campaign; the battle of South Mountain, September 14, 1862, from that point to Antietam, the Twelfth Pennsylvania and the Eighth Illinois Cavalry had the honor of the advance. At the battle of Antietam Captain Jenkins' company was detached and sent to the support of Capt. D. R. Ransom's Battery C, Fifth United States Artillery. After this he was stationed at Bath or Berkley Springs, W. Va., guarding the important roads converging at that point. He then commanded the first reconnoissance after the battle of Antietam, penetrating up the Shenandoah valley to Martinsburg and beyond, locating the position of the enemy. After the Union forces were again in possession of the valley, he was appointed provost marshal at Martinsburg, W. Va. He was an active participant in the varied fortunes of Generals Sigel, Milroy, Hunter and Crook, also in the glorious achievements of General Sheridan, including the battles of Winchester and Cedar Creek, where General Early was sent out of the valley with a "corporal's guard." To write the history of an individual you would have to write the history of his regiment, and incidentally of the division to which it was attached. Major Jenkins remained in the army to the close of the war. When mustered out he carried with him the love and respect of his men, the confidence and esteem of his fellow-officers, and the consciousness of having performed his duty to his country to the best of his ability.

After leaving the army he engaged in the oil business at Oil Creek and Pithole, with fair success. The spring of 1866 found him again on his way to the frontier, this time to Montana Territory, where new gold fields had lately been discovered. Arriving in Montana when the terror of the "road agent" still prevailed, he at once joined with the law-abiding citizens to rid the territory of murderers and thieves. The means used were drastic; justice was promptly meted out. He settled in Helena City, Mont., and engaged in the storage and commission business; he assisted in laying off an addition to the town, which is now the central part of the city. When Major Jenkins came to Montana the territory was young, everything was in a crude

state. He took an active part in all matters tending to its advancement and to the encouragement of immigration; was enrolling clerk of its legislature during the winter of 1866-67; contributed largely to the perfecting of its school system and to the formulating of wholesome laws and the building of churches and school houses. In 1869, having become largely interested in mines and mining, he disposed of his business, and gave his entire attention to mining, operating mainly in the western part of the territory. This was an unfortunate move financially. In developing mines in the Cedar Creek camp, situated in a spur of the Coeur D'Alene mountains, he lost what money he had, and found himself heavily involved. Nothing daunted, he returned to the settlements, and again went into business, this time at Phillipsburg, M. T. He found his old friends ready and willing to assist him, and was soon again in a prosperous business. At that time, Montanians were a generous people, always ready to hold out a helping hand to the deserving. Like the rest, Major Jenkins never refused to assist those applying to him, so far as his ability would permit, he finding them worthy. Difficulties with the surrounding Indians frequently occurred during the early days of the territory. For the protection of isolated settlements from Indian wars and thieving parties he was always ready with his services. He had many adventures with Indians, and has been frequently engaged with them in battle. When the Nez Perces Indians broke away from General Howard, and were about to enter Montana by the way of the Lolo Pass into the beautiful and thickly settled Bitter Root valley, a courier was sent to Phillipsburg for help. The word was received late in the evening. That night fifty men were enrolled and equipped; horses and arms were furnished by the citizens. The next day under the charge of D. B. Jenkins and John McLain, following what was known as the Bitter Root trail, over this mountain path and across a spur of the Bitter Root Mountains, they made a forced march of over sixty miles and encamped in the valley near Lolo Forks. The next morning they entered Lolo Pass and were greeted with cheers by the volunteers of the valley, who were already there to contest the passage of the Indians. These men were the first who came from a distance to their aid, and this company re-

mained in the field until the Indians had passed the eastern line of Montana. They were engaged in the fight at Big Hole, and had frequent skirmishes after that while on the march and in pursuit. The company and their officers were highly commended in official orders for their discipline and for bravery in action by the regular officers in command, and by the Governor of the Territory.

Major Jenkins remained in Montana until 1881, when, at the request of his father, he returned to his old home on the Juniata, there to cheer his old father and take charge of his business. He has never desired office, nor ever accepted it, excepting where it was plainly his duty to do so. On October 9, 1894, he was commissioned by the Governor of Pennsylvania as a delegate to accompany the members of the Antietam Battlefield Board, appointed by the Secretary of War for the "surveying, locating and preserving the battle lines, etc.," to assist said board to correctly locate the positions of the organizations from Pennsylvania that participated in this battle. This work was performed without recompense, other than free transportation. He has filled many other important positions by appointment of court, by commission and by election, not mentioned herein, without adverse criticism. To detail these, together with the many adventures and explorations in which he was engaged, would fill a volume. Broken down by the effects of injuries received in the service and from exposure, with the spirit of adventure still in his veins, at the old homestead on the Juniata river, with his sister, Ann, he still resides, quietly conducting the farm and enjoying the society of his neighbors.

JOHN KINER, Atkinsons Mills, Mifflin county, Pa., son of George and Salome (Ebert) Kiner, was born in Madison township, Perry county, February 18, 1818. His grandfather, George Kiner, a cooper, came from Germany when a young man, and settled in Perry county, Pa. He married and reared a family of six children: Jacob; Frederick; George; John and two daughters, whose names are not known. George Kiner, father of John Kiner, had a fair German and English education, which was received in the subscription schools. He learned the trades of cooper, weaver and

brickmaker, working at each of these occupations in Perry county. He owned numerous hand looms, and carried on the business of weaving during the winter months. Besides this variety of handicrafts, Mr. Kiner engaged in farming and stock-raising. He married Salome, daughter of Lorenz Ebert, a farmer of Perry county, of German descent. They had these children: Lydia, widow of Peter Keyser, of Perry county; John; Henry; of Perry county; Catharine (Mrs. Jesse Ewing), deceased; George, of Perry county; Ann, widow of Solomon Biner, of Perry county; Eliza (Mrs. Peter Lightner), deceased, of Perry county; Sarah, deceased; William, resides in Perry county; Elvira, widow of Philip Gensler, who was killed in the late war. George Kiner, the father, was a Democrat. He was very temperate in his habits, and was fond of hunting and other out-door diversions. He died in Perry county, and is buried at Loysville. Mrs. Kiner also died on the homestead in Perry county. Both were members of the German Reformed church.

John Kiner received a limited education in the subscription schools of Madison township, the term lasting only during the three winter months. When only ten years old he hired out among the farmers, bravely shouldering the work, for which he received three dollars per month, all of which was given to his father to aid in supporting the family. Nine years were thus spent among the farmers. At the age of nineteen years, he learned carpentry with Jacob Sanders and George Shoop, in Perry county. His apprenticeship lasted two years, during which time he received no wages. He worked for himself for one year in Perry county, then went to McVeytown, Mifflin county, for three months, after which, in 1841, he removed to Spruce Creek, Huntingdon county, finding employment at carpentry for two years. Turning his attention to farming, he rented a farm in Franklin township, Huntingdon county, remaining there until 1861, after which he rented successively in Tyrone township, Blair county, for five years, and in Union township, Blair county, for four years, buying a farm of 250 acres there, but afterwards disposing of it, and coming to Wayne township, Mifflin county, where he bought his present place of 175 acres, known as the John Atkinson farm. This he improved and continued to cultivate until

1891, when he retired. He is a Republican, and cast his first vote for Gen. William Henry Harrison, in 1840. He has been school director nine years, and supervisor for three years.

Mr. Kiner was married in 1843, at Spruce Creek, to Mary A., daughter of John McPherran, a farmer of Franklin township. She is a granddaughter of Andrew McPherran, born in Ireland in 1751, who came to America and served seven years in the Revolution, in the part of Washington's army commanded by Colonel Church. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Kiner are as follows: Sarah, died young; Leah, died young; Elizabeth; George, railroad employe at Derry Station; Andrew, employed in railroad business at Altoona; Mary, deceased; Emma; Blanche, deceased; John, in railroad business at Wilkinsburg; William E.; Samuel, on the homestead; and Beulah, deceased. Mrs. Kiner died on the homestead in 1889. Mr. Kiner has been for fifteen years and still is an elder in the Presbyterian church at McVeytown.

William E. Kiner, son of John Kiner, was born in Franklin township, Huntingdon county, and attended the public schools of Wayne township. He remained on his father's farm until he was twenty-one years old, and then went to Kansas City, Mo., as book-keeper for Charles Scribner & Company, publishers. After five years, he returned home and entered the University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, for the purpose of taking a course in dentistry. Three years later he graduated in June, 1896. Mr. Kiner is a Republican, and a member of the F. and A. M., McVeytown Lodge, No. 376, in which he has taken the third degree. His middle name is Emmet, so named in memory of his great-grandmother, Elizabeth Emmet, who was a native of Ireland, and a cousin to the celebrated Irish patriot, Robert Emmet. Mr. Kiner is a member of the Presbyterian church.

GEORGE W. R. SWOOPE, Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Huntingdon, December 27, 1846. He is a son of Peter and Maria (Brunbaugh) Swoope. His grandfather, Peter Swoope, was a native of Germany, and one of the early settlers of Huntingdon. He was a farmer and merchant. He had three children. Peter Swoope was a member of the German Reformed church.

He died and is buried in Huntingdon. His son, Peter Swoope, Jr., was born in Huntingdon, then called Standing Stone, in 1799. He received an English education. He owned a furnace in Bedford county, which he conducted for a number of years, but the latter part of his life was spent as a merchant in Huntingdon. He was an old line Whig, afterwards an ardent Republican. He was for fifteen years a justice of the peace in Huntingdon. Peter Swoope married Miss Van Develer, of Huntingdon county. They had twelve children, all deceased but Henry J., of St. Louis. Mrs. Swoope died, and Mr. Swoope married Maria Brumbaugh. Their children are: Cyrus, of Bedford county; James C. keeps a shoe store in Huntingdon; George W. R.; Elizabeth (Mrs. Peter Gerlock), of Huntingdon; Benjamin, of Wayne township; and ten who died in childhood. Mr. Swoope was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He died in 1880. Mrs. Maria Swoope resides in Huntingdon, aged eighty-three.

George W. R. Swoope received his education in the public schools of Huntingdon. For three years he was employed by the Huntingdon and Broad Top Railroad Company as ticket agent and express agent. He then entered the coal business as an employee of Jacob & Company, at Broad Top. He was also superintendent and clerk in Clearfield county for Harned, Ogle & Company for five years. The following two and a half years he spent as superintendent of Elizabeth Furnace in Blair county. He then came to Lucy Furnace, Wayne township, Mifflin county, and was partner with Mr. Whitehead for three years. On account of ill health he removed to Huntingdon, where he spent four years. Mr. Swoope then bought his present home, consisting of ninety-seven acres, and also another farm, both in Wayne township. He had a half interest in the Lucy Furnace property, which has been divided. Mr. Swoope now owning about 2,500 acres. He has built a dwelling, and made many improvements on his property. Mr. Swoope served for seven months in the late war. He enlisted in 1864, in the One Hundred and Ninety-second Pennsylvania Volunteers, Company B, under Colonel Stewart, and Captain Johnson. He was detailed for guard duty most of the time. He is a Republican,

and a Prohibitionist. He has served as clerk of Wayne township.

George W. R. Swoope was married in Huntingdon, in 1875, to Amelia, daughter of John Whitehead, of Huntingdon. They have one child, Flora. Mr. Swoope is a Methodist. He was for several years steward of the church in Huntingdon, and is now a trustee of the church at Newton Hamilton.

JOSEPH E. POSTLETHWAITE, Atkinsons Mills, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Newton Hamilton, August 9, 1861, and is a son of Thomas and Nancy (Stevens) Postlethwaite. Thomas Postlethwaite was a native of Newton Hamilton. He served in the late war and was killed in the battle of Fredericksburg, December 13, 1862.

Joseph E. Postlethwaite, after the death of his father, became a member of the family of his uncle, Daniel Stevens. He attended the public schools of Patterson, Juniata county. Ill health prevented him from finishing his course at the high school. At the age of fourteen he entered his uncle's store as a clerk, and served for seven years without wages. At the end of this time his uncle received him as a partner. They then sold out in Patterson and removed to McVeytown, where they opened the first hardware store in that town, in 1881. After seven years, Mr. Postlethwaite bought out his uncle's interest, and conducted the business alone for two years. He then sold out and did general work for one year, after which he removed to his present place of 197 acres, and cultivated it for three years. On account of ill health, he relinquished farming for a while, but resumed it again, with stock raising. Mr. Postlethwaite is a Republican. He belongs to the I. O. O. F. and K. of P.

Joseph E. Postlethwaite was married at McVeytown in the spring of 1885, to Jennie, daughter of Elisha Bratton, a farmer of Oliver township. Their children are: Mary; Elisha; Lee; and Arthur. Mr. and Mrs. Postlethwaite are members of the Presbyterian church.

JOHN T. POLLOCK, Atkinsons Mills, Mifflin county, Pa., son of John and Margaret (Meheal) Pollock, was born in Wayne township, Mifflin county, September 17, 1844. His paternal grandparents, Samuel and Sarah (Proctor) Pollock, were natives of Ireland,

who came to America when well advanced in years, and lived in Philadelphia until their death. They had seven children: John; Thomas; James; Joseph; Mary (Mrs. Connor); Margaret; and Sarah (Mrs. Matthews). Their son, John Pollock, was born in County Derry, Ireland, in 1800. He there shared his father's occupation, that of farming, until he was twenty-eight years old, when he married, and sailed from Londonderry for America, arriving at Philadelphia after a six weeks' passage. Here he spent two months, and then went on to Mifflin county, making the journey in a wagon. He engaged in farming, and in 1870 bought a farm of 20 acres in Wayne township, upon which he built a fine dwelling, and made other improvements. Mr. Pollock was a Democrat. By his marriage with Margaret Meheal he had the following children: Joseph, deceased; Sarah, deceased; Roxana, deceased; Mary E.; Lukens A., of Huntingdon, Pa.; John T.; and William J., of Altoona, Pa. Mr. Pollock died in 1885; his wife died in 1876. They were esteemed members of the Presbyterian church.

John T. Pollock attended the public schools of Oliver and Wayne townships. He assisted at first in farm work. In 1871 he and his brother, William, took charge of the homestead. Five years later, he was left in sole charge and still continues farming with much success. Mr. Pollock is a Democrat. He has served as auditor of Wayne township. John T. Pollock was married in 1891 to Sarah, daughter of Albert Hazlett, who died in May, 1893. Mr. Pollock is a member of the Presbyterian church.

B. FRANK SHADE, farmer and stockman, Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Long Hollow, Wayne township, Mifflin county, November 7, 1843. John Shade, the grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was a native of Berks county, and of German descent. The ancestors of the family in this country, who spelled the name "Schadt," came from near Berlin, Germany, and settled near Lancaster, Pa. John was a stone mason, and worked at his trade in both Berks and Mifflin counties, removing to the latter at an early day. He bought a small farm near McVeytown and later purchased 360 acres in Long Hollow, Wayne township, which he improved and cultivated, and be-

came a successful farmer and stockman, being assisted by his sons in the management of the farm. He married Mary Shoemaker, a native of Berks county. Their children were: John; Philip; Rebecca; Jacob S.; William; and Samuel. John Shade died on the old homestead in 1856. He was a Democrat and a member of the Lutheran church. John Shade, Jr., father of B. F. Shade, was born in Berks county, Pa., and received a fair German and English education. He learned stone masonry under his father, and followed that business nearly all his life besides farming. He cultivated the home farm for his father, and bought, in addition, one of eighty acres in Wayne township. He became successful as a farmer and stock raiser. John Shade married Elizabeth Barr, of Wayne township. Their eight children were named as follows: B. Frank; Hannah (Mrs. Samuel B. Stine), of Mifflin county; Mary M. (Mrs. Daniel Thompson), of Delaware; George W., deceased; John W., a resident of Delaware; Ellen, deceased; Albert and David, residents of Iowa. Mr. Shade died on the homestead in 1877, and his wife in 1888. He was a Democrat, and a member of the Presbyterian church. He was an earnest industrious man and enjoyed the good will and esteem of all who knew him.

B. Frank Shade, his eldest child, was educated in the public schools and in the Juniata Seminary. After graduating from the latter, he taught ten terms in Oliver, Wayne and Bratton townships. The present county superintendent, Thomas C. Cooper, was one of his pupils. During the summer months he cultivated the farm for his father, and in 1878, after his father's death, took charge of it. He now ranks as a representative farmer and stockman of the county. He has also a practical knowledge of stone masonry and carpentry, and works at the latter. In 1863, he enlisted at Newton Hamilton in Company F, Forty-sixth Pennsylvania Militia, three months' men, and was stationed at Philadelphia. In 1864 he again enlisted in Company F, One Hundred and Ninety-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served one hundred days, doing guard duty in the Shenandoah valley. In 1873 B. Frank Shade married Barbara Bashoar, a daughter of Daniel Bashoar, a farmer of Derry township. She died in 1874, leaving one daughter, Elizabeth M.

In 1879 Mr. Shade was married a second time, to Salome Lightner, a daughter of Moses Lightner, of Huntingdon county. To this union there have been born five children: Franklin O.; Lillie S.; Lawrence M.; Verna A.; and Florence E. In politics Mr. Shade is an ardent Democrat, and has filled the offices of school director, township clerk, auditor and tax collector. He is a member of the German Baptist, or Dunkard church, and is respected for his honesty, uprightness and integrity.

MILTON W. GARRETT, Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in West Manheim township, York county, Pa., December 18, 1869. He is a son of Emanuel W. and Belinda Eva (Arnold) Garrett. His paternal great-grandfather came from Germany to America. His grandfather, Jacob Garrett, was a native of York county, Pa. Emanuel W. Garrett was born in York county. After his marriage he moved to Carroll, Md., where he spent three years. He then returned to York county. Mr. Garrett volunteered in 1865, but General Lee surrendered before he was in active service. He is a Republican. Emanuel W. Garrett was married to Belinda Eva, daughter of Joseph Arnold, of York county. Their children are: Milton W.; Lloyd G., and Lillie Jane. Mr. and Mrs. Garrett are members of the Reformed church.

Milton W. Garrett first attended school in Maryland and afterwards in York county. In the spring of 1888 he attended a summer school for teachers in Littlestown, Adams county; he was also a pupil of the Normal Academy at Abbottstown, West Chester and Cumberland Valley State Normal Schools, graduating from the latter in 1893. Mr. Garrett taught three years in the public schools of Union township, Adams county. In 1893 he was elected principal of the Newton Hamilton schools, which position he holds at the present time. Mr. Garrett is a member of the committee on permanent certificates. He is a member of McVeytown Lodge, No. 376, F. and A. M., and of Anghwick Lodge, No. 472, I. O. O. F., Newton Hamilton, Pa. He is a Republican.

Milton W. Garrett was married December 25, 1895, to Anna Rebecca, daughter of Mrs. Maggie (Dysart) Postlethwaite. Mr. Garrett is a member of the Presbyterian church.

FELIX NORTON, retired blacksmith, Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, Pa., son of Jacob and Sarah (Lukens) Norton, was born in Wayne township, Mifflin county, January 11, 1830. His grandfather, John Norton, was a native of Holland, where he was born in 1767. He came to America in boyhood and settled in Lancaster county, Pa., where he became a weaver's apprentice, and where he lived during the Revolutionary war. While yet a young man he came to Mifflin county, and in 1790 bought a tract of land then in a wilderness condition. This he cleared and improved, enduring all the hardships of pioneer life. In connection with his farm, he carried on a blacksmith shop. He married Jane Noss, of Lancaster county, who became the mother of ten children: Mary B., born October 16, 1790; Michael, born August 20, 1792; Elizabeth, born August 23, 1794; Johanna, born August 14, 1796; Felix, born May 17, 1799; Jacob, born August 1, 1801; Jane C., born May 4, 1803; Julia A., born September 13, 1805; Benjamin, born July 10, 1807; and Susanna, born October 4, 1809. Mr. Norton died in 1842, and both he and his wife lie buried on the home farm. He was a Democrat. He led an honest, upright and industrious life. His sixth child, Jacob Norton, was born in Wayne township, Mifflin county. He acquired a limited education in the early subscription schools. He was reared on the farm, and at the age of eleven years in 1872 began as a helper in his father's blacksmith shop. He continued on the home place until he was twenty-two, when he removed to the James Criswell farm near McVeytown. He remained here one year, and then returned to the homestead. Four years later he removed to Atkinsons Mills, where he carried on a blacksmith shop until 1834. He then came to Newton Hamilton and was in the same business there until 1870, when he retired. He was a good mechanic and an expert gunsmith. His wife was Sarah Lukens, a native of Wayne township, daughter of Abraham Lukens. Their children were: Prudence L., widow of Dr. K. Wharton, of McVeytown; John, a retired blacksmith, of Princeton, Ill.; Felix; Emeline (Mrs. John Montgomery), of Virginia; and William, who died in 1847. Mrs. Sarah Norton died in 1834. Mr. Norton afterwards married Mary Postlethwaite,

a native of Wayne township. Their children were: Sarah J., wife of Rev. W. B. McKee, of Rock Island, Ill.; Mary E., who died in Princeton, Ill., in 1894; Harriet (Mrs. Jasper Laughlin), of Newton Hamilton, deceased; Nancy E., of Kewanee, Ill.; Thomas and Charles, who died in infancy. Mrs. Mary P. Norton died in Newton Hamilton in 1847. Mr. Norton was again married to Mary Montgomery, widow of James Graham, of Waterloo, Juniata county. The children of this marriage are: Alice; Julia, deceased; and Isabella (Mrs. Samuel McCullough), of Juniata county. Mr. Norton died in February, 1880, and his wife in 1892. He was a Jacksonian Democrat. He served as postmaster of Atkinsons Mills, and was the first school director of the first free school in the township. He was a captain in the State Militia, and an active and enterprising citizen.

Felix Norton attended the subscription and public schools during the winter months. From seventeen to twenty-one years of age he worked in his father's blacksmith shop. He then worked for his father by the month until 1862, when he became a partner in the business, continuing eight years, after which he embarked in general blacksmithing with J. M. Graham. This partnership continued until 1893, since which time Mr. Norton has lived retired. In 1862 Felix Norton married Sarah C. Sheaffer, a native of Huntingdon county, daughter of William and Mary A. Sheaffer. Their children are: John Truxton, telegraph operator for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, at Mt. Union, Huntingdon county; William B., who died in 1888; Mary Hope, who married Dr. C. B. Bush, and who died in April, 1889. Mr. Norton is a Democrat, and has filled the offices of Burgess and councilman of Newton Hamilton. He has also served as school director and county auditor. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, of which he has been an elder for a number of years, and was superintendent of the Sunday-school. He is also a member of McVeytown Lodge, No. 376, F. and A. M. Mr. Norton is highly esteemed as a man of strict integrity, and is regarded as a progressive and public-spirited citizen.

DAVID C. ELLIS, Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, Pa., son of William and Sarah (Shivery) Ellis, was born in Alexan-

dria, Huntingdon county, Pa., November 23, 1848. His grandfather, William Ellis, was a blacksmith. He died at Water Street, Huntingdon county, leaving five sons, one of whom was William Ellis, father of David C. Ellis. William Ellis, the younger, born at Water Street, Pa., was a blacksmith and machinist, employed the greater part of the time by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. He also worked at his trade in Alexandria and Clearfield county, Pa., whither he had removed in 1855. He was an old line Whig, and served in the Mexican war. Mr. Ellis was married to Sarah Shivery, of Buffalo Run, Centre county, Pa., and they had seven children: Hannah, widow of John Port, of Huntingdon county; Andrew, deceased; Nancy (Mrs. Enoch Gerhart), of Clearfield county; Sarah, died young; Rachel, died young; Lydia, widow of Andrew Gerhart; and David C. Mr. Ellis, the father, died in Clearfield county in 1859. Both he and his wife were members of the Methodist church.

David C. Ellis received his education in the public schools of Clearfield county. At Phillipsburg, Centre county, he learned carpentry, working at the same for eighteen years. In 1893 he removed to Wayne township, Mifflin county, taking charge of the Gerhart farm of 119 acres. In connection with farming he is interested in stock-raising. Mr. Ellis is a Democrat. He served as assessor and constable of Clearfield county, and as school director, tax collector, Burgess and councilman of Chester Hill, Clearfield county. He was formerly a member of the Knights of Pythias, Knights of Labor, and of the Order of Red Men. Mr. Ellis was married in 1873 at Lock Haven, Clinton county, to Emma S., daughter of Alexander Adams, of Clearfield county. They have these children: Margaret L. (Mrs. John Shaver), of Wayne township; Nellie A.; Sarah S.; Reuben E.; Charles M.; and Juniata. The family are members of the Methodist church.

JOSEPH B. GRAY, Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Lack township, Juniata county, Pa., July 14, 1843, son of Joseph and Elizabeth (Harris) Gray. His paternal grandfather, James, who was born in Ireland, came to Pennsylvania and settled in Juniata county, where he engaged in farming and stock-raising. He married Rebecca

Shafer, of Lancaster county. They had seven children: Robert; James; Samuel; John; Joseph; Catharine; and Mrs. Polly Berry. Joseph is the only surviving member of the family. Mr. and Mrs. Gray died on the homestead. They were members of the United Presbyterian church. Joseph Gray was born in Milford township, Juniata county, March 5, 1808. He acquired a good education, and taught school in Juniata county. After the death of his father he managed the farm of more than 200 acres, and made many improvements. Mr. Gray lives retired on the homestead. He is a Democrat. He has served as tax collector and constable, and in other township offices. Mr. Gray was first married to Elizabeth Harris, of Franklin county, Pa., who died in April, 1851. Their children were: Martha (Mrs. John N. Arnold), of Juniata county; James, of Juniata county; William, of Oregon; John, of Illinois; Thomas, deceased; Joseph B.; Alexander, of McKean county, Pa.; Robert; and two young children, deceased. Mr. Gray was afterwards married to Leah Barton, of Juniata county. Their surviving children are: Elizabeth (Mrs. Jacob Ebberts), of Elk county, Pa.; Harvey B., of Juniata county; Calvin, of McKean county; Mary (Mrs. D. Varner), of Alexandria, Pa.; Christina (Mrs. James Beckenbaugh), of Huntingdon county; Rebecca (Mrs. James Smith), of Juniata county, and Jesse, of Juniata county. Those deceased are: Samuel; George; David; Howard and an infant child. Five of Mr. Gray's sons were in the Union army during the war of the Rebellion. Mr. Gray is a member of the United Presbyterian church. He has been a teacher in the Sabbath-school.

Joseph B. Gray attended the public schools of Juniata county. He assisted his father on the farm until at the age of twenty, when he enlisted, February 23, 1864, in Company C, Forty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, in command of Colonel Good and Captain Oyster. Mr. Gray took part in one great battle and in several minor fights. He was also in four cruising voyages, traveling fifteen thousand miles along the coast. He was in service until January, 1866. Since the war, Mr. Gray has been engaged in farm work. In 1890 he removed from Huntingdon county to Mifflin county. He is now living on his farm in Wayne township. Mr. Gray is a

Democrat. He has served as justice of the peace, school director and tax collector. He is a member of the Surg. Charles Bower Post, No. 457, G. A. R.

Joseph B. Gray was first married in 1868, to Martha A. McCulloch, who died in Shireleysburg in 1875. They had four children: James, deceased; Almada E. (Mrs. Forrest Bratton); William M.; and Harvey, deceased. Mr. Gray afterwards married Belle Fleming. They have one child, Lloyd. Mr. Gray is a member of the Presbyterian church, and assistant superintendent of the Sabbath school.

CHARLES BRATTON, Shanks Run, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the old homestead in Bratton township, Mifflin county, March 20, 1832. He is a son of Charles and Eliza (Grumman) Bratton. His paternal great-grandfather was a native of Ireland, who came to America and settled on a farm on the Juniata river in Mifflin county. His grandfather, Samuel Bratton, was born in Oliver township, Mifflin county, where he owned and cultivated a large tract of land. He afterwards removed to Bratton, then Wayne township, and purchased a farm of 180 acres. He cleared and improved it, erecting a fine log house and a suitable barn. Mr. Samuel Bratton took a very active part in the affairs of the township. He was a soldier in the Continental army and was instrumental in settling the Indian troubles in Mifflin county. Not content with the care of his farm, he owned a boat on the Juniata, and carried grain to Baltimore, Md. Mr. Samuel Bratton identified himself with the Democratic party. He and his wife were active members of the Presbyterian church. Both died at the homestead in Mifflin county. Their children are: James; Charles; Samuel; Elisha; Richardson; and Eliza. Mr. Bratton's father, Charles Bratton, was born on the homestead in 1798. He received a good education in a subscription school in his native township, and taught in Mifflin county for several winters, assisting his father on the farm during the summer. Thinking that he would improve his fortunes, he went to Ohio and obtained employment on a farm in Guernsey county, working in the summer and teaching in the winter. After spending several years in the west, he returned home, where he and

his brother James farmed the homestead until the time of his death. Mr. Bratton was an old line Whig, but afterwards became a Republican. He was actively interested in township affairs and held various offices; was assessor, tax collector, justice of the peace for thirty years, and one of the first school directors in the county. He was married in Guernsey county, Ohio, November 4, 1801, to Eliza Grumman, a native of Essex county, N. J. When she was four years old her parents removed to New Concord, O., where they both died. Miss Grumman was at one time a pupil of Mr. Charles Bratton. Their children are: Samuel, deceased; Jemima (Mrs. Enos Woodruff), deceased, whose husband was a native of Elizabeth City, N. J.; Isaac, a farmer in Fulton county, Pa.; Margaret, deceased; Margaret (2), died in youth; Mary E., widow of William Donnelly, of Michigan; Sarah (Mrs. William Grumman), of New Jersey; Charles; William, died in infancy; William (2) was a soldier in the Civil war, and lost an arm in the service, resides in North Dakota; Eliza, died in youth; Eliza Jane (Mrs. William P. Wagner), of North Dakota; Hannah M. (Mrs. James M. Donnelly), of Franklin county, Pa.; Samuel, died in the army; and Horatio, a farmer in Ki-ha-coquillas valley. Mrs. Charles Bratton died at the homestead, October 20, 1878, aged seventy-seven, deeply lamented by her husband and nine children. Her father when a boy was an acquaintance of Benjamin Franklin, and was trusted to carry the mail between Philadelphia and Pittsburg. At the age of fourteen he carried the first through mail between these cities, done up in a silk handkerchief. Dr. Franklin often gave him kindly counsel. One of that philosopher's sayings, "Keep a low head as you pass through the world, my boy, and you will avoid many hard knocks," became almost a watchword in the family. His daughter Eliza was a devout Christian, full of the faith and love of her Lord. Faithful and self-sacrificing, she was devoted to the highest interests of her children and left them all members of the church. Mrs. Bratton has a remarkable memory; she read constantly, and was interested in the religious and scientific questions of the day, both in this country and in Europe. Mr. Charles Bratton died in Lewistown, Pa., at the house of his daughter, Mrs. Woodruff,

November 13, 1880. He was an earnest advocate of the temperance cause.

Charles Bratton attended a subscription school and the public schools of Bratton township, studying at the old log school house, and also at the Wharton school. His whole life has been spent on the homestead, working with his father until 1861, when he assumed the entire charge of the farm, which he still cultivates. He devoted much of his attention to raising fine cattle. Mr. Bratton cast his first presidential vote for Gen. Winfield Scott. He is interested in local politics, and has held various township offices, in 1872 he was elected director of the poor of Mifflin county, and served three years. He was assessor for one term, supervisor for seven years and school director for fifteen years. Mr. Bratton is a member of Grange No. 771, Bratton township, past master of the local Grange, and present master and lecturer of the county Grange.

Charles Bratton was married in Wayne township, March 22, 1859, to Susan J., daughter of David and Elizabeth (Postlethwait) Taylor, who was born in the Ki-ha-coquillas valley. Her father was a cabinet-maker, and was killed in a mill at Mapleton, Huntingdon county, when his daughter Susan was four years old. They have ten children: James M., a carpenter of Bratton township; Henry C., dairyman, Derry township, Mifflin county; Enos E., carpenter, Grantville township; Grace E., at home; Samuel S., carpenter, Newton Hamilton, Pa.; Thaddeus S., married Rebecca Gunter, resides on the homestead; Mary G. (Mrs. Calvin Dinn), whose husband is a printer at Millintown, Juniata county, Pa.; Charles B., at home; Ambrose, at home; and Edwin G., at home. Mr. Bratton and his family are members of the Presbyterian church at McVeytown, in which he has been trustee and deacon, and is now an elder. He was also one of the building committee. He is an active worker in the Sunday-school association, and was a delegate from the Mifflin County Association to the State Convention at Huntingdon, Pa., in 1894, and at Williamsport, Pa., in 1895. For many years he was a teacher in the Sunday-school, of which he has been superintendent for twenty-five years. His daughter, Miss Grace Bratton, has taught in the Sunday-school for fifteen years, and is a member of

the social committee of the Christian Endeavor Society and also of the Young Women's Christian Temperance Union.

WILLIAM B. BRATTON, Shanks Run, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Oliver township, Mifflin county, September 22, 1836. He is a son of Samuel and Mary (Brown) Bratton. His grandfather, William Bratton, was a native of Ireland. When quite a young man he came to America in a sailing vessel, and settled in Wilmington, Delaware, where he worked as a day laborer. He afterwards removed to Oliver township, Mifflin county, where he was employed as farm laborer. He was known in the community as "Sailor Billie." Mr. William Bratton identified himself with the Democratic party. He had six children: William; Samuel; John; Rachel; Sarah; and Elizabeth. He and his wife died in Oliver township; both were members of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Bratton's father, Samuel Bratton, born in Oliver township, about 1801, and educated in the public schools of his native township, was a boatman on the Juniata river. He assisted in the construction of the canal and afterwards owned and commanded a canal boat called the "Lady Washington." When the canal was sold, Mr. Bratton removed to Oliver township, Mifflin county, and bought a farm near McVeytown. Samuel Bratton was a member of the Democratic party, actively interested in local politics, and served his county as tax collector and school director. He married Mary Brown, of Oliver, now Bratton township. Their children are: Nancy, died at the age of twenty-four years; William B.; George, deceased; Cyrus, deceased; John, residing in Clearfield county, Pa.; and one who died in infancy. Mrs. Bratton died in Oliver township, in April, 1846. Mr. Bratton's second wife was Sarah McMin, of Oliver township. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church.

William B. Bratton was educated in the district schools of Oliver township. He began to earn his own living when he was only eleven. For one summer he received nothing but his food and clothing. The next year he obtained a position on a canal boat, where he earned six dollars a month. Three years later he left the canal and worked as farm laborer until 1855, when he secured employment as

a trackman for the railroad company. Two and a half years of faithful service were rewarded by a promotion, and Mr. Bratton was appointed section foreman. This position he held for thirty years, to the entire satisfaction of the company. Twenty-eight years were spent on Division No. 31 and two years on No. 32. His health failing, he resigned his position and turned his attention to the cultivation of the soil. In 1881, he bought the Miller farm of 70 acres, which he has cultivated ever since. He also owns and farms a tract of land in Wayne township. He has greatly improved his land and devoted much of his attention to raising fine horses and cattle. Mr. Bratton's genial manners have made him popular in his county. He takes an active interest in local affairs, has identified himself with the Democratic party and has been elected to various township offices, having been school director, assessor and supervisor. He is past master and secretary of Grange No. 771, Bratton township, and a member of the I. O. R. M.

William B. Bratton was married in 1862 at Levistown, Mifflin county, to Hannah C., daughter of David Miller, of Bratton township. They have nine children: Andrew M., a farmer in Wayne township; Mary (Mrs. Samuel C. Berline), of Wayne township; Ada; Martha (Mrs. John D. Banks), telegraph agent, was station agent at Ryde, Pa., for three years; Annie, at school; Daisy, stationed at Ryde, Pa.; Samuel D., at home; William C., at home; and Edna, at home. Mr. William B. Bratton and his family are active members of the Presbyterian church.

ANDREW L. CASSEY, Mattawana, Mifflin county, Pa., was born near Florence, Italy, September 1, 1863. He is a son of Donezio and Nancy (Gabrailli) Cassi, natives of Italy. His father, a farmer and sculptor, came to America and bought a plantation in the southern part of Kentucky. When the war of the Rebellion broke out, he sold his property and returned to Italy. He had six children, all of whom, except Andrew, are living in Italy. He and his wife are both living in their native country.

Andrew L. Cassey was educated in the public and private schools of his native country. He worked with his father on the farm and also learned from his father to work in plaster

of Paris. When he was twenty-two he emigrated to America and settled in Chicago, Ill., where he and several of his countrymen formed a partnership to make and sell plaster of Paris images. In 1837 Mr. Andrew Cassey accepted the invitation of his uncle, and removed to Mattawana, Mifflin county. His uncle, L. Cassey, a prominent merchant of Mattawana, has been a soldier in the Confederate army. For twelve years he was a stone-cutter in the quarries at Mattawana, but in 1875 he engaged in mercantile pursuits. During the first two years of his life with his uncle, Mr. Andrew Cassey was employed as engineer in a saw-mill. Having been proved by his uncle, he was appointed his confidential clerk, and two years later he bought an interest in the business, and took charge of the store until his uncle died, May 25, 1894. He then resumed entire charge. He is very successful as a general merchant, and has a wagon which travels through the country to deliver merchandise. Mr. Andrew Cassey being energetic and enterprising is not content with his mercantile interests. He owns and cultivates a farm of 108 acres in Oliver township, and a large tract of woodland in the same township, on which he has erected a saw-mill, stove-mill, heading-mill and planing-mill. Moreover, he still retains his interest in the business in Chicago, which is very lucrative. He is a member of the Democratic party, and an advocate of free silver.

Andrew L. Cassey was married, February 6, 1895, to Mary L., daughter of Henry O. Espey, a native of Newport, Pa. Her father is a tanner at Mattawana. They have one child, Louis, born July 1, 1896. Mr. Cassey is a member of the Roman Catholic church.

JOSEPH S. LEFFARD, Mattawana, Mifflin county, Pa., was born near Alexandria, Porter township, Huntingdon county, Pa., April 11, 1835. He is a son of William Smith and Catharine (River) Leffard. His paternal grandfather, John Leffard, was a native of Germany. He and his wife came to America in a sailing vessel, landed at Philadelphia, Pa., and were hired out to pay for their passage over. After remaining for some time in the city of "brotherly love," Mr. Leffard removed to Huntingdon county, and was employed in clearing land for the Rev. William Smith, the founder of Huntingdon,

Pa. Some time after he rented a farm in Porter township, Huntingdon county, where he spent the remainder of his life. Mr. John Leffard, or Leffert, as he spelled the name, was an industrious and energetic farmer, interested in local affairs and identified with the Democratic party. He and his wife were members of the German Reformed church. Both died in Porter township. Mr. Leffard had reached his ninety-seventh birthday. Their children are: John; William S.; Adam; Joseph; Letitia; and Catherine. All are dead. Mr. Leffard's maternal grandfather, John River, a German by descent, served his country in the war of 1812. He was killed in the battle of Lake Erie, September 10, 1813. Mr. Leffard's father, William Smith Leffard, was a namesake of the Rev. Mr. William Smith, the founder of Huntingdon, Pa. He was taught both German and English, and received what was then considered a good education. He learned shoemaking and worked at his trade in Porter township until he was able to purchase a farm of 145 acres in the same township. He built a comfortable house and barn, and made many other improvements in his property. Mr. Leffard was a Democrat, but afterwards joined the Republican party.

He was married in Porter township to Catharine, daughter of John River, who was a farmer of Morrisons Cove, Blair county, Pa. Their children are: Anna Mary (Mrs. James Cornelius), deceased; Eva R. A., widow of Osborne Laird, of Porter township; Joseph S.; Anna Elizabeth (Mrs. John Laird), of Porter township; Enoch L., resides at Alexandria, Pa.; John, resides in Porter township, Huntingdon county; William Smith, agent of the Philadelphia and Erie Railroad at Warren, Pa.; Adam R., Huntingdon, Pa.; and Sarah C. (Mrs. Scott Beigle), of Tyrone, Pa. Mr. William S. Leffard died in 1875. His wife died at Spruce Creek, Huntingdon county, in 1889. They were both members of the German Reformed church.

Joseph S. Leffard worked with his father on the farm and attended the district schools of Porter township, during the winter term of three months, until he was sixteen. For two years he was a clerk in the store of Joseph Douglas, McCornellstown, Huntingdon county, Pa. After spending one year at home he obtained a situation with Dunn & Cunningham, general merchants, Huntingdon,

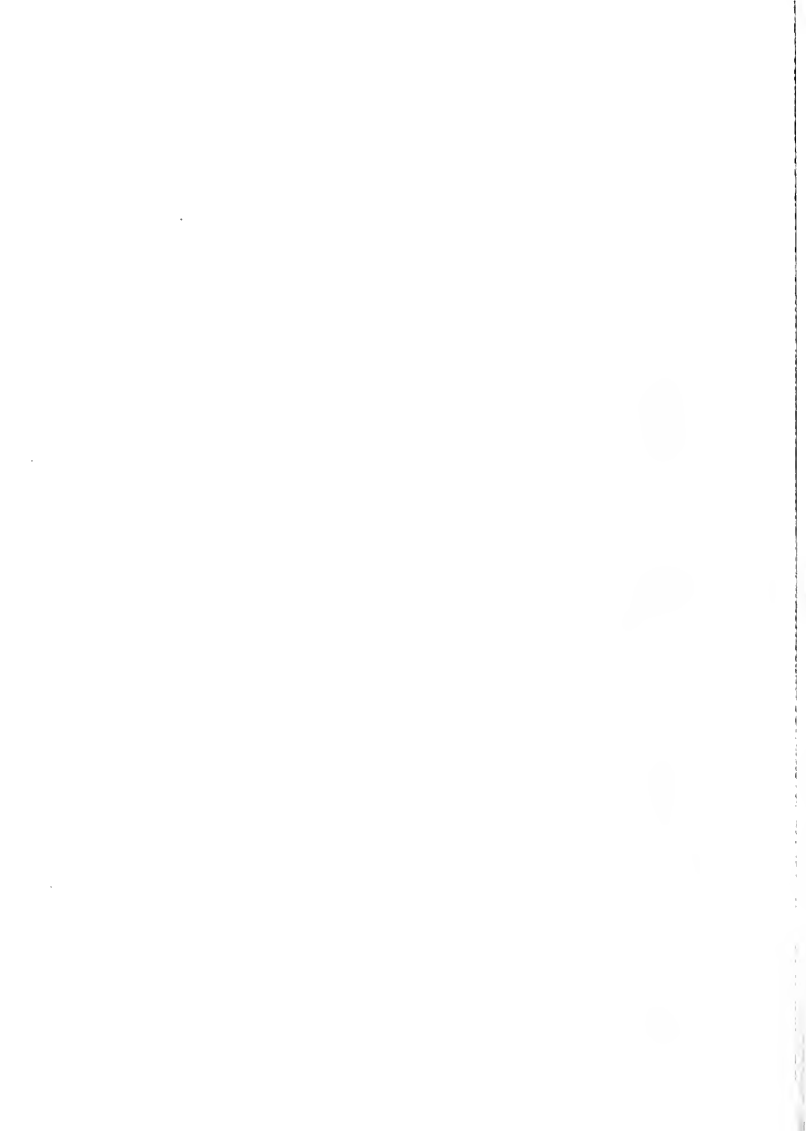
Pa., which he held for two years, after which he spent one year in the store of Henry C. Walker, at Alexandria, Pa. Mr. Leffard was ambitious and eager for knowledge, and with the money he had saved while he was in the store, he was able to attend the State Normal School at Millersville, Pa. Until 1864, he spent the summer months at Millersville, and taught during the winter. After three years at home he enlisted in 1864, at Huntingdon, in the First Pennsylvania Light Artillery, Battery D, Captain Rooney, of Philadelphia, Colonel Campbell, of Huntingdon, and went with his company to Harper's Ferry, where he joined his battery. He took part in the battles of Harper's Ferry, Halls-town, Berryville, Winchester and Fisher's Hill. In the battle of Cedar Creek he was gunner in Battery D, and fired the shot which opened the battle, October 19, 1864. He remained at Harper's Ferry until he was mustered out at Harrisburg, June 30, 1865. After a short visit to his home in Porter township, he spent two years working in the oil fields of Pennsylvania, near Oil City, Venango county. Returning to Porter township, he taught at Spruce Creek during the winter of 1868-69, and in May, 1869, secured the position of assistant agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Spruce Creek Station. Eight years after, in 1877, he was appointed agent at McVeytown, a position which he still holds, filling the office to the entire satisfaction of the company. He is also agent for the Adams Express Company at McVeytown. Mr. Leffard is a property owner in Mattawana. He cast his first vote for James Buchanan, but has ever since voted the Republican ticket. He takes an active interest in local affairs, and has been a school director for three years. He is a member and officer of the Lodge No. 376, F. and A. M., McVeytown; he is also a member of Chaplain Stevenson Post, No. 482, G. A. R., at McVeytown, Pa. He has held various offices in the Post, of which he was chaplain and is past commander. He was also a member of the I. O. O. F. and of the Good Templars.

Joseph S. Leffard was married at Lewis-town, Pa., in 1869, to Emma, daughter of Edward Beigle. Her father was a stone mason of Spruce Creek. Their children are: Edward B., trainmaster's clerk at Altoona, Pa.; William, of Washington, D. C.; Charles

G., assistant agent at McVeytown, Pa.; Joseph Howard, telegrapher; Bertha R.; John N., died in youth; and Mabel A. Mr. Leffard is a member of the Presbyterian church at Mattawana, and was superintendent of the Sunday-school, in which he was for many years a teacher.

CHARLES B. FIKE, Mattawana, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Wayne township, Mifflin county, November 8, 1858. He is a son of Henry and Polly (Hartzel) Fike. His father, Henry Fike, was born in Snyder county, Pa., in 1815. He had a good education in German and English and taught school in both languages in Snyder county. He learned carpentry and built several dwelling houses and barns in Snyder county, and in the Juniata valley. After working for some years on a rented farm, in Wayne township, he removed to Bratton township and bought a tract of mountain land, part of which he cleared and cultivated. He also owned a team and hauled wood, ties and lumber. Mr. Henry Fike was an old line Whig, but he afterwards joined the Democratic party. He was married in Snyder county to Polly Hartzel, a native of Snyder county. Their children are: Delilah (Mrs. James Hesser), of McVeytown; Catharine (Mrs. Andrew French), of Oliver township; Mary (Mrs. Jacob Quarrey), of Hares Valley, Huntingdon county; William, deceased, was section foreman on the Pennsylvania Railroad; Ellen (Mrs. Frederick Hesser), deceased; Nancy (Mrs. Jacob Miller), deceased; John S., resides at Three Springs, Huntingdon county; Charles B.; James L., died in youth; and Joseph, died in childhood. Henry Fike died near Ryde Station, Bratton township, February 12, 1873. His wife died in 1885, at the home of her son, Charles, in Mattawana, Pa.

Charles B. Fike received his education in the public schools of Bratton township. He worked with his father on the farm until he was fourteen, when his father died. After his father's death, Charles hired himself to a neighboring farmer, with whom he remained for three years, working during the summer and attending school in winter. In 1876, he obtained a position in the floating gang on the Pennsylvania Railroad, under foreman Alexander Stewart. Five years after, in 1882, at the age of twenty-two, he





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was appointed foreman by Superintendent A. P. Gest. He was the youngest man who ever held the position on that section. For fourteen years Mr. Fike filled this position to the entire satisfaction of the company. He is a member of the Democratic party, and of the Junior O. U. A. M.

Charles B. Fike was married, October 27, 1881, at Mattawana, to Ida H., daughter of Henry Grassinger, foreman of section No. 35, Pennsylvania Railroad, Mifflin county. Their children are: Edith V.; Harry B.; Arthur Cleveland; David Wesley; James Willis; Alden; and John. Mr. Fike is an active member of the Methodist Episcopal church, interested in all the work of the church in which he is a trustee. He has been for many years a teacher in the Sunday-school, and is at present its superintendent.

JOHN BENNET WAKEFIELD, deceased, formerly of Bratton township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Hill Valley, Huntingdon county, Pa., April 25, 1839. He was a son of Eli and Elizabeth (May) Wakefield. His father, Eli Wakefield, an intelligent and successful farmer, died at his home in the Kishacoquillas Valley, Brady township, Huntingdon county, February 12, 1867, aged seventy-one years, four months and twenty-seven days. Mrs. Eli Wakefield died April 16, 1856, aged fifty-eight years and seven months. Their children were: Martha (Mrs. John Rupert), born May 16, 1823, has three sons and three daughters; Jane (Mrs. Samuel Metz), born February 21, 1825, has three sons and three daughters; George, born October 16, 1826, married Fanny Metz, has five sons and one daughter; Caleb, born November 24, 1828, married Miss Huey, has two sons and five daughters; Ann (Mrs. James Huey), born April 15, 1831, died leaving four sons and two daughters; Mary (Mrs. Abraham Myers), born February 20, 1834, had two children who died in youth; Robert, born February 29, 1836, married Mary Swain, has eight children; John Bennet; and Rebecca (Mrs. John Goodman), born September 21, 1841, has three children.

John Bennet Wakefield received his education in the district schools of his native township. He remained at home, working with his father on the farm until 1865, when he began farming for himself on the old

Wakefield homestead in Huntingdon county. For some years he resided in Huntingdon, and afterwards in Petersburg, Pa. In 1881, he removed to Bratton township, Mifflin county, and bought the Jacob Miller farm. Mr. Wakefield's thorough training and intelligence made him a successful farmer, while his kindness and generous hospitality won for him the friendship of his neighbors. Inheriting his father's genial disposition and strict sense of justice, he was beloved and esteemed in the community. He was a firm Republican, actively interested in local politics.

John Bennet Wakefield was married, January 4, 1865, to Letitia Ann, daughter of Robert Kennedy and Sarah (Sample) Allison. Their only son, Eli Robert, was born May 6, 1866. He was married February 23, 1888, to Maggie L., daughter of Jacob and Nancy (Frey) Miller. They have four children: Annie; Sarah; Laura May; and Nancy Jane; and one child died in infancy. Eli Robert Wakefield is a good citizen, highly esteemed by his friends and neighbors. Like his father he is an active member of the Republican party. He is also a member of Lodge No. 376, F. and A. M., at McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pa.

GEORGE MILES WAKEFIELD, deceased, formerly of Bratton township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Granville township, Mifflin county, Pa., January 24, 1843. He was a son of George and Elizabeth (Strode) Wakefield. George Miles Wakefield attended the district schools of his native township until he was fourteen, when he entered an academy in Huntingdon county, Pa., going from that institution to Kishacoquillas Seminary, and completing his education at Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Union county, Pa. When he was eighteen he enlisted, August 10, 1861, in Company F, Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Capt. William Sherwood, being enrolled as a scholar. In October, 1862, he was made sergeant, and was detailed for recruiting duty, January 11, 1863. He was discharged at Winchester, Va., October 23, 1864, having served two months longer than his term required. When he returned from the army he secured employment with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and subsequently with Cofrode & Saylor, contrac-

tors and bridge builders, at Philadelphia, Pa. In 1876, he returned with his family to reside on the old Wakefield homestead in Bratton township. He remained until he died, October 29, 1895. Mr. Wakefield was a gentleman of education and refinement, devoted to his wife and family, a good citizen, just and honorable in all his business relations, respected and esteemed by his friends and neighbors. He was an ardent member of the Republican party, and, while he did not seek prominence, was frequently called to fill township offices.

George Miles Wakefield was married, January 22, 1872, to Jennie C., daughter of Ephraim and Sarah (Hameg) Gregory, who was of Scotch-Irish descent. Their children were: Nellie, died in youth; Joseph Strode; Annie S. (Mrs. Henry Reninger), resides in Altoona, Pa., has one child, Esther Elizabeth; Edna, died in childhood; Emma M.; George Gregory; Eva Lotta; Jean Catherine; McClellan P.; Ezna Hugh; and Marion Sarah. Mrs. Wakefield and her family are consistent Christians. They are living at the old homestead in Bratton township.

ABRAM M. GRASSMYER, Mattawana, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Fergusons Valley, Mifflin county, July 13, 1822. He is a son of Daniel and Elizabeth (Miller) Grassmyer. His grandfather, Adam Grassmyer, a soldier in the British army, was brought to America with the Hessian troops. When they arrived at the scene of action, convinced of the justice of the American cause, Adam Grassmyer and some of his comrades deserted and joined the Continental army; for more than two years he served under General Washington, taking part in all the principal battles of the Revolution. Once, while on a scouting party, he encountered a British officer, who struck him on the head with his sword; young Grassmyer, nothing daunted, quickly drew his pistol, and so accurate was his aim, that the officer reeled from his saddle and fell dead. Having served through the Revolution, Mr. Adam Grassmyer made his way into Pennsylvania and settled in the Tuscarora valley, in what was then Cumberland, now Juniata county. Here he bought a homestead; but his wife died, and he removed to Fergusons valley, where he spent the rest of his life with his son Daniel, living to the age of ninety-eight years, nine months

and ten days. Mr. Adam Grassmyer was a God-fearing man, just and honorable in all his business transactions. He had two sons and one daughter: Adam, married, and resided at Curtin's Iron Works, Centre county, Pa., had one daughter and three sons, Louis, Adam and Charles; Daniel; and Catharine. The second son, Daniel Grassmyer, grew up in Granville township, near the place where the village of Granville now stands. In his boyhood he was under the care of Mr. McKee, and while with him received a limited education and also learned shoemaking. After he attained his majority, he worked at his trade and at farm labor. For many years he lived in Fergusons valley, Oliver township, where he owned a farm of 170 acres on which he built a house and made many other improvements. To this home he brought his wife, Elizabeth, daughter of Abraham and Catharine Miller. Their children were: Adam, married Margaret Yelk, had three children, Martha, Catharine and Sarah; Catharine, (Mrs. Joseph Hanawalt), has one son, Henry; Abram M.; Margaret (Mrs. John W. Sheller), has two children, William and Forrest; Daniel, married Maria Mochlamer, has four children, Rebecca, Henry, Samuel and Elisha; Henry, married Barbara Kauffman, has four children, John, James, Elizabeth and Ida; and Elizabeth, Mrs. James Reninger, has seven children, Louis, Amanda, Abraham, Sarah, Ulysses S. Grant, Henry and Ann. Mr. Daniel Grassmyer and his wife spent the latter days of their lives in the Kishacoquillas Valley, Union township, at the home of their son Abram M. Daniel Grassmyer lived to be over eighty-four, his wife also died aged eighty-four.

Abram M. Grassmyer attended the district schools until he was fourteen, when he was indentured to Henry Miller, plasterer; according to the terms of agreement, he was to have, during his apprenticeship, board, clothing, and permission to attend school for three months in the winter. When his term expired, he worked at his trade for seventeen years. In 1848 he rented the farm of Andrew Bratton, in Bratton township. After cultivating this land for nine years, he removed to Dr. Hale's farm in the Big valley, Union township. Industrious and economical, Mr. Grassmyer had saved money while a tenant, and in 1890 he bought the old Squire

Leattor farm, then owned by Simon Grow, situated in Bratton township, where he now resides. He is a good citizen, respected and esteemed in the community.

Abram M. Grassmyer was married September 7, 1841, to Susanna, daughter of Henry and Mary Hanawalt. They had thirteen children, only three of whom are living: Elisha B., married Elizabeth Kreps, had children, eight of whom are living, Frank, Harriet, John, Howard, William, Wayne, Florence and Clarence; Mary Elizabeth (Mrs. Samuel Kreps), has children, William, Emory, Harry and Calvin; and Ann (Mrs. Robert McAllison), has children, Ellen, Bert, Harry, Abraham, Jesse, Margaret, Etie, Florence and May. Mrs. Abram M. Grassmyer died June 26, 1876, aged fifty-three. Mr. Grassmyer's second wife is Mary, daughter of James and Elizabeth Reninger. They have six children: Nora May; Henry Hale; Charles Edward; Annetta Edna; Abraham M.; and Ellen Mabel. Mr. Abram M. Grassmyer, his wife and family are members of the German Baptist church.

WILLIAM SAYERS, Mattawana, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Oliver township, Mifflin county, April 12, 1835. He is a son of Grier and Margaret (Walls) Sayers. His grandfather was William Sayers, who came to this country from Ireland, took up his residence at Jacksonville, Centre county, Pa., and carried on business with success as a tailor, having acquired that trade in his native land. He was married in this State to Miss Grier; they had the following children: William; John; James; Henry; Charles; Grier; Mary; and Jane. William Sayers was an active and energetic man, and enjoyed a good reputation as a business man and as a citizen. He lived past the age of seventy-five, and his wife attained the age of eighty-one or eighty-two. Their son, Grier Sayers, was born and reared in Centre county, where he received a common school education. Living with his parents, he carried on the business of farming for his father, who at the time of his death owned two fine farms. He was afterwards engaged in various occupations, and finally became a resident of Wayne township, in Mifflin county. Here he married Margaret, daughter of Absalom and Elizabeth (Allen) Walls. Their children are: William; John, married in

Ohio, and now resides in Kentucky; James, married Matilda Clipper, and resides in Mifflin county; Jackson, also of Mifflin county, married Ellen Musser; Henry, married Catherine Landis, resides in Mifflin county; Robert, died aged about twenty-two, while in the United States army, being a member of the Sixteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry; Jane (Mrs. Samuel Shade), of Mifflin county; and Mary (Mrs. William Temple), of Altoona, Pa. Grier Sayers died in his sixty-first year, after a residence of some years in Wayne township; his wife died aged about sixty-five. Both were of excellent Christian character.

Their son, William Sayers, was educated in the common schools, and made his home with his parents until he was thirty-three years of age, at which time he was married. He is an assistant section foreman on the Pennsylvania Railroad, and is known for his faithfulness and efficiency as an official. Like his father, he is a Jeffersonian Democrat. William Sayers (2) was married, January 28, 1868, to Rebecca, daughter of Solomon and Christina (Barger) Pecht. Their only child is Lee B., at present a telegraph operator at McVegetown station, Pennsylvania Railroad. Mr. and Mrs. Sayers are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

JOSHUA HARSBERGER, Mattawana, Mifflin county, Pa., son of William and Leah (Hartzler) Harsbberger, was born in Bratton township, Mifflin county, December 18, 1829. His grandfather, David Harsbberger, of German descent, was a farmer in Berks county, who later in life removed to Bratton township, and then to Wayne township, Mifflin county, where he died. He married Miss Miller, of Berks county, and they reared a family of children, one of whom was William. David Harsbberger was a Whig and later a Republican. He was a member of the Dunkard church. William Harsbberger, father of Joshua, was born in Berks county, and received a German education, but very little in English. He carried on farming and stock-raising very extensively, owning and cultivating nearly 800 acres of land, on which he built several houses, one of brick and frame and the other of stone, and also erected three large barns. He was a Democrat, and a man of influence in the community. He married Leah Hartzler, who was born in Oliver township,

Mifflin county, and they had children: Gideon, of Oliver township; Joshua; Miriam, deceased; Catharine (Mrs. Elisha Kauffman), of Bratton township; Jacob, of Bratton township; David, of Bratton township; Joseph, of Bratton township; Nicholas, killed in the battle of Bull Run, in 1862; Samuel, deceased; Nancy, deceased; and Mary, deceased. The mother and father both died in Bratton township, and both were members of the Amish church, in which Mr. Harshberger took an active part.

Joshua Harshberger attended first the subscription schools and later the public schools of Bratton township, learning both German and English. He remained on the farm with his father until he was twenty-eight years old, when he began butchering at Mattawana. Here he remained eleven years, and in 1870 removed to his present farm of 100 acres in Bratton township. Since buying the farm he has made many improvements, building a new house and barn, and increasing facilities for the raising of stock. Sharing his father's political views, he is a Democrat, but has never sought public office.

Mr. Harshberger was married, in Bratton township, in 1858, to Elizabeth Sherer, and their children are: Hattie A.; Emma J. (Mrs. Jacob Byler), of Oliver township; Annie L. (Mrs. John Yoder), of Bratton township; Francis B., married to Phoebe Hartzler, resides on the homestead; Martha E. (Mrs. Edward Moist), of Bratton township; Elsie; Harvey; and Clemmie. Mr. Harshberger is a member of the Amish church.

JACOB MILLER, Mattawana, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Bratton township, September 16, 1840, son of Nicholas and Catherine (King) Miller. His grandfather, John Miller, with his wife, Margaret (Kline) Miller, came to Oliver, now Bratton township, about 1816, having bought from James Junkin a tract of land, which they improved and cultivated. Mr. Miller was respected as a worthy and conscientious man. Their children were: Nicholas; John, of Bratton township, married Elizabeth Kauffman, had three children; David, of Bratton township, married Mary Miller, not a relative, had three sons and six daughters; Jacob, died at the age of twenty; Catherine (Mrs. David Harshber-

ger), has eight children. Both grandparents are deceased. Nicholas Miller, their eldest child, after receiving his education in the country schools, remained until his marriage upon the homestead, where he began farming. He was not slow to appreciate and introduce improvements. He was well liked and respected. His wife, Catherine, was the daughter of Michael King. Their children are: Eliza, died in early childhood; Jonathan K., married Sarah Kauffman, and has children, Ephraim, Martha, Amelia, married a distant relative, Nicholas Miller, Leah, married William Miller, also a distant relative, Lovina (Mrs. Warren Moist), Nancy (Mrs. John Ronk), Mollie (Mrs. William Reisinger), Edward, Jacob and Fanny; and Jacob.

Jacob Miller, brought up in Bratton township, attended its common schools, and at twenty years of age began farming on his own account, having rented a farm from Joshua King; a year later he bought the old Casper Dull farm, near Jenkins Mill. Here he farmed successfully until 1865. He then enlisted in Company A, One Hundred and First Pennsylvania Volunteers, Captain Musser, and served until the close of the war. In 1866 he purchased the Thomas Fritz farm, on which he now resides, 109 acres, which he has improved, remodeling the house and building a new barn. In 1871 he removed to a tract which was a part of the old Miller homestead, which he improved; in 1881 he returned to his present home. He is a very prosperous farmer. Mr. Miller is a Republican, and actively interested in local affairs. He was elected county commissioner in 1884, and has also served in the various township offices.

Jacob Miller was married in 1859 to Nancy E., daughter of Peter and Rachel Fry. Their children are: Hannah L., born July 4, 1861, died November 7, 1867; Nannie, died September 21, 1868, aged two days; Clara (Mrs. William Rontzy), has children, Charles and Mabel; Ida C.; Rebecca (Mrs. Harry Kauffman), of Bratton township; Margaret (Mrs. E. Robert Wakefield); Lydia E. (Mrs. Samuel S. Bratton), has one child, Ivy; Mary E. (Mrs. Reuben E. Yontzy), of Altoona, Pa., has one child, Sarah Ruth; and Sarah E. (Mrs. Schuyler C. Gunter), of Lewistown, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Miller are faithful members of the German Baptist church.

JOSEPH W. KYLE, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the old Kyle homestead. He is a son of James and Rosanna C. (Taylor) Kyle. His grandfather, John Kyle, emigrated from Lorradenmore, in the south of Ireland, to America, landing in Philadelphia. He came to the Kishacoquillas valley on horseback with his wife and child. Here he built a cabin and established his homestead, including 400 hundred acres of land in Brown township, which was afterwards divided between his two sons. His wife was Miss Crawford. Their children were: Margaret (Mrs. Hamilton Kyle); Crawford, of Brown township; and Joseph, who was born in 1781 on the homestead property, married Mary Brislin, of Centre county, and had two sons, Samuel and John, both deceased. John Kyle was married the second time to Jeannette McFarlane, of Armagh township. Their children are: Mary (Mrs. John Thompson); James; Crawford; Elizabeth R. (Mrs. George McDowell); Margaret (Mrs. William McFarlane); Priscilla (Mrs. Henry Taylor); Joseph, who married Mary E. Davis, and resided on the homestead; Charles, who married Ann Campbell, and resided in Clinton county. The father, John Kyle, spent the greater part of his life in farming. He served the township in various offices and was elected to the State legislature, and also as associate judge of Mifflin county. He was a man of ability, and faithfully served his fellowmen. He was for many years an elder in the Presbyterian church of East Kishacoquillas. His son, James Kyle, attended the district schools, and finished his course at the academy at Lewistown. He remained with his parents until his marriage. James Kyle was married, January 13, 1844, to Rosanna C., daughter of Henry and Priscilla (Turbett) Taylor. Their children are: Joseph; Priscilla J., who died aged twenty-three years; Rosanna McFarlane (Mrs. G. A. Macklin), of McVeytown, has one child, James Kyle was born January 13, 1819, and died November 28, 1888.

Joseph W. Kyle received his primary education in the public schools of Brown township; at the age of seventeen, he entered the Kishacoquillas Seminary, and remained there one year. He then attended Bellwood Academy, in Blair county, Pa. After remaining a few years at home, he spent over a year traveling through several of the Western States,

whither he went in 1871. On his return, he farmed the homestead. Mr. Kyle is a Democrat, as were his ancestors; he served the township in numerous offices. He is a progressive and esteemed citizen, interested in all that concerns the community. He is gifted with much native talent for music, which he has cultivated to a high degree; he is noted throughout his neighborhood for his taste and skill as an amateur violinist.

Joseph W. Kyle was married, January 18, 1877, to Elizabeth H., daughter of Joseph and Anna (Horning) Strode. Their children are: Charles Strode, born November 3, 1877; James Vance, born May 20, 1881; Anna Virginia, who was a twin, born July 13, 1888, the other twin died in infancy. Mr. Kyle and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church at Reedsville. Joseph Strode, the father of Mrs. Kyle, is the oldest postmaster in the United States.

REV. ANDREW H. PARKER was born in Mifflintown, Pa., in 1845. He graduated at Princeton College in 1866. The same year, he entered Princeton Theological Seminary, and after a full three years' course, graduated in April, 1869. He was licensed to preach the gospel by the Presbytery of Huntingdon, October 7, 1868. In May, 1869, he was invited to labor as stated supply of the East Kishacoquillas Presbyterian church, during the summer, at the end of which time he was called to be its pastor. Having accepted the call, he was at an adjourned meeting of the Presbytery of Huntingdon, held in the East Kishacoquillas church, on December 7, 1869, ordained and installed as pastor. During twenty-four years he preached in the "Brick Church" in which he was ordained, which was situated three-quarters of a mile from Reedsville, on a hill consecrated by many precious memories, where the congregation had worshipped during the long period of one hundred and ten years. At the end of that time, in 1892, the congregation having deemed it best to change its place of worship to Reedsville, erected the present handsome brown stone house of worship, in which Mr. Parker has continued his labors. The twenty-fifth anniversary of this pastorate was kindly celebrated by the congregation June 14, 1894, with appropriate services in the church, in which a

number of ministers and elders participated. The services were followed by a banquet in the town hall. The pastor was presented by the congregation with a handsome silver water set of beautiful design, with suitable inscription.

Mr. Parker was married, May 30, 1878, to Miss Margaret J., daughter of John McDowell, deceased, of near Milroy, Pa. Their children are: John McDowell, who died in childhood; Frank McDowell; and Mary Brishin.

ALEXANDER REED, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., son of Abner and Rebecca (Henry) Reed, and grandson of James Reed, was born on the homestead farm, where the village of Reedsville now stands, October 11, 1823. His mother died while he was still very young, leaving three children: Alexander; a daughter, now Mrs. Abner Thompson; and Joseph; all of whom were brought up under the care and training of their father. Alexander Reed remained with his father until he had completed his twenty-first year, when, in partnership with his brother, Joseph, he began farming and dealing in cattle. They prospered in their business, but some years later gave it up for the manufacture of grain drills, which they carried on successfully at Reedsville for a number of years. In 1852, enticed by the golden promise held out by California, Alexander Reed made the long and tedious journey to that El Dorado, *via* Nicaragua. But on his arrival at Sacramento City, another and more dangerous fever counteracted the "gold fever," nothing less than the dreaded typhoid, with which he lay seriously ill. He remained at Sacramento City until he became convalescent; but now all his plans were changed, and he entered government employ under Generals Denver and Raines, who were in command of an overland relief train for the assistance of travelers making their way across the Rocky and Sierra Nevada mountains. The genial climate and out-of-doors occupation in a pure, bracing atmosphere, aided in restoring Mr. Reed to his normal state of health. Returning to Sacramento City, he became acquainted with General Estell, and was employed by him for some time, and afterwards by the State. In 1856, he returned home by way of Panama. Once more on the homestead, Mr. Reed resumed farming, and has ob-

tained from the home soil rewards richer, surer, and more safely gathered than those which fell to the lot of the average gold-seeker in the excited days of "the fifties." Enough, however, of the active and adventurous spirit of youth remains in the staid and substantial farmer of to-day to make him friendly to schemes for improvement, and willing to promote any such plan in his own locality as is approved by his mature judgment. He takes an active interest in local political affairs, and is himself a supporter of the Republican party.

Alexander Reed was married in September, 1858, to Mary Lyon, daughter of Henry P. and Elizabeth (Forsythe) Taylor. Their children are: Elizabeth (Mrs. John McDowell); Mary C. (Mrs. William S. Ellis), of Pottstown, Pa.; Henry T.; Abner J.; and Lilla H. Mr. Reed is an earnest and faithful member of the Presbyterian church at Reedsville. Recognizing the value of a good education, he spares no pains to secure for his children that inestimable heritage; each of them enjoys the advantages of at least an academic course.

BENJAMIN RUSH KOHLER, M. D., Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born September 7, 1865, at Reedsville. He is a son of Dr. Frederick S. and Sarah A. (Carson) Kohler. He attended the public schools at Reedsville, but while still a boy, traveled with his father in the west. While in Kentucky, he attended the academy at Ghent, and was there prepared for college. After completing this course, he accompanied his father to Utah, and there read medicine under his preceptorship for two years; then, entering the medical department of the Western Reserve University, at Cleveland, O., he completed the regular course, and graduated February 25, 1885. The young physician then returned to the place of his birth, and there settled down to practise; nor has he found reason to regret his choice of locality, through any lack of patients. He has been very successful; by diligent reading on professional themes, rendered effectual by a very retentive memory, he keeps up with the progress of medical science, and has frequently contributed articles to the medical journals which have received favorable notice from the profession. Although still in his first prime, he holds a position of respect and influence among the musical brethren. On May 30, 1896, he was elected a cen-

son of the Medico-Chirurgical College of Philadelphia by the trustees of that institution. He is an active member of the Mifflin county medical society. Dr. Kohler is also a member of Lewistown Lodge, No. 203, F. and A. M., and of Milroy Lodge, No. 213, I. O. O. F.

Dr. Benjamin R. Kohler was married, November 27, 1888, to Mary A., daughter of William T. and Phebe A. (Foltz) Smith. They have one child, Frank E. They attend the Presbyterian church at Reedsville. Mrs. Kohler is one of a family of eight; her sisters and brothers are: Catherine; Sarah (Mrs. Harrison Manbeck), has one child; Margaret (Mrs. William Sankey); George; Matilda (Mrs. John W. Brindel), has two children; Jennie (Mrs. Elmer Young), has one child; and William. Mrs. Foltz, the mother of this family, is still living; Mr. Foltz died August 27, 1890, mourned as a good husband and father, a worthy citizen and an exemplary Christian gentleman. His father was for many years a school master in the Kishacoquillas valley.

JEREMIAH M. YEAGER, Yeagertown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Dauphin county, Pa., March 26, 1832. He is a son of Jacob and Susanna (Buffington) Yeager; it was from Jacob Yeager that Yeagertown took its name. The family, long settled in America, and widely distributed throughout Pennsylvania, is of German origin. In 1732 and 1734, three brothers, John, John Veit and Peter Yeager, came to America, and settled in a part of Philadelphia county, now included in Montgomery county, Pa. Their descendants identified themselves with the colonists, and the names of Adam; Christian; Christopher; Andrew; Matthew; Casper; George; Frederick; Peter; and John Yeager all appears on the roster of Pennsylvania's brave patriots, who "pledged their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor" to their country. John Yeager, the grandfather of Jeremiah M., was born in Montgomery county, February 19, 1767. He purchased 300 acres of land in the Lykens valley, and is said to have built the first bank barn in that valley. John Yeager was married to Catherine Ranch, July 1, 1788. They had nine children, six sons and three daughters. Mr. Yeager's death occurred February 19, 1835, the sixty-eighth anniversary of his birth. He had been

baptized and confirmed in the Reformed church, and his funeral services were conducted by Rev. Isaac Gerhart, of that communion, the text of whose sermon was: "He shall rest in peace." (Isa. 57: 2). Andrew Yeager, the great-grandfather of Jeremiah M., was one of the earliest settlers in Lykens valley, and his name appears in the first list of the inhabitants of Upper Paxtang. He served with distinction all through the Revolutionary war. He was a member of Capt. Albright Deibler's Company of Associates in 1776, of Capt. John Rutherford's in 1777-79, and of Capt. Martin Weaver's company in 1781. On the maternal side, J. M. Yeager is lineally descended from Richard Buffington, born in Great Marlow, Buckinghamshire, England, in 1654, whose eldest son, according to a statement in the *Pennsylvania Gazette*, published in Philadelphia, for the week ending July 5, 1739, was the first English child born in the province of Pennsylvania. George Buffington, Mr. Yeager's grandfather, was a soldier of the Revolution, and the founder of the Buffington family in the Lykens valley; he was married, September 2, 1782, to Barbara, daughter of John Peter Hoffman, who was born in Germany in 1709, and came to this country in 1739, on the ship "Robert and Alice." Barbara, Mrs. Buffington, was born in Berks county, May 31, 1763. Jacob Yeager, eldest son of John Yeager, was born March 11, 1793, in Dauphin county. He served in the war of 1812. He was not only an active man, and patriotic, but he was also thoughtful and ingenious. In 1830, he secured from the Patent Office at Washington a patent for a mold-board to a plough; this mold-board is now universally used throughout the United States. Jacob Yeager was married in 1815, to Mrs. Susanna Fisher, daughter of George and Barbara (Hoffman) Buffington. They had eight children, of whom Jeremiah M. was the youngest.

At the age of ten, Jeremiah M. Yeager began to work in the flour-mill at Yeagertown, which his father had purchased in 1842. In 1857, the old mill, which had stood for more than sixty years, was torn down, and a new mill was erected, with J. M. Yeager as miller and proprietor. Five millers left his service in the early "sixties," to aid in the preservation of the Union; they were R. U. Betts, J. P. Landis, Wilson Dauchenbach, Morris Alex-

ander and George Way. Throughout Central Pennsylvania, and wherever the name of Jeremiah M. Yeager is known, it stands as a synonym for probity, sobriety, charity and honorable business methods. He has been at the old stand for more than half a century, and the volume of his business is to-day greater than ever before.

Mr. Yeager has been twice married. His first marriage was to Mary J., daughter of William Creighton, a lady of Scotch and Welsh ancestry. They had three sons: William Jacob, born November 7, 1855; James Martin, born November 2, 1857; and Jesse Orin, born May 11, 1864. The second marriage of Mr. J. M. Yeager, which took place December 22, 1874, was to Mrs. Anna Maria (Mann) Brisbin, a daughter of William Mann, Jr., founder of the celebrated Mann Axe and Tool Works, near Lewistown, Pa. Her ancestry is English and Irish. The only child of this marriage now living is Bertha Mann Yeager, a student at a seminary for young women in the interior of Pennsylvania.

The eldest son, William J. Yeager, is a member of the firm of Spanogle, Yeager & Hoffa (Yeager Milling Company), and is identified with the religious, financial and political interests of Mifflin county. He was married May 20, 1880, to Almira Spanogle. They have three children: Andrew J.; Mary Edith; and William J., Jr.

James M. Yeager, the second son, entered in 1880, upon a professional career, and has spent much of his time in New York and New England. The Putnam County *Courier*, of Carmel, N. Y., said in May, 1896: "Rev. James Martin Yeager, D. D., is president of Drew Ladies' Seminary. He is a man of broad mind, and has had exceptional educational advantages. President Yeager was born in Pennsylvania, of Scotch, English and German ancestry. He attended several academic institutions in his native State before entering a university. He attended Kishacoquillas Seminary, also studied in institutions situated at Williamsport, and in the valley of the Wyoming, respectively, graduating for college from the latter institution. In 1880, he graduated from the Wesleyan University at Middletown, Conn. He had been president of Drew Ladies' Seminary for five years. President Yeager crossed the ocean in 1882, and traveled through Ireland, Scotland, England,

Holland, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, Greece, Palestine, Egypt and France. He is a preacher of force, and as an educator he is helpful, firm and very successful, as his splendid work in his present position demonstrates. His executive ability is remarkable for the touch of gentleness which always marks it, and for the complete knowledge of detail which he possesses, and exercises to the help and advantage of the seminary and its students. President Yeager is an able lecturer and an enthusiastic lover of the best literature. He is a man of keen perception, with a fine sense of humor, and is one of the most agreeable men in any of the walks and dealings of life. Dr. Yeager is a member of the Alpha Delta Phi club, of New York, of the Society of the War of 1812, of Pennsylvania, and of the Sons of the Revolution, of the State of New York. He first came to Carmel as pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church several years ago." Dr. James Martin Yeager was married, October 13, 1886, to Emma McElroy, of Rhinebeck, N. Y. Their children are: James Creighton, born January 1, 1888; and Marion, born October 1, 1891.

Jesse Orin Yeager, youngest son of Jeremiah M. Yeager, has inherited his father's talent for business, and is becoming widely and favorably known. He was married June 21, 1892, to Josephine L., daughter of Charles H. and Susan (Madden) Case, of Denver, Col.

JACOB KOHLER, J. P., Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Lewistown, March 14, 1832. He is a son of Henry and Mary (Wolffley) Kohler. His grandfather, John M. Kohler, set out with his wife and family for America early in the century. Mrs. Kohler died on the voyage, and was buried at sea; Mr. Kohler landed with his children at Philadelphia, and from that city went first to Reading, Pa., and then to Middletown, Dauphin county, Pa., where he worked at his trade for a short time, before removing with his family to Lewistown, Mifflin county. His son, Henry, learned weaving while at Middletown, and, accompanying his father to Lewistown, about 1828, continued working at that trade until 1835. He then removed to Milroy, still being occupied in weaving, but afterwards turned his attention to mercantile business; for the last twenty years of his life, he was a farmer in Centre county, Pa. The children

of Henry and Mary (Wolfley) Kohler are as follows: John; Jacob; Susan; William F., married Sarah Kemmerer, has four children; Frederick S., graduate in medicine, now practising successfully in Idaho, married Sarah A. Carson, had sons, Benjamin R.; and William H.; both graduates in medicine, and practising in Mifflin county, the former at Reedsville, the latter at Milroy; James, died while serving in the army, at the age of twenty-two; Jane (Mrs. John Wolf), has one child, Amelia; Marilda (Mrs. John O. Stover); and four who died in early childhood. Henry Kohler died November 8, 1886, aged eighty-four; his wife survived until January 11, 1890.

Their second son, Jacob Kohler, received an ordinary common school education in the town of Milroy, to which he was brought by his parents when he was three years old. From the age of fourteen until he attained his majority, he was an employee in the woolen-mill at Milroy. He was then for a year engaged in the store of R. M. Kinsloe, at Reedsville, after which he was in business for himself until 1869. For the next five years, he was employed as salesman by his brother, William F. Kohler, who was in business in Philadelphia. From 1874 to 1882, he was successfully engaged in the manufacture of carpets at Reedsville; and from the latter date until April, 1896, was very profitably engaged in mercantile business in the same place.

His interest in local political affairs was always very warm, and he was active in all schemes for the public benefit. That his services and his abilities are appreciated, is shown by the responsible trusts which have been committed to his care. He was elected associate judge of Mifflin county, and commissioned in 1885; he served for five years. Judge Kohler was next chosen as justice of the peace, at Reedsville, in 1892, and is still in office. He is a supporter of the Democratic party.

Jacob Kohler was married, October 13, 1858, to Susan I. Crosthwaite, daughter of Richard and Barbara (Wagner) Crosthwaite. Their children are: Richard Henry, died October 12, 1872, aged twelve years; James Mortimer, died April 3, 1864; Francis McClenahan, died March 28, 1865; John Crosthwaite, married Annie Heinbach, has three sons; Benjamin Foster; and William Holtzworth. Judge Kohler and his family are members of the Methodist Episcopal church,

at Reedsville. Mrs. Kohler's paternal grandfather, John Crosthwaite, came from Ireland, and settled in Lancaster county, Pa.; there he married Elizabeth Phillips, who was Welsh by birth, and had a family of four children. His son, Richard Crosthwaite, Mrs. Kohler's father, died April 30, 1847; his wife departed this life November 10, 1875. They had eleven children.

FREDERICK SCHAAF, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Kirchheim, near an old castle, on the river Teek, in Germany, February 4, 1831. He is a son of Gottlieb and Caroline (Meyer) Schaaf. Mrs. Schaaf was a daughter of Christian and Susanna Meyer. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Gottlieb Schaaf are: Caroline; Louisa; Rosina; Pauline; and Sophia; besides the son, Frederick. Mr. Schaaf died at the age of sixty-nine; his wife still survives him.

Frederick Schaaf attended the public schools of the fatherland, and afterwards served an apprenticeship at shoemaking. He then set out upon the customary "Wanderjahr," or year of travel, of the young journeyman of that country; but whether because the "Wanderlust"—(delight in wandering)—became too strong for him, or whether the hope of a better support for himself and perhaps some others influenced him, his wanderings extended to America. On September 13, 1850, he found himself in Philadelphia. There he soon obtained employment at his trade from a compatriot, Mr. Boehm, with whom he spent four years. He then removed to Reedsville, where he began independent work at his trade in a modest and sensible way, in an old house which formerly stood in the rear of his present home. His diligent application to business, his skill and frugality, and no doubt the help of his good wife, whom he married only a year or two after setting up his own shop, have ensured him complete success. By the year 1863, he was able to become the owner of the house and lot which he occupied. Seven years more passed, and now his financial condition warranted him in building his present spacious and comfortable dwelling. In the same year, Mr. Schaaf added a mercantile department to his business, and has ever since dealt in boots and shoes of other makes, besides his own. Having come to the town a foreigner, without capital, Mr. Schaaf's grad-

nal attainment of a comfortable competency and an assured position in business, abundantly illustrates the fact that to succeed in the world, it is only necessary to learn to do one thing well, and then to go on doing it. Mr. Schaaf adheres to the Democratic party; he takes much interest in local affairs, and in plans for improvement or benevolence, but does not desire political preferment.

Frederick Schaaf was married, September 13, 1855, to Sarah, daughter of Jacob and Sarah Bosler, of Union county, Pa. Four of their children died in early infancy; the survivors are: Louisa J.; Frank W., married, and residing at Boulder, near Denver, Col.; John Wilson, married Daisy McDaniel, has three sons and two daughters; and Elmer F. The excellent wife and mother, Mrs. Frederick Schaaf, died July 19, 1894; she is well remembered for her kindness and hospitality, and as a faithful member of the Lutheran church at Reedsville, to which her husband and family also belong.

HENRY A. BARR, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Clearfield, Clearfield county, Pa., May 7, 1855. He is the only son of William R. and Maria J. (Jones) Barr. The families on both sides are numbered among the substantial and respected citizens of the State. Mrs. William R. Barr's father, William Jones, was an early settler of Clearfield county. He came to that county as a young man, from York, York county, Pa., accompanied by his wife; strong and full of courage and perseverance, they had set out to make their way in the world together, and were not ashamed or afraid to make the journey to their future home on foot. Their married life was passed in Clearfield county, where they brought up their family of five daughters and two sons. One of the daughters, Mrs. Long, resides in California, and has passed the age of fourscore. William Jones carried on the business of shoemaking in the winter, and of brickmaking in the summer. He left his home and his business to serve his country in the war of 1812, and, although advancing in years, took the field again in the Mexican war, 1846-47. He made for ex-Governor Bigler the first pair of shoes that he wore after his election to the gubernatorial chair; and he also manufactured the brick used in building ex-Governor Bigler's house,

and that of Senator Wallace, in Clearfield, Pa. Mr. Jones died aged eighty-seven; he had been parted by death from his faithful helpmeet when she was sixty. The death of Mr. Barr's paternal grandfather was heroic; he lost his life in trying to save that of a neighbor who had fallen, or gone down purposely into a well on the old Close farm, near Milroy. The neighbor had been overpowered by the poisonous gas with which the well was filled, and in attempting his rescue, Mr. Barr fell a victim to the same deadly atmosphere. His son, William R. Barr, was educated in the common schools of Armagh township, Mifflin county; during his early manhood, he went to Clearfield, and was there engaged in the business of carpentry and contracting. His intelligent and conscientious workmanship made him successful, and his many excellent qualities made him an influential and much esteemed member of society. He died in 1857, leaving one son, Henry A. Mrs. Barr was again married, to William Aitkens; they had three daughters: Sarah; Margaret; and Martha. Both Mr. and Mrs. Aitkens are deceased; her death occurred July 4, 1894.

After receiving a good common school education in Armagh and Brown townships, supplemented by a course at the academy at Milroy, Henry A. Barr acquired the trade of house-painting. For about sixteen years he carried on that business successfully in Mifflin and Centre counties. In 1890 or '91, he formed a partnership with John Camp and son, in Reedsville, to carry on the furniture and undertaking business under the firm name of H. A. Barr & Co. Buying out the interests of his partners in 1892, he has since conducted the establishment alone. Mr. Barr is a progressive and enterprising business man; he has considerably improved and extended the facilities of his business. His fine store and commodious dwelling were built in 1895. Mr. Barr is not only a substantial business man, but is possessed of public spirit; while not aspiring to office, he is always willing to be of service in any other way to the community. He is a Republican, and is also a member of the K. G. E., at Reedsville.

Henry A. Barr was married, May 30, 1877, to Louisa J., daughter of John and Martha (Mayben) Camp. Their children are: Nina Edythe, at present a student at the State Normal School, Shippensburg, Pa.; John Ro-

land; William Arthur; Harry Earl; Frank; and Mary Florence. Mr. and Mrs. Barr attend the Presbyterian church.

MATTHEW B. TAYLOR, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the old homestead where he now resides, and where he has passed nearly all his life. He is a son of Henry and Priscilla (Turbet) Taylor. The family is of Scotch-Irish descent. Mr. Taylor's great-grandfather, Robert Taylor, came from Pine Ford, on Swatara creek, in Dauphin county, Pa., and by a warrant dated February 4, 1754, secured several thousand acres of land in Mifflin county. He did not, however, take up his residence on his claim, but returned to his home, then within the limits of Lancaster county. His five sons came to Mifflin county at a later date, and settled on the land taken up by their father. These sons were: Henry; William; Robert; John; and Matthew. Henry settled near Taylors Mills, in the Kishacoquillas valley; William, on a large tract adjoining his on the east; Robert, in the Tuscarora valley; John, on the property now owned by Colonel Taylor; and Matthew, on land adjoining his on the north. Robert Taylor, Jr., in later years, sold his estate and removed to Erie county, Pa., where he was killed by the accidental fall of a tree. John Taylor emigrated to Augusta, Va., while Henry and Matthew died in their old homes. The father of the family, Robert Taylor, Sr., once owned a large tract of land where the borough of Middletown now stands, in Dauphin county. He had leased this land for a term of ninety-nine years, the original warrants and deed of lease being put on record at Carlisle, Pa., where they were afterwards destroyed by fire. Matthew Taylor removed for a time to the vicinity of Middletown, but in time came back to Mifflin county, and built himself a log cabin opposite the "big spring," on the homestead where his grandson, Matthew now lives. He married Mrs. Sarah (Sample) Mayes, a widow, and a daughter of John Sample. They had four sons: Robert; John; Henry; and Sample. Robert married Nancy Arnold, whose father was at that time a schoolmaster in the valley. John married Elizabeth McManigal; they had sons and daughters, one of their children being Gen. John P. Taylor. Henry married Ann McNitt, who died; his second wife was Ro-

sanna McFarlane, by whom he had two sons, who both died very young. The second wife dying, Mr. Henry Taylor was again married, to Priscilla Turbet; their children are: Sarah Jane (Mrs. Samuel Laird), of Juniata county, has two children; Anna (Mrs. James Kyle), has three children; Henry, married Priscilla Kyle, has three sons; Priscilla (Mrs. William Thompson), of Centre county, died leaving one son; Matthew B.; and James, who married Nancy Hughes, and has three sons, and whose daughters are: Elizabeth (Mrs. Albert Mann); and Anna (Mrs. Joseph R. Mann), of Lewistown.

Matthew B. Taylor first attended the common schools of Brown township. At the age of fifteen, he entered the academy at Academia, Juniata county, under the tuition of Professor Wilson, studied there for two terms, and then returned home. He continued to reside on the homestead with his parents until their death. Mrs. Henry Taylor died in 1854, at the age of sixty-two years; her husband survived her until August 17, 1862, when he, too, departed this life, having reached the venerable age of eighty-four. Matthew Taylor then succeeded to the homestead, on which he has made many improvements, both in the way of adding new buildings and other facilities, and of increasing the productiveness of the land. He holds a prominent position among the more substantial and intelligent citizens of the township. His success is largely due to the prudence and sound judgment which have kept him free from the entanglements of speculation, and led him to prefer the safe ways of regular agricultural business, with their moderate but sure profits. He has always been interested in local politics, as an adherent of the Republican party, and has served his township in several offices. Since 1883, Mr. Taylor has relinquished the active care of his farm to his son, Frank H. Taylor, who conducts its management with skill and success, and has added to it a flourishing dairy business.

Matthew H. Taylor was married, February 27, 1856, to Eliza Jane, daughter of Robert A. and Elizabeth (McNitt) Means. Three of their children are deceased; the survivors are: Frank H.; and Elizabeth McNitt. Mr. Taylor and his family attend the Presbyterian church at Reedsville, of which they are members.

BREVET BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN P. TAYLOR, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., is descended from a Scotch-Irish family, and was born on the homestead, June 16, 1827. He is a son of John and Elizabeth (McManigal) Taylor. His great-grandfather, Robert Taylor, came to Mifflin county from Pine Ford, Swatara creek, Dauphin county, when that region still formed part of Lancaster county. He took out warrants for several thousand acres of land, much of which is still owned by members of the family; the tract lies in the Kishacoquillas valley. The sons of Robert Taylor were: Henry; William; Robert; John; and Matthew. Matthew Taylor married Sarah (Sample) Mayes, widow of John Mayes. Their family included the following children: Robert; John; Henry; and Sample. The second son, John, the father of Gen. John P. Taylor, was born March 6, 1775. After having taken advantage of such educational opportunities as were afforded in his neighborhood, he served an apprenticeship in Centre county, Pa., to the business of tanning. Returning home he gave attention to farming, besides conducting a tannery in a building erected on the homestead for that purpose. He was intelligent, industrious and successful. John Taylor was married, February 12, 1819, to Elizabeth, daughter of Neil and Margaret (Thompson) McManigal. The first home of the young couple was in a part of the tannery building. To their modest, but happy, household, came seven children: Sarah Sample (Mrs. James Watt); Rebecca McManigle (Mrs. David Brisbin); Matthew, who married Jane E. Taylor; Margaret Thompson, died when about two years old; Margaret Isabella (Mrs. Oliver Perry Smith); John, who afterwards added the letter P to his name, for the purpose of distinguishing it from those of several other members of the family, also named John; and Elizabeth (Mrs. Samuel McWilliams). The father died in 1843, aged sixty-nine; his wife survived him for twenty-six years, dying at the age of eighty-three.

One fully competent to speak, from personal knowledge, of the boyhood of General Taylor, says: "Having been born and brought up in a community of Scotch-Irish lineage, it was impossible for him not to inherit the stern and patriotic virtues which characterized his ancestry. The mountains under whose

shadow he was born, and whose majestic heights have watched the gradual developments of his manhood, doubtless exerted great influence upon his character, giving it the bold, adventurous, determined bent which shone so conspicuously in him during the great war of the Rebellion. His boyhood was spent chiefly on his father's farm, and engaged in agricultural pursuits; but even here the future man was discernible in the prompt obedience and the energetic manner with which he executed his parents' commands. At an early age, he was put under the care of Prof. David Wilson, whose instructions he enjoyed for several years, and by whose moulding influence his mind was formed to a high standard of patriotic virtue. While at school, he acquired a good English and mathematical education, as well as some knowledge of the Latin. He always endeared himself to his teachers, as well as to his fellow students, by his urbanity, generosity and disinterestedness, being always ready to sympathize with the sorrowing, and to espouse the cause of the right. At school, he clearly indicated his taste for military adventure by the selections he would make of pieces to be read or spoken; and Shakespeare furnished him many models of the high-souled patriot, ready to do or die for his country."

From the time of completing his course at Tuscarora Academy until the war of the Rebellion broke out, he was engaged in droving and dealing in live stock, with his cousin, James I. Taylor; also, with his brother, Matthew, in cultivating the homestead farm; both with satisfactory and profitable results. After rendering to his country the gallant services presently to be noticed more at length, he returned, no doubt, with a pleasant sense of relief and repose, to his peaceful agricultural employments, and to the enjoyment of the beauty and comfort of the home he had inherited from several generations of his paternal ancestors.

There must be, however, a warlike strain in the character of General Taylor, probably inherited from his Caledonian ancestry of many generations ago; for during the war with Mexico, when but sixteen years of age, we find him planning to be one of the United States army under the old heroes, Scott and Taylor, and only deterred by the decided opposition of his parents. In 1859, a cavalry

company being formed in his neighborhood, John P. Taylor was chosen as its lieutenant. At a meeting held in Reedsville, January 26, 1861, Lieutenant Taylor brought forward a resolution offering the services of this company and other troops to the governor of Pennsylvania; and Mifflin county had the honor of sending the first soldiers accepted for the defense of the national capital, the first company reporting there for duty being the celebrated "Logan Guards." In response to the above tender of service, Governor Curtin notified the company to hold itself in readiness. On April 15, 1861, the following dispatch from the State Secretary was sent to Capt. G. V. Mitchell, of the company:

To CAPT. G. V. MITCHELL:

Your tender of the services of your company is accepted. Hold yourselves in readiness to march on short notice. Answer, stating number of men.

(Signed) ELI SLIFER,
Sec'y of Commonwealth.

On the same day, the following dispatch was received, dated at Harrisburg, Pa., April 15, 1861:

To CAPT. G. V. MITCHELL:

Bring all your men to this place at once; lose no time in preparation; arms and equipments will be provided here.

By order of the Governor,

(Signed) ELI SLIFER.

A third dispatch was received, as follows:

Cavalry cannot be received at present, but hold yourselves in readiness until further orders.

(Signed) ELI SLIFER.

On April 17, 1861, Lieutenants Taylor and Mann went to Harrisburg to interview the governor with regard to the acceptance of the company; the governor and Adjutant General Russell stated that the Mifflin county cavalry had made the first tender of services on record. The organization of the First Pennsylvania Cavalry took place at Harrisburg, Pa., under Governor Curtin. Lieutenant Taylor, attached to Company C, of that regiment, was made captain of the company before the regiment left Harrisburg. The regiment was organized September 1, 1861, George D. Bayard, colonel, for three years. During that term General Taylor took part in thirty-one pitched battles and nearly forty skirmishes, as regimental, brigade or division

commander, receiving frequent commendatory notices from his superior officers. In September, 1862, he was promoted to the rank of lieutenant-colonel, and on January 30, 1863, to that of colonel. The brevet rank of brigadier general was conferred upon him August 5, 1864, he having previously been in command of his brigade. That these promotions, though unsought, were not unmerited, is evidenced by his uniformly gallant conduct in the field. At Dranesville, the first engagement in which the First Cavalry participated, he was prominent in charging through the town. He followed Bayard to Harrisonburg, Cross Keys, Loenst Grove and Cedar Mountain. In the last named battle, his horse fell under him, injuring him severely, and leaving him within the enemy's lines; but he adroitly managed to make his escape. "The coolness of Captain Taylor," says General Bayard, "in covering his retreat, deserves the thanks of the commanding general." Maj. R. J. Falls, in his official report of the action of the First Pennsylvania Cavalry, at Cedar Mountain, speaks in the highest terms of the conduct of Companies A, B, and C, saying:

"Company C was commanded by Lieutenant McNitt, Captain Taylor being in command of a squadron, and Lieut. William McEwen detached, in command of Company A. After getting in front of the point designated, and being in columns of fours, I immediately formed squadron, my command being already under fire. I moved forward at a rapid gait until within fifty yards of the enemy's lines, which I found in great force and numbers, when I gave the command 'Charge!' With loud and terrific cheering, my command charged through their lines, cutting, running down and scattering them in every direction, causing sad havoc and discomfiture in their ranks. After charging back and re-forming, I found my command reduced from 164 rank and file to 71, the remainder having been killed, wounded or otherwise placed *hors de combat* by their horses' falling over those killed and wounded; our little band there proving themselves true sons of the old Keystone State."

In the action at Brady's Station, Colonel Taylor led the sabre charge, and in the midst of the battle succeeded to the command of the brigade. At Culpeper, dismounted, he led his regiment to complete victory. At Mine

Run, he captured the entire skirmish line of the enemy. At Auburn, he prudently aroused his brigade before dawn, and was in readiness to receive a vigorous attack, intended as a surprise. In all these circumstances, and when taking part in the movement of Sheridan upon the rebel army, in 1864, when the fighting was for three days almost unintermitted, it is truthfully said of him that "he illustrated the highest qualities of the accomplished leader." At Childsburg, the Confederate forces made a strong attack. The regiment was supported by the Sixth Ohio, as rear guard to the column. Finding that the pressure was becoming too great, and that a stand must be made, Colonel Taylor threw his regiment into line of battle, a battalion on each side of the road, and one in reserve. It was scarcely in position when the ranks of the Sixth Ohio were broken, and came in disorder through Taylor's pursuing command, closely followed by rebel cavalry, one of whom dashed forward, seized the colors, and demanded the surrender of the colors. It was the captain of the charging column; and scarcely had he uttered the words when he fell dead, sword in hand, struck by a ball from Colonel Taylor's revolver. The advancing Confederate column were all killed or wounded but two, and were followed by his advancing regiment.

An incident, not of the field, but of the camp, illustrates some characteristics of General Taylor's so well that we insert it here as a relief from the contemplation of the more terrible scenes of war. It was at Sulphur Springs, Va., October 31, 1863, when Colonel Taylor, with his men, was encamped in a grove. The weather was becoming too cool for health and comfort, and some timber was cut by the men for the sake of heat and for cooking. The owner of the timber, a rebel, came to Colonel Taylor and requested him to prevent further injury to the trees, explaining that as the grove was an inheritance from his great-great-grandfather, he valued it very highly. In reply, Colonel Taylor reminded him that he was taking part in the destruction of a government likewise handed down to us by our ancestors, and politely begged him not to consider it disrespectful to his progenitors that he and his men should decline freezing to death, but should use the timber and save the government. This cogent and forcible argu-

ment, whether it seemed so to the Confederate proprietor or not, was at least unanswerable.

We make the following extracts from the farewell order of Colonel Taylor, issued August 31, 1864, and from his address to his comrades:

"Officers and soldiers of the First Pennsylvania Reserve Cavalry,—You have now experienced three years of terrible, devastating war; you are familiar with its toils, its hardships and scenes of bloodshed. During this time, there has been no toil that your manly efforts have not overcome, no hardships that you have not courted for your country's sake, no field of strife too terrible to prevent your planting your banner in the face of your traitorous foes; and in every instance you have borne it off in triumph. Many have been the fields on which you have distinguished yourselves by your personal valor. From your first victorious blood, spilt at Dranesville down to that more green in your memories, such as Hawes' Shop, Todd's Tavern, Childsburg, Barker's Mills, White House, St. Mary's Church, and last but not least, the bloody summit of Malvern Hill, are still sounding in your ears and eternally engraven upon your hearts. But now you have reached a goal worthy of your ambition; you have won for yourselves, your regiment and your State an enviable reputation. Your military career has been a brave and a clear record, in which you have acquitted yourselves like men. But the war is not ended yet; there are more battles to be fought, and more lives to be offered on the altar of liberty. For this end some of you will remain here, and many more of you will soon be back to battle for a just and holy cause. But whenever you may answer the bugle's call, and upon whatever field you may strike the black shield of rebellion, let the memory of your fallen comrades strengthen your arms and encourage your hearts, ever mindful that you were once members of the First Pennsylvania Reserve Cavalry. May the God of battles and of mercy be your shield and protection.

JOHN P. TAYLOR,

"Colonel Commanding Regiment."

After the above order had been read to the regiment, Colonel Taylor made the following remarks:

"My Brave Comrades:—We stand to-day

upon the threshold of an event which, when we left our homes three years ago, the most prophetic heart dared scarcely anticipate. The scenes then rife in our midst, such as the memory of an insulted flag upon Fort Sumter, which cast a gloom of shame over every true American heart; the blood of brothers spilt in the streets of Baltimore, as it sprinkled over every loyal heart of the North; the rushing of men to arms, and our souls inspired by the spirit of our fathers, nerved us for action; and from homes of comfort, luxury and ease we rallied to the defense of our country. Another turn of the kaleidoscope found us marshalled beneath the proud ensign of our glorious republic, no longer separate and distinct in thought and action, but with the firm resolve of the farmer, the willing hand of the laborer and mechanic, the shrewd energy of the merchant, the potent influence of the student, all suddenly converted into the trained and disciplined soldier, with hearts that beat as one. What you were then, and what you have since proved yourselves, you owe to the mighty impulses of your first great and noble commander, Col. George D. Bayard. Imbued with the influence of his mighty genius, you saw the star of his glory rising and shining brighter in the military sphere, and alas! too soon to set, before it had reached its zenith. Following in his wake, ever ready to stand by you in the hour of danger, to share with you your toils and your hardships, to cheer you on in your conflicts, following strictly in the footsteps of his illustrious predecessor, the champion of your rights and reputation, came your second colonel, Owen Jones.

"Officers and Soldiers.—Through your esteem, I had the honor to be your next commander, and as such I deem it a high honor to-day to stand before the remnant of what was once a large regiment, to thank you for your esteem and the willingness with which you have acceded to my every request and complied with every command, and for the manner in which you have so nobly and faithfully discharged your duty as soldiers. I believe I am the only officer now left of those who assembled at the call of the governor and witnessed the organization of the regiment in the presence of his staff, and heard it christened the First Pennsylvania Reserve Cavalry. And it gives me pleasure to-day to think that

we can return to our native State those colors entrusted to our care, tattered and torn though they be, without a tarnish or stain upon the reputation of the regiment. Officers and soldiers of the First Pennsylvania Reserve Cavalry, you are the veterans of more than thirty engagements. Your banner has proudly floated over almost every field on which this historic army has been engaged; the graves of your comrades are strewn from Gettysburg to James river; your war-paths may be traced by the blood of your fallen heroes, and by the strength of justice and the might of mercy you have plumed your arms with honor and victory.

"Enlisted Veterans.—When you re-enlisted my lips were sealed from encouraging you, because circumstances unavoidably rendered my remaining with you impossible. Let not our leaving discourage you, but go on to greater deeds of valor. Be faithful and obedient, prompt and cheerful in duty, as you always have been; a hopeful country waits to crown you, and we shall not forget you. We shall continue to breathe the desired hope and Christian prayer that you may soon be permitted to return to your homes, when the red-handed monster, War, whose pestiferous breath blasts with withering death everything lovely on earth, may be banished from our distracted land, and Peace, sweet Peace, again returning, shall ever pour her heaven-born blessings on our fair Columbian soil."

On the departure of this regiment for home, Colonel Taylor received from the division commander, General Gregg, a very complimentary letter, from which we make the following extracts:

"For nearly two years the First Pennsylvania Cavalry has been under my command, and now I can proudly say its record is without a blemish Many officers and enlisted men have fallen. They met death facing the foe; let them be properly remembered by those who survive. To you, Colonel, my thanks are due for the efficient manner in which you have always performed your duty, whether as a regimental or brigade commander. You return to your home well satisfied that you have failed not in your duty, bearing with you the sincere friendship of myself and all your companions in arms."

To the above necessarily incomplete account of General Taylor's patriotic services

in the time of the country's peril, it remains only to add a brief reference to his life as a civilian. John P. Taylor was married, May 19, 1863, to Sarah Harriet, daughter of Rev. James and Sarah (Harvey) Nourse, and granddaughter of Col. Michael Nourse. Mrs. Taylor died December 25, 1870, aged about thirty-three years. General Taylor was married again, June 1, 1876, to Elizabeth, daughter of Hon. John and Rhoda (Taylor) Henry. Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor died in 1883, in Philadelphia, from the consequences of an accident on the street railway. Her age was forty-two years and six months. General Taylor was a faithful and regular communicant in the old East Kishacoquillas Presbyterian church, and was one of its most devoted supporters. That congregation was organized in 1783, among the first established in the county. In its house of worship his forefathers had worshiped, and he, as well as his parents, was baptized there; naturally, he was much opposed to the demolition of the sacred edifice, doubly hallowed as it was through so many associations, and could not witness that act without heartfelt pain and regret.

General Taylor resides on the old homestead, in a fine stone mansion, of solid and dignified appearance, and "beautiful for situation," commanding picturesque prospects of the surrounding mountains and valleys, and environed with a well-kept lawn and shrubbery, with many flowers, and noble old trees. His many experiences have ripened his sterling character, and given him a great degree of personal influence, always used to the advantage of those who come within its sphere. "In stature, General Taylor is about six feet, well-proportioned, of florid complexion and sandy hair, and through most of his life has enjoyed excellent health."

His political opinions are decidedly Republican, but he has not only refrained from seeking office, but persistently declined the urgent tenders of nominations made him by his friends. In 1892, he was elected by acclamation the commanding officer of the Department of Pennsylvania, G. A. R. He is a member of the Pennsylvania Monumental Commission, appointed by the Governor of the State, and is president of that board. This commission has erected a monument to each of the Pennsylvania regiments engaged in the

battle of Gettysburg. It has also erected three equestrian statues, to Generals Meade, Hancock, and Reynolds; the last named, still in course of construction, is to cost over \$100,000.

An interesting relic, found on General Taylor's farm, and preserved by him, is a German silver spoon, bearing the name of William Penn on its handle, and having on the reverse the British crown, and "Yates," probably the name of the manufacturer.

HENRY TAYLOR, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the old homestead at the head of Tea creek, in Brown township, Mifflin county, November 24, 1825. He is a son of Henry and Priscilla (Turbett) Taylor, and a descendant of Robert Taylor, who in 1754 took out warrants for a tract containing 3,000 acres of land, part of which is still in the possession of the family. Matthew Taylor, son of Robert, married Mrs. Sarah (Sample) Mayes, a widow, and had sons: Robert; John; Henry; and Sample. Their third son, Henry Taylor, married first Ann McNitt; she died, and he married Rosanna McFarlane, who also died, both her sons dying while very young. Henry Taylor's third wife was Priscilla Turbett, and their children are: Sarah Jane (Mrs. Samuel Laird), of Juniata county, has two children; Anna (Mrs. James Kyle), has three children; Henry; Priscilla (Mrs. William Thompson), of Centre county, died leaving one son; Matthew B., married Eliza Jane Means, has two children living; and James, married Nancy Hughes, and has five children.

Henry Taylor, Jr., was educated in the public school near his home in Brown township, and at the Tuscarora Academy, in Juniata county, Pa., under the care of Prof. Wilson. His school days over, he continued to reside on the farm with his parents until he attained the age of twenty-five. His life-long business has been the cultivation of the ground. For many years he was engaged in farming the homestead; but in 1884, he bought from J. Ferren Mann the land which had been the Norris homestead, upon which he now resides. He is a skillful farmer, and has been very successful, but has now retired from active business, and is enjoying his laboriously earned and well-merited repose. He adheres to the Republican party, and is always interested in







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the political affairs of his neighborhood. Mr. Taylor is a liberal and public-spirited gentleman, willingly co-operating with his fellow citizens in any laudable measure.

Henry Taylor was married, October 8, 1850, to Priscilla Ann Kyle, daughter of Joseph and Janet (McFarlane) Kyle. Their children are: William Henry, married Rhoda Henry, has three children; Joseph Charles, married Lula Spear, has three children, and the family reside at Albany, Shackelford county, Tex.; and James, married Elizabeth Taylor, and has three children. Mrs. Priscilla Ann Taylor died January 31, 1869, aged about forty-five years. Mr. Taylor married again, January 15, 1874; his second wife was Mary A. Johnson, widow of James Johnson, of Centre county, Pa.; by this marriage there is one child, George D., born February 21, 1875. Mr. Taylor and his family are members of the Presbyterian church at Reedsville.

WILLIAM HENRY TAYLOR, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the Taylor homestead, now occupied by his brother James, September 29, 1851. He is a son of Henry and Priscilla A. (Kyle) Taylor, and is descended from Robert Taylor, whose five sons, Henry, William, Robert, John and Matthew, settled upon the land taken up by their father in 1754. The youngest of that family, Matthew, was a great-grandfather of William H. Taylor. He married a widow, Sarah (Sample) Mayes, and their children were: Robert; John; Henry; and Sample. Of these sons, Henry was three times married; first to Ann McNitt, then to Rosanna McFarlane, whose two sons died very young, and she did not long survive them; and the third time to Priscilla Turbett. One of the six children of the third marriage was Henry, the father of William H. Taylor.

The education of William Henry Taylor was begun in the common schools, further carried on for one year at the Kishacoquillas Seminary, and finished at the Airy View Academy, Port Royal, Juniata county, under Prof. Wilson. After returning to his home, Mr. Taylor taught for some time at the Cedar Hill school house. This engagement ended, he spent a short time at home on his father's farm, and then turned his attention to mercantile pursuits, soon establishing a thriving trade at Reedsville. But confinement to the store

began to make serious inroads upon his constitution, and he was obliged to give up this business, and seek active, open air employment. This he found in farm life; in 1879, he took up his residence upon the place which has ever since been his home, and which he has materially improved during his occupancy. The large and convenient house in which his family resides was built by himself; and many improvements have been introduced which make the place compare favorably with the finest farms in the Kishacoquillas valley. His intelligence, sound judgment and honorable character make him influential for good in the community. He is always warmly and actively interested in any scheme for the advancement of his township or county; he was, for instance, largely instrumental in the establishment of the Reedsville National Bank, was made one of its first directors, and has served ever since in the same capacity. In 1890, he was the Republican nominee for county commissioner; he was elected by a substantial majority, which was increased when, having served three years, Mr. Taylor became a candidate for re-election to that office.

William Henry Taylor was married December 16, 1875, to Rhoda G., daughter of the Hon. John and Rhoda (Taylor) Henry. Their children are: Ralph H., born February 15, 1879; Kyle McFarlane, born February 26, 1885; and Esther Priscilla, born January 15, 1888. Mr. Taylor and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church at Reedsville, and to its enterprises he is always ready cheerfully to give his assistance.

Mrs. Taylor's parents had a family of thirteen children, one of whom, William, died in early childhood; the others all grew to adult age. They were as follows: James Beatty, married Jennie Thompson, of Martha Furnace, Centre county; Samuel W. T.; John, married Rebecca L. Garver; Francis; William; Davis, married Rebecca Gilliland; Robert P.; Joseph Reed; Elizabeth, wife of Gen. John P. Taylor; Nancy Jane (Mrs. John R. Garver); Mary Taylor (Mrs. William B. Kyle); and Rhoda G. (Mrs. W. H. Taylor). Judge Henry died on the day when he completed his eightieth year; his good wife died five months later, aged sixty-four. All their children are deceased but two sons and three daughters. Some of the family died

far from home, but their remains were sent home, and all interred in the family lot in East Kishacoquillas Cemetery.

WILLIAM WILSON FLEMING, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., son of William McEwen and Sarah Craig (Wilson) Fleming, was born at Cedar Hill, in Brown township, Mifflin county, April 28, 1842. The family is descended from Robert Fleming, of Campbelltown, Scotland, who came to America with his sons, John, James and Robert, early in the last century. In April, 1762, John Fleming married Mary Fleming, and in 1765, he removed from Oxford township, Chester county, Pa., to Cedar Hill, Brown township, where he took out warrants for some 300 acres of land, which he cleared and cultivated. Here he raised his children, who were as follows: Margaret; Jean; James; David; and John. He served in the Continental army throughout the whole of the Revolution, and lived to see the country he had helped to make free and independent, well through her earliest struggles, and holding a position of high honor among the nations. Seven Presidential administrations were past, and a part of the eighth, when John Fleming died, in 1820, at the patriarchal age of eighty-six. His youngest son, John Fleming, Jr., married Mary McEwen; their family consisted of the following children: Henry, born March 16, 1806; John, born April 17, 1807; Elizabeth, born October 20, 1808; Mary Ann, born February 1, 1810; Jean, born December 30, 1811; William McEwen, born August 17, 1813; Sarah, born March 6, 1815; John Fleming, Jr., died at Lewistown, Pa., October 24, 1832, of heart failure, at the age of fifty-nine.

His youngest son, William McEwen Fleming, passed his boyhood and early manhood on the Fleming home-stead, receiving his education in the schools of his neighborhood. The business of his life was the cultivation of that very productive and finely situated farm, which his well-directed efforts brought to a state of superior excellence. Its improvements in the way of construction, buildings, fences, &c., well deserve the name, being convenient and well kept. Mr. Fleming was a man of influence in his township; his character and intelligence caused his advice and co-operation in local affairs to be valued. In 1851, he was elected director of the poor, on the Democratic

ticket. He was a consistent member of the Presbyterian church. His marriage with Sarah Craig Wilson took place May 18, 1841. Their children are: William Wilson; Anna Mary, born March 6, 1844, died March 19, 1888; Sarah Jane, born June 14, 1846; married Henry Fleming, and has seven children, resides at Ayr, Neb.; John, born November 26, 1848, died November 26, 1859. Mrs. William McE. Fleming died December 20, 1848, aged twenty-eight; her husband survived her many years, dying April 17, 1893, at the age of seventy-nine years and eight months. Rev. John Fleming, one of his elder brothers, was a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, was ordained in the Presbyterian church, and served for many years as a missionary. He spent the later years of his life at Hastings, Neb., and during his residence there had the title of Doctor of Divinity conferred upon him.

The eldest son of W. McE. Fleming, William W. Fleming, attended the common schools until he reached the age of seventeen, when he entered the Kishacoquillas Seminary, and took a literary course of several years' duration; this curriculum was supplemented by a course of study at Duff's Business College, Pittsburg, Pa. Mr. Fleming then took charge of the home farm for his father, and after the death of the latter, succeeded him in its possession. He continued to reside there until March, 1895, when he removed to Reedsville. He is now in partnership with his son in the sale of agricultural implements, and resides in a pleasant and convenient cottage of modern style. Mr. Fleming has always been an active and enterprising man, not only energetic in the pursuit of his own business, but also interested in the welfare of the community, and servicable to the best of his ability. He is a staunch Democrat.

William Wilson Fleming was married December 9, 1869, to Almecia, daughter of James and Barbara (Miller) Davidson. Their children are: William McEwen, born August 25, 1870; Eleanor Barbara, born October 5, 1871; Guy Davidson, born June 8, 1873, married November 10, 1896, to Winona Mayes, of Altoona, Pa.; Henry Wilson, born August 4, 1874, married to Mary E. Rice, of Reedsville, Pa., October 12, 1896; James Craig, born March 12, 1881; and Ray Pettit, born February 13, 1885. Mr. and Mrs. Flem-

ing are members of the Presbyterian church at Reedsville. The parents of Mrs. Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. Davidson, were natives of Canada; they were married November 12, 1848, and removed in 1850 to Lee county, Ill. They had five children. Mrs. Davidson died October 5, 1860, aged about thirty-six years. Mr. Davidson died at the age of sixty-one, January 4, 1887.

DAVIS HENRY, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., son of John and Rhoda (Taylor) Henry, was born on the Henry homestead. William Henry, his grandfather, who was Irish by birth, came to this country, and after residing for several years in Lancaster county, removed to Armagh township, Mifflin county, and in a few years more made his final removal to Brown township, near Cedar Hill. His wife, with whom he had been acquainted from childhood in the home land, crossed the sea in the same vessel with him, but they were not married until after their arrival in America. They had six or seven children. One of their sons, William Henry, Jr., made for himself a memorable record in the war of 1812. He was one of the volunteers from Pennsylvania in the United States naval service, and was on board Commodore Perry's fleet. In the noted combat on Lake Erie, September 10, 1813, remembered as "Perry's victory," young Henry's conduct was such as to win for him the award of a medal for "gallant and meritorious services," from the Pennsylvania legislature, in session November 19, 1819, during the administration of Gov. William Findley. The brave young marine had been married but one year when he died, in 1825 or '26; the medal is now a prized relic in the family. The elder William Henry and his wife lived to an advanced age; the former died in 1822, the latter in 1828.

Their son John, father of Davis Henry, was born in Lancaster county, Pa., in November, 1787. During the residence of the family successively in Armagh and in Brown townships, he received his education in the common schools of those districts. He was of a thoughtful mind, and obtained a considerable fund of general information. He cultivated his father's farm, residing at home until he was thirty-seven years of age, after which he began farming on his own account, on another place belonging to his father. Industry

and skill in agriculture, combined with uprightness of character, made him a prosperous man. Mr. Henry, who was a Democrat, took a lively interest in local politics. In 1851, he was a candidate for the office of associate judge, but was defeated in the convention, although the popular preference was in his favor. At the suggestion of his friends, Mr. Henry ran for the office on an independent ticket, and was elected by a small majority. Mrs. John Henry was Rhoda, daughter of Samuel W. and Elizabeth (Davis) Taylor. One of their children, William, died aged two years; the others are: James Beatty, who married Jennie E. Thompson; Samuel W. T.; John, married Rebecca L. Garver; Francis; William; Davis; Robert P.; Elizabeth (Mrs. John P. Taylor), who died in consequence of an accident in Philadelphia; Joseph R.; Nancy J. (Mrs. John R. Garver); Mary T. (Mrs. William B. Kyle); and Rhoda G. (Mrs. William H. Taylor). Some forty years ago, several of Judge Henry's sons, following the general impulse of the times, went to California; first James Beatty, in 1852; then Samuel in 1854, John in 1855, Francis in 1856, William in 1858, and Davis in 1860. William was taken ill and died in Central America, and Samuel W. T. died in San Francisco; but Joseph, Francis, and James Beatty returned, and passed the remainder of their lives at home. Robert P. Henry died in Philadelphia. The declining years of Judge Henry and his excellent wife were spent in well-merited comfort and leisure; he died in 1867, being just one day less than eighty years of age. Mrs. Henry soon followed, aged about sixty-three.

During his boyhood, Davis Henry attended the common schools of Brown township. While still a young man, he had charge of his father's farm, and continued in the same occupation from the time of his return from the visit to California, mentioned above, until the year 1891. He afterwards removed to his pleasant home in Reedsville, where he now resides. He is a prominent member of the Patrons of Husbandry.

Davis Henry was married, December 7, 1876, to Rebecca, daughter of John and Margaret (Watt) Gilliland. Their only child was John Foster, who died when he was one year old. Mr. and Mrs. Henry are members of the Reedsville Presbyterian church.

MATTHEW TAYLOR, deceased, was born on the homestead in Brown township, November 17, 1819, son of John and Elizabeth (McManigal) Taylor. He was a grandson of Matthew Taylor, who originally settled on the farm where Matthew B. Taylor now resides, and a great-grandson of the pioneer of the family, Robert Taylor, who in 1754, warranted large tracts of land in Armagh, now Brown township. The other children of Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor are: Sarah Sample (Mrs. James Watts); Rebecca McManigal (Mrs. David Brislin); Margaret Thompson, died aged about two years; Margaret Isabella (Mrs. Oliver Perry Smith); Gen. John P. Taylor; and Elizabeth (Mrs. Samuel McWilliams).

Winters of study in the neighborhood schools, and summers of healthy occupation in farm work, the usual lot of farmers' sons, made up that of Matthew Taylor. He first began farming on his own account on the homestead where his family now resides, having bought the place in partnership with his brother, John P. Taylor; it consisted of 157 acres. Mr. Taylor was a skilful farmer, not only diligent, but thoughtful and sagacious. He was accordingly prosperous. After several years he bought the Johnson farm, containing 130 acres, and later received 190 acres as his share of the father's estate. Mr. Taylor was a man of liberal mind, interested in the affairs of the community, and willing to give substantial support to any enterprise which he judged to be worthy of it. He was also an observer and a thinker on political subjects, his preferences being for the Republican party. On account of impaired health, Mr. Taylor went to Lake City, Minn., where he died July 13, 1866. His remains were interred in the family plot in the East Kishacoquillas cemetery.

Matthew Taylor was married May 10, 1859, to Elizabeth, daughter of Samuel W. and Elizabeth (Davis) Taylor. Their children are: Williamson D.; Elizabeth T. (Mrs. James Taylor), has three children, Henry, William and Charles; and John W. As a husband and father, Mr. Taylor was devoted and exemplary. He was a consistent member of the Presbyterian church.

Williamson D. and John W. Taylor reside upon the homestead with their mother, and manage their father's estate. They have add-

ed to its extent since his death by two purchases, that of the John and Samuel Kyle farm, 120 acres, in 1889, and that of the old Brislin farm, 135 acres, in 1896; making the real estate 700 acres in extent. Their farming operations are among the most extensive in the Kishacoquillas valley; they are active and enterprising men, judicious in their measures, and honorable in their dealings. They are not active in political affairs, but are firm adherents of the Republican party. Each of the children of Matthew Taylor enjoyed the advantages of a full academic education, in the acquirement of which their mother was greatly influential. Mrs. Taylor is a devout and earnest member of the Reedsville Presbyterian church, a woman of generous mind and charitable deeds. The success and high standing of her children is largely attributable to her wise and careful training.

OGLEBY JAMES REED, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the homestead in Brown township, Mifflin county, August 10, 1834. He is a son of Abner and Rhoda (McKinney) Reed. His grandfather, James Reed, came to the Kishacoquillas valley in 1751, accompanied by a half-brother, William Brown. A few years later, they returned to Carlisle, Pa., whence they had come, on account of the frequent disturbances and depredations of the Indians. More peaceful conditions prevailing in the course of a few years more, the young settlers came again to the valley, where on their first visit they had taken out warrants for land, near the place where Reedsville now stands. Here William Brown, later Judge Brown, raised his family, and his descendants are now among the substantial citizens of the valley. James Reed brought with him his wife, Jane (Ogleby) Reed, whom he had married in Carlisle. He, as well as Mr. Brown, built himself a rudely constructed dwelling of logs, and cleared and cultivated part of his land, raising at first simply the necessaries of life. The first child of the Reeds, named James, was the first white child born in the valley. Their family included three daughters and eight sons; the sons were: James; William; Thomas; Andrew; John; Alexander; Joseph; and Abner. James Reed became largely interested in the business enterprises of the valley; its trade at that time was carried on principally

with Baltimore, then the nearest trading point. Mr. Reed, by reason of his success in business, his honorable character, and his intelligence, became a power for good in the community. He took an active part in local improvements, especially in the advancement of the Presbyterian church, of which he was a devoted member. He assisted in the establishment of a congregation in the valley, and built the first Presbyterian house of worship ever erected there. He attained to the venerable age of eighty. The ancestors of Mr. Reed were Scotch-Irish.

His youngest son, Abner Reed, was born in 1787. He was educated in the ordinary schools of the neighborhood, and resided with his father until he had arrived at the age of fifteen years, when his father died. He was all his life engaged in agriculture, and was a worthy and successful farmer. Abner Reed was twice married. His first wife was Miss Henry; their children were: Alexander; Joseph; and Nancy. Mr. Reed's second wife was Rhoda, daughter of John McKinney. Their children are: Nancy M. (Mrs. Abner Thompson); John, married Elizabeth Taylor; Andrew, a graduate of Dartmouth College, practicing law at Lewis-town, Pa.; Ogleby J.; Rebecca J. (Mrs. John Hayes); and Sarah (Mrs. A. B. McNitt).

After attending the common schools during boyhood, Ogleby J. Reed, at the age of twenty-one, studied for one term at the Tuscarora Academy, under Prof. John D. Shumaker. He resided in his parents' home until he was twenty-four years old; he then went to California, sailing from New York City, via Panama and Aspinwall, and reaching San Francisco after an uneventful voyage of twenty-nine days. Here he made his preparations for mining, and at once went to Sacramento City, thence to Nevada City, and thence to Moore's Flat, which was the scene of his activities for two years. After making some toms, for the purpose of prospecting, Mr. Reed took up his abode at Virginia City, where he remained about eleven years, and then went to Pioche, Nev. He stayed there for three years, occupied in mining, then returned for some time to California, mining and prospecting. He next became superintendent of the Senator Mines, in Arizona, and remained in that position for over two years, after which he spent about three years at Tomb-

stone, Ariz. Mr. Reed next went to Mexico, and remained three years, returning to Arizona, and again to Mexico, where he mined with better success than during his first visit. Several years later he went to Denver, Col., and finally, after a wide and varied experience of the vicissitudes and dangers of the mine and camp, he set out for home, arriving there May 15, 1855. In the following year he undertook farming on the old homestead. To this business he has since given his exclusive attention, and has reaped from it substantial rewards. Mr. Reed adheres to the Republican party.

Ogleby James Reed was married to Agnes J., daughter of Robert and Catherine Ann (McNitt) Cummins. Their children are: John Milton; Mary B.; and Anna Cummins. Mr. Reed and his family attend the Presbyterian church.

ROBERT M. TAYLOR, Kishacoquillas, Mifflin county, Pa., son of Samuel W. and Elizabeth (Davis) Taylor, was born January 7, 1821. He is a great-grandson of Robert Taylor, upon whose original tract of about three thousand acres his five sons settled and built up their homes. One of those sons was Henry, the grandfather of Robert M. Taylor. He married Rhoda Williamson, of the Cumberland Valley, Pa. They had children: Robert; Samuel W.; Matthew; Henry; Joseph; David; Mary (Mrs. McKinney); Ann (Mrs. Alexander); Jane (Mrs. McNitt); and Rhoda (Mrs. Cooper). The second of this family, Samuel W. Taylor, was born November 6, 1778. He attended the schools of his township, and afterwards learned the trade of fuller in his father's mill, commonly known as Taylor's Woolen Mills. But he only pursued this calling until he was married; from that time he gave his exclusive attention to farming, so long as his years of strength and activity lasted. Samuel W. Taylor was married about 1802, to Elizabeth Davis, born April 12, 1780, daughter of John Davis, whose wife's family name was Foster. Their children are: Rhoda (Mrs. John Henry), born November 16, 1804; Catherine (Mrs. Francis McClure), born October 10, 1806; Henry P., born February 19, 1809; John D., born November 17, 1811; Samuel W., born February 25, 1816; James L., born June 19, 1818; Robert M.; and Elizabeth Jane (Mrs. Matthew

Taylor), born January 9, 1823. The father, Samuel W. Taylor, Sr., died at the age of eighty-three or eighty-four; his wife lived to complete her eightieth year.

Robert M. Taylor received the education afforded by the school of his native township, then Armagh, but at present Union township. Until he reached the age of eighteen, he gave his whole attention to the business of his father's farm, on which he was a diligent assistant. At that age he began dealing in horses and cattle, and studying the subject carefully, he soon learned to form so sound and reliable a judgment in the matter of live stock as to make his traffic a very thriving one. He became an extensive dealer, and during the war of the Rebellion, furnished a large number of horses to the Government. In 1851 Mr. Taylor bought a farm situated on the turnpike in Union township, and containing about 200 acres; after cultivating this place successfully for about ten years, he removed to the tract where he now resides, and in 1862 built his large and convenient dwelling. Mr. Taylor is a sagacious and attentive business man; he so manages his farms as to keep them always in a high state of excellence; his success is the outcome of these qualities, and of his fair and upright dealings. He has always been interested in local political affairs, and is a Democrat in his convictions. In 1880 he was elected a director of the poor of Mifflin county, and re-elected in 1884; his term of office was characterized by efficient and faithful service. He has served in several township offices, and has been for several terms a member of the school board. He is public-spirited, and a promoter of the welfare and advancement of his neighborhood.

Robert M. Taylor was married February 6, 1850, to Mary W., daughter of Henry and Jane (McDowell) Taylor. Three of their children died very young; the only survivor is Henry Foster Taylor, who married Rhoda H. McNitt, and has one child, Mabel Cummins. Mrs. Robert M. Taylor died June 15, 1869, at about thirty-seven years of age; she was a consistent, excellent Christian woman, kind and charitable, and much beloved. Mr. Taylor attends the Presbyterian church, and is a willing contributor to its work.

GEORGE W. BURNS Roadville, Mifflin county, Pa., is a son of Jacob and Mary (Hook)

Burns, and was born in Union county, April 5, 1830. His paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Burns, came from Scotland with one son and two daughters, landing in Philadelphia, and proceeding to Harrisburg, where they settled and passed the remainder of their lives on Duncan's Island. The elder Jacob Burns died in 1809, leaving a family of four children: Peter; Mary; Margaret; and Jacob, Jr. After receiving a common school education, Jacob Burns, Jr., learned the business of blacksmithing. This trade continued to be his occupation for the greater part of his life. His wife, Mary, is a daughter of Jacob and Sarah Hook, who were of German descent. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Burns are: Eliza Ann, died when three years old; George W.; Henry, living at Cleveland, O.; Tena (Mrs. Adam Greer), has three children; William Jackson, married Mary Bell, has five children; Elijah Harrison, married and has two children; Elizabeth; and Maria (Mrs. Edward Ritter), has four children.

The removal of the family to Brown township, Mifflin county, took place when George W. Burns was ten years old. Here for some years he attended the common schools during their winter terms, and manfully lent his boyish strength to the assistance of his parents by working for the neighboring farmers. He resided with his father and mother until he married, having in the meantime acquired the art of stonemasonry. He has worked at that trade with more or less regularity throughout life. Forty-one years ago, in 1856, he was appointed sexton of the East Kishacoquillas Cemetery, and on March 17, of that year, removed to the sexton's house, in which he now resides. During the period of his engagement as sexton, Mr. Burns has interred in the cemetery more than three hundred bodies. During the war of the Rebellion Mr. Burns enlisted in Company D, Eighty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Capt. James P. Meade. He was mustered out January 30, 1865. He is a member in good standing of Colonel Hulings Post, No. 176, G. A. R., at Lewistown, Pa. He is a Democrat, and is much interested in local politics. He has served one term of three years as constable. In 1893 he purchased a small homestead in the neighborhood of Henry Taylor's, near the big spring, on

Tea creek, which he has since improved and rented to a tenant. Mr. Burns long and uninterrupted term of service at the cemetery speaks plainly for his faithfulness and popularity.

George W. Burns was married, November 29, 1853, to Mary Ann, daughter of John and Mary Ann (Everhardt) Hackett. Their children are: William J.; Margaret M. (Mrs. Robert Miller); James H., of McCook's, Neb., married, and has two children; Nancy Jane, at home; Anna Elizabeth (Mrs. Henry Wikes), resides in Altoona. Mrs. Burns died April 26, 1883, at the age of fifty years.

WILLIAM B. KYLE, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., son of Joseph and Elizabeth (Barr) Kyle, was born on the homestead in Brown township, July 14, 1846. His great-grandfather, John Kyle, was an early settler in Pennsylvania, an immigrant from the town of Lorradenmore, in the south of Ireland. On arriving in America, he came directly to Pennsylvania, and traveled on horseback with his wife and child to the Kishacoquillas valley. He built a cabin, and located some four hundred acres of land, afterward divided between his two sons. This tract is in Brown township. John Kyle was married to Miss Crawford. They had three children; Margaret (Mrs. Hamilton Kyle); Crawford, who settled in Brown township; and Joseph, whose land lay to the east of his brother's. Crawford Kyle married a widow, Mrs. Ann (Taylor) McNitt. Their children were: Mary, born February 19, 1800; Jane, born July 25, 1801; John, born April 19, 1803; Joseph, born in January, 1805, died in early life; Rhoda, born April 22, 1809; Margaret, born February 1, 1812; Samuel, born August 4, 1814; Joseph, born January 12, 1816; James, born October 24, 1818; Jean, who died very young, as did also Rhoda, Samuel and Jane. Mrs. Ann (Taylor) Kyle died, and Mr. Kyle married Jane (McElhenny) Black. The only child of this marriage was Matilda, who married James Wilson. Mr. Crawford Kyle, who was born in 1774, died March 8, 1842, at the age of sixty-eight. His son, Joseph Kyle, after receiving such education as was afforded by the subscription schools of the township, resided continuously on the homestead. After his father's death he became its sole possessor by paying for the

shares of his co-heirs. Joseph Kyle, on April 17, 1843, married Elizabeth, daughter of William and Jane (Davis) Barr. Their children are: Crawford, born March 13, 1844, died August 12, 1845; William Barr; Allen Taylor, born August 26, 1848, married Elizabeth Reed Mitchell; and Jennie Elizabeth, wife of Rev. John C. Oliver, of Larrobe, Pa.

The education of William Barr Kyle was carried on in the common schools of the township in which he lived, in the Kishacoquillas Seminary, which he entered when he was fifteen, and attended for three terms, and at Tuscarora Academy, Academia, Pa., under that excellent teacher, the lamented Dr. J. H. Shumaker. This course completed, he remained at home until his marriage, when he began farming on his own account on the old Norris farm, which his father had purchased. Six years later he removed to the homestead, which he bought after the death of his brother, and still resides on the same fine and productive farm. His success has proved him a skillful and judicious agriculturist. Interested in the progress of that noble and important calling, he is an active member of the Patrons of Husbandry. He is a willing co-operator in any scheme for social or political improvement; is an adherent of the Democratic party.

William Barr Kyle was married December 19, 1876, to Mary Taylor, daughter of John and Rhoda (Taylor) Henry. They have had three children: one that died very young; Rhoda Taylor, born January 13, 1883; and Joseph Reed, born April 2, 1885. Mr. and Mrs. Kyle are members of the Presbyterian church at Reedsville.

McFARLANE KYLE, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the homestead in Brown township, April 10, 1852, son of Crawford and Sarah (Brisbin) Kyle. He is a descendant of the sturdy, courageous old Irish pioneer, John Kyle, of Lorradenmore, who came to the sylvan land of Penn before it was a State, bringing his wife and child on horseback into the wilds of the Juniata valley. Her family name was Crawford. Here they settled in a cabin of Mr. Kyle's own construction, in the Kishacoquillas valley, and here they raised their three children: Margaret; Crawford; and Joseph. Margaret became Mrs. Hamilton Kyle. Four hundred

acres of land which Mr. Kyle had warranted in what, many years later, was to be Brown township, were divided between the brothers. Joseph's homestead was the eastern tract. Joseph Kyle was born in 1781. He married Mary, daughter of John Brislin, of Centre county, Pa. Both their children are deceased: Samuel, born in 1812; and John, born in 1813. Mrs. Mary (Brislin) Kyle dying, Joseph Kyle married Jeannette McFarlane, of Armagh township, Mifflin county. Their children are: Mary (Mrs. John Thompson); James; Crawford; Elizabeth R. (Mrs. George McDowell); Margaret (Mrs. William McFarlane); Priscilla (Mrs. Henry Taylor); Joseph, married Mary E. Davis, resides on the homestead; and Charles, married Ann Campbell, resides in Clinton county, Pa. As life advanced, and the successful, because intelligent and sagacious, farmer became more widely and thoroughly known, his talents were in demand for public services of increasing importance and responsibility. He served in township and in county offices. He represented his county in the legislature of the State, and on February 25, 1843, he was commissioned as associate judge of Mifflin county. His upright character and consistency as a member of the Presbyterian church were well known; he served the church faithfully in various capacities, and for many years exercised the grave and important office of elder.

Crawford Kyle, second son of Judge Kyle, was born on the homestead, now the property of Joseph Kyle, February 12, 1821. His youth was passed in attendance at the common schools and in becoming practically acquainted with agriculture on his father's farm. He inherited from his father some 230 acres in Brown township, upon which he resided for many years before his death. His dwelling, a convenient and substantial house, was built in 1845. Mr. Kyle was held in high esteem for his personal good qualities and consistent character. He was a Democrat by conviction, but by no means an active politician, nor an aspirant to office. Crawford Kyle was married in 1844 to Sarah, daughter of James Brislin. Their children are: Elizabeth (Mrs. Wilson); McNitt; and McFarlane. Mrs. Sarah (Brislin) Kyle dying in 1858, Mr. Kyle married in 1859 Mary E., daughter of John Kyle. Their children are: Sallie; and

June. Mr. Kyle was a member of the Presbyterian church at Reedsville. He died May 5, 1895, at the age of seventy-four.

McFarlane Kyle, after receiving his elementary education in the public schools, entered the Airy View Academy, Port Royal, Amiata county, Pa., Professor Wilson, principal, at the age of eighteen. He was a student there for one year and a half. On his return home he turned his attention to farming, and has ever since cultivated the homestead, to which he succeeded as owner on the death of his father. He is an active and progressive man, genial and kindly in his address and very highly esteemed. McFarlane Kyle was married December 14, 1876, to Nancy J., daughter of Charles and Sarah (Conley) Naginey. Their children are: Bertha N.; and Sarah Brislin. Mr. Kyle, like his father, is a Democrat, but not desirous of public responsibilities. He and Mrs. Kyle are members of the Presbyterian church.

The children of Charles and Sarah C. Naginey, besides Mrs. Kyle, are as follows: Two who died very young; Annie, died at the age of twenty-three; Mollie, died aged thirty-two years; James C., married Mary Cochran; Sarah Margaret (Mrs. Robert Thompson). Mr. Naginey was a worthy and useful citizen, exemplary and consistent in his conduct. He served as elder in the Presbyterian church for over thirty-five years.

THE MILLIKEN FAMILY OF MIFFLIN COUNTY, PA.—From data in the possession of various members of this family, the name of Milliken can be traced to Saxon origin as far back as the thirteenth century. If we may rely on well-authenticated tradition and imperfect church records, the name is of even earlier date, as following the conquests of that most warlike branch of the Teutonic race, into France, thence to England, Scotland and the north of Ireland. An old history of Renfrewshire, Scotland, makes considerable mention of the Milliken family, their residence, called "Milliken Place," and the estate, called "Milliken Barony." Unfortunately many valuable records, relating to the early history of this family, were destroyed with "Milliken Place" by fire in the last century; the estate was shortly afterwards vested by inheritance in Sir Robert John Milliken Napier, of Milliken, a great

great-grandson of Maj. James Milliken, founder of the Milliken estate in Scotland. About the beginning of the seventeenth century Robert John Milliken, a younger son of Maj. James Milliken, founder of the Scottish estate of that name, removed from Scotland to the north of Ireland, where he purchased an estate near Dromore, Comity Down. To him, among other children, was born a son, James, who married Elizabeth Davis, and in 1772, when quite old, removed to America and settled on the Conewago, not far from the present city of Harrisburg. He soon after died, leaving issue, one son and four daughters. Samuel, only son of James Milliken last above mentioned, was born on his father's estate near Dromore, Ireland, in 1746. He preceded his father, coming to America in 1763, and was the founder of the Milliken name in Eastern Pennsylvania. He settled on the Schuylkill river, near Philadelphia, and being imbued with the mercantile spirit of that day, engaged in the manufacture and sale of linen. In the course of his business he made many trips to Ireland, and on returning from one of these trips, was accompanied to America by his father, James Milliken, above-mentioned.

Soon after the death of his father, Samuel Milliken, with others who had been friends and acquaintances in Ireland, removed to and located a colony in what is now Brown township, Mifflin county, Pa., in the beautiful and fertile Kishaequillas valley. This valley was then occupied by Indians, but this early band of settlers, with the very few who had preceded them, soon taught the "sons of the forest," that though they came in peace and desired to live in amity with their red neighbors, they could and would defend their lives and homes from Indian assault and depredation. Samuel Milliken and his associates were "sons of the Kirk," rigid Scotch-Irish Presbyterians, and this early settlement did much towards determining the religious character of the valley, for, early in the history of the settlement, a Presbyterian congregation was formed, and although they continued long without the services of a regular pastor, a log church was erected near the present site of the East Kishaequillas Cemetery, on the hills above the present village, and for many years the settlers of the entire valley worshipped in this primitive edifice. Samuel Mil-

iken assisted very materially in the formation of this congregation and in the erection of their church, and the name has ever since been continuously kept by his descendants on the records of the congregation then formed.

Here Samuel Milliken became a farmer, and located a large tract of land, a part of which, the old homestead, has never passed from the name. One of the most conspicuous peaks in the ranges of mountains enclosing the beautiful valley bears his name, and a beautiful spring near its base is called "Milliken's Spring," in commemoration of the heroic action of his wife in gathering together and leading to this spot in the mountains, in the absence of her husband, a band of neighbors to rescue a woman, who, unable, to keep up with her party while crossing the mountains, was deserted by them near the spring when they were pursued by Indians. From letters written by him, it appears that Samuel Milliken served for a term in the war for independence. But he was soon recalled, with others from this settlement, to defend his frontier home from threatened Indian incursion. Authentic family history narrates that he afterward, with some of his neighbors, contributed largely to the purchase of stores of provisions and clothing for free distribution in the patriot army, and that many such solid tokens of patriotism they delivered to Washington's army when encamped at Valley Forge and in and around Philadelphia, over a trail through a forest infested with Indians.

In January, 1775, Samuel Milliken married Miss Margaret Foster, of Lancaster county, Pa. She is described by the family chronicler as a woman of high Christian character, and a willing helpmate to her pioneer husband. Her maiden name, Foster, has ever been kept in the family, by giving it, as a surname, to some member of each generation of her descendants occupying the old homestead. To this marriage six sons and five daughters were born as follows:

1. James, born January 19, 1776, married Miss Ann Cunningham, of Chester county, Pa. He was the senior member of the mercantile and banking firm of J. & J. Milliken, of Lewistown, Pa., a firm well known in its time throughout the State. He served several terms in the legislature, was frequently called to positions of public trust by the electors of

his county, and took no small part in the early development of the resources of his county. He had issue: Two sons and three daughters. i. Samuel, who married Mary E. Potter, of Alexandria, Pa., now deceased; ii. Allen C. graduated from Princeton College in 1846, and shortly after died; iii. Mary, now residing in Levistown, Pa; iv. Margaret, died young; and v. Anna, married Judge Amory D. Potter, of Toledo, O., and is now deceased.

II. Samuel, second son of Samuel, first of the Millikens in Mifflin county, died young, and without issue.

III. David, married Miss Steely, of Kishacoquillas valley. He served with General Scott in the Mexican war, and rose to the command of a regiment. He left no issue.

IV. Robert, born March 14, 1793; married first Ann McNitt, of Kishacoquillas valley; second, Sarah B. Johnston, daughter of the first Presbyterian pastor in Kishacoquillas valley, and third, Mrs. Rebecca Long, of Beaver, Pa. He was a farmer, and to him the old homestead descended. He, like his father, was a typical Presbyterian, of the Scotch-Irish race, and early in life was elected a ruling elder in the congregation his father had assisted in forming, now known as the East Kishacoquillas Presbyterian church. He continued an active member and elder in the same throughout his long life. His church was always near his heart, and he was looked upon and respected as the general arbitrator of disputes among his neighbors. He had issue, thirteen children, as follows: i. Margaret Jane, born October 11, 1814, married Robert M. Campbell, a prominent citizen and farmer of Kishacoquillas valley, and died May 20, 1845; ii. Samuel, born November 16, 1816, married M. Thompson, of Milroy, Pa., and second, Maria C. Goheen, of Centre county. Early in life he removed to the State of Illinois, and later to Missouri, where he recently died; iii. Robert McNitt, born November 25, 1816, married Miss Mary J. Barr, of the well-known Kishacoquillas valley family of that name, and removed to Illinois, where he recently died; iv. Mary, born October 22, 1820, married Rev. John E. Alexander, a Presbyterian minister, she is now deceased; v. Ann, born December 1, 1822, and died young; vi. Catharine, born November 21, 1824, died young; vii. Barbara, born December 30, 1826, died young; viii. Matilda, born De-

ember 10, 1828, married R. H. Alexander, and is now deceased; ix. David Foster, born February 9, 1831, married Sarah J. Garver, a member of an old and highly respected Kishacoquillas family, and died January 18, 1878, at the old Milliken homestead, where his widow and several members of his family now reside. He was an intelligent and industrious farmer, and to him the old homestead descended, and remained his home during his entire life. Early in life he connected himself with the East Kishacoquillas church, and remained a steadfast supporter of the same. He held pronounced anti-slavery views, and in the dark days preceding the Civil war, was frequently assailed on account of the same. At the outbreak of the late war he was rejected as a volunteer on account of physical infirmities, yet procured and sent a substitute to the front. When Lee invaded Pennsylvania, he was one of the first to offer his services to the State to assist in repulsing the rebel advance. He had seven children: Allen Robert, who died in early infancy; Ammie Elizabeth, who died in early womanhood; Clarence Garver, a leading and enterprising farmer, now residing on the old homestead, who has twice been called by the electors of his county to fill the office of director of the poor, and is well-known and highly esteemed in the county at large; John Foster, a successful attorney-at-law, residing in Pittsburg, Pa.; Samuel McWilliams, a merchant of Denver, Col.; Jennie Leply, who died young, and Sarah Maud, now residing on the old homestead. The other children of Robert Milliken were: x. Elizabeth A., born July 21, 1823, married Joseph N. Sproat, and resides at Lore City, O.; xi. Sarah W., born October 19, 1835, married Wm. S. Wilson, is now deceased. To the second marriage of Robert Milliken were born, xii. James Johnston, who now resides in Arizona, and xiii. Margaret J., who died young.

V. Foster was the fifth son of Samuel Milliken. He married Nancy Thompson, a daughter of a well-known valley family of that name, and died March 31, 1851. He was a general merchant at Milroy, Pa., afterwards an iron manufacturer, and was one of the early sheriffs of Mifflin county. He left issue, three sons and one daughter: i. Samuel, now a prominent iron merchant in New York City, residing at Plainfield, N. J.; ii. Moses T., a

prominent member of the iron manufacturing firm of Valentines, at Bellefonte, Pa., is deceased; iii. James, a business man, of State-wide reputation. He has been a great traveler and is an accomplished self-taught scholar. He now resides in New York City; iv. Marion, now residing in Bellefonte, Pa.

VI. Joseph, sixth son of Samuel Milliken, was a member of the firm of J. & J. Milliken, bankers and merchants of Lewistown, Pa., and was well known and respected throughout a long business career. He married Elizabeth Patton in 1822, and had issue, four sons and seven daughters: i. William P., a prominent merchant of Lake City, Minn.; ii. Rev. Samuel J., a Presbyterian minister, residing at Titusville, N. J.; iii. Joseph, a physician, now deceased; iv. James Foster, who died young; v. Margaretta, who married D. W. Woods, Esq., an eminent lawyer of Lewistown, Pa. She is now deceased; vi. Phoebe A., married Rev. Mr. Ungest. She and her husband were missionaries at Guntour, India, where she died a few years ago; vii. Elizabeth, married Maj. R. W. Patton, and resides at Lewistown, Pa; viii. Maria, married first John Dennison, and second Col. Robert McMurtrie. She is now deceased; ix. Mary E., married first Gates Meyers, and second William Russell, a prominent banker of Lewistown, Pa; x. Emily J., married John N. Dewees, for a long time State Geologist, she resides at Hollidaysburg, Pa.; xi. Sarah L., married Joseph Hemphill, and resides in Hollidaysburg, Pa.

VII. Barbara, seventh child of Samuel Milliken, married James Whitehill, of Clarion county, Pa., and is deceased.

VIII. Jane, married John Cooper, of Blair county, is deceased.

IX. Elizabeth, the ninth child, died young.

JOHN HENRY, Kishacoquillas, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the homestead in Brown township, near the head of Coffee run, May 24, 1830, son of John and Rhoda (Taylor) Henry. Their family included thirteen sons and daughters.

After laying the foundation of his education in the common schools, John Henry became a pupil at the Tuscarora Academy, in Juniata county, Pa. His course at that institution was suddenly terminated, on the de-

struction of the academy building by fire, after which Mr. Henry returned to his home, and remained there until he reached the age of twenty-two. He then began farming on his own account, on the farm originally owned by his grandfather, William Henry, but continued there only two years, and then cultivated a part of his father's farm until the autumn of 1855; at this time he went to California, to join two of his brothers, James Beatty and Samuel W. T. Henry, who had gone there a year or two before him. After an uneventful voyage to Panama, he crossed the isthmus by rail to Aspinwall, it being only the second trip made in that manner between the two ports. Mr. Henry reached California on Thanksgiving Day, landing at San Francisco, and going at once to Nevada county, where he joined his brothers. In the following spring he took charge of the repairing of a reservoir. After five years of prospecting and of camp life, Mr. Henry returned home, and was there for a year, during which time he sent his brother, Davis Henry, out to California for the benefit of his health, going back to the Pacific coast himself in 1861. He was now made superintendent of the system of reservoirs, in the repairing of which he had formerly been employed. He remained until 1866, and then finally went home, and settled down to cultivate the homestead. Later, his parents bought the tract owned by the pioneer William Henry. Mr. Henry has been a very prosperous farmer, and is now enjoying the comfortable leisure of a life retired from active business. He is a worthy and respected citizen, holding an influential position. In 1878 he was the nominee of the Republican party for county commissioner, and was elected by a large majority. Before being commissioner, Mr. Henry had served one term as auditor of the county.

John Henry was married, January 12, 1870, to Rebecca L., daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Rudy) Garver. Their only child is Rhoda Taylor. Mrs. Henry was born September 8, 1842; she was one of a family of five, the others being as follows: Sarah Jane (Mrs. David Milliken); John Rudy, who married Nancy Jane Henry; Elizabeth Ann (Mrs. John Wilson); and Abraham B., who married Clara Gibboney. The parents are both deceased, Mr. Garver in 1860 and Mrs. Garver on March 17, 1896, at the age of

eighty-six. Mrs. Henry died March 8, 1894. She was a devout and excellent woman, much beloved and respected, kind and charitable to all who needed her good offices. Mr. Henry and his daughter attend the Presbyterian church at Reedsville.

SAMUEL CUMMINS, Barr, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the homestead in Jackson township, Mifflin county, September 24, 1823, son of Robert and Mary (Sterrett) Cummins. The Cummins family is Scotch-Irish by descent. William Cummins, grandfather of Samuel Cummins, came to America during the latter part of the last century, and settled on the banks of Little Chickies creek, in Lancaster county, Pa. The children of William Cummins and his wife Sarah were: James; Robert; Charles; Margaret; William; and David, who died at an early age. William Cummins removed with his family to the Kishacoquillas valley; here he purchased about 364 acres of land, now partly owned by Robert M. Taylor and David Yoder. Mr. Cummins' children were educated in the neighboring schools, and under private tuition, for although there were as yet no schools maintained by the State, Pennsylvania farmers made as complete arrangements for the education of their children as were within their power. Their father conducted a cooper shop, besides the farm, and Robert, who spent many hours in the shop during the winter, became a very expert worker in wood. At one time he made all the plows in use on their own farm and some for his neighbors. After some years the father, having bought a large tract of land in Jackson township, Huntingdon county, Pa., sent Robert to take charge of its management, and upon that farm he spent the remainder of his life. Robert Cummins was a member of the Presbyterian church, and his consistent life and strict integrity, as well as his intelligence and good sense, made him much esteemed among his acquaintances. He was for a number of years elder in the Associate Presbyterian church in Jackson township, Huntingdon county. The wife of Robert Cummins was Mary, daughter of David Sterrett; their children are: Rev. Cyrus, who married Mary Collins; William David, died in early childhood; Samuel, also died young; James, died at the age of thirty-two or thirty-three; Eliza-

both, died aged about twenty-two; Sarah (Mrs. George W. Porter); Samuel (2); Nancy (Mrs. John A. Wilson); Sterrett, married Agnes McNitt; Jane (Mrs. Ebenezer McGill). Robert Cummins died May 27, 1858, aged about seventy-three years; Mrs. Cummins was seventy-one or seventy-two at the time of her death.

The early years of Samuel Cummins were, like those of most farmers' sons, divided between attendance at the common or subscription school in the winter, and healthful and manly, if rather exacting, work on the farm in the summer. All of his active business life was passed in agriculture, that pursuit on which all others depend. He continued farming in Huntingdon county until 1872, when he removed to Brown township, Mifflin county, and was similarly occupied for six years more; since that time, he has led a life of retirement and leisure; he resides in a pleasant and convenient home which he erected for himself in the romantic village of Barrville. He has always been active in local politics, as a member of the Republican party. In 1867, he was nominated for the office of county commissioner of Huntingdon county, and elected by a very complimentary majority. He is liberal in promoting schemes for improvement and for benevolent objects, and in furthering the work of the church.

Samuel Cummins was married, January 22, 1846, to Catherine, daughter of Thomas and Jane (Huston) Smith. Three of their children are deceased: Jeannette, who died September 24, 1862, aged two years, two months and twenty-one days; and Howard, died July 22, 1885, aged twenty-seven years, five months and eight days; and Robert S., who married Amanda, daughter of Hon. William Smith, of Huntingdon county, and died of typhoid pneumonia, January 23, 1897, leaving children, Rhoda, Nora, Ira, Harry and Annie. The others are: Cyrus S., married Elizabeth Hunter, has four children, Margaret Ellen, Jeannette, who died when five years old, Mand, and Cloyd; James, married Emma Campbell, has five children, William Franklin, Arthur Campbell, Catherine Smith, Samuel Howard, and Marion; and John, who is a practicing physician. Mr. and Mrs. Cummins are active members of the Presbyterian church at Belleville.

JONATHAN B. HOOLEY, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., son of John D. and Barbara (Yoder) Hooley, is of German-Swiss ancestry. Andreas Hooley, his great-great-grandfather, came from Switzerland to this country, embarking at Rotterdam, Holland, on the ship Brotherhood, John Thorp, captain, stopping at Cowes, Isle of Wight, and arriving in the port of Philadelphia, Pa., November 3, 1750. Andreas Hooley settled in Lancaster county, Pa., but the place of his settlement is now within the boundaries of Lebanon county. He was accompanied from Switzerland to Philadelphia by his brother, Michael Hooley, but the family does not possess any certain information with regard to the latter from the time of their landing. Andreas Hooley is remembered as a consistent and earnest member of the Amish Mennonite church. Among his sons was John, who is said to have purchased the tract of land in Brown township, Mifflin county, which is now the homestead of the family. The purchase was made of John Culbertson, May 23, 1793, and patented in March, 1798; and in this township John Hooley passed the rest of his life, a hardy, energetic and pious farmer. One of his sons, David Hooley, succeeded to the homestead in 1816. He married, and died comparatively young, being only thirty-six years of age. His children were: Jacob; David; Martha; Elizabeth; Barbara; Mary; and John D., father of Jonathan B. Hooley.

John D. Hooley attended the common schools of the township, and learned farming in the most practical way on the homestead; there he passed his boyhood and early manhood, and to the possession of that home he succeeded, January 22, 1853. To it he brought his wife, Barbara, daughter of David Yoder. Here their four children were born, one of whom died while still very young, and another, Eli, at the age of twelve. The two surviving children are Jonathan B. and Mary. The latter was married, January 13, 1885, to Josiah Peachey, by Bishop Christian K. Peachey. Mr. and Mrs. Peachey have five children: John, born in 1886; Barbara, born in 1887, died in early childhood; Rufus, died July 10, 1889; Molly, born July 25, 1891; and Josiah, born in 1892.

Jonathan B. Hooley was educated in the common schools, and passed all his earlier years in faithful and diligent work on the

home farm, as his father's assistant. He succeeded to the homestead March 30, 1893, and is therefore still the possessor of the inheritance of four generations. He has many friends, and is kindly regarded by all his neighbors and acquaintances, being of genial temperament and manners, with a kind word for every one. His political opinions are those of the Republican party. Jonathan B. Hooley was married, February 17, 1880, by Bishop Christian K. Peachey, to Catharine, daughter of Solomon and Catherine (Hostetter) Peachey. They have one child, Rebecca, born August 31, 1882. Mr. and Mrs. Hooley are consistent members of the Amish Mennonite church. Mrs. Hooley is one of five children of Solomon and Catharine Peachey; the others are: Solomon D., married Kate Speicher, has four children; David S., married Sarah Glick, has two sons; Sarah (Mrs. Moses Zook), has three children; and Rebecca (Mrs. John Glick).

THEODORE HILL CUNNINGHAM, Kishaeoquillas, Mifflin county, Pa., son of Jesse Alexander and Jane Brown (Alexander) Cunningham, was born June 11, 1836, a native of Brown township, Mifflin county. The families on both the paternal and maternal sides may boast of a lineage distinguished far more nobly than by hereditary title or ancestral wealth—a lineage connected with the history of that grand struggle for religious and civil liberty which has been carried on for centuries, in so many forms, and among so many different nations. The ancestors on both sides are Scotch-Irish. An ancestor of the Cunninghams was born in Scotland, and removed to Ireland early in the year 1600. He and his family had suffered much from the persecutions directed against the Presbyterians in Scotland, which continued to rage not only there, but in Ireland, throughout the latter part of the sixteenth and much of the seventeenth century. Tradition tells of the marvelous escape of an ancestor of this family, Mrs. Mary McCurdy, who, like the rest of her family, was a Presbyterian, staunch and true. They were all driven over the cliffs called the "rocks of McGilligan," on the Irish coast, and she alone, buoyed up in some way by her clothing, was not killed by the shock of that terrible leap. When the tide was up at that point, it beat against the rocks;

but when it was low, a strip of sandy beach lay bare. It happened that at this time it was ebb-tide, and Mrs. McCurdy managed to remain alive among the low rocks at the base of the cliffs until, in some way not recorded she escaped from the place. It is said that she subsisted upon sea-birds which she caught in snares.

The Alexander family, maternal ancestors of Mr. Cunningham, were prominent in civil and military affairs during the Revolution. Hugh Alexander emigrated to America in 1736; he married Martha Edmonson, and had children: Margaret; John; Mary; David; and Hugh. Hugh Alexander (2), the son of this pioneer, resided permanently on his tract of 1,100 acres in Shermans valley, now in Perry county, then in Cumberland. When American patriotism was aroused by British oppression, Hugh Alexander (2) consecrated his energies to the cause of freedom. He was elected a member of the Provincial Conference convened on the resolution of Congress recommending a change of the provincial governments; the conference met in Carpenters' Hall, Philadelphia, June 18, 1776. He was also a member of the convention of the State of Pennsylvania, which met in Philadelphia July 15, 1776, and adopted the first free constitution of the State. Hugh Alexander died suddenly in Philadelphia, while attending the Assembly, the first legislature of the infant State under that original Constitution, in March, 1777, as a representative of Cumberland county. (See Pennsylvania Archives, Second Series, vol. 3, pp. 679, 680; Gordon's History of Pennsylvania; and the Alexander Family Record).

John Alexander, son of Hugh Alexander (2), served in General Washington's command in the Continental army. He participated in the capture of the Hessians at Trenton on Christmas, 1776, and was express rider for the commander-in-chief, bearing dispatches to the Assembly. He married Margaret Clark in 1780; their children were: Francis; Hugh; Samuel E.; Thomas C.; Martha; Mary; and John. John Alexander, the father, removed in 1787 to Mifflin county, Pa., and died November 22, 1816. His son, Hugh Alexander (3), grandfather of T. H. Cunningham, was born in Shermans valley in 1781. He was a farmer; a man of steady habits, frank disposition, even temperament, and quiet, but

genial manner. His piety was manly and unaffected. He was for forty years an elder in the Presbyterian church. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Col. Alexander and Jane (Alexander) Brown. Their children are: Fanny Jane Brown (Mrs. Cunningham); John; Elizabeth; Alexander Brown; Mary Ann; Margaret Martha; Elizabeth Brown; Francesca; Francesca Hamilton; and Nancy Thompson, now (1896) living on the old homestead. Hugh Alexander (3) died October 16, 1868.

Colonel Brown, father of Mrs. Hugh Alexander, was a brother of Judge Brown, of Browns Mills, Mifflin county, Pa. He had been a soldier in the "Old French and Indian War," and had taken part in the memorable expedition against Quebec, and the Canadian campaign of 1776; he commanded in the Sixth Battalion of Pennsylvania Militia, January 9, 1776; in the Fifth Battalion, July 31, 1777; also commanded in the Eighth Battalion, May 10, 1780; was in many battles of the Revolution. (See Pennsylvania Archives, second series, volume X, page 177; volume XIV, pp. 405, 430, 446; and volume XV, p. 446; also the Alexander family records.) After serving throughout the war, Colonel Brown located 600 acres in the Kishacoquillas valley, on which tract is the celebrated spring where Logan, the Indian chief, met Judge William Brown with gun upturned, ready for either peace or war. By mutual consent, there was peace between them, and they became fast friends. This story is corroborated by Judge Maclay and by Elizabeth Brown Alexander, niece of Judge Brown, to both of whom he had often related it. The land chosen by Colonel Brown was divided among his three daughters, Elizabeth Alexander receiving as her share the tract upon which was the historic spring. (See Day's Historical Collections of Pennsylvania. The stream of water spoken of in Day's History has been sunk, so as not to destroy a field now (1897) occupied by John R. Garver).

William Cunningham, grandfather of Theodore H. Cunningham, was born in Ballymona, Ireland, May 6, 1767. His father and mother both died while he was young, and he was left to the care of an aunt who kept a linen store. William was for most of the time employed in the store, and in the fairs which

were then, and still are, the principal marts for the exchange of this class of merchandise. He had a brother who was in the British army in India, and who, when his term of service had expired, took up his residence in retirement at Ayr, Scotland, the home of the poet Burns. William Cunningham came to America in 1790, and settled in Chester county, Pa., where he married Mary Hill, whose parents and brother removed to Marietta, O. William Cunningham and his wife removed to the Kishacoquillas valley, where for several years he was engaged in farming. In 1814, he removed with his family to a farm above Lewistown, where he died, and was buried in the Presbyterian cemetery at Lewistown. The children of William and Mary (Hill) Cunningham are: John William; Jesse Alexander; Mary Catherine; and Margaret.

Jesse Alexander Cunningham settled in Reedsville, Pa., and was engaged in cabinet-making. In 1831, he removed to Kishacoquillas, Pa., and continued in the same business until his death by apoplexy, March 29, 1850. True to the martial spirit of his "forebears," Jesse A. Cunningham was active in military affairs. On April 10, 1830, he organized the volunteer company called the "Kishacoquillas Blues," composed of many of the most prominent citizens of the valley. The company was noted for its fine appearance and superior drill. Captain Cunningham was married November 8, 1831, to Jane Brown, daughter of Hugh and Elizabeth (Brown) Alexander. Their children are: Elizabeth Brown; Mary; Theodore Hill; Mary Margaret; and John. The father was not only a skilled mechanic and a diligent man of business, but he was also known to be of strict integrity, pure and upright in his life. Constant to the faith as well as to the character of those whose blood ran in his veins, he was of the Presbyterian denomination. His politics were Democratic.

His elder son, Theodore H. Cunningham, after attending the Tuscarora Academy, worked for two years on the farm, and then, in 1854, went to Philadelphia. He was employed in the Mercantile Bureau for one year, and then returned to his studies, this time at the Kishacoquillas Seminary. He was afterwards employed in Philadelphia until 1861; for the ensuing four years he was clerk in the War Department, at Washington, D.

C., under Secretary E. M. Stanton. In Philadelphia again, he was in the wholesale trade for seven years, and then, in 1872, went to Osborne county, Kas. There Mr. Cunningham had a varied and no doubt interesting experience of "wild western" life. He was engaged in the buffalo robe and fur trade; the *modus operandi* was, to go with teams to the hunting grounds of Wyoming, Colorado, Texas and New Mexico, hunt the buffaloes and other fur-bearing animals, collect the pelts and take them to the Indian villages to be dressed for the market. Nine years passed in this life on the plains, after which Mr. Cunningham returned to Philadelphia, and engaged once more in the wholesale trade, with which he is still occupied (1897).

During his residence in Washington, D. C., Theodore Hill Cunningham was married, December 1, 1863, to Harriet Josephine, daughter of M. H. and Mary (Sands) Letton, of that city. They attend the Presbyterian church at Reedsville, Pa. Like his father, he adheres to the Democratic party.

HENRY CLEMENS, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born March 30, 1817, in the village of Rombach, near Wiesbaden, Nassau, Germany, and is the son of Henry and Catherine (Kaltwasser) Clemens. Their only other child is Catherine (Mrs. Philip Klee). After receiving his education in the common schools of his native land, at the age of fourteen, Henry began to learn shoemaking, serving a three years' apprenticeship. He afterwards traveled, as journeymen do in the fatherland, working at various places throughout the country, until 1846, when he decided to emigrate to America. He sailed from Havre, France, on the ship "Franz I.," and after a voyage of thirty-eight days, landed in New York, December 8, 1846. He soon found employment at his trade, and worked in New York City for a year; then at Allentown, Pa., still as a journeyman, for three years. In 1850, Mr. Clemens began business in Reedsville on his own account, in the house where John Wilson now resides; in 1851, he bought his present home. Constant and close application to business made it thrive well, and among Mr. Clemens' customers were some of the best families of the neighborhood. He has always been a persevering and energetic worker, whose principle it is to give his cus-

tomers the full equivalent of their money. Mr. Clemens is noted as having felled the largest tree in the State; it stood on the land of John Wilson, near Reedsville, and measured fifty-nine feet in circumference. His political views are Democratic; although he is interested in local politics, he has never desired to hold office. He is a worthy and useful citizen, always ready to promote the welfare and advancement of the community.

Henry Clemens was married in October, 1849, to Mary, daughter of Henry and Catherine (Klee) Kesty. Their children are: John, married Jane Shunkweiler, has one child, Otis; William, died July 9, 1885; Mary, died when fourteen months old; Charles, born January 20, 1857, was appointed post-master at Reedsville during President Cleveland's second administration; David, born August 21, 1858; James E., born October 12, 1860; Sarah, born May 7, 1862, died February 14, 1863; Frank, born January 30, 1864; Emma, born September 9, 1866; and Catherine, born March 8, 1871. Mr. and Mrs. Kesty, the parents of Mrs. Clemens, have had ten children; the nine others are: Eliza; Elizabeth (Mrs. Kesty), residing in Germany; Catherine (Mrs. Hill), of Columbia county, Pa.; Margaret (Mrs. Andrew Solleder), of Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Pa.; Lydia, was married two years when she was left a widow, and resides in New York; Peter, married Miss Fisher, resides at Bloomsburg, Pa.; John was married and also resides at Bloomsburg, enlisted in the United States army for the war of the Rebellion, and was killed while on picket duty; Phebe, married and resides in Williamsport, N. Y.; and Carl, who died aged four years. Mr. and Mrs. Kesty were residents of Bloomsburg, Pa., where they died, both aged about sixty-three years. Mr. and Mrs. Clemens are members of the Lutheran church at Reedsville, and are active and liberal in promoting its work.

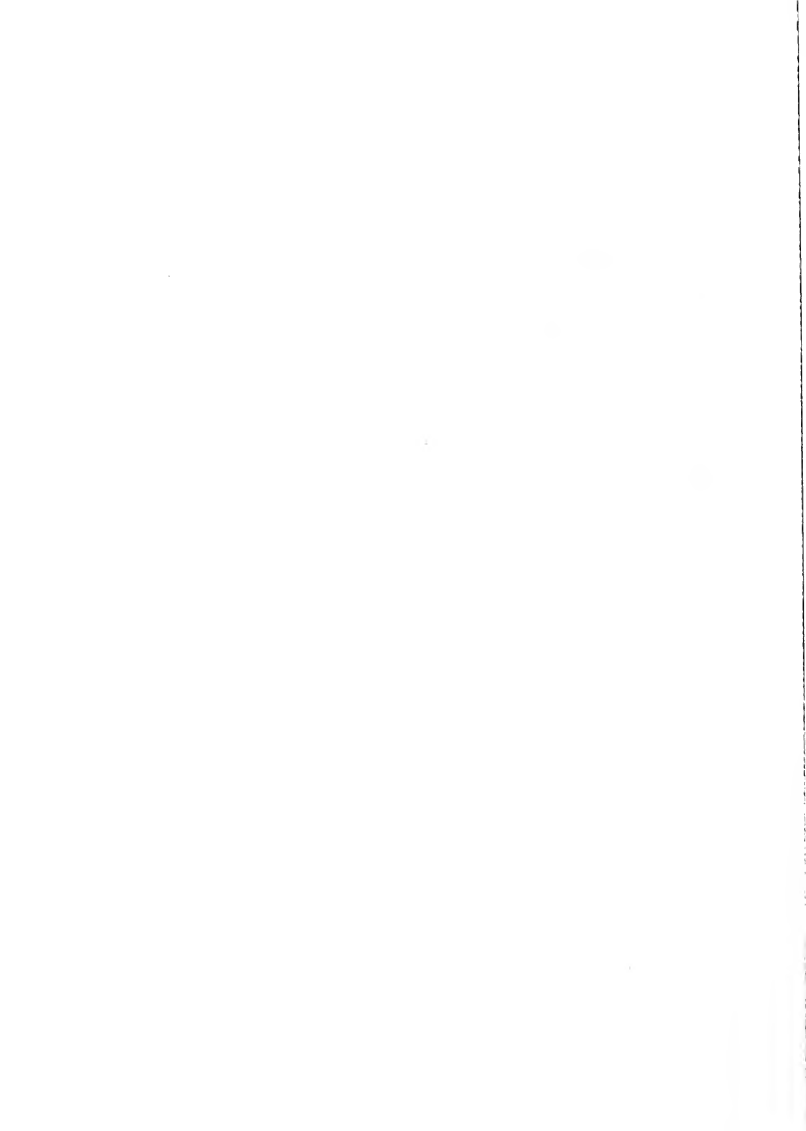
HENRY JAMES TAYLOR, Kishacoquillas, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the old Taylor homestead, at Taylors Mills, in Brown township, and is the only child of Joseph Alexander and Hannah (Beatty) Taylor. They belong to a branch of the Taylor family who were among the pioneer settlers of Mifflin county. The grandfather of Henry J. Taylor, Capt. Henry Taylor, served in the Conti-

mental army during the Revolution. He had two fingers cut off by a sabre thrust from a British officer whom he had met in mortal combat. Captain Taylor married Rhoda Williamson; their children were as follows: Robert, married Margaret McCandles; Samuel Williamson, married Elizabeth Davis; Matthew, married Ellen Mc'ulley; Henry B., married Jane McDowell; Joseph Alexander, married Hannah Beatty; David, unmarried; Mary (Mrs. McKinney); Ann (Mrs. John Alexander); Jane (Mrs. Robert McNitt), her first husband dying, she afterwards became Mrs. Crawford Kyle; and Rhoda (Mrs. Cooper), had two sons.

Joseph Alexander Taylor received a somewhat limited education in the schools of the vicinity, and was still a youth when he began to learn blacksmithing with his brother, Henry Taylor; their smithy was an old shop on the homestead, near the present residence of Robert M. Taylor. Capt. Henry Taylor had built the first mill on the estate; having been destroyed by fire, it was rebuilt in 1826 by Robert Taylor, who conducted it for some years. It was afterwards owned by Samuel Taylor, and about 1829, the mill was bought by Joseph Alexander Taylor, who had succeeded by inheritance to fifty acres of land, as his share of his father's estate; in 1847, he bought fifty acres more. He carried on the milling business for the remainder of his life. Solomon Confer was in the employ of Mr. Taylor as miller from April, 1838, and he continued to be employed by the family until his death, which occurred December 5, 1895, about thirty-five years after the death of his original employer. Joseph Alexander Taylor was a progressive man, and very influential for good in the community; he did much for its advancement in every respect. He served for some years as justice of the peace, and was always more or less identified with public affairs, in which his exemplary character, no less than his sound judgment, fitted him to take the lead. Mr. Taylor was born in October, 1790, and died October 8, 1860; his wife, Hannah Beatty, who was born January 27, 1794, survived him until October 2, 1885.

Their only child, Henry J. Taylor, was born December 11, 1835, was educated in the common schools, and resided with his parents until his father's death, after which he succeeded to the estate. Some years after, he







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added twenty-nine acres to the estate. He has made many improvements on the homestead. The large and comfortable dwelling has undergone repairs, and received additional conveniences and adornments under his direction. In 1895-96, the old mill was remodeled and fitted up with improved machinery; its products are considered among the best in the market. After the re-fitting of the mill, the style of the firm was changed to Mrs. A. T. Taylor & Son. As their miller, they employed W. G. Pensinger, of Dillsburg, Pa. The farm and mill, owing to the failure of Mr. Taylor's health, have been for three years under the capable management of his son, William William-son Taylor. Mr. Henry J. Taylor is a Democrat.

Henry James Taylor was married June 18, 1868, to Annie T., daughter of John and Anna (Bonner) Flinn. Their children are: Hannah Beatty, born September 15, 1869; Henrietta, born November 14, 1872; Joseph John, born July 26, 1875, is a graduate of the Bryant & Stratton Business College, of Providence, R. I., and is now employed at Providence, R. I.; William William-son; Adelaide Elizabeth, born October 7, 1880; Robert James Earl, born September 1, 1882; and Nancy Anna Bonner, born January 11, 1886. Henrietta Taylor has studied at the Metropolitan Musical College of New York City, and at the Chicago Musical College, receiving from the latter a teacher's certificate.

Annie T. (Flinn), wife of Henry J. Taylor, is one of a family of seven. Her brothers and sisters are: John W., a son of her father's first wife, was a practising physician at Frederick City, Md., and died aged about twenty-three; Matthew B., M. D., in practise at Worcester, Mass., married Sarah Jones, of New York City; Charissa, died at about ten years of age; Adelaide; Morris Cadwalader, died at the age of twenty-two; and Eliza J., widow of William Downing. Mrs. Flinn, the mother of this family, died in June, 1886, at the age of seventy-two; Dr. John Flinn, her husband, still survives her. The Taylor family attend the East Kishacoquillas Presbyterian church, at Reedsville.

DAVID YODER, Kishacoquillas, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the homestead in Brown township, April 23, 1827. He is a son of John and Sarah (Yoder) Yoder. His

paternal grandparents were Jacob and Catherine (Plank) Yoder; his grandmother was a native of Lancaster county; her family name was formerly spelled *Blank*. They settled near Cedar Hill Springs, at the head of Coffee run, in Mifflin county, during the latter part of the eighteenth century, where Mr. Yoder passed the remainder of his life in farming, only removing in their declining years to the homestead in Brown township. Their children were: John; Jacob, father of the Rev. John Yoder; Nicholas, married Leah Yoder; Solomon, married Sarah Zook; Christian, married Lydia Yoder; Martha (Mrs. Christian Beiler); Catherine (Mrs. John Beiler); Nancy (Mrs. Jacob Kurtz); Phramie; Lydia (Mrs. Joseph Werra); and Barbara (Mrs. Isaac Plank). Mr. Yoder was a prominent man, useful and respected; he and his wife were members of the Amish Mennonite church. Both died in Brown township, Mr. Yoder when he was seventy years old, his wife also at an advanced age. Their eldest son, John Yoder, attended the schools of the neighborhood, and on his father's farm acquired a practical knowledge of the art of cultivating the soil, which was his lifelong employment. He was very successful, and being sensible and honorable, was held in high esteem by his neighbors and acquaintances. His wife Sarah was the daughter of Peter Yoder; one of their children died an infant; the others are: David; Lydia (Mrs. Samuel P. Lantz), has three children; Mattie, died at the age of fourteen; Fanny (Mrs. Jacob S. King), had one child that died while still very young. Mrs. John Yoder died November 16, 1835; Mr. Yoder died May 20, 1852, while on a visit to his daughter, in Champaign county, O.; his age was about sixty-two years.

The common school education which David Yoder received in his boyhood has been supplemented by his association with men of intelligence and experience. He has obtained much general information, and is a skilful farmer and business man. He assisted his father in farming until he reached the age of twenty-five, at which time he began on his own account, on the old homestead; he has been prosperous, and his farm is among the most productive and best regulated ones in the Kishacoquillas valley; it is near the location of the old seminary. David Yoder was married, January 25, 1852, to Salome, daughter

of Joseph and Martha (Yoder) Zook. One of their children, Sallie, died in early childhood; the others are: Mattie S.; John D., married Rachel Yoder, had five children, Effie May, Frederick R., David Homer, died one month old, Jesse Barr, and one died in infancy; Joseph Z., married Nancy A. Plank, has two children, Mattie S. and Alpheus D.; Fanny R. (Mrs. Israel Zook), has six children, Mattie Maud, Sabone Grace, David Homer, Thomas Edwin, Fanny Charlotte, and Mary Ruth, who died when about six months old; and David F., married Barbara E. Plank, has one child, Jonathan Edwin. Mr. Yoder is a Republican. He and his family are honored members of the Amish Mennonite church.

GRANVILLE M. GIBBONEY, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the Gibboney home-stead, near Belleville, Mifflin county, August 7, 1847, and is a son of Albert and Peninna (Morrison) Gibboney. Their children were as follows: Howard Engene, married Mary Steely, has two children; Elizabeth Alexander (Mrs. George Cogley), has ten children; Granville M.; Edward, died when about eight years old; William Morrison, married Charlotte Strayer, has three children; Charles Bowers, married Jenny Brindle; Samuel Rush, druggist, of Salina, Kan., married a lady from Vermont; Albert Victor, died aged about five years; Katie Morrison, died when about four years of age; and Thomas Sherman, married Maggie Fultz. Mr. Albert Gibboney died April 2, 1887, aged sixty-seven years, seven months and seven days. The wife and mother still survives, at a venerable age, having seen nearly three-fourths of a century of this world's life.

After attending the common schools of the township during his boyhood, Granville M. Gibboney, at the age of nineteen, began to learn the business of a dyer and finisher, in which occupation he continued until 1894. For twenty-six years he was employed by his uncle, Harrison H. Gibboney. During part of the time he was a partner in the firm of A. R. Gibboney & Company, which was a very successful business house. In the spring of 1894 Mr. Gibboney came to Reedsville, and since his residence here, has conducted a hardware and house-furnishing establishment which is abundantly and judiciously stocked, doing a thriving business. Mr. Gibboney is

a Re-publican, and active in local politics; has served several years as school director, besides filling other township offices.

Granville M. Gibboney was married February 10, 1870, to Marion Cordelia Bell. Their children are: Anna, who died in early infancy, March 3, 1871; Albert Schaffer; Clarence H.; and Laura May. The family attended the Lutheran church.

SAMUEL HENRY ROTHROCK, M. D., Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., son of John and Hannah (Ruble) Rothrock, was born in Dry valley, Derry township, Mifflin county, Pa. He is a descendant of Zachariah Rothrock, of Oliver township, Mifflin county. Samuel H. Rothrock's parents had six children: Emanuel, married Alice Wagner, has four children; Isabelle, married, and has four children; Oliver J., married Ellen Mohler, has four children; Albert; John T., married Ellen Nale, has three children; and Dr. Samuel H. Mrs. John Rothrock died February 22, 1890. She was a consistent Christian, beloved and respected by all who knew her.

Samuel H. Rothrock was six years old when his parents removed to Granville township, Mifflin county. He attended the public schools of that district until he was fourteen, when the family removed to Oliver township, Mifflin county. There he attended the district schools until he was seventeen, when he began teaching at the Pleasant View school, Bratton township, Mifflin county, Pa. After teaching for one year in Oliver, and two years in Granville township, he entered the Kishacoquillas Seminary in the spring of 1873, remaining until December. He again taught for a short time, and returning to the seminary, remained for two years, leaving to teach in Blair county, Pa. In 1876 he taught in Madison county, Ill., and returning, graduated from Kishacoquillas Seminary, June 27, 1877. In the autumn he resumed his position in Illinois, and while teaching began reading medicine with Dr. Rutz, of Highland, Madison county, Ill. In 1878 he returned to the east, and read with Dr. Abraham Rothrock, of McVeystown, Pa.; six months later he began teaching in the high school at Milroy, Pa., reading with Dr. Samuel Maclay at Milroy, Pa. In 1880 he entered the College of Medicine and Surgery at Cincinnati, O., graduating with honor and leading his class

in physiology, in February, 1882. He began his professional career at Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., where he is still practising. He is prominent in his profession, a member of the State Medical Society, and vice-president of the Mifflin County Medical Society. He is a firm supporter of the Democratic party.

Samuel Henry Rothrock was married, December 24, 1874, to Mary E., daughter of Joel and Catherine (Stine) Lowder. They have four children: D. Ethel, died July 19, 1883, aged eleven weeks; Stewart Lowder; Arthur Crawford and Mary Helen. Dr. Rothrock and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church at Reedsville, Pa.

JOHN D. BARR, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Brown township, November 6, 1815, son of William and Jane (Davis) Barr. His grandfather, Robert Barr, came to America in the eighteenth century. He married Miss Reed, and settled on a farm in the Kishacoquillas valley. Their children are: David, married and had a family of sons and daughters; Robert, married, and had two sons; John, married, and had sons and daughters; James, went west early in life, and has not been heard of since; William. Robert Barr died at the age of seventy-five years. William Barr, who was born March 17, 1791, acquired his education in the district schools, and remained with his father until he was twenty-four years of age. He then rented a farm in Brown township, and cultivated it for two years, after which he bought the old Barr homestead, now owned by Miss Rhoda Taylor, and there farmed successfully until he reached his sixtieth year. He was a Whig. He was a good and esteemed citizen. William Barr was married to Jane, daughter of Samuel Davis. Their children are: Christiana (Mrs. John O. Campbell); John D.; Robert, married Miss McKaig; Elizabeth (Mrs. Joseph Kyle); Catherine F., widow of David Cummins, married Mr. Morn; Mary Jane (Mrs. R. M. Milliken), had one son; Nancy D. (Mrs. Jonathan Stewart); Margaret (Mrs. John Schack), had three children; Martha B. (Mrs. Robert Maclay), has two children. Mr. Barr was an earnest member of the East Kishacoquillas Presbyterian church, in which he was an elder for many years. He died in 1868, aged seventy-seven years. His wife's death occurred at the age of fifty-six years and ten

months. She was born December 24, 1794.

John D. Barr attended the district schools of the township and worked for his father until his twenty-sixth year. He then farmed the homestead for six years. The ensuing nine years he spent on a rented farm. His labors were successful, and in 1856, he purchased the John Eyer farm, which consisted of 110 acres, and farmed there for two years. In 1876 he purchased the James Bailey farm, also including 110 acres. He retired from farming in 1863. Mr. Barr is a Republican; he served one term as a county auditor and is county commissioner.

John D. Barr was married February 18, 1841, to Polly Ann, daughter of Ephraim and Ann (McNitt) Clark. They had one son, William Reed, who died in 1847, in his sixth year. Mrs. Barr died in 1874, aged seventy-eight years and ten months. Mr. Barr is an elder of the Reedsville Presbyterian church.

JOHN WILSON, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Hartleton, Union county, Pa., February 20, 1824. He is a son of John Foster and Agnes (Boal) Wilson. His paternal great-grandfather, Peter Wilson, who was of Scotch-Irish birth, was an only child, and came with his parents to America. He married Miss Galbraith, settled in Buffalo valley about 1755, and had three sons and four daughters. Their son, John Wilson, married Nancy Foster, of English ancestry, and had five sons and four daughters. John Foster Wilson, son of John and Nancy (Foster) Wilson, was a saddler and harness maker at Hartleton, Pa. He was married to Agnes Boal. Their children are: John; James, accidentally killed in Ohio in 1858; Sophia Elizabeth, a teacher, died at Williamsport in 1884; Margaret, a teacher, residing at Williamsport, Pa; William Foster, married Elizabeth Long, has ten children; Nancy, deceased; David Boal, captain in the United States Army, at Fort Missoula, Mont., married, has two sons; and Harriet Newell (Mrs. William Weirick), of Washington, Ill., has one son and three daughters, and an infant, deceased. Mr. Wilson died in 1859; his wife died in 1870.

John Wilson attended a subscription school. At the age of twenty he took charge of his father's tannery. In 1849 he came to Reedsville, where he built a tannery and manu-

factured leather. In 1867 he formed a partnership with H. H. Gibboney in the manufacture of woolen goods, which continued for fourteen years. Mr. Wilson was instrumental in the organization of the Bank at Reedsville, of which he is now a director. He is a Republican; has served ten years as justice of the peace. He is a member of Lodge No. 203, F. and A. M., at Lewistown. John Wilson was first married to Sarah Barber, who died in 1863. They had five children, of whom two are living. He was afterwards married, in 1865, to Margaret C. Barber, who died March 18, 1886. Mr. Wilson is a member of the Presbyterian church.

JOHN REED, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on his father's farm near Reedsville, March 17, 1830. He is a son of Abner and Rhoda Reed, and a grandson of James Reed, one of the first settlers in the Kishacoquillas valley. He acquired his education in the public schools and remained at home until his father's death, which occurred in October, 1855. He then assumed the charge of the homestead, and some years later bought part of it from his co-heirs. This farm consists of 150 acres, and is in a fine condition. Mr. Reed built the present house and barn and made many other improvements. His mother died June 1, 1877. Mr. Reed was largely instrumental in organizing and establishing the National Bank of Reedsville, of which he is a director.

John Reed was married November 14, 1866, to Elizabeth D., daughter of Henry P. and Elizabeth (Forsythie) Taylor. Their two children are: Taylor and Rhoda M. Taylor Reed was born September 3, 1867. He attended the Lewistown Academy, and at the age of fifteen entered Princeton College. At graduation in 1886, he won the fellowship of Experimental Science. The following year he became tutor of mathematics, and the third year he taught practical astronomy, with Professor Young. He still teaches in this department and is a member of the faculty. Mr. and Mrs. John Reed are members of the East Kishacoquillas Presbyterian church.

HIRAM ROGERS, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., son of John and Martha (Allison) Rogers, was born in Paradise township, Lancaster county, Pa., April 6, 1827. His

paternal grandfather, James Rogers, came from Ireland in the latter part of the eighteenth century, and settled in Lancaster county. He married and reared a family of eight children: George; William; John; Robert; Margaret; Eliza; Jane; and Mrs. Thomas. The maternal grandfather of Mr. Rogers was James Allison, a resident of Lancaster county, who married and raised these children: Andrew; George; Ann; and Martha. Both Mr. and Mrs. Allison spent their entire lives in Lancaster county. The children of John and Martha (Allison) Rogers were: Hiram; John, married to Keziah Callister, has three sons, Samuel, Vinton, and John; Ann (Mrs. William Graham), of Venango county, has five children, Hiram, Lizzie, William, Jonathan, and Gertrude; Catharine (Mrs. George Bartholomew), has no family; Maria (Mrs. George Shellenberger) has no children; Rebecca (Mrs. George Brand), resides in Mifflin county with her sons and daughters; and George L. Mrs. Rogers, mother of Hiram Rogers, died in Lancaster county at the age of sixty-three years; his father died in Venango county, and is buried near Oil City.

At the early age of nine years Hiram Rogers was placed among strangers. As he grew older he worked among the farmers, and was allowed the privilege of attending school during the winter months. At the age of fourteen, he went to learn the trade of blacksmith, with Andrew Lowry, at a place then known as Puddington, in Lancaster county. Here he served an apprenticeship of two and a half years, after which, going to New York, he entered the Navy, and went aboard the United States naval ship "Lexington." He sailed around Cape Horn and landed at California. Next he went to the Sandwich Islands, returning home on a whaling vessel, after an absence of six years, lacking one month and fourteen days. He then worked at his trade for Abraham Witmer, and the following spring, in 1852, he came to Milroy, Mifflin county, and worked here for Samuel Kessler until January, 1853. He next entered the employment of William Mann, with whom he continued for thirty-six years. He is a Republican, and has served as associate judge and in various minor offices.

Hiram Rogers was married October 12, 1853, to Eliza, daughter of Andrew and Martha (Ream) Mayben, of Milroy. Their chil-

dren were: Albert; Mary (Mrs. Jerome Smith), resides in Centre county, with one son, Hiram; and Fernando, married to Charlotte Arvenoy, who has these children: Margaret, died in infancy; Bertha; Blanche; Harry; and Lloyd. In January, 1858, Mrs. Rogers died, and Mr. Rogers afterwards married Mary J., daughter of Adam and Elizabeth (Wagner) Baird. Their children are: Inez, died aged ten years and three months; Emma E. (Mrs. William Strouffer), has seven children; William, married to Alice Ayers, has one child, Andrew, who is married to Savannah Brown, and has four children; and James, died aged six years and three months.

Mrs. Rogers' grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Baird, resided in Huntingdon county, the grandmother living to the age of one hundred and six. Mrs. Rogers is the oldest of ten children. Three have died, and the others are: Susanna; William; Eliza; Caroline; Margaret and Joseph.

HENRY N. PETERS, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Snyder county, Pa., July 4, 1837, son of George and Elizabeth (Wagner) Peters. His maternal grandfather was Adam Wagner, of German descent, who married Mary Knepp, and reared a family of eleven children. George Peters learned tailoring at Selinsgrove with Mr. Beichtel. He then worked by the day or week among the families of the different localities where he lived, until he came to Reedsville. He was sexton of the East Kishacoquillas Presbyterian church for nine years. George Peters was first married to Miss Deemer, and had children: Isaac, of Zanesville, O.; and Betsy, widow of Isaac Whitman, of Belleville. Mr. Peters afterwards married Elizabeth Wagner. Their children are: Mary, deceased; Louisa, deceased; Levi, served under Captain Irwin, through the whole of the Mexican war, where he contracted a disease of which he died two months after his return, aged twenty-five years; Aaron, married Sophia Beaver, deceased, had one child, he married again to Lavina Hassinger, has fourteen children, all living; Harriet, married first William Hockenberry, who died, leaving one child, afterwards Edward Treaster, and they have two children; Jacob, died of small-pox in his seventeenth year; Henry T.; William, died soon after his marriage to Mary Fultz; Polly

Ann, married William Hullbrook, deceased, of Massachusetts, has four children; George, married Sarah Camp, has one child, resides at Cold Water, Mich.; Catherine, widow of Joseph Purcell, had three children, married again to John Wagner, and had four children, of whom two died in infancy. The father, George Peters, died in 1875, aged eighty-four years. His wife died in 1880, aged seventy-eight. The Peters family is of Scotch lineage.

Henry T. Peters acquired his education in the district schools of Brown township, and worked among the farmers. When he was nineteen years old, he entered the employ of the William Mann Axe Company, where he worked for twenty-seven years as polisher and wheel dresser. In 1886 he retired from this business and is at present a mason and builder. He is a Democrat.

Henry T. Peters was married October 1, 1859, to Sarah M., daughter of Henry and Barbara (Houser) Wagner. Their children are: Barbara (Mrs. Joseph Kelley), of Reedsville, had seven children, one deceased; John C., of Mill Hall, Pa., an axe-maker; Emma (Mrs. Harry Boyer), of Denver, Col., has one child; Charles W., married Carrie Berger, of Catlettsburg, Ky., where he is in the hardware business, had five children, two who were twins are deceased; Harry, of Reedsville; Clark, married Mary Conley, and resides in Reedsville, axe-maker; Theodore Wilbur and Calvin Oscar, both died within a week in February, 1878; Robert, printer, of Reedsville; and Clay, still attending school. Mrs. Henry T. Peters died on Christmas Day, 1896. Mr. Peters and family attend the Methodist Episcopal church.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wagner are: Matilda (Mrs. Joel Price); Mary (Mrs. William Neiman); Catharine (Mrs. Frank Price); Amos, married Lucy Ann Price; Adam, married, and resides in Michigan; Mrs. Peters, William, married Mary Leiter, had three children, and resides in Lewistown; Jacob, died in infancy; Elias, married and resides in Michigan; Absalom, married Nettie Bell; John, married Annie Shoop, died in 1897; Joseph, married Mattie McGary, has three children, and resides in Lewistown, where he is engaged in the brick business. The father died in February, 1878, aged sixty-nine years. The mother died in 1889, aged seventy-eight years.

JOSEPH STRODE, Strodes Mills, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the homestead where he now resides, October 18, 1815. He is a son of Amor and Catharine (Stilly) Strode.

Among the many noble figures presented by English history is that of William Strode, one of the five sturdy and patriotic members of Parliament who withstood the tyrannical encroachments of Charles I upon the liberties of their country. Those five, Pym, Hampden, Hollis, Haselrigge and Strode, are among the "few, the immortal names, that are not born to die." For the independent stand then taken, and on account of his subsequent connection with the signing of the death warrant of King Charles, Strode was of course a particularly obnoxious person to the Royalist party. He disappears from English history from the time of the execution of the king in 1649, and it is supposed that he at once sought refuge in the New World, far from the vicissitudes and dangers with which his native land was beset. Three Strodes, sons, brothers, or other relatives of his, appear to have settled in the valley of Virginia, in what is now Berkeley county, W. Va., in 1650. There they built a stone fort, on a tract afterwards known as the "Stone fort farm." John Strode married and had a family; and one of his sons removed to Newcastle county, Del., where he also married and became the father of a family. One of his sons was Joseph Strode, grandfather of the present gentleman of that name.

Joseph Strode was one of the pioneer settlers of the Juniata valley. About 1766 he came into this region with his brother Isaac, and they took up a tract of land, now a part of Mifflin county. He then returned to Virginia, where he married Catherine Smith on January 5, 1773. In 1787 they removed to Pennsylvania, and resided on the land which Mr. Strode had warranted, and which he at once began to clear and cultivate. It is supposed that he built the first mill called "Strode's mill." He and his worthy "helpmeet" both lived to be octogenarians. Their children were: Amor, the father of Joseph Strode, Jr.; William, married Mary Wakefield, had four daughters and one son; Isaac, died single at the age of thirty-eight; Joseph, married Rebecca Caldwell, had two sons, Isaac and Andrew; Sarah; Mary; Elizabeth; Orpah, married Robert McKee, had children,

Andrew W., Robert, J. Strode, Harvey, Catharine, Mary and Hannah.

Amor Strode's birthplace was New Castle county, Del.; while he was still a youth the family removed to Mifflin county. His education was acquired in the country schools. He was married to Catherine Stilly in October, 1800, in the old Swedes church in Wilmington, Del. Their bridal journey to the new home in Mifflin county was performed on horseback. During most of his active life, Amor Strode was a miller. His family, born and brought up on the homestead, included the following children: Joseph; Catherine; Mary; and Elizabeth. Catherine married William Wakefield, of Oliver township, and had four children: Col. Amor W. Wakefield; Isabella (Mrs. William Swansey); Martha Elizabeth, who died in childhood; and James Woods, who died while in his teens. Mary Strode became Mrs. John Iekes. All of their children are deceased, except Jesse Boone, who resides in Altoona. Elizabeth Strode married George Wakefield, had two sons, McClellan, who died aged about forty, and George Miles, who married Jenny Gregory, of Northumberland county, and had eight children.

The birthplace and early home of Joseph Strode was the homestead still occupied by the family. He was educated in the district schools, at the academy at Lewistown, and by private tuition under Rev. Robert Piggott, of Lewistown, Pa. Until he had passed his majority he was his father's assistant in the mill and on the farm. In 1837 he became engaged in mercantile business in Mt. Union, Huntingdon county, Pa., and two years later came to the homestead at Strodes Mills, where he has prosperously carried on the same business ever since. Mr. Strode had acted as postmaster under his father for several years before receiving his own commission. He is reputed to be the oldest postmaster in service in the United States. He was first appointed under Postmaster General Cave Johnson, during President Polk's administration. Mr. Strode is an influential member of the community, and enjoys the respect and esteem of his fellow-citizens. He was formerly a Whig, and has been a zealous supporter of the Republican party ever since its formation.

Joseph Strode was married October 18,

1840, to Elizabeth, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Vance) Horning. Their children are: Ellen (Mrs. James McFarlane), died in 1893, leaving two children, Joseph William and Anna Lillie; Catherine Stilly; Elizabeth Horning (Mrs. Joseph Kyle), has three children, Charles Strode, James Vance and Annie Virginia; Amos Albert; Margaret Isabelle; and Anna Mary; the last three all reside at home. Mr. Strode is a member of the Episcopal church at Lewistown, and Mrs. Strode of the Presbyterian church at McVeytown. John Horning, the father of Mrs. Strode, was a substantial farmer of Oliver township. Their children were: Robert, died single, aged about seventy; Michael, married Catherine Gillespie, had seven children and removed to Illinois, where their descendants now reside; Annie Elizabeth (Mrs. Strode); Albert, married Jane Norton, has three daughters and one son, resides at McVeytown; and Samuel, deceased, who married Margaret Dull, and had two children, with one of whom, Mrs. Eckstein Smith, the widow now resides. Mrs. John Horning died in her forty-second year; her husband survived her until he attained to the age of three score and ten.

WILLIAM PRICE, Strodes Mills, Mifflin county, Pa., was born July 14, 1821, in Centre county, Pa., near Potters Mills, son of Jacob and Susanna (Smith) Price. Jacob Price was a native and a citizen of Centre county, was educated there in the common schools, and there learned the trade of millwright, which he carried on in central Pennsylvania, principally in Centre, Mifflin and Juniata counties. He had much energy and perseverance, and was respected as a reliable business man. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Price are: three who died young, Jacob, Joshua and Benjamin; Joseph, married Sarah Cochran, has two children; William; John, married Isabelle Tippetery, has three children; Mary Ann (Mrs. John Spiece), of Lewistown, Pa.; Charles, married Louisa Printz, of Lewistown; Samuel, went to California, and has never been heard from; James, married in Illinois, resides in Georgia, has two children, Paul and McClellan; and Sarah Jane, residing at Lewistown. Joseph, John and James all served in the United States army during the war of the Rebellion; James was in the Logan Guards, the other two

brothers both served three years or more. Jacob Price and his wife both passed their latter years in Granville township, Mifflin county, on the old Blymer farm. Both were valued members of the Lutheran church. Mrs. Price was of a kindly nature, and frequent in her deeds of charity towards the needy. Mr. Price died August 29, 1847, aged about fifty-six years; his wife survived him until April, 1884, dying at the age of eighty-three.

The removal of the family to Mifflin county took place in 1830, when William Price was a boy of nine. He became and continued to be for some years a pupil in the Mifflin county common schools. At the age of twenty he began an apprenticeship of three years with Martin Landis, a plasterer of Lewistown; that term over, he worked at the trade for one year as a journeyman. He was then for two years employed at farm labor in Granville township. In 1847 he began farming on his own account, having rented the Joseph Milliken farm, near Lewistown. Five years later, he removed to Gen. James Burns' farm, which he cultivated for twenty-seven years. His agricultural work was very successful and profitable, and in 1879, he bought the homestead in Oliver township, which comprises 160 acres. Here Mr. Price has made extensive and judicious improvements. He has very much enlarged the barn, erected a modern and convenient house, renewed the fences, and made other additions to the productiveness and fine appearance of the place. His own diligence, good judgment and perseverance have been the factors of his financial success. He is always interested in the advancement of the township and community, willingly contributing towards improvements. His politics are those of the Republican party; he has served in various township offices.

William Price was married November 5, 1846, to Barbara Elizabeth, daughter of Jonathan and Catherine (Yeigh) Riddle, of Juniata county. The children of this marriage are: Susanna Martha (Mrs. Frank Ammon), of Oliver township, has children, William, Frank, Morris and Mary Elizabeth; and Oriana (Mrs. Samuel Harvey Sweigart). Mrs. Price is a faithful member of the Episcopalian church of Lewistown. Her father, Jonathan Riddle, was of English lineage; her mother belonged to a German family. She died when Mrs. Price was very young, and the

father died in Ohio, aged about fifty years. Their children are: William, married Mary Roland, has one child living; Samuel, married Elizabeth Wilson, had two children, served in the army during the whole Civil war, was wounded, and died after returning to his home; and John, killed in his childhood by an accident on the railroad.

JOHN C. SHAHEN, Strodes Mills, Mifflin county, Pa., son of James and Mary (Todd) Shahan, was born in Granville township, Mifflin county, November 3, 1843. His paternal grandfather was a native of Ireland, who came to Pennsylvania and settled in Fayette county. He married Miss Geyer, and had eight children; John, married and resided at Johnstown, Cambria county, Pa.; James; George, married Miss Boyer, resided at Johnstown for a number of years, but spent the latter part of his life in Mifflin county; Nellie (Mrs. Smith), resided in Cambria county; Sarah (Mrs. James Vansant), resided in Mifflin county, where their son, James, married Mrs. Slagle; Barbara (Mrs. McElloe), resided in Cambria county; Nancy (Mrs. True), resided in Mifflin county; ——— (Mrs. Hughes), resided in Cambria county. All of the above-named raised families, members of whom are to-day among the prominent citizens of their respective counties. James Shahan was born in Fayette county, Pa., but came to Mifflin county with his parents during his boyhood. He was raised on the farm and attended the district schools. As he grew to manhood he became a valuable assistant to his father, who was most of his time engaged in lumbering and making charcoal in the vicinity of Hope Furnace, in Granville township. He followed various occupations up to the time of his marriage and then began farming on the old Shahan farm in Granville township, on the mountain road from Belleville to Lewistown. Besides farming, he was extensively engaged in manufacturing lumber, owning a tract of over 600 acres of timberland. He had begun business life a poor man, but through habits of frugality and industry and strict attention to business interests, he became possessed of a very comfortable living. He was an ardent Democrat; he served as county commissioner. Mr. Shahan was married to Mary, daughter of William Todd, who came from Ireland and settled in Oliver township, Mifflin county.

His children were: Mary; Sarah (Mrs. George Snyder), removed to Indiana; and Rachel (Mrs. Joseph Kreps), resided in Mifflin county, where their children all live except William, who has removed to Huntingdon, Pa. Mr. Todd lived to be over ninety years of age. To Mr. and Mrs. James Shahan were born twelve children, all of whom died in infancy except four: Mary Elizabeth, died unmarried, aged about thirty years; George, married Margaret Beatty, has two sons, James McClellan and John Andrew; John C.; and William, who died at the age of twelve years. Both parents were members of the Methodist church.

John C. Shahan was born and raised on the old homestead. He enjoyed the advantage of a district school education, and remained with his parents until his twenty-seventh year, assisting with the farm work and in the various departments of lumbering. On November 3, 1864, he enlisted in Company A, stationed at Carlisle, Pa., which later became part of the One Hundred and Forty-ninth regiment, and continued in service up to the close of the war. He was mustered out May 8, 1865, at Carlisle. Returning to the old homestead he engaged in manufacturing lumber and in farming up to 1870, when he removed to his present farm, purchased from John McKee, son of Alexander McKee. The tract consists of 111 acres. Mr. Shahan has made many improvements to the land, and has erected new buildings and fences, so that his farm now ranks among the foremost in the valley. He is a progressive farmer and a man of influence. Loyal to the political views of his forefathers, he adheres to the cause of Democracy. After serving in various township offices, he was elected commissioner; at the expiration of his first term he was re-elected, and has served most efficiently. He is a member of the Chaplain T. Stevenson Post, No. 482, McVeytown. His brother, Andrew Shahan, resides on the old homestead in Granville township, where he grew to manhood. He is not married.

John C. Shahan was married, March 10, 1870, to Mary I., daughter of James and Jane (Neal) Martin, of Nittany valley, Centre county, Pa. They have had four children, one of whom died young. The other three are: Mary J., wife of Charles G. Kaufman, has one child, Mary A.; Alvernia Rachel; and

Robert Martin. Mr. and Mrs. Shaben are earnest, faithful members of the Presbyterian church at McVeytown.

EDMUND CONRAD, McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pa., son of Henry and Catharine (Koppenhaver) Conrad, is of German descent. He was born in Myerstown, Lebanon county, Pa., July 24, 1840. His great-grandfather, John Conrad, took part in the struggle for American independence, as colonel in the Continental army. Michael Conrad, son of John Conrad, was one of the pioneer farmers of Lebanon county. He was an earnest, conscientious Christian, a devout member of the Lutheran church. He reared a family of children; Eli, who married and had children, John, David, Lorilla, Eli, Mary and Rebecca; Elizabeth (Mrs. Heffelfinger), of Lebanon county, lived to the age of eighty-four; Mary, died in early womanhood; and Henry, Henry Conrad was born and reared in Lebanon county, where he received a limited German and English education in the district schools. He learned the business of tanning at Myerstown with Mr. Bridenbaugh, serving an apprenticeship of three years. His trade being finished, he worked as journeyman at Lebanon for several years, and later carried on business for himself. He was considered an expert at currying and tanning. Besides his tanning interests, he became engaged in shipping on the Union canal, where he operated a number of boats. After a successful career, he resided for a short time in Lewistown, and then came to Oliver township. From the year 1852 he was a resident of McVeytown, where he died November 28, 1863, aged fifty years. Mr. Conrad was most highly esteemed by all who knew him. In his earlier years he was a Democrat, but afterwards supported the Know Nothing party, and later still became an ardent Republican. He was an elder of the Lutheran church at Lebanon, Pa. Mr. Conrad was married March 23, 1836, to Catharine, daughter of Michael and Sophia (Zimmerman) Koppenhaver. They had two children; Sophia, who died aged five years; and Edmund. Mrs. Catharine Conrad died May 5, 1883, in her seventy-second year, at the home of her son, Edmund Conrad, in McVeytown.

Edmund Conrad received his education in the district schools of Lebanon and Mifflin

counties. He was yet a young man when he became the support of his parents. At the age of fifteen, he went to work in the rolling mill at McVeytown, and some time after began to learn his trade in the same town with Adam Brimmer, tinsmith. He served an apprenticeship of four years, and then engaged in business for himself. This he continued for several years and then entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, at Altoona, following his trade there for several years. But, in 1862, owing to impaired health, he was obliged to relinquish his position, and return to McVeytown. In September of the same year, he enlisted in Company C, Fourth regiment, Pennsylvania Emergency Troops, and received his honorable discharge at Harrisburg after the battle of Antietam. Returning to McVeytown he resumed his business in the tinsmith and manufacturing line, and continued it up to 1873. Then he became the editor and proprietor of the McVeytown Journal, at that time a semi-monthly sheet of four pages, about eight by ten inches. Under the new management the paper thrived, and has been twice enlarged. Its pages now contain seven columns. He is a Republican. While he has never sought public office, he has served the borough in various capacities. He has been a notary public since 1873. During the Fifty-first United States Congress, Mr. Conrad held a position in the Document Room, Washington, D. C. He has been, and is still, an active participant in fraternal organizations. He is a past master of McVeytown Lodge, No. 376, F. and A. M., and a charter member of Bright Star Lodge, No. 705, I. O. O. F., of which he has been secretary since its institution, March 14, 1870. He is also a member of Chaplain Thomas Stevenson Post, No. 482, G. A. R., McVeytown.

Mr. Conrad was married January 9, 1862, to Hannah C., daughter of James and Catharine (Setzler) Stackpole. They have had three children; Henry, died young; William J., married Margaret A., daughter of Valentine and Mary Rothrock, has two children, Gertrude B. and Stackpole; and Blanche B. M., died aged fourteen years. The family are members of the Presbyterian church.

RICHARD M. JOHNSON, M. D., McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born near

Middleburg, Snyder county, Pa., April 22, 1841. He is a son of William and Mary Anne Johnson. His paternal grandfather, John A. Johnson, was of Scotch descent. He owned a large number of slaves, who filled his extensive farms in New Jersey, where he paid particular attention to raising high grade horses. William Johnson, Dr. Johnson's father, had one brother, David, and one sister, Phoebe (Mrs. James Quick). When quite young William Johnson began business for himself, manufacturing leather and farming at Millertown, Pa., later near Middleburg, Pa. In 1843 he sold his land in Snyder county and after spending six years in the mercantile business at McAlisterville, Pa., he removed to Shirleysburg, where he was engaged in the mercantile and tanning business. In 1867 he invented a new process of tanning, retiring from business in 1870.

William Johnson was married in 1832 to Mary Anne, daughter of James Pillar and Sarah Anne (Van Horn) Moore, who were respectively of German and Scotch-Irish lineage. They had eleven children: James M.; Sarah A., deceased; Mary E., deceased; Dr. Richard M.; Dr. William Horace; Clara L.; John K., deceased; Oliver A.; Isaac M.; Cassius M.; and Emma, deceased. William Johnson and his wife were consistent Christians, members of the Presbyterian church. He died in 1873, aged sixty-nine; his wife in 1891, aged seventy-eight.

Richard M. Johnson attended the public schools and finished his education at the seminary at Shirleysburg, Pa. After teaching for four years he engaged in the tanning business, after which he began the study of medicine, and was graduated at the Cincinnati College of Medicine and Surgery, February 23, 1877. He began his professional career at Manor Hill, Pa. In 1884, he removed to his present home in McVeytown, Pa., where he continues the practise of medicine. He is a member of Bright Star Lodge, No. 705, I. O. O. F., and also of the Commandery No. 26, Knights Templar, at Lewistown, Pa. He is a member of the Board of Examiners under the pension service. Dr. Richard M. Johnson was married December 4, 1862, to Orleanah Alice, daughter of Samuel and Mary Anne Wharton. They have three children: Dr. Charles M., a graduate of the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Pa.; M. Lu-

cretia; and Anna J. Dr. Johnson and his family are members of the Presbyterian church.

JOHN ANDREW SWARTZ, M. D., McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pa., son of Dr. Christian and Margaretta (Stamm) Swartz, was born at Orwigsburg, Schuylkill county, Pa., March 1, 1825. He is of German ancestry. His maternal grandparents were John and Rebecca Stamm, who resided in Berks county, on the Tulpehocken creek. Mr. Stamm was a tanner, which trade he followed in connection with his farming interests. His family consisted of five children. Dr. Swartz, Sr., first practised his profession at Hamburg, Berks county, and at Orwigsburg, Schuylkill county. In 1830 he came to Lewistown, Mifflin county, where he built up an extensive practise, and where the rest of his life was spent. He was married in Berks county, June 27, 1812, to Margaretta Stamm. Dr. Swartz, Sr., died August 5, 1847, his wife preceding him to the grave by exactly two years, having died August 5, 1845. Their children were: Mary Ann, born July 12, 1813, married the late Hon. Judge Beaver, of Danville, Pa., and had four sons and four daughters; Franklin, born July 5, 1816, graduated from the University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, and practised medicine in Juniata county, where he died April 5, 1848; William Fudley, born May 3, 1819, married Emmeline Pyle, of Philadelphia, has one daughter, Mrs. David Zinn, of Philadelphia, who has one son, David Zinn, Jr.; John Johnson, born May 24, 1822, died young; John Andrew; Henry Frederick, born May 30, 1827, died young; Charles Edwin, born December 15, 1834, is married, and resides in Philadelphia with his family.

Dr. John A. Swartz came to Lewistown with his parents while yet in his childhood, and in that town he grew to manhood. He attended the public schools and the academy at Lewistown, and at eighteen he began to read medicine with Dr. Culbertson, of the same place. After remaining with that gentleman for two years, he entered Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia, graduating therefrom in 1849. In the same year he came to McVeytown and began, and has since continued, a very successful practise of his chosen profession. He is a Democrat, and a good citizen, wide-awake and progressive, and

has become influential in the county councils of his party. He has frequently served in various borough offices, and during President Cleveland's first term, he was appointed to the office of chief of a Division in the Treasury Department, and held it four years.

Dr. John A. Swartz was married December 28, 1852, to Anna Matilda, daughter of George and Mary (Clayton) Lewis. Mrs. Swartz is of English descent, and is a niece of Hon. John M. Clayton, of Maryland. Two of their children died young, the others are: Dr. John Ross, born January 26, 1857; Frank Clayton, D. D. S., graduate of the Dental College of Philadelphia, began practise in that city, and died there July 18, 1887; and Mary Lewis (Mrs. George Mitchell), born August 23, 1858, married September 16, 1888, now resides in Salt Lake City, Utah. Dr. J. A. Swartz and his wife attend the Presbyterian church at McVeytown.

Dr. John Ross Swartz, the elder son, is a practising physician of Harrisburg, Pa. He was educated in the public schools and at Airy View Academy. After reading medicine with his father, he entered the Hahnemann College, of Philadelphia, and graduated in 1879. He began to practise in Washington, D. C., as assistant to T. D. Verdie, M. D. He removed in 1880 to Harrisburg, where he is in the enjoyment of an extensive and profitable practise. He received from President Cleveland an appointment to the county board of pension examiners, of which he was secretary for three years. Dr. J. R. Swartz is an active and interested member of the county, State and national medical organizations. He is also a member of the Harrisburg Club, and of the Masonic fraternity. Dr. J. R. Swartz was married in 1883 to Marjorie, daughter of George and Annie Zinn, of Harrisburg.

CASPER PENROSE DULL, McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Oliver township, near McVeytown, November 1, 1835. He is a son of Casper and Jane (Junkin) Dull. The name of Dull, originally Doll, belongs to one of those families which, early transplanted from European to American soil, have grown with the growth of our Commonwealth, and whilst finding here the sustenance of their own vigorous and fruitful life, have in turn conferred upon their adopted *habitat* the inestimable benefit of

their large and serviceable enterprise, and that wholesome atmosphere which is created by sound moral principle, united with intelligence and refined taste. The progenitors of the family were three brothers, Christopher, Casper and Sebastian Doll, supposed to have been born at Mainz, Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, who sailed from Rotterdam, August 27, 1739, in the ship "Samuel;" they landed at Philadelphia, and eventually settled in different localities. Casper took up his residence in Montgomery county, Pa., where he passed the remainder of his life. Among his children were Christian, Casper and Abraham, all of whom served as officers in the Continental army, during the Revolution. The name of Christian Doll appears on the records of that army as having commanded a company in Col. John Moore's battalion of Philadelphia county Associators, in service at the battles of the Brandywine and Germantown. Christian Doll lived and died at the "old Trappe," a famous hostelry in Montgomery county. Abraham Doll is recorded as an ensign in the Second Battalion of the Continental Line, Col. Arthur St. Clair; he served in the invasion of Canada in 1776. He was prominent and influential in the notable events that followed the close of the Revolution. At that time, he settled in Plainfield township, Northampton county, Pa., where he had taken up an extensive tract of land; it is supposed that the land was ceded to him by the State of Pennsylvania as compensation for his services in the army.

Casper Doll (2), was born January 11, 1748, is also named in the Revolutionary records as cornet to the light dragoons of the county of Philadelphia; he was promoted to a lieutenancy, November 20, 1777, and to a captaincy, September 10, 1778; the light dragoons were connected with the associated battalion of Philadelphia. His generosity in advancing money to the men under his command, and furnishing them with supplies, together with the depreciation in continental money, greatly impoverished Captain Doll; and it is a tradition in the family that, in order partially to make good his losses, the State of Pennsylvania granted him a tract of land in either Beaver or Lawrence county, at a place called Slippery Rock Creek. Here, for some years, he succeeded in obtaining a bare maintenance from his acres; at last he removed,

first to Clarks Ferry, Dauphin county, Pa., and afterwards to Waynesburg, now McVeytown. Captain Dull was married, September 20, 1774, to Hannah Catherine Mathieu, a lady of Huguenot descent, whose family resided in or near Pottstown, Pa. They had the following children: Catherine (Mrs. Benjamin Walters), born August 8, 1775; Daniel, born May 17, 1777, married Elizabeth Stanley, went to Ohio; Elizabeth (Mrs. Casper Casner), lived near Pittsburg, Pa., was born March 7, 1779; John, born July 8, 1781, married Margaret Betty, resided at Delphi, Ind., and in Illinois; Hannah Catherine, born February 26, 1786, married Mahlon Ruhl, who died at Fairfield, O., October 24, 1837; Sybil (Mrs. Abraham Copeland), resided in Ohio, was born August 22, 1788; Casper, born December 25, 1791; Mary (Mrs. Isaiah Vansant), born January 1, 1796; George, born July 17, 1797; Benjamin Mathieu, born May 11, 1799, married Nancy Junkin, removed to Illinois; and Joseph, born January 7, 1804. George Dull, born July 17, 1797, married Mrs. Lydia (Macklin) Postlethwait, widow of William Postlethwait, and resided at McVeytown; they had one child, Hannah C. By her first marriage Mrs. Dull had one child, Elizabeth Postlethwait, who married James Baker, of Lafayette, Ind., and had children: Mary (Mrs. John McCarty); John; and James, who married and lived in Ohio, where he died, leaving three children; Mrs. McCarty and John Baker lived in Ogden, Utah. Joseph, youngest child of Casper Dull (2), married Jane Barkley, and had one child; the mother died, and Mr. Dull married Jane Laird, by whom he had two children; she also dying, he was again married, to Martha Price; they had one child. Joseph Dull enlisted during the Mexican war and died in Mexico. His grandchildren reside in Philadelphia, Lancaster and Lebanon. The father of this family, Casper Dull (2), died July 23, 1829, at the home of his son, Casper, in Wayne township, Mifflin county.

Casper Dull (3), born December 25, 1791, was educated in the schools of his neighborhood, and brought up to the care of a farm. In early manhood, he engaged in the transportation business on the rivers Susquehanna and Juniata. He was afterwards a contractor, and took a large part in the construction of

many of the internal improvements of Pennsylvania; among these were especially the Pennsylvania canal. Under Canal Commissioner James Clark, he was appointed to take charge of a large part of the canals of the State. In every undertaking of his life, he was the same, always faithful and energetic, with ability fully equal to the work in hand, whatever it might be. After many years spent in important public services, Mr. Dull retired, but not to a life of inactivity; he owned some mills, and more than one good farm, with the management of which he occupied himself during his later years. Mr. Dull married, in 1815, Jane, daughter of James Junkin, a descendant of William and Elizabeth (Wallace) Junkin, early emigrants from County Antrim, Ireland. Among the near relatives of Mrs. Dull were Rev. George Junkin, D. D., and Rev. D. X. Junkin, D. D. She was born June 14, 1798. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Dull are: James J., married Elizabeth Lusk, has children, Casper, Jennie, and Daniel M., formerly resided in Mifflin county, lives now in Harrisburg, Pa.; Hannah (Mrs. John Vance Criswell), of Harrisburg, has children, John, M. C., Casper D., Annie, James P., and Nancy J.; Daniel M., married Nancy J. Bratton, has one child; Nancy J. (Mrs. George Macklin), of Colorado Springs, Col., has three daughters and one son living; Joseph, died aged about sixty; Margaret (Mrs. Samuel Horning), resides in Philadelphia, has children, John, and Elizabeth; Andrew Jackson, married Judith Reynolds, of Kittanning, Pa., they reside in Harrisburg; and Casper Penrose, of McVeytown, Pa. The eldest son, James J. Dull, was a contractor on a large scale; he built for the city of Chicago, Ill., the famous water tunnel under Lake Michigan; he contracted for and completed many railroads and canal sections in the eastern and western States. The father, Casper Dull (3), died September 22, 1874; his excellent wife, a woman much beloved and esteemed for her many virtues, her affectionate and kindly nature, survived until April 16, 1885. They are buried in the graveyard at McVeytown.

At McVeytown, where Casper Penrose Dull passed his youth, he received his elementary education in the common schools; he was then for about two years under the tuition of Professor Wilson, of the Tuscarora Academy,

At the age of nineteen, he began business as a contractor. Among his earliest undertakings was the enlargement of the Delaware and Pennsylvania canal, from Easton to New Hope, on the Delaware river. Another was the construction of the road then known as the Franklin railroad, between Chambersburg, Pa., and Hagerstown, Md. In 1878, Casper Penrose and Daniel M. Dull constructed the well-known steamboat lock on the Big Kanawha river, ten miles above Charlestown, W. Va. He has been most successfully engaged in many other similar enterprises. Mr. Dull owns valuable farm lands in Oliver township, besides the Excelsior Sand Mines, the sand from which is used in the manufacture of fine grades of glassware. He is also interested in other business enterprises in the vicinity. Mr. Dull cheerfully does his part in promoting any plan for improvement, or by which the welfare of the community is increased. He is an adherent of the Democratic party, and a member of Lodge No. 376, F. and A. M., McVeytown, and Chapter No. 186 and Commandery No. 26, K. T., Lewistown, Pa.

Casper Penrose Dull was married, in 1867, to Mary M. Davis, who died in October, 1884. Mr. Dull married again, his second wife being Emma, daughter of Thomas C. Wiley, of Lancaster, Pa. She is a member of the Presbyterian church.

We have thus given an outline of the family history in the line of direct descent from Casper Doll, the great-grandfather of Casper Penrose Dull. It remains to speak of some collateral relatives and connections. To one rather extensive branch of the family we can only allude. Abraham Doll, one of the three original immigrants, after a short sojourn in Philadelphia, went to Maryland or Virginia, it is not definitely known which; he has descendants in both States, who belong to the substantial and cultured class of southern society.

Benjamin Walters, husband of the eldest daughter of Capt. Casper Doll, came about 1790 to central Pennsylvania, and bought 480 acres of land, comprising the hills and valley that contain the ore bank. In this valley he built a house, of the solid and permanent colonial style, which, though it has undergone some modernizing improvements, is still in fair preservation. Beside it is an excellent spring and a running stream of water.

In 1818, having purchased a lot on the banks of the Juniata, in McVeytown, Mr. Walters erected upon it a warehouse for grain and other produce. His sons conveyed the produce there deposited to the Harrisburg and Philadelphia markets by means of arks and river boats, then a very common method of transportation. The arks, broad and flat, constructed of logs and boards firmly joined, so that large quantities of freight might safely be stored upon them, were started upon their trips at times when the streams had been raised by freshets, or by the usual rise of the spring season. Long poles were used to keep the arks in the current. The sleeping and cooking accommodations of the crew were limited to a little cabin, built upon the raft. On the return trip the purchases made in the cities took the place of the original freight. The construction of the Pennsylvania canal, with its covered boats, made this primitive style of navigation a matter of history. In December, 1827, Benjamin Walters, Jr., leased to Isaac Fisher the right to dig iron ore and to build a furnace on the property, thirty acres being specified in the lease as to the extent of the ore-bank. Below the Walters farm lay the tract upon which the furnace was erected in 1835; the ore used there was brought from the Kishacoquillas valley across Jacks mountain in wagons. Owing to the lack of practical knowledge of mining, the good veins of metal were not reached until long afterwards, and the yield of ore at that time was small. The furnace and its appurtenances have been replaced by a flour-mill; the ore-bank, which now belongs to Mrs. O'Connor, has not been operated for many years.

Benjamin Walters, who was born November 18, 1767, came from Cumberland county, Pa. The Walters family is supposed to have come originally from Germany. (See Rupp's Collection of 30,000 Names). The ship "Richard and Mary," from Rotterdam, John Moore, master, brought among its passengers from the duchy of Wurtemberg one Christopher Walters, who landed in Philadelphia, September 30, 1754. From him the family to which Benjamin Walters belongs claims its descent. The children of Benjamin and Catherine (Dull) Walters were: Benjamin, married Miss Beatty, had two daughters; Mrs. Archibald Hubler, of the vicinity of Pitts-

burg, Pa.; Harvey, unmarried; Lewis, married, his descendants live near Lock Haven, Pa.; Elizabeth (Mrs. Jacob Goodling), had one son, Rev. John, of Bellefontaine, O., a Lutheran pastor; John Walters, married Ann McClellan, had children, William, and Amanda, deceased, Benjamin, of Spearfish, S. D., Mrs. Jennie Bacon, of Hannibal, Mo., and William, of the same place; Margaret (Mrs. John McVey), whose children, now all deceased, were Catherine, Maria, Benjamin, and Sallie; Casper Walters, married Martha McConnell Langton, had children, Ann (Mrs. Phillips), of Chicago, Ill., James, Ella, and Harvey. The brother of Mrs. Casper Walters, James Langton, married Elizabeth Bratton, sister of Andrew Bratton, and had one child, Martha McConnell Langton. The mother died, and Mr. Langton married Mrs. Dr. Snowden, who also died, leaving no children. He afterwards married Mrs. Ann Kelley, of Lafayette, Ind. Mrs. Kelley had one daughter, Elizabeth, who married Casper, son of Isaiah and Mary (Dull) Vanzandt; they had children: Anna M. (Mrs. Applegate), of Corydon, Ind., Maud (Mrs. Davis), of Bloomington, Ind., and three sons. Casper Penrose Vanzandt, son of Isaiah and Mary (Dull) Vanzandt, was born near Newton Hamilton, Pa., in 1819. Left an orphan at four years of age, he was taken to the home of an uncle, Casper Dull, with whom he lived many years. In 1843, he went to Lafayette, Ind., where in 1846, he married Elizabeth Kelley. They had two daughters and three sons. In 1862, Mr. Vanzandt removed to Corydon, Ind., where he lived for many years, and where his elder daughter was married. His health failing, he removed in 1871 to Bloomington, Ind., where he became engaged in the undertaking business, and conducted it successfully until his death, in 1891. The husband of his younger daughter is S. L. Davis, professor of chemistry in the Indiana University. The eldest son died twenty-four years ago, in Louisville, Ky.; the other two sons are living with their mother in Bloomington, Ind. Mr. Casper Penrose Vanzandt was a man of few words, but of a loving disposition. His ideal of happiness was that of a Christian home; an ideal which he, by devoting himself to the welfare of his family, did his best to realize. He belonged to

the Masonic order, and was buried with the ceremonies of that fraternity.

Andrew Bratton, brother of Mrs. Elizabeth (Bratton) Langton, married Rebecca Holliday, and had children: Sarah (Mrs. John Ross), of McVeytown; Elizabeth (Mrs. Hackenburgh), of McVeytown; and N. Bonaparte, residing in California. Mrs. Rebecca Bratton died, and Mr. Bratton married her cousin, Mary Holliday; their children are: Margaret (Mrs. David Stine), has four sons; and Nannie J. (Mrs. D. M. Dull), has one daughter, Mrs. Ida Elder, of Leadville, Col. The Hollidays were among the pioneer families of that region. It was in 1755 that Samuel Holliday began a settlement at this place, but not until 1762 that he came to reside here permanently. Perils from the incursions of Indians caused the Hollidays, like many other settlers, to take refuge in some of the more thickly settled places. After their return, Samuel Holliday erected the first grist-mill in the Juniata valley. Corn and wheat were brought here on horseback from the Allegheny mountains, but by no public road, for the very good reason that none existed; there was only an Indian or a horse trail from the Susquehanna up the Juniata valley to the Alleghenies, at Kitanning Point. Samuel Holliday obtained a warrant for the island in the river opposite McVeytown, described in the warrant as at a place called Mattawana Lodges, opposite Hollidays Mill in Cumberland county, and containing thirty-eight acres and fifty perches; for this he paid sixty-one pounds and ten shillings (\$305.50). This tract of land now belongs to the Dull estate.

HANNAH C. DULL, McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pa., is a daughter of George and Lydia (Postlethwait) Dull. George Dull was the son of Capt. Casper Doll, and was born July 7, 1797. They resided for many years in Lafayette, Ind. Mrs. Dull was born August 14, 1794, and died, a venerable Christian widow, August 19, 1882.

Miss Hannah C. Dull, their only surviving child, received her education under private tuition in Lafayette, Ind.; it was completed by a course at J. B. Anderson's Ladies' Seminary, at New Albany, Ind. Since the removal of the family to McVeytown, Miss Dull has been a resident of that place. In 1879, she received the appointment of postmistress of Mc-

Veytown, and has continued ever since to perform the duties of that office.

ISAAC HALLERMAN RODGERS, McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born near Downingtown, Chester county, Pa., January 7, 1838, son of Samuel and Sydney (Hallerman) Rodgers. His grandparents, Matthew and Ann Rodgers, who were both of Scotch-Irish descent, came to America from Ireland about 1803. Matthew Rodgers had in his youth learned ship-carpentry, and worked at that trade in this country. He assisted in fitting out the fleet with which Commodore Perry won his memorable victory on Lake Erie, in September, 1813. His business engagements required Mr. Rogers to visit different cities; and the last knowledge that his family had of him was that he had gone to Pittsburg, after which they heard from him no more. Matthew and Ann Rodgers had three sons and four daughters. The sons were: Matthew, married and resided near Philadelphia, where he died, leaving one daughter, Sarah (Mrs. Joseph Longer), and where their descendants now reside; Samuel; and Robert, married and went to Iowa as a pioneer settler, was a brick-maker, and has left a family who are among the substantial citizens of the State. One of the daughters of the elder Matthew Rodgers, Margaret, became Mrs. Hood, of Philadelphia, and had children. The second son, Samuel Rodgers, mentioned above, was educated in that city, and learned the trade of milling spices, at the village of Milltown, in Philadelphia county. Here also he was married to Sydney, daughter of Jacob Hallerman. His subsequent life was spent in various places and occupations; he was a farmer in Chester county, Pa., for nine years; then State supervisor on the Pennsylvania Railroad between Downingtown and Paoli for about six years; then he was in the milling business in Philadelphia county for seven years, the last five of those years being passed in the borough of Frankford; he next bought a farm at Gwynedd, Montgomery county, where he remained about four years; then for a short time turned his attention again to milling, at Frankford; removed in 1860, to Cecil county, Md., where he had purchased a farm in the vicinity of Lewisville, on which he lived for about eight years, and in 1868, removed to Mifflin county. Here he

became a resident of Lewistown, and having bought the Mt. Rock mills, managed them for several years, and finally sold them to Andrew Spanogle, and retired from active business life. He died in 1885, at the age of eighty. His wife was long deceased, having died in 1844. Their children are: Julia Ann (Mrs. Alexander Harrison); Maurice, married Isabella Gilmore, has three children; Eliza (Mrs. Cool), has one son; Isaac H.; and Annie M. (Mrs. Edward Miller), has one daughter.

Having received a common school education, Isaac H. Rodgers learned the milling business with his father, and resided with his parents until he was twenty-nine. He began business on his own account in Lewistown, in 1885, having purchased the Logan steam flouring mills; in 1893, he bought the Brookland roller flouring mills at McVeytown, where he now resides. He has been very successful financially, the products of his mill enjoying a good reputation, and being always in demand. He is a liberal and public-spirited citizen. He belongs to the Republican party.

Isaac Hallerman Rodgers was married October 18, 1868, to Sarah, daughter of Gideon and Elizabeth Brahm, of McConnellsburg, Fulton county, Pa. Their children are: Joseph L., died aged about nine years; John, associated with his father in the milling business; Anna Mary; and Samuel, who died when about two years old. The family attend the Methodist Episcopal church.

WILLIAM H. ERWIN, ESQ., McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Oliver township, December 24, 1844, and is a son of William and Rosanna (Cunningham) Erwin. His grandparents, Matthew and Isabella (Henry) Erwin, were of County Kerry, Ireland, and had children: John; James; William; Mary (Mrs. Thompson); Margaret (Mrs. Matthew Glasgow); and Martha (Mrs. McCook). The third son, William, who was born November 19, 1794, was brought up in his native land by an uncle, receiving his education under private tuition. Deciding in early manhood to seek the wider sphere and more abundant opportunities of the western continent, William Erwin sailed from Liverpool June 10, 1813, in the ship "Harp," landed in Philadelphia, August 20, and came to

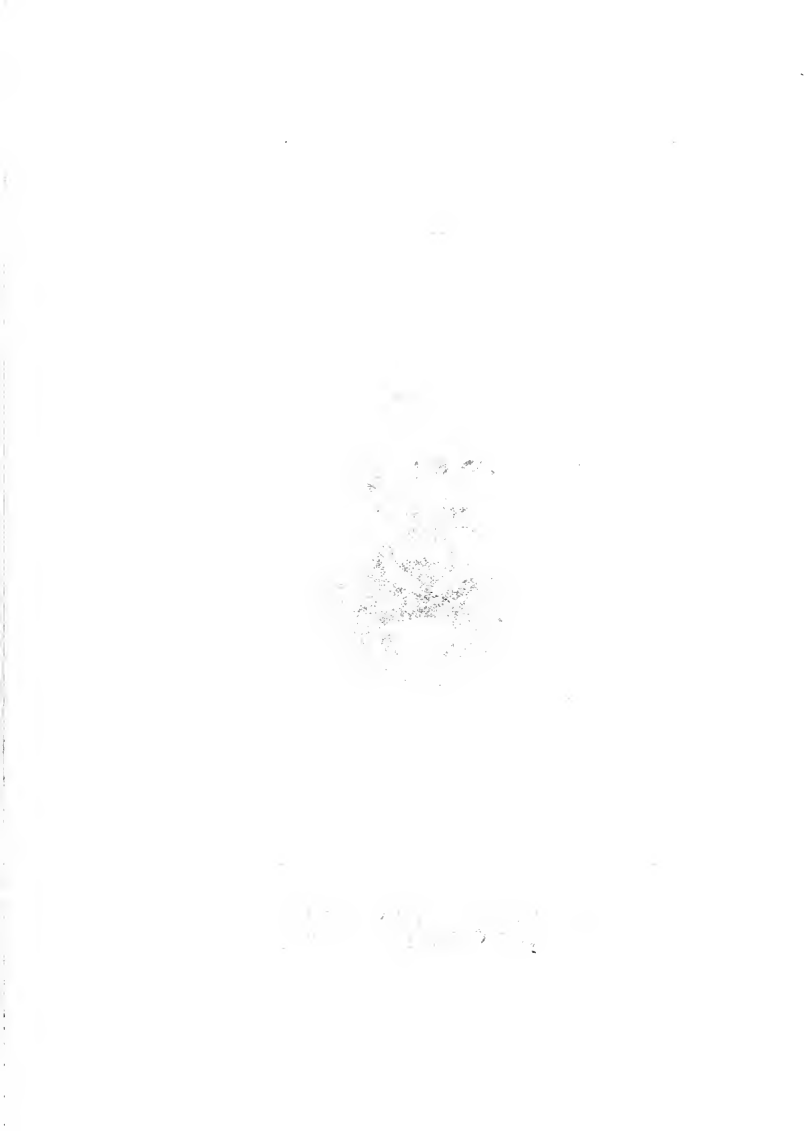
Wayne, now Oliver, township, on September 6. He soon found employment on the farm of the Caldwell family, at the old Caldwell Hotel, in Granville township. He was an active and enterprising man, who took a hearty and conscientious interest in any work entrusted to him. He became prosperous, and after some time undertook farming on his own account in Oliver township, which was his home for the remainder of his life. Besides farming, he was to some extent occupied in executing contracts on the turnpike and the Pennsylvania canal. Although a sexagenarian when the war of the Rebellion broke out, Mr. Erwin did not hold himself excused by age from rendering what service he could to his adopted country; and among the last actions of his vigorous and useful life was his enlistment in the emergency militia, Fourth regiment, Company C. He was honorably discharged, and died November 18, 1862. He was always zealously interested in public affairs, a worthy and patriotic citizen. At first a Democrat, he afterwards became an ardent Republican; he was several times elected justice of the peace in Oliver township. William Erwin was married about 1825, to Rosanna, daughter of Jeremiah and Susanna (Zimmerman) Cunningham, born July 19, 1802. Of their twelve children, seven grew to mature age: Isabella (Mrs. Franklin Caldwell); Mary (Mrs. John S. Bratton); Annie (Mrs. Samuel Lower); Margaret (Mrs. Joseph Bratton); Rosannah Matilda; Hannah (Mrs. Nelson Stein); and William H. The father, William Erwin, was for about thirty-one years an elder in the Presbyterian church at McVeytown. As father and husband, he was faithful and affectionate; he had many friends, and was highly esteemed. Mrs. Erwin survived him until December 13, 1883.

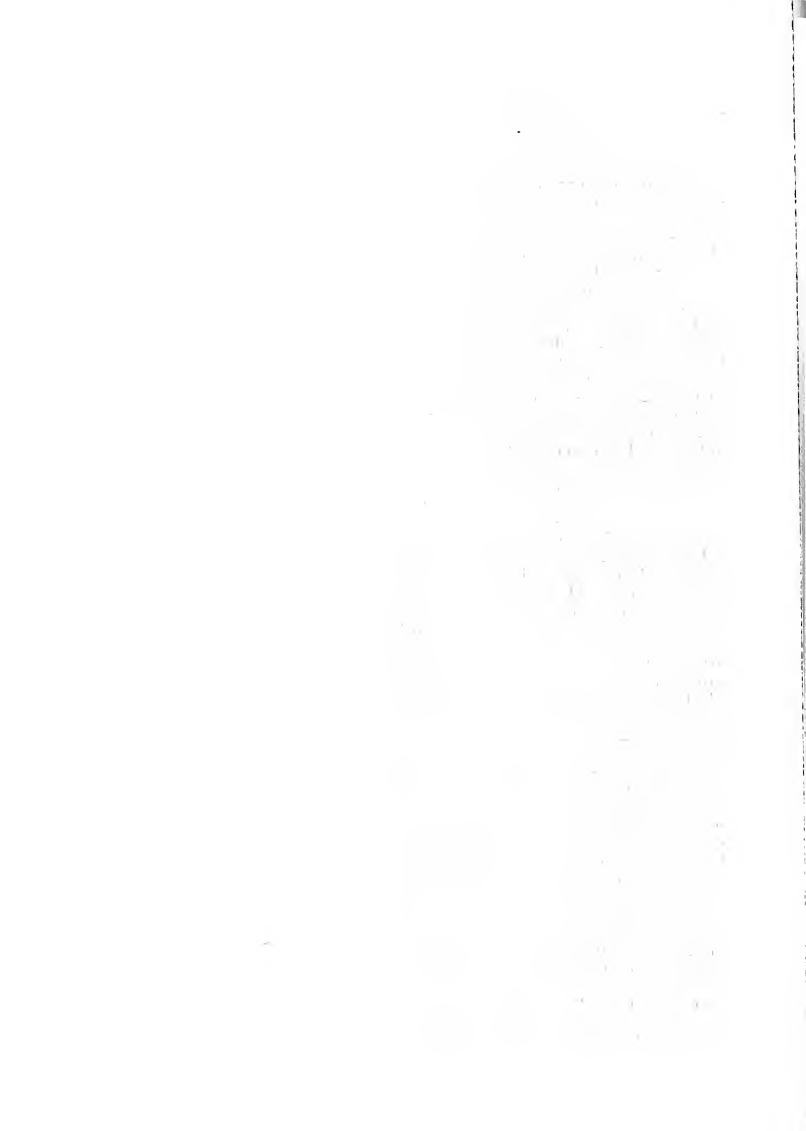
William H. Erwin received his education in the common schools. Scarcely was his course of study ended when the war broke out, and the youth of seventeen, showing the same spirit manifested by his father, enlisted in Company K, Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served in the Army of the Potomac until October 23, 1864, when he was mustered out at Winchester, Va. He then supplemented his earlier studies by attending the Kishacoquillas Seminary for two terms, and the Iron City Business College, Pittsburg, Pa., for one term, at the end of

which he graduated. He then turned his attention to farming, taking charge of his mother's land until 1869, and continuing in the same occupation on his own account until 1885. In that year, he became a resident of McVeytown, and in 1889, took up his abode upon his present homestead. He has always been more or less identified with the affairs of the community, political and otherwise. He was elected justice of the peace in 1892. He is a comrade of Chaplain Thomas Stevenson Post, No. 482, at McVeytown.

William H. Erwin was married, November 18, 1869, to S. Catharine, daughter of Eliel and Mary (Brown) McVey. Two of their children are deceased: Eliel McVey, died aged seven years; and an infant daughter. Those surviving are: Rose M., a graduate of the State Normal School at Millersville, Lancaster county, Pa., and at present teaching in Bucks county, Pa.; Mary B.; Estella; William I.; and John Guy. Mr. and Mrs. Erwin are members of the Presbyterian church at McVeytown.

WILLIAM A. MOORE, McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pa., son of Archibald and Rebecca (Junkin) Moore, was born February 4, 1804, and is of Scotch-Irish extraction. His grandfather, William Moore, removed from Lancaster county to Mifflin county, and engaged in farming. He married and had the following children: Archibald; John; Andrew; Mary (Mrs. Stanley); and Ann (Mrs. Wilson). When the Revolutionary war broke out, William Moore was not indifferent to his country's call, and while fighting for her cause, he received a wound which proved mortal. Archibald Moore was born May 13, 1768, on his father's farm in Mifflin county. Later in life, he purchased and resided upon the farm adjacent to the homestead. One of the representative men of the county, he was closely identified with all local reforms and measures that tended to the advancement of the community. He served as justice of the peace and in various other minor offices, but was rather averse to political distinction than anxious for it. He married Rebecca, daughter of William Junkin, of Mifflin county. Their children were: Isabella, born in 1793; Jane, born in 1795, married John Owens; Ann, born in 1798; Isabella (2), born in 1800, married Richard Miles; William A., born in







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1804; Margaret, born in 1806, married Samuel Hays; Mary Ann, born in 1809, married Mr. Potts; and Catharine, born in 1813, married James McCoy. All of the children have died except William A. The father died in 1819; the mother, who was born in 1769, died in 1836. They were both faithful, consistent members of the old Presbyterian church which stood on the old Colonel Bratton farm, and later became members of the Presbyterian church at McVeytown. Mr. Moore was a farmer all his life, and was a just and conscientious Christian, carrying his religion into the everyday affairs of life. His wife was equally well known. The poor or the afflicted asked for no kinder helper than they always found in Mrs. Moore, and at her death, friends, neighbors, and acquaintances all felt that they had sustained a severe loss indeed.

William A. Moore was born on his father's farm in Mifflin county. His educational advantages were superior to those usually enjoyed by farmers' sons. He pursued his studies, including the languages, under the direction of Rev. James S. Woods and Rev. John Hutcheson. His education being finished, he returned to his home, and his father having died some time before, he became interested in the management of the farm, to which he succeeded by inheritance. Farming continued to occupy his attention until 1841, when he removed to McVeytown, and engaged in the grain and warehouse business; but ten years later he resumed the management of his farms. He had meanwhile embarked in mercantile business, under the firm name of Steele & Co.; this, however, was not long continued. Mr. Moore has been prominently associated in various enterprises in McVeytown; one of these was the establishment of the banking firm of Moore, McWilliams & Co., in 1872, of which he became the president. He was well liked and universally respected. A Democrat, of the Jeffersonian type, his first vote was cast for Andrew Jackson for president. Mr. Moore is a member of the Presbyterian church at McVeytown, of which he has been a trustee for many years.

WILLIAM MACKLIN, deceased, formerly of McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born June 5, 1816, in Mifflin county. He was a son of George and Sarah (Witherow)

Macklin. The maternal grandparents of George Macklin were John and Elizabeth Johnson. John Johnson was a native of northern Ireland, and came to America in the earlier part of the eighteenth century, a pioneer settler of this part of the old Keystone State. He died near McVeytown, Pa., in his one hundred and fourth year, and was interred in the Bratton graveyard, across the Juniata. He had four sons who served the cause of his adopted country in the Revolutionary war; at its close, as compensation for their services, tracts of land were granted to them in North Carolina, Tennessee, Indiana and Kentucky, on which they settled, one of their sisters, Mary, accompanying them to the west. The members of this scattered family were: Manson; John; Mary; James; David; and Elizabeth. Mary Johnson, the elder sister, attained to almost as great longevity as her father; she lived to see her one hundredth birthday. Elizabeth, the only member of the family remaining in Pennsylvania, married James Macklin, of Wayne township. He also was a soldier of the Revolution. In his will, he bequeathed the sum of ten pounds to Henry and Tillie Barker, as a recompense for their kindness to him on his return from the war, they having attended him through an illness in Downingtown, Pa. At the time of his return, his wife and friends were preparing to dispose of his effects, having given him up as having been killed. At that time, the whole region was a forest, with here and there the clearings of the courageous pioneers. Journeys were made on foot or on horseback, and as much as possible along the Indian trails. Salt, flour and other necessities were brought from Carlisle on horseback, the settlers taking turns in going for them. And in addition to their privations, they had to endure continual and harassing fears of Indian attacks. Many a night did they spend in the woods, dreading lest their homes might be burned over their heads, and their lives smitten out by the cruel tomahawk, or worn out in scarcely less cruel captivity, as was, indeed, the fate of many.

The children of James and Elizabeth (Johnson) Macklin were: Nancy (Mrs. Jacobus Gonzales), lived in Ohio; Mary (Mrs. McLaughlin), of Ohio; Margaret (Mrs. McCartney), also of Ohio; Prudence (Mrs. Lukens), resided in Illinois; Jane (Mrs. Lukens

Atkinson), of Atkinsons Mills, Pa.; Elizabeth (Mrs. Samuel Witherow), of Beaver Dam, Pa.; Lydia (first Mrs. Postlethwait, afterwards Mrs. George Dull), of McVeytown, Pa.; and George, who, in 1816, married Sarah Witherow. The Macklin homestead, as warranted by James Macklin in November, 1785, contained 302 acres; in 1793, the assessment list proves him the owner of 150 acres, but in 1800 he was again assessed on about 300 acres. This property, lying north of Atkinsons Mills, is the same which is now in the possession of David Stine, of McVeytown. Here James Macklin died in 1819.

Jacobus Gonzales, the father-in-law of James Macklin's eldest daughter, was a Spaniard who bought of Marshall Stanley, about the year 1776, a farm of 230 acres, originally warranted in 1774 by Adam Coon, and bought by Stanley a year or two later. Dying in 1787, Mr. Gonzales left his property to his wife and family; the executors sold the farm; it was purchased by John Vance, and is now owned by the heirs of Elisha Bratton. Jacobus Gonzales was interred in one of the fields, under a large oak. A part of the dwelling on this farm is the original log house, now entirely covered with weatherboarding; it is a good and substantial structure, and was a sort of little fortress in the troublous days of Indian depredations. It was strong, and easily defended, and became a refuge for the neighbors in case of alarms; besides, it commanded a view of three defiles, which were Indian trails. There were port-holes in the upper story, which twenty-five years ago were still to be seen, but which are now entirely concealed. The children of Jacobus Gonzales and his wife, Sarah, were: Daniel, married Rebecca Witherow, had children, Sarah (Mrs. Taylor Wilson), of Kishacoquillas valley, and Matilda (Mrs. John Oliver), of Culver, Kan.; Jacobus, married Nancy Macklin, removed to Ohio; James; and Sarah (Mrs. Jonathan Hewitt), removed to Ohio. Mrs. Nancy Gonzales and her sisters, Mrs. McLaughlin and Mrs. McCartney, occasionally visited the members of their family residing in Pennsylvania. These trips were made on horseback, and not seldom an infant was carried all the way in its mother's arms.

George Macklin, only son of James Macklin, married Sarah Witherow, of Chester county, Pa. He first leased and afterward pur-

chased the farm, and died in 1824, leaving the following children: William, of McVeytown; John, of Williamsport; Elizabeth (Mrs. Samuel Stine); Jeannette (Mrs. A. J. North); and George, married to Nancy J. Dull. After the father's death, his widow was married to Cyrus Stine, and had children: David; and Rebecca (Mrs. Mitchell). They settled on the Macklin estate, now owned by David Stine.

William Macklin, son of George Macklin, whose date of birth is given at the beginning of this sketch, attended the subscription schools of his neighborhood, and remained on the farm until, when approaching manhood, he went to Daniel Gonzales, of Beaver Dam, to learn carpentry. Here he remained until he was thoroughly acquainted with his trade, and had also some knowledge of the furniture business. After some years of experience as a journeyman, Mr. Macklin went into business for himself about 1840; not many years later, he came to McVeytown, and here planned and erected many of the principal buildings; among them is the house on Water street, now occupied by Samuel Troxell, and one for Michael Creswell on North Market street, now the property of the Masonic lodge. In 1846, William Macklin and his brother, George, formed a partnership as dealers in general merchandise and grain, in McVeytown, under the firm name of W. & G. Macklin; they were also engaged in shipping and boating. George Macklin had before this been a clerk in the iron business of James Creswell & Sons. The new firm was very prosperous, and continued operations until 1871; George Macklin then retired, to engage in the same line of business in Harrisburg, Pa., and later removed to Colorado. George Howard Macklin, eldest son of William, succeeded his uncle as his father's partner, and the firm was now known as William Macklin & Son; in 1876, G. Howard withdrew, and was succeeded by his brother, James. The establishment continued to prosper, with no further change during William Macklin's lifetime. In his earlier manhood, before the Mexican war, Mr. Macklin belonged to one of the finest military companies in the State, of which M. Creswell was major, and William Macklin, lieutenant. The latter was elected first lieutenant of the Washington Guards at McVeytown, and received a commission for six years from Governor Porter,

September 16, 1843. At the end of his term, he was appointed brigadier major, with the rank of captain, by Governor Johnson, August 28, 1849, for a term of six years. In 1862, during the Rebellion, he was elected captain of the Irwin Guards, uniformed militia, receiving his commission from Governor Curtin, September 15, 1862.

William Macklin married Hannah M. Haman; their children are: George Howard, married and had one son, Frank Ross, and his wife dying, married Rosanna M., daughter of James and Anna Kyle, who died November 17, 1888, and he married Laura J., daughter of Adam and Sarah Leffard, and has a daughter, Helen S.; James, married Ellen Jane, daughter of Culbertson and Margaret (Bratton) Leattor, has children, Jessamine, Annie Leattor, Hannah Haman, and Genevieve Warren; Harry C., of Roanoke, Va., purchasing agent for the Norfolk and Western railroad, married Ida May, daughter of John A. Smith, of Altoona, Pa., has a son, Harold; Ella (Mrs. Samuel H. Haffley), has three children, Donald Macklin, Marie, and Margaret; and Effie, residing with her eldest brother, at McVeytown. The father, William Macklin, died February 21, 1884, universally regretted; he was exemplary in all private relations, public-spirited, and liberal as a citizen, and faithful and consistent as a ruling elder of the Presbyterian church, with which he and his wife were connected. He was deeply interested in all church work, especially in the Sunday-school, of which he was superintendent at the time of, and for many years prior to, his death. Mrs. Macklin survived her husband until February 11, 1892. She was a daughter of John and Elizabeth (Calbraith) Haman, and was one of six children, the others being: Samuel, married Miss McCrum; John T., of Iowa, married Elizabeth Wilson; George Calbraith, married Louisa Wolfe; Jane C. (Mrs. George W. McBride); and Nancy C., wife of Rev. Mr. Morrow, of Juniata county, Pa. The father, John Haman, was born in Ireland in 1786, and died in January, 1866.

Since the death of William Macklin, his general mercantile business has been carried on by his sons. Since 1889, when G. Howard Macklin bought the interests of the other heirs, the firm name has been William Macklin's Sons. James Macklin had, in 1882, be-

come interested in the Enterprise Sand Company, at Vineyard Station, Wayne township, his partner being W. P. Stevenson; the mine in that locality has been developed by them and is still in their possession; they also have leased and worked the sand mine at McVeytown since 1888; the firm name is Macklin & Stevenson. The Macklin brothers are active and enterprising men of business. They hold a prominent and honored place in the community, as being heartily and generously interested in its advancement. They are not office seekers, but James has served the borough in various positions of responsibility. He is a member in good standing of Lodge No. 376, F. and A. M., McVeytown, and Chapter No. 186, Lewistown. G. Howard is a member of Lodge No. 705, I. O. O. F., at McVeytown. Both are members of the Presbyterian church; G. Howard has been for many years a trustee, and James is a ruling elder.

CAPT. WILLIAM A. WILSON, McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born September 16, 1836, in the building adjacent to his present home, at McVeytown. He is a son of Nathaniel and Eleanor (Hardy) Wilson. His paternal grandparents, Abraham and Prudence (Campbell) Wilson, came to Mifflin county soon after the close of the Revolution. The name of Abraham Wilson appears as one of the annuitants in certain grants of land, recorded in "Lands of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania from the fourteenth day of October, 1700," vol. 8, chapter 5, 702, under the heading, "An Act for the Relief of Roger North, of Chester county, and other Soldiers of the Revolution," dated on the eleventh of April, 1825. It is the family tradition that Abraham Wilson was born and reared in Northumberland county, which was his home when he joined the Continental army; it is supposed that his family was of Scotch-Irish origin. He died in Wayne township, Mifflin county, January 11, 1826, and was interred in the Presbyterian graveyard at McVeytown. His wife, Prudence Campbell, was of Scotch-Irish descent; her father was Robert Campbell, one of the early settlers of the Tuscarora valley. Among the children of Abraham Wilson were: Hugh, married first Miss Hanawalt, who died, and afterwards Mary Postlethwait, of Wayne township, had daughters,

Susan and Mary, and sons, James and Russell, who served in the United States army during the Rebellion, and are both supposed to be dead; Abraham, married and removed to South Bend, Ind.; Mary (Mrs. John Wallace), of Juniata county, Pa., had four children; Nancy (Mrs. Wilson), of Juniata county, had two daughters; and Nathaniel. The children of John and Mary (Wilson) Wallace are as follows: William died when a young man; Angelina (Mrs. Dr. Rothrock), of Beavertown, Snyder county, Pa.; Martha (Mrs. Thomas Reed), removed with her husband to Sidney, O., where their descendants are now esteemed citizens; Melinda (Mrs. Dr. Baird), of Three Springs, Huntingdon county, Pa., has two sons, and a daughter married to Dr. Stever, of the same place. The daughters of Mrs. Nancy Wilson, of Juniata county, are: Prudence (Mrs. Joseph Morrison), removed to Illinois; and Mary (Mrs. William McNear), resided in Harrisburg, where her husband died. The children of Mr. and Mrs. McNear were: Joseph, who married and died in Harrisburg; Barnes, who served in the Union army during the Rebellion, and died soon after his return to his home; and Agnes, who married Charles Partree, of Waterbury, Conn., where they resided; he died in 1895, leaving one daughter, Mary Belle.

Nathaniel Wilson, Captain Wilson's father, was born in Mifflin county in 1792; it was in a part of the county, east of the Narrows of the Juniata, which is now within the limits of Juniata county. His education was imparted in the subscription schools of the neighborhood, and he remained with his father until old enough to learn his trade, which was cabinet-making. For this purpose, he was apprenticed to Mr. Purcell, at Millerstown, Perry county, Pa. His term of indenture having expired, he worked as journeyman, residing for some time at Mifflintown, where he was married. Having removed in 1820 to McVeytown, he began business as cabinet-maker and undertaker, and followed this vocation with abundant success as long as he lived. He was a man of high character, a good friend, an excellent citizen, a consistent Christian, devoted to his church, the Presbyterian, in which both he and his wife were diligent workers. Nathaniel Wilson was married about 1817 to Elinor, daughter of Hugh Harly, of what was then Cumberland county.

One of their first acts upon taking up their residence in McVeytown was to connect themselves with the Presbyterian congregation there, as appears from a certificate given them by order of the session, signed by the Rev. John Hutchinson, pastor of the congregation which they had left at Mifflintown, and dated September 25, 1820. It testifies to their "unblemished moral character" and to their freedom from anything that could expose them to church censure, at the time of their removal. Their children were: A. Carr, married Miss Hurley, of Indiana, died April 24, 1863; Hugh R., born September 27, 1827, died April 3, 1858; Nathaniel C. and Ellen, twins, born in 1834, he died in April, 1891, and she March 12, 1896; and William A. The eldest of the family, A. Carr Wilson, enlisted for the three months' service during the war of the Rebellion, in Company I, Eleventh Indiana Zouaves, under Col. Lew Wallace, and re-enlisted at the end of his term in the Fifty-eighth Indiana Volunteers, Company C. He was taken ill while in the service, was sent home, and soon died at his home in Indiana, leaving one son, Hugh, now married and residing in that State. The excellent wife of Nathaniel Wilson departed this life August 12, 1870; just two years later, August 10, 1872, her husband followed her to the grave.

Their third son, Nathaniel C. Wilson, was born November 17, 1832, in McVeytown. He was elected prothonotary of Mifflin county in 1861, and was afterwards for some years clerk in the Land Office at Harrisburg, Pa. Having studied law under the preceptorship of Andrew Reed, Esq., Mr. Wilson was admitted in 1882 to the Mifflin county bar. At a meeting of the court, its officers and the bar, held on the occasion of his death, April 20, 1891, the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That while bowing reverently to the Divine will in removing him from us, we feel sensibly the loss we suffer by the death of our late associate, whose intercourse with us, as all his relations officially, public and private, had earned him our and the community's esteem and confidence: That we tender to the family and friends of our late associate our sincere sympathy in the severe bereavement they sustained by his death. Signified by the committee, H. J. Walters, II. J. Culbertson and F. F. McCoy."

The foundation of his education having

been laid in the common schools at McVeytown. William A. Wilson, when he was seventeen, entered Tuscarora Academy, at Academia, Juniata county. His course at that institution ended, he learned cabinet-making with his father, and continued assisting him until the war of the Rebellion had begun. He enlisted May 28, 1862, as a private in Company H, Eighty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Capt. W. M. Bahan. Mr. Wilson was promoted May 4, 1863, to the rank of second lieutenant. During his service in Virginia, he was frequently placed in positions of responsibility, performing temporarily the duties of captain and other officers of superior grade. He took part in all the engagements of the Army of the Potomac. After the Second Bull Run battle, his regiment was assigned to the Third Corps, Third division. At the battle of Chancellorsville, he was wounded while trying to escape, the enemy having captured him; in spite of the wound, he contrived to make his escape, and to rejoin his regiment. The following is quoted from a letter written by Corp. Uriah M. Edgar, of Lieutenant Wilson's company.

"I was sent on picket by said lieutenant in the evening, while we were occupying posts at and on the left of the Boynton road. Early on the next morning, the enemy were cheering over Sheridan's supposed defeat at Five Forks, and soon began to open a heavy artillery fire on our picket line. Lieutenant Wilson then ordered us to get into the rifle pits. Lieutenant Wilson remained standing close to a tree near by, which was struck by a shell, knocking him senseless; myself and others got him into the rifle pits, where he remained until our regiment came up, at about nine o'clock. Lieutenant Wilson was in a bad condition from the injury, and Major Bryan gave him his horse, which enabled him to finish the march when formed in regular battle line. Lieutenant Wilson was sent to the surgeon, as he was not fit for duty."

Col. George Zinn says: "I have been acquainted with Lieut. William A. Wilson, late a lieutenant in the Eighty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteer infantry, since 1862, when he joined the regiment as a non-commissioned officer, and was afterwards promoted to be a commissioned officer. Lieutenant Wilson always did his duty as a brave and good soldier.

He was wounded at Chancellorsville, May 3, 1863."

Lieutenant Wilson was promoted to the captaincy by Governor Curtin, for valiant and brave discharge of duty while in service. He was mustered out May 3, 1865, near Washington, D. C., and returned to his home in McVeytown. After a short stay there, he engaged in the building and construction business on the Wilmington and Reading railroad and on branches of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad in Maryland and Pennsylvania, and continued to be thus occupied until about 1872. When his father died, he returned home, and took charge of the business and the estate; he has since that time lived continuously at McVeytown. Colonel Wilson is heartily interested in the affairs of the borough, and is a willing contributor to schemes for the public benefit, and to church work generally. Though an ardent Republican, he is no aspirant for public office. He was a charter member of Chaplain Thomas Stevenson Post, No. 482, G. A. R., at McVeytown, and belongs also to Lodge No. 376, F. and A. M., of the same borough.

SOLOMON KAUFFMAN, deceased, formerly of Oliver township, Mifflin county, Pa., was a son of Jonathan and Mary (Rook) Kauffman, and was born in Walker township, Juniata county, Pa., September 14, 1832. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Kauffman were as follows: Philip, married Miss Schaeffer, and removed to Kansas, where their children now reside; John, married Sarah Kennedy, resided in Juniata county, and had sons, Albert, Grant, Miles, Robert, James and Theodore; Jonathan, married Mary Guss, had children, Retta, Austin, Blanche, Emerson, Harry and Carrie; Solomon; Mary, married Henry Kauffman, of Juniata county, not a relative, has children, William, Jonathan and Mary Ellen; Annie (Mrs. William Kleck), of Juniata county, has children, John, William, Mary, Ann Eliza, Clara and Minnie; Kate (Mrs. George Dysinger), of Juniata county, has one daughter and four sons; Sarah (Mrs. Lloyd Guss), of Juniata county, who is deceased, and her husband also, leaving two children, Laura and Leary.

Having been educated in the common schools of his neighborhood, Solomon Kauffman continued to reside on the home farm,

helping his father in its cultivation, until he married and began farming for himself. He was a skillful and prosperous husbandman. His first undertaking was the widow Yoder's farm, in Tuscarora township, Juniata county, where he remained four years. For several years after, he rented James North's farm, near Patterson, in Juniata county, and then after farming in some other places in the same county for short periods, he bought the Oliver homestead, in Oliver township, Mifflin county, in the spring of 1876. This farm contains about 200 acres. Here he passed the remainder of his active life, industrious, as he had always been, and prosperous. He was a worthy and useful citizen, and enjoyed the confidence and respect of his neighbors and acquaintances for his many excellent qualities. He was a Republican. While he took the interest of a good citizen in public affairs, he was by no means an office-seeker; he was, however, chosen several times to serve the township in public positions.

Solomon Kauffman was married December 14, 1857, to Mary Elizabeth Gingrich, daughter of David and Mary (Stoeffler) Gingrich, of Juniata county. Their children are: Ann Eliza, born October 4, 1858, married Albert Droninger, has children, Howard, Mary, Josephine, Sarah, Margaret, Seora, Jacob and Roy; Emma, born May 4, 1860, married Jacob Wirt, has children, Estella and Ross; George Franklin, born October 26, 1861, married Anna Felker, has children, Edna, Herman and Donald; David Austin, born July 3, 1863, married Ella Snook; Mary Ellen, born January 2, 1866, married McClellan Steeley, the children living are William and Mary; William, born July 26, 1868; Charles Gingrich, born June 14, 1870, married Josephine M. Shahan, has one child, Mary Alverna; Sarah Elizabeth, born April 1, 1873, died May 26, 1876; and Minnie Valeria, born January 29, 1878. The father, Solomon Kauffman, departed this life February 8, 1888. He was a consistent member of the Evangelical church, and his loss was felt in the church and the community, as well as mourned by his family. Mrs. Kauffman still resides on the homestead, her son, Charles Gingrich Kauffman, having assumed the management of the farm.

JOHN A. STINE, deceased, was born February 24, 1847. He was a son of David

and Sidney (Smith) Stine, of Wayne township, Mifflin county, Pa. Their family consisted of the following: Henry, married Alice Grazier, has seven children, resides in Wayne township; Martha (Mrs. John McCormick), died, leaving five children, and Mr. McCormick removed to Kansas; John A.; Elizabeth, married Joseph Garver, who resides in Oliver township, and died, leaving three children; Albert, graduate of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Md., practised in Huntingdon county, died at the age of twenty-five; Milton, of Wayne township, married Ella Pennyacker, has three children; Anna, died aged about twenty-one; Ellen (Mrs. Robert Ingram), of Lewistown, Pa., has two children; and Robert Rush, married Mary Dummire, resides on the homestead in Wayne township. The Stine family is of German ancestry.

John A. Stine was known as a farmer of good judgment, with a reasonable share of progressiveness in his ideas and methods. He, like his father, was regarded with confidence because of his tried integrity and uprightiness. He was a good friend and neighbor, exerting a kindly influence upon his associates. He was a Democrat, and gave the interested attention of a good citizen to all public affairs. In his family relations, he was kind, faithful and indulgent. John A. Stine was married May 20, 1875, to Hannah E., daughter of Augustine and Nancy (Galbraith) Wakefield. Their children are: Horace W.; Howard A.; Bella; and Janet, born January 13, 1882, died June 28, 1890.

Mrs. John A. Stine is a descendant of Matthew Wakefield, who owned in 1768 a tract of 100 acres in Derry, now Oliver township. In 1783, the first year after Wayne township was erected, he owned 220 and his son John Wakefield 100 acres. In 1790, John Wakefield was the possessor of 226 acres of land and a saw-mill; he died in 1793, leaving two sons, William and George, and a daughter, Sarah; she married John McVey, the founder of McVeytown, to whom the property came by inheritance. William Wakefield settled on a part of his father's estate, and died in 1825; the property is now owned by John Horning. George Wakefield settled on the homestead, and died in 1827. His children were: John; Augustine; Rebecca; Eli; and George. Augustine Wakefield settled on the farm where his daughter, Mrs. Stine, now re-

sides. Eli settled in Shirley township, Huntingdon county, on a farm given by his father. George settled on a farm in Bratton township, Mifflin county, which his father bought of George Bratton, and which is now the property of the heirs of George M. and M. B. Wakefield. The children of Augustine and Nancy (Galbraith) Wakefield are: Rebecca (Mrs. Reuben Applebaugh), of Kansas; George, who resided with his sister, Mrs. Stine, on the above-mentioned farm, and died April 28, 1887, aged about forty-nine years; Hannah E. (Mrs. John A. Stine); and Nannie (Mrs. William Wakefield), of Kansas, has three children. Augustine Wakefield was a member of the Society of Friends, while his wife, who was of Irish descent, was a Presbyterian. Although differing widely in matters of doctrine and religious custom, they were one in uprightness of purpose, in generosity and kindness towards their friends and neighbors, and in liberality to those less favored by circumstances than themselves. Mrs. Wakefield died April 10, 1863; her husband survived her about six years, dying March 10, 1869, at the age of seventy-seven.

DAVID CORKLE, McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born November 18, 1820, in Oliver township, Mifflin county. He is a son of John and Susan (Powell) Corkle. John Corkle was born in Berks county, Pa., about 1788, and came to Mifflin county about the beginning of this century. Having been left an orphan at an early age, he became the ward of Robert Witherow, in what is now Wayne township. He was educated there in the common schools, and after attaining his majority, supported himself by farm work, and by rafting on the Juniata river, which was then the only means of transportation besides the stage and the broad-wheeled wagon. Mr. Corkle was often employed in rafting by Casper Dull and his brothers, while they were in the shipping business at McVeytown. About 1809, John Corkle married Susan, daughter of Philip and Julia Ann Powell, born in Berks county, Pa., in 1789. He enlisted for the war of 1812, as a substitute for Peter Rhodes, and served until the war was ended. After his return home, he resided for some years on his father-in-law's farm in Mifflin county, where several of his children were born. In 1837, he removed to Hancock coun-

ty, O., and ten years later to Mercer county, O., where he died March 8, 1859, aged seventy-one years. His wife reached the same age, and died July 19, 1860. Their children were: Sarah (Mrs. Eli Thompson), born in 1810, resided in Mifflin county, removed to Ohio in 1833, had one child, Rebecca, who married John Eppley, and after his death married again; Julia Ann (Mrs. Benjamin Nickel), of Mifflin county, born about 1812, removed to Mercer county, O., in 1836, has children, William, Anna, Charlotte, Mary Jane, Nancy, Franklin, Julia Ann, Samuel, Amanda and John; Elizabeth, born in 1817, married Randolph Wooden, of Mifflin county, had four children, one of whom died very young, and Mr. Wooden also dying, she married Mr. Franklin Felker, and again had four children; David; Mary, born in 1823, married Samuel Hamlin, of Hancock county, O., and had seven children; Joseph, born in 1827, married Mary Jane Wade, of Hancock county, O., removed to Cherokee county, Kas., has had four children, of whom one is deceased; Margaret, born in 1832, married Louis Bowen, of Ohio, lived at Findlay, O., had four children, two of whom were deceased; John; Susan; and Polly, who died in infancy.

David Corkle was a pupil in the common schools of Mifflin county. When he was fifteen years old, he set about mastering the blacksmith's trade, in the smithy of his brother-in-law, Mr. Wooden. Having finished his apprenticeship, he worked as a journeyman for a few years, and then took up his abode upon his present premises in McVeytown, where by years of sturdy and conscientious labor, he has literally hammered out a competency for himself and his family. He has at the same time made himself a high place in the esteem of his fellow-citizens, and is now regarded as one of the most substantial citizens of the borough. He has never desired public office, but holds decided political opinions, sharing the convictions of his father, an old-fashioned Jeffersonian Democrat.

David Corkle was first married March 21, 1841, to Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Logan, of Huntingdon county, Pa.; the only child of this marriage is Joseph J. Mrs. Elizabeth Corkle died in July, 1844. Mr. Corkle's second marriage took place March 29, 1849; He then married Margaret,

daughter of James and Catherine (Setzler) Stackpole. The children of this union are: an infant that died before it was a year old; John James, born March 6, and died March 16, 1851; Benjamin Nicholas, born March 7, 1852, married Sarah B. McKendree, has two children, William David and Bertha Ray, and resides in Harrisburg, Pa.; William Harrison, born December 21, 1853, married Margery McKimney, resides in Harrisburg, has four children, one of whom, Harry Thornton, is deceased, and the others are Clyde Lerry, Gerald Francis, and John David; Charles Elmer, born April 23, 1857, was killed at Mifflintown, Pa., while coupling cars, January 20, 1888, had married Louisa Lego, and left children, Margaret Ellen, David Elmer, William Cross and Harry Knolyt; an infant born and died during the year 1859; and David Ellsworth, born January 29, 1862, married Jennie, daughter of Michael and Sarah (Mahaffey) Gaylor, and has one child, David Franklin, born December 7, 1894. Margaret, the second wife of David Corkle, died October 2, 1865; she was a good and charitable woman, a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Corkle was again married, December 25, 1867, to Catherine, widow of Elijah Dummire. The children of this marriage are: John Edgar, born May 16, 1868, died April 27, 1884; Jenny Elizabeth (Mrs. Arthur Mateer), has two children, Eugene and Ruth; Hannah Kate, born August 18, 1871, died July 26, 1875; and Julia Belle, born August 28, 1876, died March 6, 1892. Mrs. Catherine Corkle died October 4, 1891. She was a pious and consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church at McVeytown. The venerable father having now relinquished active business, his son, David Ellsworth Corkle, has since 1895 taken his place at the forge and in public favor, enjoying a large share of lucrative custom.

Joseph Jackson Corkle, eldest son of David Corkle, enlisted in the Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served in defense of the Union throughout the war of the Rebellion. He was married March 19, 1867, to Martha J., daughter of James and Susan (Setzler) Ross. Two of their six children are deceased, Cloyd and a very young infant; the others are: Elizabeth May, born April 7, 1868; William Ross, born October 21, 1869, married

Carrie Connelly; Andrew Swartz, born July 4, 1874; and Maria Leona, born September 20, 1876.

ANDREW JACKSON and GEORGE SWIGART KIMBERLY, McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pa., are natives of Oliver township, Mifflin county, and sons of James Ross and Dorcas (Swigart) Kimberly. Their paternal grandparents, Frederick and Martha (Ross) Kimberly, were residents of Wayne township, where the grandfather was occupied in tilling the soil. For sixteen years he cultivated one of William Moore's farms. He was much respected for his diligence, capability and honesty. He died in Wayne township about 1840. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Kimberly are: James Ross; Catherine (Mrs. William M. Jeffries), removed to Kansas, had four children, all of whom are deceased except Mrs. E. W. Ober, of Salina, Kas.; Margaret (Mrs. Alexander Sears), of Lewistown, had six children; Sarah Ann (Mrs. Samuel Diffenderfer), resided in Mifflin county; Mary, died in her youth; John Jackson, was for some years foreman on the Pennsylvania canal, married Mary M. Bratton, resided in Mifflin county, has one daughter, Clara (Mrs. William Rupert), of Oliver township; Francis Marion, of Mifflin county, married Catherine Hart, has three children living, Edward, James R., and Rettie.

James Ross Kimberly was a native of Wayne township, and educated in the common schools. He resided with his parents until he had passed his majority; in 1845, he married Dorcas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Swigart. Two of their children are deceased; George Swigart, their first son of that name, who died when two years old; and the youngest member of the family, Martha Dorcas, died aged about five years. The eldest son, Andrew Jackson Kimberly, was born June 11, 1847, married Anna R., daughter of William and Rosanna (Poehl) Wilson, and has had two children, one that died in early childhood, and Rose Ethel. George Swigart (2), who was born January 27, 1851, married Mary Margaret, daughter of John and Nancy (Rittenhouse) Brindle; they have eight children; Carrie Jane; Elwood Vance; Grover Cleveland; Florence Mabel; Andrew Guy; Reese; Isabella; and Gretta. James Ross Kimberly was most favorably known in his neighbor-

hood and among his many acquaintances, as a farmer of skill and energy, an honorable man, and a good friend and neighbor. He died in the early prime of manhood, at the age of thirty-one, March 18, 1856; he had survived his wife about a year and a half, she having departed this life October 15, 1854. She was a consistent member of the Presbyterian church. At the time of Mr. Kimberly's death, his three children were taken under the maternal care of their grandmother, Martha Ross Kimberly, who then resided in McVeytown; with her Messrs. Andrew J. and George S. Kimberly had their home until they were of age. In 1867, the young men, with this excellent and devoted relative, removed to the farm which had been their father's, in Oliver township, where they still reside. Five years later, October 9, 1872, Martha Ross Kimberly, "full of years and good works," died at the age of seventy-three. She was a member of the Presbyterian church.

Mr. Kimberly's two sons have always shared the political opinions of their father, who was a Jefferson Democrat. They are public-spirited men, actively interested, especially in local affairs and progress. George Swigart Kimberly has served the township as school director. Both are willing contributors to funds for church work, without distinction of creed.

WILLIAM WILSON, deceased, formerly of McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the old Wilson homestead, four miles south of McVeytown, in the upper part of Oliver township, January 12, 1810. He was a son of Henry and Ann (Moore) Wilson, and a grandson of William and Tamar Wilson, who owned the land in Oliver township now known as the Gideon Hershberger farm, two miles south of McVeytown; this land was taken up by Mr. Wilson February 18, 1767. They named their homestead Shamrock Shire. Mr. Wilson served in 1794 as high sheriff of Mifflin county. Mrs. Henry Wilson was a daughter of William and Isabella (Lytle) Moore. William Moore was a soldier in the Continental army; he died in the service of his country. Their home at the time was a farm of 100 acres in Oliver township, adjacent to the Wilson estate, on which Mrs. William Moore continued to reside during the remaining years of her life. Their children were as follows: Archibald, born May 13,

1768, married Rebecca Junkin, and had six daughters and one son, William A., of McVeytown; Mary (Mrs. Nathaniel Stanley), born April 22, 1772, removed to Columbus, O.; John, born July 9, 1774; Andrew, born November 16, 1776; and Ann (Mrs. Henry Wilson), born January 18, 1779.

Henry Wilson was one of the most progressive farmers of his neighborhood. Settling on what is now the Wilson homestead, he made many improvements and carried on farming with great success. He was well known as a conscientious man and just in all his dealings with his fellow men. Loyal to the faith of his Scotch-Irish ancestry, he was a consistent member of the Presbyterian church. He died September 1, 1850, aged seventy-four years, seven months and seven days, and his wife died February 26, 1848, aged sixty-eight years and eight days. Their children were: Rebecca, born February 5, 1801, died July 25, 1857, aged fifty years, five months and twenty days; Isabella, born February 25, 1804, resided with her brother William on the homestead, where she died February 1, 1889; Jane, born June 12, 1807, died on the homestead March 28, 1887; William; Mary, born February 22, 1812, married Robert Forgy, and died April 8, 1855, aged forty-three years, one month and sixteen days; their children were: James, Amie, Henry, Andrew Bruce, Isabella, Frank and George; James Wilson, born December 25, 1814, removed to Indiana, married Martha Huston, and reared a family of five sons and five daughters, who now reside in several of the western States; Hannah Bruce, born November 3, 1817, died on the homestead, October 27, 1890.

William Wilson received his education in the district schools. He grew to manhood on his father's farm, a faithful and industrious helper. He farmed the homestead for a number of years, and after his father's death succeeded to the management of the place. He was a farmer of advanced ideas. Inheriting his father's excellent business principles, as well as his honest name, he easily gained and held the respect and confidence of those with whom he had intercourse. Kind, generous, hospitable, he was one with whom it was a pleasure to come in contact, either in a social or a business way. He was a Democrat of the Jeffersonian type. Having been nominated

for the office of county commissioner, he was elected by a splendid majority, serving also as a director of the poor and in various township offices. In 1863, he enlisted with the militia in the emergency call, and was afterwards honorably discharged.

Mr. Wilson was married, February 13, 1845, to Rosanna, daughter of Solomon and Christina (Barger) Pecht. They have these children: Henry M.; Rachel; Annie R.; J. Bruce; William Emory; Hannah Elizabeth; Mary Isabella; John Moore; and Ambrose. Henry M. married Matilda Meiller, February 23, 1871, removed to Burlington, Ia., where she died September 27, 1873, leaving one child, Dora. Henry M. Wilson was killed by the cars at Louisville, Ky., November 12, 1885, aged thirty-nine years, six months and fifteen days. Rachel Wilson married J. B. McVey, September 19, 1871; they have two children: William Wilson; and Walter E. They removed to Spearfish, S. D., where they own a farm and also a cattle ranch at the Cave hills. Annie R. Wilson married A. J. Kimberly, January 11, 1876; they own the farm adjoining the old home, and have one child, Ethel. James Bruce Wilson married Emma S. Saylor, December 28, 1876, who died January 14, 1880, aged twenty-five years, eleven months and twenty-one days. He now resides in La Salle county, Ill. Hannah Elizabeth Wilson died April 7, 1868, aged eleven years, nine months and eleven days. Mrs. Wilson now resides on the old homestead, with her three sons, Emory, Ambrose, John, and her daughter Mary.

JACOB RUPP WIRT, P. O. McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born near Mexico, Walker township, Juniata county, Pa., August 1, 1839. His great-grandfather came to America about 1770, from one of the cantons of Switzerland, settled in the vicinity of Boston, Mass., and ultimately came to what is now Northumberland county, Pa., where his son Nicholas was born and reared to early manhood. At the age of seventeen Nicholas entered the Continental army as a drummer boy, and served twenty-two months. Nicholas married Margaret Sidel, and they reared a large family of children, among whom was Daniel, father of Jacob R. Wirt. Daniel Wirt was born in Adams county, Pa., June 10, 1804. He was seven

years old when his parents removed to Perry county, and resided between Millerstown and Carlisle until 1824. He then lived two years in Wild Cat valley, in the same county, after which he spent three years at Millerstown, learning stone masonry. During the summers of 1828 and 1829, he was employed on the Pennsylvania canal, along the Juniata river. Altogether he worked forty years at his trade. He was married in the village of Mexico, Pa., in the latter part of 1830, to Maria, daughter of David and Margaret Miller, born in Lancaster county, April 8, 1808. Their children are: David; Susan; Jacob R.; and Daniel. Mr. Wirt was an earnest and consistent member of the Lutheran church, and was a judicious and just man. He removed April 1, 1833, to the homestead in Walker township, where he spent the remainder of his life, and died there in December, 1888.

Jacob Rupp Wirt was reared on the homestead, and was educated in the local schools. At the early age of fourteen, he began to work out among the neighbors, and was employed in this way for three years. In 1857-58 he was employed with his brother David at masonry, but not having the physical strength requisite for such heavy work, he abandoned the trade and became a teacher, and from 1858 to 1872 was successfully engaged in this profession. In 1872 he became cashier in the bank of Moore, McWilliams & Co., in McVeytown, and filled the position until 1879, when he was elected justice of the peace; in this office he has served continuously since. In 1869 he had been elected to the office and served one term of five years. He has also been the local agent for some of the best fire and life insurance companies in the business. In 1868 Mr. Wirt developed the first sand at McVeytown, and shipped the first carload consigned from the mine now operated by C. P. Dull. He is a supporter of the Democratic party; also a member of McVeytown Lodge No. 376, F. and A. M.

Mr. Wirt was married September 3, 1867, to Sarah E. Reifsnnyder, born November 3, 1844, a daughter of Jonathan and Marie Ann (Seibert) Reifsnnyder, of Womelsdorf, Berks county, Pa. Their children are: Lucius A.; Mary B.; William M.; Irene E.; John O.; and George H. Mr. and Mrs. Wirt are members of the Presbyterian church at McVeytown.

Jacob R. Wirt and his brother, Daniel S. Wirt, enlisted June 30, 1863, in Company K, Thirty-fourth regiment of the Emergency Troops; Jacob R. Wirt was made quartermaster's sergeant of the regiment, and both were honorably discharged, August 24, 1863.

JOHN GLASGOW, McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born near Lick Ridge, Henderson township, Huntingdon county, Pa. The grandfather of Mr. Glasgow was a native of Scotland, and came to America some time prior to the beginning of the present century. Among his children were: Taylor, who married and settled near Bellewood, in that part of Huntingdon county which is now Blair county, Pa.; James, married and settled near his brother Taylor; John, married and settled near Evansburg, Cambria county, Pa.; Richard, married and settled near Glen Hope, Clearfield county, Pa.; Samuel, married and settled near Three Springs, in Huntingdon county, Pa.; Jane; and Matthew. Matthew Glasgow, father of John Glasgow, was born and reared in Huntingdon county, Pa. He was educated in the public school, and became a millwright; he followed that business for a number of years throughout the central part of the State. In 1833 he bought the Copeland mills near Newton Hamilton, Pa., and remained there until 1847, when he removed to Illinois. A few years later he decided to return to his native State, but was taken sick on his way back and died at Pittsburg, Pa., in May, 1849, aged sixty-two years. In religious belief and association he was a Baptist. Mr. Glasgow was married to Sarah Drake, and their children are: James, married Catherine Copeland; Eveline (Mrs. James Corbett); Rebecca (Mrs. John Langhlin); Margaret (Mrs. James Kimball); Sarah (Mrs. Joseph Langhlin); Samuel, died in infancy; Jane, also died in infancy; and John. Mrs. Sarah Glasgow died in 1828. Mr. Glasgow married secondly Ruth Corbin; the children of this marriage are: Richard, a resident of California since 1849; Molly (Mrs. Amond Greenland); Martin Van Buren, of Illinois; Jennie (Mrs. Oliver Swope).

John Glasgow was reared in Mifflin county, Pa., attended select schools, and learned the miller's trade with his father near Newton Hamilton, Pa. At his majority, in 1848, he undertook the management of the old Atkin-

son mills in Wayne township, where he was engaged in milling and manufacturing lumber for about seventeen years. In 1865 he opened a store near Atkinsons Mills and conducted a successful mercantile business for eighteen years. Later he was for a few years engaged in farming, but resumed mercantile business in 1889 at McVeytown, in which he has since been continuously and successfully engaged. Mr. Glasgow is an ardent Democrat; he has served in various township offices.

Mr. Glasgow was married July 9, 1846, to Elmira Van Dyke, daughter of Archibald and Mary (Linebaugh), Van Dyke. Their children are: Annie (Mrs. William V. Hornung), has children, Nellie, Gertrude, Mary Pearly and Ruth; and William Birchfield, associated with his father in the store, married Elsie R. Norton, and has one child, John Russel. Mr. and Mrs. Glasgow are members of the Presbyterian church at McVeytown.

SAMUEL TROXELL, deceased, McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Snyder county, Pa., April 12, 1806, and was of Swiss descent. He received a limited education in subscription schools, remaining under the parental roof until he reached early manhood, and then left home and made his way to Ohio on foot, with all his worldly goods in a knapsack. After remaining in the west for some time, he returned to his native county and learned tanning with Mr. Moyer. Having worked a short time at his trade as a journeyman, he came to McVeytown in 1831 and built a tannery, opposite the present residence of John Meyers. Here he was engaged until 1850, when he disposed of his business and bought a farm in Ogle county, Ill., which he cultivated for a short time. Again he returned to McVeytown with his family and opened a meat market, which he carried on until 1856. He then entered into a partnership with John McKee, of Lewistown, under the firm name of McKee & Troxell, and conducted a successful business for five years. Then, the connection being dissolved, Mr. Troxell returned to McVeytown and built a new tannery, where he did a profitable business until 1882, at which time he retired from active business. Mr. Troxell did not reserve all his energy and enterprise for his own affairs, but was public-spirited, and gave substantial aid to all projects promising to benefit the community. He

was an ardent Republican; while he did not seek public preferment, his services were in demand for the borough, and he filled many local offices. His death occurred April 16, 1884. He married Elizabeth Reiser, who was born February 20, 1806, and died May 6, 1877. Their children are: Mary Swartz, deceased; Sarah Jane; Samuel U. and Elizabeth, twins; and William Reiser, an invalid from early childhood. Sarah J. finished her education at the Lawrenceville Female Seminary near Princeton, N. J., and Elizabeth was graduated from the Wesleyan Female Seminary at Wilmington, Del. Samuel U. Troxell received his education in the public schools, and when nineteen years of age entered the Freehold Institute at Monmouth, N. J., from which he was graduated in 1860. He was in business with his father until the retirement of the latter, after which he engaged in farming and butchering at McVeytown, where he also deals extensively in tanners' supplies. He is interested in all local enterprises which he deems of public benefit. He shares his father's political views, has served in various local offices, and is at present a member of the town council. He is a member of Lodge No. 376, F. and A. M., and of the Bright Star Lodge 205, I. O. O. F. at McVeytown.

On December 25, 1877, Mr. Troxell was married to Anna Eliza Bratton, and their children are: Estella; William Bratton; Edgar Marcellus; Catharine Elizabeth; and Walter Earle. The family reside in Philadelphia on account of educational advantages. Mr. Troxell is a member of the Presbyterian church at McVeytown, of which he has for fifteen years served as trustee.

GEORGE S. RUBLE, deceased, was born in the old Ruble homestead in Granville township, August 20, 1851. His father, Michael Ruble, was born in Ferguson valley, and received a common school education. At the age of twenty-one years he began farming on his own account; he occupied and cultivated the old Keever farm in Granville township. He was married to Serena Meyers, daughter of Peter and Sarah (Graft) Meyers. Their children are: Elsie Jane (Mrs. John Stump); Lawrence; Flora Grace; George S.; Sarah, deceased; and Cora Emma. Mr. Ruble died May 14, 1890.

George S. Ruble was born and reared on

the farm, and had the educational advantages usually falling to the lot of the farmer boy. He inherited the excellent characteristics of his revered father, and came to be recognized as a man of great intelligence, sound and practical judgment and advanced ideas. His honor and integrity shone out in all his business methods and his social nature was expressed and exemplified in his uniform prudence and generous hospitality. In his religious views he was in accord with the German Baptists, and in their organization he was a consistent member. His untimely death occurred at Mattawana and was the result of an accident at a railway crossing.

Samuel Meyers, grandfather of Mrs. Michael Ruble, settled on the Meyers homestead in Oliver township, soon after his marriage to Elizabeth Shellenberger, where they reared a family of six sons and four daughters. His son, Peter Meyers, was reared on the homestead and received a district school education. He remained with his parents until he was twenty-two years of age, and then married Sarah Graft, daughter of Matthias Graft, a farmer of Lancaster county, Pa. His first farming for himself was done in Huntingdon county, and at the end of five years there he returned to the old homestead in Oliver township. A part of this place he occupied, building upon it a dwelling house and barn; he brought the farm to a good state of cultivation; it is now occupied by his daughter, Mrs. Ruble. Mr. Meyers was not only a good farmer, but was an able and devoted minister of the German Baptist church, excelled by few local preachers in his connection. His wife having died, he married Magdalene France, of Illinois; since 1886 they have resided at Los Angeles, Cal.

ADAM LEFFARD, farmer, McVeytown, Oliver township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Porter township, Huntingdon county, Pa., August 26, 1824. John Leffard, grandfather of Adam Leffard, was born in Holland, where he was reared and educated. Immediately after his marriage he came to America, in 1796, and his first child was born in this country. He and his wife paid their passage by services agreed upon to be rendered to the captain of the ship after landing. A balance on this claim due to the captain he transferred to a Mr. Smith, of Huntingdon county, and

to him they discharged the remainder of their obligation, after which they continued to farm for Mr. Smith for a number of years, and spent the remainder of their days in Porter township, where both the grandfather and grandmother died at the ages respectively of ninety and seventy-three years. Both were members of the Reformed church. In political views Mr. Leffard was Democratic. Their children are: John; Isabella; William; Adam; Letitia; Joseph; Catherine.

John Leffard, father of Adam Leffard, was born January 6, 1796, in Philadelphia. He grew up at home and received a common school education. He became a farmer in Huntingdon county and died in the prime of his life, December 30, 1831. He married a Miss Jones, who was of Welsh ancestry, and she died, leaving one child, Annie. Mr. Leffard married secondly Sarah Stitt, of Irish birth and parentage, who came to America in 1812. The children of this union are: William; Adam; Susanna. Mrs. Leffard survived until May, 1877, when she died at the age of ninety years. Mr. and Mrs. Leffard were members of the Presbyterian church.

Adam Leffard was reared on the homestead and received a district school education. In his early life he was employed as a farmhand, and in 1849 he took the farm of Hon. John Scott, in Porter township, on shares, and cultivated it a number of years, and was so successful that he was able in 1857 to purchase a farm in Sinking Creek valley, Tyrone township, Blair county, Pa., which he cultivated successfully for eight years. In 1865 he came to Mifflin county and bought his present place of 190 acres in Oliver township, which he has since occupied and improved and has brought it to a high state of excellence.

Mr. Leffard was married January 30, 1851, to Mary Stryker, daughter of John and Elizabeth Stryker. Their children are: John; Susanna; Anna Mary; Sarah Elizabeth; Adam Thompson; Laura Jane; William Stitt. Mr. Leffard and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church at McVeytown.

THOMAS S. PYLE, M. D., Allensville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born June 14, 1846, in Greensburg, Westmoreland county, Pa. He is a son of Dr. Andrew J. and Eliza P. (Sheppard) Pyle. His grandfather, Robert Pyle, emigrated from England and settled in

New Jersey, where he followed the business of carpenter, contractor and builder. He was a Democrat. Robert Pyle was married to Miss Currey. Their children are: Robert; Thomas; Andrew; Currey; Daniel, of Michigan; Martha; Mary; Maria. They are all dead but Daniel. Robert Pyle died in Ashland county, O., where he lived after his retirement from business. His wife died in Iowa. They were members of the Presbyterian church. Dr. Andrew Pyle, father of Thomas S. Pyle, was educated in New Jersey, and was for a time engaged with his father in business, as carpenter and builder. He saved his earnings and entered the medical department of King's College, Cincinnati, where he graduated with honors. He then went to Greensburg, and there practised medicine for some years. From that place he removed to Ashland, O., and continued his practise. During the oil excitement in Pennsylvania, he removed to New Castle, Lawrence county, Pa., and speculated in oil with good success. After some years he removed to New Galilee, Beaver county, Pa., and resumed the practise of medicine. Andrew J. Pyle was married in Lock Haven, Clinton county, Pa., to Eliza P. Sheppard, who was a native of Clinton county, of Scotch descent. Their children are: Robert J., contractor and builder of Venango county, Pa.; Ellen, deceased; Martha C. (Mrs. Washington McConnell), Lawrence county, Pa.; Erastus C., brick mason of Venango county, Pa.; Emily (Mrs. Thomas A. Smith), of Franklin, Pa.; Phoebe A. (Mrs. James Hudson), of Beaver county, Pa.; Thomas S.; George W., postmaster at New Galilee, Beaver county, Pa.; Franklin B., of Colorado; Sarah, deceased; John N., deceased. Andrew J. Pyle was a man of intelligence and ambition, and his success was achieved through industry and honest purpose. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, in which he held office for many years. His death occurred in 1889.

Thomas S. Pyle graduated from the public schools of New Castle, Lawrence county, Pa., and then read medicine with his father for four years. He spent two years in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, graduating with honor in 1868. He began the practise of medicine in the Kishacoquillas valley, at White Hall, where he remained for twenty-three

years, and acquired an extensive practise. In 1891 he removed to Petersburg, Huntingdon county, to succeed Dr. McCarthy; here he was again successful, but returned to Mifflin county in 1895 and settled at Allensville, his present home. Dr. Pyle compounds his own medicines. He enjoys the confidence and esteem of all his associates. He is a member of the Medical Society of Pennsylvania, and of the National Medical Association. Dr. Pyle is a lover of horses and has some fine ones. He belongs to Belleville Lodge, No. 302, I. O. O. F.; to the Belleville Castle, K. G. E.; and to the Order of Rebecca. His political connections are Democratic. He was school director for three years, and justice of the peace for five years. With one exception, he never had a case taken to a higher court.

Dr. Thomas S. Pyle was married in March, 1869, to Jennie E., daughter of George Cotner, a blacksmith of the Kishacoquillas valley. Their children are: Sarah P. (Mrs. Warren Moffet), of Petersburg; and Anna J. Dr. Pyle and family are members of the Presbyterian church. Dr. Pyle is also a worker in the Sunday-school.

JOHN W. DIFFENDERFER, M. D., Allensville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at McVeytown, Pa., January 12, 1861, son of Samuel and Mary (Kimberly) Diffenderfer. His paternal great-grandfather was a Hollander, who came to Pennsylvania and settled in New Holland. His grandfather, Stephen Diffenderfer, who was born here, learned the trade of blacksmith and iron worker. He came to Mifflin county, and settled in the Kishacoquillas valley at Horrellstown, now Allensville. He was the first blacksmith of the village, and the shop which he built is one of the old landmarks of Allensville. Mr. Diffenderfer was for many years a justice of the peace in Menno township, and was highly esteemed in the community. He was a Whig. He was married in Mifflin county, and had a family of children. Mr. Diffenderfer died in Allensville, and was buried in the Methodist graveyard. He was an earnest and faithful member of the Methodist church. Samuel Diffenderfer, after attending the subscription schools of the valley, entered his father's shop and learned the trade, which he followed until 1870, when he went to Cass county, Missouri,

and engaged in farming and stock raising. He enlisted, August 18, 1862, for the war of the Rebellion, was mustered into service at Mt. Union, Huntingdon county, and was assigned to Company I, One Hundred and Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, "Bucktail Regiment," as sergeant. He was promoted to second lieutenant March 25, 1863; to first lieutenant, January 29, 1864; and to captain March 17, 1864. On May 4, 1864, he was discharged from the service on surgeon's certificate.

About 1870 Mr. Diffenderfer removed with his family to Missouri, where he cleared and cultivated his farm of 160 acres, built a house and barn, and made many improvements. His untiring energy and perseverance rewarded him with abundant success. In 1889 he retired from farming, and returned to Mifflin county, Pa., where he resided until his death, which occurred in March, 1894. Mr. Diffenderfer was an ardent Republican.

Samuel Diffenderfer was first married to Mary Kimberly, of McVeytown, who was of English descent, and who died of consumption in 1862, leaving four children: Annie (Mrs. H. E. Loomis), of Kansas City; Alice (Mrs. Thomas L. Wilson), died in Freeman, Cass county, Mo.; John W.; and Harry, who was burned to death in Colorado. Afterwards he married Catharine Ost, of Burnt Cabins, Pa. Their children are: Samuel G., resides in the west; May P.; Rachel E.; George, of Bellefontaine, O.; Belle; and Mande. His widow resides in Allensville.

John W. Diffenderfer attended the public schools of Mt. Union until he was nine years of age, when his parents removed to Cass county, Mo. Here he attended the district schools, and assisted his father on the farm until he was twenty-two years of age. He took a course of instruction at the Missouri State Normal School, to prepare himself for teaching, and taught five years in the district and graded schools. During this time he read medicine under Dr. G. W. Farrow, of East Lynne, Cass county. He then entered the Rush Medical College at Chicago, where he spent two years, and afterwards became a student of the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Kansas City, where, in 1889, he completed a two years' course, and was graduated with honor. He first practised his profession in Ellis county, Kan., afterwards in Spring-

view, Keya Paha county, Neb. In 1892, he removed to Allensville, Pa., where he now resides. His skill as a physician and surgeon is well-known in the valley, and he has a large practise. He is a Republican. Dr. John W. Diffenderfer was married at Springview, Neb., to Lucy A., daughter of Daniel Hollis, a retired farmer of Blacklick, Indiana county, Pa.

JACOB K. METZ, M. D., Allensville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born August 16, 1825, in what is now Brady township, Huntingdon county, Pa. He is a son of John and Fannie (Keiser) Metz. His grandfather, Louis Metz, came from Germany and settled in Lancaster county, where he worked at harnessmaking. He removed to Huntingdon county, near Petersburg, and continued his business there, besides farming. At an advanced age he retired from business, went to his daughter in Ohio and died there. His children are all dead. John Metz, M. D., father of Dr. Jacob Metz, acquired his early education in the subscription schools of Lancaster county, and worked with his father at harnessmaking. When he became a young man, he left Petersburg, went to Manheim, Lancaster county, and read medicine there with his uncle, Dr. Baird. He began the practise of his profession in Lancaster county, afterwards going to Petersburg. He was one of the first physicians at Petersburg, and remained there seven years. He then removed to the Kishacoquillas valley and established an extensive practise there. He retired from active business at the age of seventy-five. Dr. John Metz also owned 150 acres of land, which he greatly improved. He built several dwellings and barns. He was a Democrat. John Metz was married in Manheim, Lancaster county, to Fannie Keiser, of German extraction. Their children are: John, deceased; Maria (Mrs. Jacob Shafner), deceased; Harry K., of Logan township, Huntingdon county; Samuel, deceased; Jonathan, farmer, of Huntingdon county; Elizabeth (Mrs. John Baum), deceased; Jacob K.; Fannie (Mrs. George Wakefield), of Logan township, Huntingdon county. The mother, Mrs. John Metz, died in Petersburg in 1874. Dr. Metz was a member of the Lutheran church. He was a man of intelligence and much ability, and was held

in high regard. He died at Petersburg at the age of eighty-nine years.

Jacob K. Metz received his education in the subscription and public schools of Brady township, and worked on his father's farm until he reached his majority. He then read medicine with his father for three years, and attended the Jefferson Medical College, of Philadelphia, from which he was graduated in 1852. He returned home and practised with his father for five years. In 1857 he removed to Allensville, where he remained until 1874, when he removed to Shavers Creek, West township, Huntingdon county, and practised medicine there for four years. Since then he has resided in Allensville, where he has an extensive practise. He was the first physician permanently settled in Allensville, and has practised in that town for thirty-five years. He also owns a drug store there. Dr. Metz has two farms of 400 acres in Kishacoquillas valley, and one on Warren ridge. Like his father, he is a lover of fine horses.

Jacob K. Metz was married at Manor Hill, Huntingdon county, to Annie, daughter of John Carver, of Manor Hill. Their children are: Fannie (Mrs. Howard Cunningham), of Alexandria; Jennie, deceased; Mary; Harry; who practised four years in Allensville, after graduating from Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, and died December 16, 1890; Maggie (Mrs. Milroy Neff), of Florida; John P., who read medicine with his father, graduated from Jefferson Medical College, in 1893, and is now practising with his father in Allensville. Mrs. Annie Metz died at Manor Hill in 1876. Dr. Metz was married again to Barbara Zook, widow of Solomon King. He is a Democrat. He belongs to the I. O. O. F. Dr. Metz is an earnest member of the Lutheran church, in which he has served as elder. He also takes an active part in the work of the Sunday-school, and is one of its teachers.

THOMAS A. W. WEBB, Allensville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Juniata county, Pa., October 20, 1831. He is a son of John and Mary (Wilson) Webb. John Webb was a son of James Webb, of Chester county; he was of Scotch ancestry on the paternal and of Welsh on the maternal side. He was a weaver; he came to Juniata county while yet a young man, and for some time

was engaged there in weaving and farming. He removed to Virginia, but returned after four years and settled near McComellstown. He farmed and did weaving there for four years, and then in 1845 came to Union township, Mifflin county. He removed to Allensville and worked in the woolen factory. John Webb was married in Juniata county to Mary Wilson, a lady of Scotch-Irish descent. Their children are: Jane (Mrs. Henry Romig), deceased; Catherine (Mrs. Jacob Zerby), of Mifflin county; Thomas A. W.; Elizabeth (Mrs. H. H. Gibboney), of Reedsville; Margaretta (Mrs. John Musser), of Huntingdon county; James, deceased; John W., deceased; Rachel (Mrs. Robert Morgan.) Mrs. John Webb died in Union township, April 24, 1864. John Webb was a Democrat, but later a Republican. He served the township in various offices. Mr. Webb was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He was an earnest Christian, and has left to his children the memory of a noble, upright life. He was a teacher in the Sunday-school and a class leader. His death occurred October 30, 1867.

Thomas A. W. Webb acquired his education in the public schools of Union township, and began his business life at weaving in the woolen factory of Gibboney Brothers in Union township, where he spent about ten years. He then came to Allensville, and with Mr. Zerby, his brother-in-law, as partner, began the manufacture of woolen goods. This firm continued for thirty-four years, from 1855 to 1889. Mr. Webb's son, John A. Webb, then bought out the interest of Mr. Zerby, and became a partner with his father, under the firm name of Webb & Son. The firm spent \$10,000 in improved machinery and appliances, and is doing a prosperous business. Mr. Webb owns 68 acres of land and has built a fine home. He is a Republican, and has served the township as school director for three years, tax collector for one term, and justice of the peace of Menno township. He was first elected to the justiceship in 1881, and has held it ever since. He belongs to Mr. Moriah Lodge, No. 300, F. and A. M., Huntingdon.

Thomas A. W. Webb was married at Huntingdon in 1858, to Anna Hamn. Their children are: Clara (Mrs. Dr. J. P. Gettler), of Belleville; Elizabeth; John A.; George L., dentist. Mr. Webb is a progressive and enter-

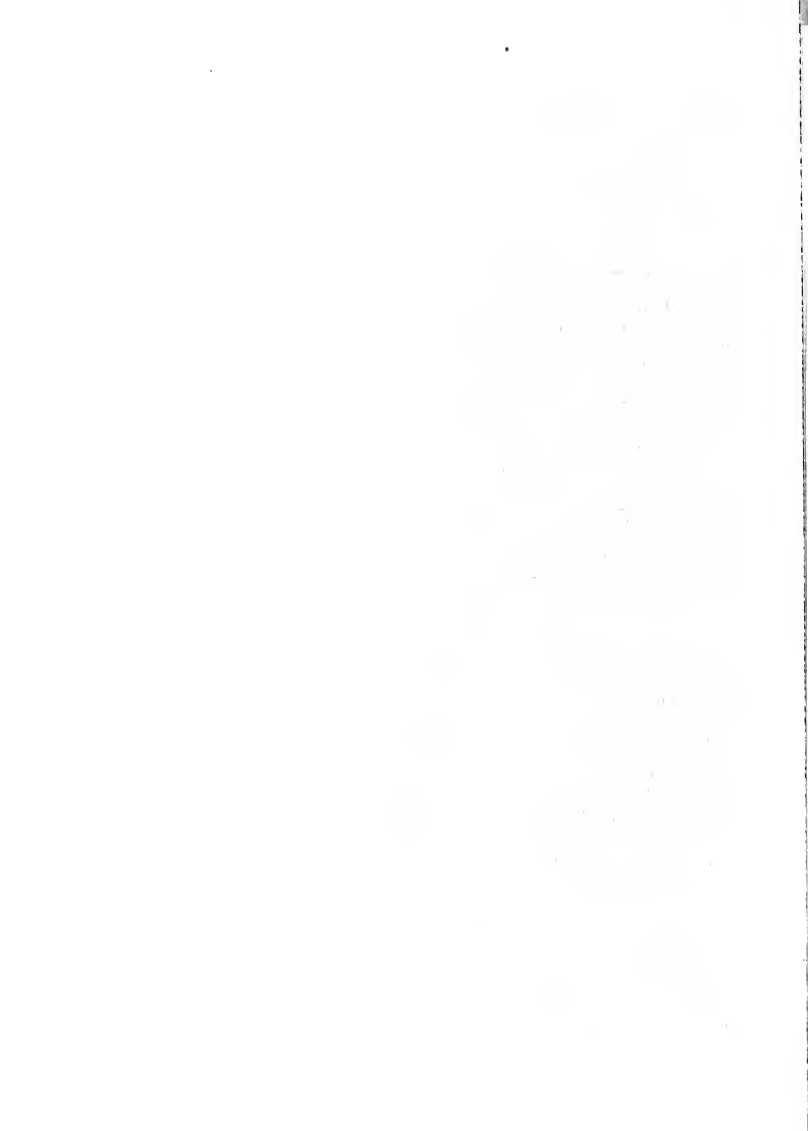
prising citizen, respected for his honest dealings and Christian character. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which he has held the office of trustee, steward and elder. He is class leader and a teacher and superintendent of the Sunday-school.

John A. Webb, son of Thomas and Anna (Hamn) Webb, was born in Menno township, April 14, 1864. He attended the district schools, the Huntingdon Normal School, the Millersville State Normal School, and the University at Lebanon, O. He then taught school for ten years in Mifflin and Huntingdon counties. For one year he was shorthand writer for a manufacturing firm in Philadelphia. He then came home and succeeded Mr. Zerby as partner to his father, in 1889. He has put his energy and ability into the business and it has been a success. John A. Webb is a Republican, and takes an active interest in politics. He has been delegate to the county conventions.

John A. Webb was married in Philadelphia, in 1893, to Lina L., daughter of Joseph King, of Menno township. Their children are: Esther; and Helen. Mr. Webb is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which he serves as trustee. He teaches in the Sunday-school, and is also a member of the Epworth League.

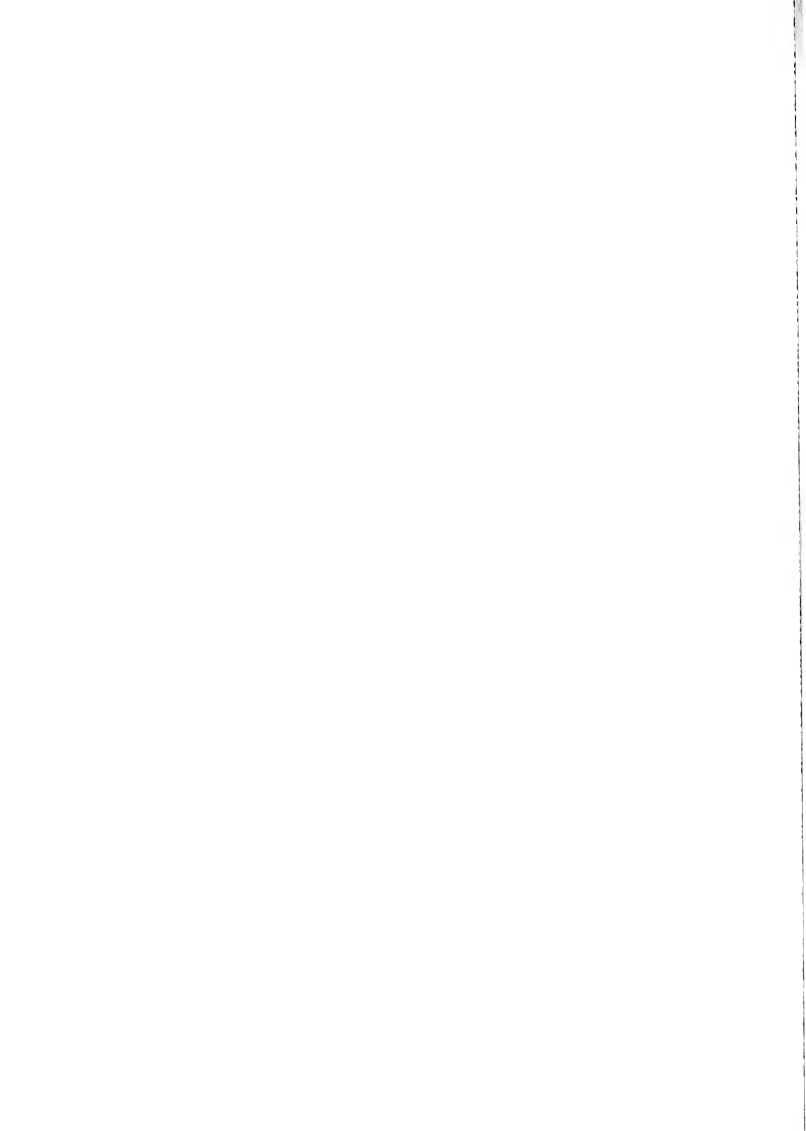
ROBERT E. GOSS, Menno, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Snyder county, near Fisher's mill, September 14, 1865. He is a son of David and Rebecca (Knepp) Goss. His father, David Goss, was born in Snyder county, and was a farmer. In 1872 he removed to White Hall, and spent seventeen years as farm laborer. He then rented a farm of 80 acres, in Menno township, which is his present home. David Goss was married in Snyder county, to Rebecca Knepp. Their children are: Robert E.; Elliot H., born May 28, 1867, at present clerk for his brother Robert; and Paul U., born January 10, 1870. Mr. Goss is a Republican. He and his wife are members of the Lutheran church.

Robert E. Goss acquired his education in the public schools of Menno township. His first business engagement was a clerkship in the store which he now owns, then the property of James R. Fleming, which position he filled for eight years. He bought out Mr. Fleming in October, 1894, and has carried on





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the business ever since as a general merchant, with fair success. Mr. Goss is a Republican. He has served the township as tax collector for two years, treasurer of the school board, inspector and clerk of election board, and State and county collector of school tax. Mr. Goss is one of the most enterprising men of White Hall. He is a member of the Lutheran church.

JOSEPH M. FLEMING, Menno, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the homestead in Menno township, February 2, 1833, son of John and Mary (Wills) Fleming. His paternal grandfather, John Fleming, was of Scotch-Irish extraction, and was born at Brandywine, Pa. He served in the Revolutionary war as a private, and took part in several battles. In the latter part of the last century he came to the Kishacoquillas valley, and purchased 500 acres of timber land, which he began to clear and cultivate. He first built a log house, in which he lived for a number of years. This rude affair then gave place to a better dwelling, and later, with the help of his family, he built other houses and barns. He was a successful farmer and stock-raiser; his fondness for horses was well known. He was a Democrat.

Joseph Fleming was married to Miss Martin. They had six children: Joseph; John; James; William; Elizabeth (Mrs. Dr. Finley), of Altoona; and Margaret (Mrs. Thomas Wilson). Mr. Fleming died in the valley on what is now known as the Henry Wilson farm. Mrs. Fleming also died in the valley. They were members of the Presbyterian church.

John Fleming, the second son, spent his boyhood on the homestead. He attended a subscription school, which was a long distance from his home, for public schools had not then been established in the valley. At the age of twenty-one his father started him in the business of agriculture by giving him a farm. He proved himself a skilful and judicious farmer, and owned before his death 1,100 acres of valuable land; 800 of which was in Iowa, now cultivated by three of his sons, and 300 acres in the valley. He made many improvements on the homestead. He built a large brick house, the bricks for which were burned on the farm, also barns and other buildings. Like his father, he was fond of horses, and was suc-

cessful in raising fine herds of horses and cattle. Mr. Fleming's Scotch-Irish thrift and energy characterized him down to his death, which occurred May 16, 1868. He was a progressive and public-spirited citizen. He was highly esteemed for his excellent qualities, and his influence was felt in the community. He was always a Democrat. He served ten years as a justice of the peace, and held the office of assessor and tax collector for two years. He was married to Mary Wills, of the valley. Their children are: Joseph M.; John, resides in Iowa; William, of Iowa; Robert; James C., of Iowa; Samuel W.; Sarah (Mrs. Philip Weiler), of Kansas; and Thomas C., who died in youth. Mr. Fleming was an earnest member of the Presbyterian church. He served for a long term of years as an elder and trustee, and was superintendent and teacher of the Sabbath-school.

Joseph M. Fleming first attended school at the Weiler school house, and afterwards at Port Royal, Juniata county. He was an efficient assistant to his father, after whose death he and his brother Robert took charge of the homestead, and continued with much success the cultivation of its three hundred acres, and the raising of fine horses and cattle. Mr. Fleming takes an active part in local and political affairs. He is well known throughout the county as a useful and worthy citizen. He is a Democrat. He was elected a director of the poor for a term of three years, by a large majority; he was a member of the board of school directors for nine years; he served one year as assessor and three terms as supervisor. Mr. Fleming is a member of the Presbyterian church. He is a trustee and a teacher in the Sabbath-school, of which he has been a life-long member.

ROBERT THOMAS FLEMING, Menno, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the homestead, February 24, 1840, son of John and Mary (Wills) Fleming. Robert Fleming during the winter months attended school at the "Weiler school house," and worked on the farm during the summer. He resides on the homestead, and by his careful attention to its improvement and his judicious management, he has shown himself a successful farmer. In 1866 he went to Iowa and spent one year with his brothers, and again, in 1873, passed six

months there. Mr. Fleming takes a kindly interest in local affairs. His position in the community is one of confidence and high esteem. He has always been a Democrat. He holds the office of supervisor.

Robert T. Fleming was married in Dauphin county, in 1883, to Linnie, daughter of William and Sarah (Wolff) Bousman, of Juniata county. Their children are: Mary E.; Laura M.; Robert M.; and John C. Mr. Fleming is a member and an elder of the Presbyterian church. He is a teacher in the Sabbath-school and served three years as superintendent.

Mrs. Fleming's father was a contractor and builder of Juniata county. Both parents are deceased. Their children are: John W.; Catharine A.; David; George; Linnie (Mrs. Fleming); and Mary.

JEPHTHA H. PEACHEY, Belleville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Menno township, January 22, 1852, son of Jonathan and Nancy (Yoder) Peachey. His paternal great-grandfather, Moses Peachey, was a pioneer of the Kishacoquillas valley. His grandfather, John, was a large land owner. His position in the community was one of influence and respect. He was one of the first to be actively interested in the building of the valley railroad. He was a Whig and later a Republican. He served as county commissioner, as director of the poor and as school director. He married Rebecca Byler, of the valley. Their children are: Christian B., deceased; Rebecca, widow of Benjamin Byler; Barbara (Mrs. Levi Hostetler); Elizabeth; and Jonathan. Mr. Peachey was a member of the Amish church. Jonathan Peachey was born in 1826. He attended the subscription and common schools. Until he was twenty-one, he assisted his father on the farm; he then began farming on his own account a tract of 170 acres. He bought other land in the valley, on which he erected fine buildings, and made many improvements. He continued farming with much success until 1886, when he retired, but continued to reside on the homestead. Mr. Peachey is an enterprising citizen; he takes an active interest in local affairs. He is a Republican, and has held offices of trust. He served as school director and as supervisor. Jonathan Peachey married Nancy Yoder, of the valley. Their sur-

viving children are: Melinda (Mrs. Ephraim Yoder); Jephtha H.; J. C., resides in the west; Christian Y., of Chicago; John D., an electrician and inventor of Newark, N. J.; Abraham L., a dealer in implements; Thomas K., of Iowa; and Sarah A. Those deceased are: Fannie; Rufus; and Nannie. Mrs. Peachey died in 1887. Mr. Peachey is a member of the Mennonite church.

After attending the public schools of Menno township, Jephtha H. Peachey entered a normal school of Ohio, where he spent three years, and was graduated in 1881. He assisted his father on the farm, and taught in the schools of the township; he also taught in Belleville and Reedsville, and in Hancock county, O. Mr. Peachey is now very successfully farming the old homestead. He takes an active interest in local and political affairs, and is a Republican. He is a share-holder of the valley railroad, and a member of its board of directors. He was elected auditor in 1896.

Jephtha H. Peachey was married to Sarah E. Zook, of Union township, in 1888. Mr. and Mrs. Peachey are members of the Mennonite church.

GEORGE F. HORRELL, Allensville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Allensville, son of William W. and Caroline (McDonald) Horrell. His paternal grandfather, William Horrell, was one of the early Scotch-Irish settlers of Allensville, which was formerly called Horrellsville, in honor of its first resident. He married and had a family of sons and daughters: Mary; Margaret; Christopher; William W.; John; and Joseph. William W. Horrell was born at Allensville, where he attended school. He and his brother John learned the trade of tailoring, and for a number of years he engaged in that business in Allensville. He afterwards became a dealer in horses and cattle. Mr. Horrell was a worthy and useful citizen. He was active in local and political affairs, as a member of the Democratic party. He gave liberally to the church. William W. Horrell was married to Caroline McDonald. Their children are: William, who died in early life; James A., of Kansas; George F.; Harry Rush, married Annie Henderson; Alice Blanche (Mrs. Strock); Sadie (Mrs. Rush McClintock); Alphonso Gay; Thomas Irvin; and Harry, who died in youth. Mr. Horrell died in 1889. Mrs. Horrell died in

1892; she was an earnest member of the Presbyterian church at Allensville.

George F. Horrell attended the common schools, and when seventeen years of age, learned tailoring with his father, assisting in the shop until he was twenty-five. After that, until he was twenty-nine years old, his father paid him journeyman's wages. Mr. Horrell has been successful in business, and is a progressive and useful citizen. In 1895 he built his large and convenient cottage. He takes an active interest in local and political affairs. He is a Democrat, and was appointed postmaster July 1, 1893.

George F. Horrell was married, December 23, 1866, to Rachel, daughter of Jacob and Catharine (Webb) Zerbe. Mr. and Mrs. Horrell are members of the Lutheran church. Mrs. Horrell is one of a family of eleven children. The other surviving members are: Lindsay W.; John T.; James G.; and Homer L.

DAVIS MCKANE CONTNER, deceased, was born in Oliver township, Mifflin county, Pa., August 28, 1815, son of John and Nancy (Gibboney) Contner. His father was a miller, and a resident of Mifflin county; his mother, a daughter of Alexander Gibboney, died in early womanhood, leaving eight children: George Washington; Jenima; Ann; John; Elizabeth; Gibboney; William; and Davis McKane. Until the age of fourteen years, Davis McKane Contner spent his boyhood at home. He was then placed under the care of Misses Elizabeth and Martha Kenney, of White Hall, Mennon township. Here he attended the district school, and assisted in the work of the farm, remaining with them until he was thirty years of age, when he began farming on his own account. Later he again assumed the management of their land, and upon the death of Miss Elizabeth Kenney in 1874, the estate was bequeathed to him for faithful service rendered. Mr. Contner devoted his time to his farming interests, and his careful attention and skilful management were rewarded with abundant success. He always took an active interest in local affairs; he was active in the organization and construction of the Kishacoquillas Valley Railroad. Mr. Contner was a generous and public-spirited citizen and was highly esteemed by all who knew him. He was active in political

circles. In 1848 he was elected sheriff by the Democratic party. In 1863 he was elected to the same office by the Republicans. He endorsed the platform on which Lincoln was elected, and adhered to the party until his death, which occurred January 3, 1889. He held various township offices, served as jury commissioner, and frequently acted as administrator. He was formerly a member of the board of directors of the Mifflin County National Bank.

Davis McKane Contner was married to Mary Ann, daughter of David and Margaret (Kline) Charles. Their children are: Narcissa Kenney (Mrs. Harry B. Wharton); William, died aged twenty-one months; and Mary Ebnira (Mrs. James W. Fleming), who has one child, Harry Davis, born January 1, 1894. Mr. Contner was a faithful member of the Lutheran church.

Mrs. Contner was born in 1833. Her father was a blacksmith of Liverpool, Perry county, where he died March 28, 1853, aged forty-seven years. His wife survives him. Their surviving children are: Mary Ann; Pamela (Mrs. Valentine Arndt), has a family of sons and daughters; Ebnira (Mrs. James George), has two children; and Catharine (Mrs. John Beigh), who has nine children. Susan, Louisa and Caroline died in childhood. Mr. Charles was a member of the United Brethren church, an earnest and faithful Christian.

EPHRAIM HAZLETT, deceased, was born in Mennon township, Mifflin county, Pa., April 15, 1822, son of William and Ann (Wilson) Hazlett. His parents were of Scotch-Irish descent. They had eleven children, two survive: Rev. Silas, a Presbyterian minister of Lake City, Minn., married Eliza Jane Patton, has one child; and Emmeline (Mrs. Henry Stedley), has seven children. Those deceased are: Margaret (Mrs. James R. McDowell), had five children; Sarah (Mrs. John McDowell); Joseph, born June 10, 1812, died August 23, 1820; Rev. John, a Presbyterian minister, and principal of a seminary near Pittsburg, married Margaret McCurdy, had one child; Wilson, married Margaret Garver, had two children; Anna (Mrs. John Huey), had six children; Ephraim; Maria (Mrs. Fleming), had five children; and Jane, born February 14, 1829, died October, 1845. Wil-

liam Hazlett, the father, was born in 1782, and died March 14, 1843.

Ephraim Hazlett attended the common schools. After his father's death he bought a tract of land, which is the homestead farm, and built the large and convenient house and barn. He made many improvements, and by his attention to the cultivation of the land made the farm one of the best in the township. Mr. Hazlett was a useful citizen. His estimable qualities won him the confidence and esteem of the community. He was greatly interested in local affairs. He was a Democrat, but not a narrow partisan. He served in various township offices.

Ephraim Hazlett was married December 5, 1856, to Louisa, daughter of John K. and Susan (Steel) Metz. Their children are: Sarah Ann (Mrs. Robert Huey), has seven children; Ida Jane, widow of John C. Smith, who died leaving two children; John Wilson, died in childhood; Alice May (Mrs. George Stine), has two children; William F.; Harry M., died July 18, 1895, aged twenty-nine; Mary Emma; and Silas M., M. D., a graduate of Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. Ephraim Hazlett was an earnest member of the Lutheran church at Allensville, where he held the office of deacon for many years. He died September 27, 1889.

Mrs. Ephraim Hazlett's parents were residents of Huntingdon county, Pa. Her father, John K. Metz, was a blacksmith in early manhood, and then engaged in farming. He was born May 3, 1808, and died in 1894; his wife, Susan (Steel) Metz, was born December 16, 1806, and died in 1876. Their children are: Louisa; Fanny; Elizabeth; John; Sarah; Samuel; Maria; Lewis; and Keturah.

JACOB MARTIN DACHENBACH, Allensville, Mifflin county, Pa., a son of William and Mary (Fasold) Dachenbach, was born in Brady township, Huntingdon county, Pa., September 17, 1836. His grandfather, Jacob Dachenbach, for many years a resident of Huntingdon county, was of German descent, and was highly esteemed by his fellow-citizens. He was married to Miss Hirston and had a large family of sons and daughters. Jacob M. Dachenbach's father, William Dachenbach, was born in Huntingdon county, March 16, 1810. He received a limited edu-

cation in the subscription schools of the district, and learned shoemaking. He worked at his trade during his whole life. He was married to Mary Fasold, a German by descent, who was born March 22, 1814. Their children are: Jacob Martin; Wilson P., married Eliza Fife, removed to Ohio; Savina (Mrs. Benjamin Foltz), resides in Ohio; Henry, of Logansport, Ind., married Mary Heddings; David W., married Mary Hawn, resides on the old homestead in Huntingdon county; Eliza Jane (Mrs. Amos Focht), of Allensville, Mifflin county, Pa.; John Hinton, of DeGraffe, O., married Caroline Canann; Mary Ann (Mrs. Jacob Heddings), of Huntingdon county; Sarah W. (Mrs. Grauville Smith), died in Logan county, O.; and Charles, married Abna Smith, of Logan county, O. Mr. William Dachenbach was a good citizen and an earnest worker in the church. He died April 6, 1892; his wife died in May, 1889.

Jacob M. Dachenbach was educated in the public schools of his native township. He worked with his father at shoemaking until he was eighteen, when he learned carpentry. After serving his apprenticeship, and working as a journeyman three years, he began for himself as carpenter and contractor, forming a partnership with Isaac Whitman, of Huntingdon county. This firm was very successful. In 1862 or 1863 Mr. Dachenbach removed to Allensville, Mifflin county, purchased the home in which he now resides, and engaged in cabinet-making and undertaking. He has greatly improved his property, and is a prosperous and successful manufacturer. Mr. Dachenbach has always been an ardent Democrat; he is prominent in local affairs, and gives liberally to all church enterprises.

Jacob Martin Dachenbach was married, February 24, 1859, to Catherine, daughter of Jacob and Catherine Heddings, of Mifflin county, Pa. They have seven children: Isaac, born January 13, 1860, died aged thirteen; William J., born June 16, 1861, died aged twenty-two; Henry W., born July 23, 1863; Mary C. (Mrs. Mathias Koogler), of DeGraffe, O., born June 11, 1865, has one child, Catherine; Lawrence H., of Allensville, Pa., born March 29, 1867, married Minnie Baker; Ellen M., born February 14, 1872; and Carrie A., born August 4, 1875. Mr. Dachenbach and his wife are devout members of the Lutheran church at Allensville, Pa.

WILLIAM HUEY, Allensville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in County Tyrone, Ireland, July 12, 1816. He is a son of Andrew and Rebecca (Somerville) Huey. Andrew Huey, with his wife and four children, came to America from Ireland in 1819, landing at Philadelphia. They bought fifteen acres of land in the west end of the Kishaeoquillas valley, and there established their home. Andrew Huey was a progressive and industrious man; he greatly improved his land, and added to it year by year, so that at the time of his death the farm consisted of 300 acres of well cultivated land. He devoted his life to farming and was very successful. Mr. Huey was a Democrat, and was interested in all local enterprises. On the voyage over from Ireland, the Hueys came in the same ship with Mr. Robert Wallace, the father of the late ex-Senator Wallace, of Clearfield county. Andrew Huey died in April, 1865; he was an earnest Christian, and won the respect of all his neighbors.

William Huey was one of eight children; he received his education in the district schools of Huntingdon county, in Henderson, now Brady township, and remained with his father, assisting him on the farm until he reached the age of thirty years. He then began to farm on his own account in Henderson township, Huntingdon county, where West Huntingdon is now situated, and remained there two years. He then removed to Dublin township, where he remained fifteen years. In 1865 he came to Allensville, and the following winter began business as a merchant; in this occupation he has continued successfully up to the present time. He is a Democrat.

William Huey was married, January 12, 1847, to Ann, daughter of James and Annie (Beatty) Cook. Their children are: James Andrew, who died aged eighteen months; infant twins, deceased; Robert C., who married Sadie Hazlett, has seven children; Anna Belle (Mrs. Dr. Heddings), of Juniata county; Rebecca Jane (Mrs. Dr. E. J. Zook), of Cumberland county, Pa.; and Agnes M. Mrs. William Huey died October 23, 1894, aged seventy-six years. She was an earnest member and a faithful worker of the Presbyterian church, and was loved and esteemed by all who knew her. Mr. Huey also is a member of the Presbyterian church; he has served as elder for over forty years.

JOHN KANAGY, Allensville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born October 30, 1848. He is a son of Jacob and Lydia (Zook) Kanagy. His great-grandfather, Jokel (Jacob), was a son of Christian Kanagy, who came to America in the eighteenth century and settled in Pennsylvania. Jokel had sons, one of whom was John, the grandfather of John Kanagy; he came to the Kishaeoquillas valley early in the present century, and bought a tract of land. By years of toil, he and his wife, Sarah, cleared the land and prepared it for farming. In 1823 they built the present house and barn. They were of that stock of which their descendants may justly be proud, and by their frugality and industry, established the competency which their grandchildren to-day enjoy. John and Sarah Kanagy had a family of sons and daughters; the sons were: Rudy; Solomon; Joshua; and Jacob. John Kanagy was twice married, and had five daughters. Jacob Kanagy was educated in the district schools and learned farming with his father, and spent his whole life as a farmer. Jacob Kanagy was married to Lydia, daughter of Christian Zook. Their children are: John; Christian, who married Barbara Sharp, and has four children; Fannie, who died in 1872, aged twenty years; and one who died in infancy. The sons, John and Christian, are twins; in 1857, when they were nine years old, their father died, in his forty-fourth year. Mrs. Jacob Kanagy died in 1865, aged sixty-five years.

John Kanagy acquired his education in the district schools; when he was eighteen years of age he began to farm on the homestead, on his own account. He farmed it on shares for nine years, and then bought it; since the purchase, Mr. Kanagy has made many improvements to the land and buildings; he is a skillful and successful farmer.

John Kanagy was married January 30, 1873, to Mary, daughter of Christian and Mary (Beiler) Peachey. Their children are: Lydia (Mrs. Samuel Glick), born February 11, 1875, has three children, Mary, born September 22, 1894, Sadie and Ada, twins, born July 11, 1896; Naney, born October 28, 1877; and Christian, born February 23, 1881, died June 24, 1886. Mr. Kanagy and family are members of the Amish Mennonite church.

SOLOMON PEACHEY, Belleville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at the old home-

stead, August 21, 1830. He is a son of Christian and Catherine (King) Peachey. His great-grandfather, Peter Bietsch, came to America from Switzerland in 1767. His children were: Abraham, born in 1754; Moses, born 1759; Peter; and Ann. He died on his farm in Somerset county, Pa. His grandfather, Moses Bietsch, married Barbara Yoder, of Caernarvon township, Lancaster county, Pa., December 4, 1791. Their children are: John, born August 16, 1795; Jacob, born March 6, 1797; Abraham, born October 17, 1799; and Christian, born September 5, 1803. Moses Peachey died in 1813, and his wife died in April, 1835. Christian Peachey was born on the homestead in Union township, and was educated in a subscription school. His father died when he was eight years old, but his mother kept her children together on the homestead until they were all grown up. Moses Peachey settled on a farm two miles northwest of Belleville, Union township, Mifflin county, which he purchased from Nicholas Gressinger, of Potter township, Centre county, Pa., for £200, current money of Pennsylvania. In 1826, Jacob, Abraham and Christian, lawful heirs of Moses Peachey, released this land to their brother John, for the sum of \$2,047.67. John Peachey conveyed the land, April 2, 1869, to Benjamin Beiler, for the sum of \$12,000. His widow and heirs conveyed the land, March 27, 1885, to David Remo, for the sum of \$12,000.

Christian Peachey was married in 1826 to Catherine King. Their children are: Barbara, born September 3, 1827, died July 31, 1841; John, born in October, 1828, married Sarah, daughter of David Zook; Solomon; Fanny (Mrs. Jonathan S. Zook), born March 23, 1832; Sarah (Mrs. David Stoltzfus), of Lancaster county, born in 1833; and Catherine, born January 5, 1835, died April 29, 1835. Mrs. Catherine Peachey died in 1836, and is buried in the old family burial ground. Mrs. Peachey was kind-hearted and generous, always ready to aid a friend or neighbor in times of sickness or distress, and an earnest member of the Amish Mennonite church. Christian Peachey's second wife was Mary, daughter of John and Elizabeth Beiler, of Union county. Mr. Beiler was generally known as "Gentleman John Beiler." They were married May 24,

1839, by the Rev. Long Christ Zook, of Union township. Their children are: an infant born and died in 1840; Elizabeth (Mrs. Jacob Schrock, born in 1841, resides in Missouri); Nancy, born September 13, 1843, was drowned April 28, 1845; Salome, born July 9, 1845, died August 8, 1864; Christian, born December 8, 1846, married Mary, daughter of Daniel Yoder; Kate, born January 28, 1849; Mary (Mrs. John Kanagy), born April 13, 1850; Moses, born December 15, 1851, died April 4, 1853; Lydia, born September 12, 1853; and Samuel W., born February 22, 1868, married Sarah, daughter of Christian C. Yoder. Mr. Christian Peachey was an honorable and successful business man. At the time of his death he owned several farms in the valley. He was actively interested in the affairs of the township, liberal, and anxious to contribute to the progress of the community. He was a Republican. Christian Peachey was an earnest Christian, a member and F. H. M. of the Amish Mennonite church. His sons, John and Samuel Peachey, were both preachers; the former was ordained in 1874; he died May 15, 1897, in his sixty-ninth year.

Solomon Peachey was educated in the public schools of his native township, and remained at home until the autumn of 1853, when he made a trip to the west; returning home, he gave his attention to farming. He takes an active interest in local politics and has filled various township offices.

Solomon Peachey was married in February, 1853, to Catherine, daughter of David and Catherine (Yoder) Hostetter. Their children are: Rachel, born February 7, 1854, died June 8, 1867; Catherine (Mrs. Jonathan B. Hooley), born October 13, 1856, has one child, Rebecca; Sarah E. (Mrs. Moses Zook), born May 30, 1860, has children, Ada, Ezra and Stephen, twins, and Sarah, one of the twins, Ezra, being dead; Moses, born March 21, 1862; Miriam, born November 26, 1863, died January 24, 1873; Solomon D., born May 31, 1866, married Catherine Spreicher, has five children, Urie, Emma, Mary, Jephtha and Kate; David S., born April 21, 1870, married Sarah Glick, has two children; Orie Aaron; and Rebecca F. (Mrs. John A. Glick), born July 13, 1875. Solomon Peachey and his family are members of the Amish Mennonite church.

JOSEPH ALLISON, Allensville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at the homestead in Menno township, Mifflin county, December 2, 1817. He is a son of William and Hannah (Hazlett) Allison. His grandfather, Robert Allison, a native of Ireland, came to America in the latter part of the last century, and settled in the Kishacoquillas valley, where he took out warrants for a large tract of land, which he cleared and cultivated. He lived to an old age. His children were: William; Richard; John; and Robert, who served in the war of 1812, and was drowned while on his way home. William Allison received his education in the common schools of his native township. He remained at home helping his father, and began farming on that part of his father's land which is now the homestead. In 1827 he built the saw-mill afterwards owned by his son Robert. The Allison brothers made many improvements in their property and in the valley. Although he did not seek prominence, Mr. Allison was an active member of the Democratic party. William Allison was married to Hannah Hazlett. Their children are: Robert, married Jane Fields, has eight children; Joseph; Sarah, Mrs. Alexander Hamilton, has five children; Mary, Mrs. Robert Hney, has one child, William; John, married Elizabeth Morgan, has five children, one of whom died in infancy; and Richard, married Mary Wilson, has six children. William Allison died in 1869, aged ninety-four; his wife died in 1856.

Joseph Allison was educated in the district schools of Menno township. He remained at home until he was twenty-eight, learning farming under his father's careful training. In 1845 he began farming for himself on the present homestead, where he still resides, although not actively engaged in its cultivation. He has been a life-long member of the Democratic party.

Joseph Allison was married, November 6, 1845, to Margaret Jane Rusler. They have three children: one who died in infancy; William Gibson, who was educated at an academy and taught for one term, and died October 13, 1871, aged eighteen; and James R., who married Sarah Taylor, daughter of Thomas and Margaret (Fleming) Wilson, and has three children, Margaret Fleming, born July 20, 1874, Joseph Gibson, born September 13, 1878, and Elizabeth Wilson, born Au-

gust 8, 1884. Mrs. Joseph Allison died January 26, 1889, aged sixty-eight. Mr. Allison belongs to the Presbyterian church, of which Mrs. Allison also was a devout member.

ROLAND THOMPSON, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Milroy, March 8, 1837. He is a son of James and Jane (Reed) Thompson. Roland Thompson's paternal grandparents were Moses and Lydia (Adams) Thompson. His father, James Thompson, was a member of the firm of Foster Milliken & Co., iron manufacturers, at Milroy, Mifflin county, from 1827 to 1833. About 1840 Mr. Thompson turned his attention to manufacturing woolen goods at Milroy, and later formed a partnership with Isaac Hawn, who had been running the old woolen mill, which was destroyed by fire in 1839. After some years Mr. Hawn retired, and Mr. Thompson continued the business, associating with himself his sons, Albert, Roland and Samuel T., in the firm of James Thompson & Sons. This partnership was continued until 1873, when the firm suspended. Mr. James Thompson had six children: James Reed, born in 1826, and died unmarried in 1858; Samuel T., born in 1828, married Clara Ashmead Barr, of Newark, Del., who died in 1875, leaving one son, Frank Forrester; Albert, born in 1831, married Sarah J. McFarland; Jane Elizabeth, born in 1835; Roland, born in 1837; and Anna Martha, born in 1840, died at the age of four. Mr. James Thompson died in February, 1879. His wife died in November of the same year.

Roland Thompson attended the public schools at Milroy until he was eighteen, when he entered the academy at Potters Mills, Centre county, Pa., to prepare for Jefferson College, at Cammonsburg, Washington county, Pa., graduating from that institution in the class of 1860. Having completed his collegiate course, he began a tour of the Southern States, and spent one year in Mississippi, when his plans were frustrated by the breaking out of the Rebellion. He returned to his home and enlisted, in August, 1862, in Company D, One Hundred and Thirty-first Pennsylvania Volunteers, and after nine months of gallant service was mustered out with his regiment at Harrisburg, Pa. On his return from the war, he became a partner in the firm of James Thompson & Sons, manufacturers of

woolen goods. This firm had an extensive and profitable business, but owing to disturbances in financial circles, they were unable to meet their liabilities, and suspended in 1873. Mr. Roland Thompson has won many friends by his genial manner and his benevolent disposition.

ALBERT THOMPSON, senior partner of the firm of Thompson Brothers, is a brother of Roland Thompson, and the third son of James and Jane Thompson. He was born in Armagh township, January 26, 1831. Albert Thompson received no education except that which could be acquired in the public schools of Milroy. He remained at home working in his father's establishment until he was made a partner in the business. When the firm of James Thompson & Sons failed, in 1873, Albert Thompson, undaunted by reverses, boldly faced their difficulties and took charge of the business. After three years of successful financial management, he formed a partnership with his brother Roland, and the firm of Thompson Brothers was soon as prosperous as that of James Thompson & Sons had been. In 1883 their establishment was destroyed by fire, and in 1884 they erected the present brick buildings, enlarging their factory. They are extensively engaged in the manufacture of woolen nosery, and provide employment for one hundred and twenty operatives, more than half of whom are girls. Their factory has a capacity of 250 dozen per day. In 1896 they established a branch of their business in Lewistown, employing about fifty operatives, and having a capacity of about 100 dozen per day. Their enterprise and their courage, tempered by prudence, have made the brothers successful business men, and furnished the means of support to many families in the community. The Thompson brothers are members of the Republican party. They attend the Presbyterian church at Milroy, of which Albert Thompson is a ruling elder.

Albert Thompson was married in November, 1856, to Sarah Jane, daughter of Andrew and Mary (Smith) McFarland. Their children are: Anna Mary, died at the age of eighteen months; James Reed, married Annie Adams White, has two children; Andrew M.; George L., married in February, 1895, to Clara Virginia Rice, who died in February,

1896; Henry S., died December 31, 1887; Albert Walter; and one son who died in infancy.

WILLIAM H. KOHLER, M. D., Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., son of Dr. F. S. and Sallie (Carson) Kohler, was born in Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., December 19, 1863. His grandfather was Henry Kohler, a native of Germany, who came to this country at the age of seven years. Settling at Middletown, Dauphin county, Pa., he grew to manhood at that place, and then moved to Lewistown, Mifflin county. Here he married Mary Wolfley, whose parents were born in Lancaster county, and were of German descent. They reared a family of twelve children, and finally moved to Milroy, where their remaining days were spent. One of their sons, F. S. Kohler, M. D., practised medicine very successfully at Reedsville. He married Sallie A. Carson, and had a family of two children: William H.; and B. Rush. The latter was born October 11, 1866, married Mary A. Smith, and has one child, Frank. In 1873 Dr. F. S. Kohler removed to Naampa, Ida., where he is still practising. He served as surgeon in the war of the Rebellion, in the Thirty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry, One Hundred and Eighty-second regiment, from February 18, 1863, to the close of the war, being mustered out July 8, 1865.

Dr. William H. Kohler was deprived by death of a mother's care and affection in 1867, at the early age of four years. Following this bereavement, he was placed under the care of relatives in Philadelphia and in Centre county, Pa. In the latter place he grew up and attended the public schools until he was seventeen years old, after which he worked for two years on a farm in Centre county. But his heart was not in his work, for his cherished ambition was to become a physician. At length the way opened for him to enter the Pennsylvania State College in Centre county, and here his preparatory education was acquired. He attended two courses of lectures at the medical department of the Western Reserve University of Cleveland, O. In the autumn of 1886 he matriculated at Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia, applied himself assiduously to the study, and graduated April 4, 1887, receiving a high mark for proficiency. Returning to his native county, he

took up his residence at Milroy and began practise. Of genial disposition and pleasing address, he quickly won for himself an honored place in the ranks of the profession. He is devoted to his calling, and is in hearty sympathy with any effort to promote the advancement of medical science. He is an active member of the Mifflin County Medical Society. He is also a member in good standing of Lodge No. 213, I. O. O. F.; and of Lodge No. 275, K. G. E., both of Milroy. He adheres to the Republican party.

Dr. W. H. Kohler was married, April 4, 1894, to Harriet E., daughter of W. C. and Sarah J. (Brown) Bunnell. They have one child, Sarah E. H. They attend the Presbyterian church.

THE REV. JOHN W. WHITE, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Saltsburg, Indiana county, Pa., October 31, 1828. His ancestors came from Scotland. His grandfather, Joseph White, was born in Lancaster county, Pa., in 1758. He married Mary, daughter of Humphrey Fullerton, grandson of Humphrey Fullerton, the brave Scotchman who was presented with a sword by King William III. of England for gallantry at the battle of the Boyne, in 1690. Joseph White and his family moved to Franklin county, Pa., in 1792, and to New Alexandria, Westmoreland county, Pa., in 1797. After his death his family removed to Saltsburg.

William, second son of Joseph White, was born in Lancaster county, August 22, 1789, and died in Saltsburg, January 15, 1859, in the seventieth year of his age. His wife, Kezia Delaplaine White, died in Saltsburg in 1877, in the eighty-first year of her age. They had ten children, five boys and five girls, all of whom except the youngest lived to be over sixty years of age. These children, in the order of their birth, were as follows: Mary (Mrs. Isaac Hughes), had four children; Joseph Fullerton, who went by the overland route to California, in 1846, where he still (1897) resides; Alexander Stuart, who served during the war of the Rebellion in an engineering corps of the Union army, married his cousin, Mary Jane White, and had ten children; Eliza Jane (Mrs. Joseph Alcorn), had three children; Sarah Ann (Mrs. Elliott McGuire), had eleven children; William McGowen, who left home when a young man, and was never

heard from again; Rev. John W.; Harriet Newell (Mrs. John Graham), had two children; Margaret Hannah (Mrs. Robert McWilliams), had two children; and Rev. Henry Humphrey, who became the pastor of the Presbyterian churches at Sidney and Clarinda, Ia., married Eva Brown and had one child, and died in the thirty-fifth year of his age.

John W. White attended a public school in Indiana county for several winters. When nearly eighteen years of age he commenced his studies preparatory to college, under the tuition of the Rev. Alexander Donaldson, D. D. The class of six of that winter soon developed into Elders Ridge Academy. After two and a half years at Elders Ridge and one year spent in teaching, Mr. White entered the junior class of Washington College, Pa., and graduated with a first honor in a large class from that institution in September, 1851. He taught one winter in the Saltsburg Academy, acted during his vacation as financial agent for Washington College, and afterwards for the Western Theological Seminary. After two years at the Western and one year at Princeton Theological Seminary, he graduated from the latter institution in May, 1855. He was ordained, and installed pastor of the Presbyterian church of Middletown, Pa., by the Presbytery of Carlisle, on Christmas evening, 1855. Two years and a half later he resigned this charge, and shortly afterwards accepted a call from the Presbyterian church of Milroy, Pa., commenced work there in May, 1858, and served as pastor of that church for about twenty-five and a half years.

On November 9, 1859, Rev. John W. White married Mary, daughter of Jacob and Ann (Addams) Beaver. Mrs. White is a sister of Lieut. Jacob Gilbert Beaver, who was killed at the battle of Antietam, September 17, 1862, while gallantly leading the charge across the Antietam bridge; and of Gen. James Addams Beaver, afterwards Governor, and now (1897) judge of the Superior Court of Pennsylvania. He married Mary McAlister, of Bellefonte, Pa.; they had five sons, two of whom died very young, and three are still living. Mrs. White's sister, Lydia Beaver, died in her childhood. After her father's death her mother married the Rev. S. H. McDonald, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Millerstown, and afterwards of West Kishacoquillas, Pa. There were five McDonald children; Abraham Addams, who

served in the Union army for over three years in the late Civil war, afterwards studied law, was married twice, had four children, and lived and died at Covington, Va.; William Henry, who studied medicine, was for a time surgeon in the United States navy, afterwards a surgeon in Bloomingdale Asylum, New York City, went to Pueblo, Col., where he was married, and where he still lives and practices his profession; Katharine, Argyle, who lives in the family mansion at Lewisburg, Pa.; Annie Addams, who married John P. Eckels, and lives at Decatur, Ill.; and Samuel Davies, who studied law, and lived and died at Lewisburg, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. White had seven children, five sons and two daughters. Their four living sons are all engaged in the electrical business. The names of their children are as follows: James Gilbert, an electrical engineer and contractor, having offices at 29 Broadway, New York City, and the Equitable Building, Baltimore, Md., married Maud Mullan, of Lincoln, Neb., has one living child, James Dugald, and resides in New York City; Annie Addams (Mrs. J. R. Thompson), has two living children, Mary Beaver and Sarah McFarlane, and resides at Milroy, Pa.; William Fullerton, of Omaha, Neb., manager of the Thompson Houston Electric Light Company, at Omaha, married Helen Foster, of State College, Pa., has one child, William Foster; Joseph Henry, at present engaged on construction work on an electrical road of Baltimore, Md.; John Beaver, manager and treasurer of the East Chester Electric Light Company, at Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Mary Beaver, a student at Lasell Seminary, Auburndale, Mass.; and Thomas Beaver, who died in his infancy.

Mr. White was tried for holding and teaching what some people call heresy, by the Presbytery of Huntingdon, in September, 1883. The question at issue was not whether his views were Scriptural and reasonable, but solely whether they were in harmony with the Westminster Confession of Faith. This is evident from the following resolution passed unanimously by the Presbytery: "That the Presbytery, having found after full trial that the views held and taught by the Rev. J. W. White are contrary to the standards of the Presbyterian church, at his own request he be permitted to withdraw from the ministry of the Presbyterian church." Mr. White ac-

cordingly gave notice of his withdrawal from the Presbyterian ministry, and his name was dropped from the roll of the Presbytery. At this juncture the Rev. J. C. Wilhelm gave notice that his views were in substantial agreement with Mr. White's, and asked leave also to withdraw from the Presbyterian ministry. This request was granted, and Mr. Wilhelm accordingly withdrew. After this another resolution was offered, and after many expressions of fraternal regard by the members of the Presbytery for Mr. White, was unanimously passed, and is as follows: "In compliance with his request, the Presbytery desires to place on record their high appreciation of the Christian character of Mr. White, and their entire confidence in his personal piety." A similar resolution was also passed with regard to Mr. Wilhelm. Thus, on the 6th day of September, 1883, Mr. White and Mr. Wilhelm became independent ministers of the gospel of Christ.

After withdrawing from the Presbyterian church, Mr. White's first thought was that he would move to some university town, where he could educate his children; but receiving a very urgent call from many people to remain in Milroy and preach to them, he finally decided, after much hesitation, to accept this call, and settled down there, intending it to be for life.

It would be impossible in this brief sketch to give more than an imperfect outline of some of the more important of Mr. White's religious beliefs. He makes a sharp distinction between the fundamental fact and the many important doctrines of the Christian religion. The fundamental fact is this: that Jesus is the Christ, the son of the Living God, thus God incarnate, the Saviour of sinners. The hearty acknowledgment or reception of Him as such is on man's part the one essential of Christian life. Whosoever rejects Jesus as such is not a Christian; but whosoever receives Him as such is a Christian; and whosoever preaches Him as such is a Christian minister, however much he may be in error on other doctrines. As Mr. White believes that the sacred Scriptures are the great means through which Christ by his Spirit reveals Himself to men, he places the Bible above all the creeds and dogmas of men. As he believes that God manifest in Jesus Christ is love, and that to receive Christ is to receive

His love as the controlling principle of life, he therefore emphasizes love to God and love to men as the sum of all God's requirements of men. In the first sermon which Mr. White preached after leaving the Presbyterian church, in order to present to the people more distinctly what he stood for, what he regarded as the essentials of the Christian religion, he had a chart prepared which contained the heads of his sermon. As the truth thus epitomized are the fundamentals of Christian faith, he still keeps that chart back of his pulpit in Milroy, where it can be seen by all who enter the church. The following is an exact copy of this chart:

I. NO MASTER BUT CHRIST.

Matth. 23: 8. Be not ye called Rabbi; for one is your Master, even Christ; and all ye are brethren.

II. NO CREED BUT THE BIBLE.

John 5: 39. Search the Scriptures. Col. 2: 8. Lest any man spoil you after the traditions of men.

III. NO REQUIREMENT BUT LOVE.

Rom. 13:10. Love is the fulfilling of the law."

On this basis all true Christians of every denomination could stand. They all profess to receive Jesus Christ as Lord and Master, the Bible as the only infallible rule of faith and practise, and love as the law of the kingdom of heaven. This is the only basis on which they could or should unite. No denomination of Christians will give up its peculiar dogmas to accept those of another. But they all could and should unite on the foundation on which Christ has built His church, the common acknowledgment of Him as Lord and Saviour. The command of Christ is to make disciples of all nations, that is, disciples of Christ, baptizing them into the name of Christ, and teaching them to obey Him. This done, they should be left free from the dictation or lordship of men, to follow their Master according to their own perceptions of truth. As brethren, they may all advise and instruct, but not command. Men may organize societies, and make conditions of membership, but they should not call such societies the "Church of Christ." To exclude any person who is loyal to Christ from the fellowship or ministry of the church is schism, and such an act is an assumption of the prerogatives of Christ. We should pray for those

who thus rend His body, "Forgive them, for they know not what they do." The visible Church will be rent into hundreds of rival, warring fragments, until Christian people, especially the ministers of the gospel, learn that they are not lords over God's heritage; that they have no right to make their beliefs the test of Christian fellowship; and that it is a sin against Christ to exclude those whom He receives. The day is hastening when there "will be one Lord and one faith," the faith that Jesus is the Christ, our only Lord and Saviour.

But in perfect accord with this spirit of liberty, there are many, very many important truths which Mr. White holds and teaches with great earnestness. The best way to promote religion is to make men disciples of Christ; to give them the Bible, and encourage freedom and honesty of investigation and belief. In a fair and open field, the truth in the long run is sure to win. Mr. White believes in the vital theory of the atonement. Life is not a creation; it is eternal; it is in God and from Him. Even vegetable, animal, and the natural life of man is the divine life, manifesting itself in all these different forms and phenomena. In God we live and move and have our being. In the human nature of Jesus Christ, the divine life of love and truth came in conflict with the hells of evil and falsity in men, which were let loose upon Him. Through long, weary years and intense suffering, this conflict raged, until at last Jesus could say, "It is finished," and love and truth were triumphant in human nature. By uniting sinners to himself in living union, He makes them partakers of his victorious life. Their old man is crucified with Him, that henceforth they should not serve sin; they are quickened together with Christ. His resurrection to a life of oneness with God becomes their resurrection to walk in newness of life. His blood is the emblem of this new divine life in human nature. This blood received cleanseth us from all sin; not in some fictitious way of reckoning it to us, but in a most real, living way, making us one with our crucified and risen Lord. This triumph of the divine life, and this subjugation of every element of human nature into obedience to God, was and is the atonement, the *at-one-ment* of the human and the divine, the reconciliation of man to God, first complete in Christ Jesus, and

gradually made effective in every one who believes in Him. This is the sum of the divine record—that God hath given us eternal life, and this life is in His son; he that hath the Son hath life, and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.

There is only one other important subject in Mr. White's teaching to which we can refer in this sketch. He believes that man is a spirit, clothed with material body which fits him for a life in this world; but that at death, when the material body is cast off, man is raised up by the Lord in a perfect spiritual body, without the loss of a single member or sense. It is not the material organs which, in this world, see, hear, think and love, but the spirit which sees, hears, thinks and loves, by means of these organs manifesting its life on the material plane. Even in this life God can, and sometimes does open the senses of the spirit, so that the man can see and hear what belongs to the world of spirits, as if he had died and gone over into the world. All the old prophets were seers. When Elisha prayed for his servant, the servant's eyes were opened, and then he could see the multitudes of the heavenly world which were around them. Paul was permitted to see and hear the wonderful things of heaven. The Apostle John was "in the spirit on the Lord's day," that is, he was in a state in which he could see and hear what was transpiring in the spirit world. The many wonderful things which he saw and heard are recorded in the book of Revelation. Many dying Christians, and occasionally some in good health, have been permitted to see and hear what others around them could not. The doctrine in dispute between Christ and His apostles on the one side and the Sadducees and other materialists on the other side was not what kind of a body people have in the resurrection life, but a far more important question, whether or not there is any future existence for men. This the Sadducees denied; they denied that there is any such thing as an angel or spirit. On the other hand, Christ and His apostles affirmed that there is another life or state of existence. God said to Moses in the bush, "I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob." This proved, not that their material bodies must be reorganized and raised up, but that these men, who had long since left the world, had been resur-

rected, and were then living; "For God is not the God of the dead, but of the living."

Martia said to Jesus, "I know that my brother shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day." She identified Lazarus with his dead body. Jesus corrected her, and said, "I am the resurrection and the life." The resurrection is not something distant in time and space, but something here and now. Then he explained, "He that believeth in Me, though he were dead"—had gone from this world—"yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die. Believeth thou this?" In the fifteenth chapter of First Corinthians, Paul proves by various arguments the *fact* of the resurrection; by which he evidently meant another and happy state of existence beyond this world. The arguments he uses would have no pertinence if the point in dispute was the nature of the resurrection body. The glorious truth he preaches is that the dead, that is, those who to men seem to be dead or asleep, are not dead, but living. He says: "If in this life only we have hope"—if there is no other state of existence—"we are of all men most miserable." If there is no resurrection, no future state of existence, then let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die, and that will be the end of us. "But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that sleep." He will come again, and take His people to Himself. This coming of Christ and resurrection of His people are not some far-off events, but they are continuous. Now and ever, Christ is coming, raising up His people and taking them to be with Him in their Father's house of many mansions.

This point settled—the fact that there is a resurrection of all people into another world when they depart this life—another and very different question, not so important, and yet very interesting, remains: "Some men will say, How are the dead raised up, and *with what body* do they come?" While the Scriptures in many places teach that the dead shall rise, this is the only place where the question is distinctly asked, "With what body do they come?" Here then, if anywhere in the Bible, will we get the answer to this question. It is given, in language which need not be misunderstood, and given as if men, with the light of nature before their eyes ought to know better than to ask such a question.

"Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened except it die; and that which thou sowest, thou sowest *not the body which shall be*, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or some other grain; but God giveth it a body as it hath pleased Him, and to every seed"—rather, to every vital principle—"his own body." Here are several things clearly affirmed: that no resurrection or quickening can take place until death occurs; that the body which is sown is not the body which is raised; and that every vital principle, having risen out of the old body, is clothed upon with its own body. All the different kinds of seeds of grain, and of trees, have in them a vital principle, of which the seed is the organized form. When that seed dies, and the vital principle rises, it is clothed with its own appropriate distinctive form, more living and beautiful than the old, cast-off form. It is wonderful how men will shut their eyes to the analogies of nature, contradict the Apostle, and continue to assert that the very same body which is put into the grave is the body which will be raised, and that in the meantime, if the persons exists at all, it is in a disembodied state. The Apostle asserts further, that there are different kinds of bodies, bodies terrestrial and bodies celestial; that the celestial body will be very different from the terrestrial one, being incorruptible, glorious, powerful and spiritual. We have borne the image of the first Adam, being clothed with the earthly or material and animal body. We shall also bear the image of the second Adam, the Lord from Heaven, who is made even as to His body a glorious, life-giving spirit. "Flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of Heaven." The Apostle further teaches, in II. Corinthians, that when "the earthly house of this tabernacle is dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens." The earthly house is the earthly body; the building of God is the Heavenly body. When we put off the earthly we are clothed upon with the Heavenly. The Christian "earnestly desires to be clothed upon with his house which is from Heaven; if so be that being clothed, we shall not be found naked," or disembodied. There is actually no such thing as a disembodied spirit. Life is not given, except in some form. The idea of disembodied spirit has been derived, not from the Bible, but from heathen philoso-

phers. It was a question with them whether forty thousand spirits could not sit on the point of a needle. All angels and the spirits of just men made perfect are always spoken of in the sacred Scriptures as men in form, and are often described as to their appearance and clothing. If in another life men have no organs of sense and no form, it is not conceivable how they could see, hear and recognize one another, or sing the "song of Moses and the Lamb." The world beyond is a real world, and the people who have gone there are real people. It was in that world that the Apostle John heard the trumpets sound, and saw the departed, small and great, stand in judgment before Christ. "Blessed are they that do His commandments, that they may have a right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city."

During Mr. White's pastorate about three hundred persons united with the Presbyterian church, eight of whom became ministers of the Gospel. The Free Church of Milroy and Sigleville was organized in 1855, with about one hundred and fifty members. Since that time one hundred and eighty-seven persons have united with the church. But owing to deaths and removals the present membership of the church is only about two hundred and twenty-five.

LEO F. TREASTER, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Armagh township, Mifflin county, April 5, 1855, and is a son of John and Margaret C. (Ramsey) Treaster. His grandfathers, paternal and maternal, were George Treaster and Charles Ramsey; the latter, a native of Ireland, came to America about the time of the formation of Mifflin county, married Catherine Crissman, of Armagh township, and had children: Thomas; Adam; James; Margaret C.; George; Perry; Catherine; and two who died very early in life. John Treaster, son of George, was first married to Miss McKenzie. They had two children: Margaret Ellen; and a son who died in infancy. Margaret C. Ramsey was also twice married. Her first husband was James Aitkens, by whom she had three children: Anna Mary; Hannah Margaret, who died in 1876, at the age of forty; and John C. The children of the second marriage (Treaster-Ramsey), are: Samuel P., died in April, 1893, aged forty-seven; George, who died in in-

fancy; Martha (Mrs. Samuel Osborne); James R., married M. Ellen Masterson, and Leo F. John Treaster died April 29, 1886; his wife survived him for a little less than a year, dying April 5, 1887.

In his early youth, Leo F. Treaster was a pupil at the Aitkens school house in Armagh township, but the best part of his education was received in his business from his excellent parents, who by precept and example taught him to be industrious and moderate in his wants. He was twenty-three years of age when he started out to make his own way in the world, without capital, except his youthful strength, his intelligence and his good habits. He acquired a knowledge of the business of manufacturing coeprage stock, and was engaged in this business in Treaster valley until 1883. He then went in partnership with A. W. Graff, and began business at Milroy in the same line; in 1892 Mr. Graff died, and Mr. Treaster continued the business of manufacturing and dealing in coeprage stock. He has very much increased his business, having mills and coeprage plants in different parts of the State for the manufacture of kegs, barrels and stock in his line. He is well known as a dealer to the coeprage trade in the United States and Canada. He is in political views a Democrat.

Leo F. Treaster was married July 13, 1881, to Mary M., daughter of L. M. and Julia (Maybin) Furst. Their only child is Grace Margaret, who was born August 10, 1882, in Milroy. Mr. Treaster is a member of the Free church at Milroy.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Furst had a family of five children, as follows: Mary M. (Mrs. Treaster); Lilly (Mrs. Robert C. Close), has two children; Thomas, married Eva Tate; Wells, married Jessie McCartney; and Adam, married Ettie Fields, has four children. Mrs. Treaster's grandfather, Thomas Furst, came to the United States from Germany; he married Margaret Hion, of New Jersey, and had children; George; Thomas; William; John; Luther; Elizabeth; Harriet; Agnes; Kate; Emma; and Leah.

JAMES M. BROWN, deceased, formerly of Beloit, Kan., was born in Armagh township, March 21, 1818. He was a son of James and Nancy (McClure) Brown, of Scotch-Irish descent. His father was a farmer in Armagh

township, and there reared his family, consisting of seven children: Mary; Martha; Margaret; Jane; Thomas; James M.; and Nancy. During his minority, James M. Brown worked upon his father's farm, receiving such elementary education as the common schools then afforded. But being of an active mind, he early became a wide and thoughtful reader, and to this habit of close and careful reading, must be attributed that large fund of general information that served him so well when, later in life, he was chosen to fill positions of honor and responsibility. He was twice elected to the legislature, serving both terms with distinction and credit to himself and the State. Besides being true and honest of purpose, he was a man of the warmest sympathies, one who ever regarded it a pleasant duty to lend financial support to a friend in need. But many thus helped failed to liquidate their obligations, thus causing the financial reverses that came upon him later in life.

Mr. Brown was married January 24, 1844, to Elizabeth, daughter of William and Frances (Kenny) McManigal. In 1878 he removed with his family to Beloit, Kan., and was engaged in farming until his death, which occurred April 26, 1896. He will long be remembered by those whom he so often befriended while he was their neighbor in the Kishacoquillas valley. Mrs. Brown died August 10, 1869, aged fifty-one years. Mr. and Mrs. Brown had these children: Samuel McClure, married Maria Sterrett, six children; Frances Martha (Mrs. Frank McClure), four children; Sarah Jane (Mrs. William Cyrus Bunnell), whose husband is a native of Crawford county, Pa.; Mary Elizabeth, wife of Dr. A. S. Harshberger, of Lewistown, one child; Nancy Margaret, who died young; James Wilmont, married Agnes Morsey, of Lock Haven, Pa. Three or four years after the death of Mrs. Elizabeth Brown, Mr. Brown married Mrs. Alexander, of Milroy, Pa., a widow of high principles, and sterling worth. They removed to Kansas.

Mr. W. C. Bunnell, son-in-law of Mr. Brown, is a son of Usnal and Harriet (McClure) Bunnell, of Crawford county, Pa. He married Sarah Jane Brown, November 11, 1868. They have had five children: James Brown; Harriet Elizabeth, wife of Dr. W. H. Kohler, of Milroy, Mifflin county, one child; Edna Della; Walter Irwin; and Fanny Cyrus.

Mr. Bunnell resided with his family on a farm near Siglerville, Mifflin county, until the spring of 1892. They then removed to Milroy, where they still reside.

SAMUEL T. MOORE, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Blair county, Pa., September 29, 1855, son of Johnston and Maria J. Moore. In 1859, Mr. Moore's parents removed to Altoona, Pa. Here he spent his boyhood. At eighteen years of age he entered the car shops of the Northern Central railroad at Elmira, N. Y. He was afterwards advanced to the position of conductor on the railroad from Canandaigua to Williamsport. His next position was on the "White Flyers" mail train running from New York City to Pittsburg, on which he was injured in a wreck. He then retired from the road, and learned stenography. He took the dictations of editorials from Hon. David B. Hill while he was editor of the *Elmira Gazette*, and also from Hon. J. Sloat Fassett. Mr. Moore conducted a school in shorthand writing, and organized the Buffalo School of Shorthand, of which he was principal for two years. He then assumed a position with Hamilton & Mathews, wholesale hardware dealers, of Rochester, N. Y., which he held until 1886, when he came to Milroy, and is now engaged there in civil engineering and surveying. He has served as borough engineer of Lewistown. Mr. Moore is interested in agriculture, and was secretary of the Mifflin County Poultry and Agricultural Association, and also secretary of the Good Roads League. He is a Republican; he has served as a justice of the peace. Captain Moore takes an active interest in military and benevolent organizations. He was a member of the National Guards of New York State, of the I. O. O. F., the Knights of Pythias and other orders.

Captain Moore was married November 18, 1885, to Anna M., only daughter of Andrew and Anna M. Swartzell, of Milroy. Their children are: Irma Howard; Mary Theo; and Helen Stewart, who died September 26, 1895.

JOHN CAMP, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in France, November 15, 1826, and came to America with his parents in 1828. They landed in New York, and during the

first three years they had their home in any city or town where the father was fortunate enough to find employment, thus living for a short time in Baltimore, Pittsburg, Erie and Buffalo; and finally settled in the west end of the Kishacoquillas valley. Here the family remained about six years and then removed to Milroy, where the father worked at weaving. During the latter years of his life he devoted his time to the practise of medicine, which he had studied in his native land, before his emigration. He died September 18, 1854; his wife died May 2, 1889. The son, John Camp, acquired a common school education at Milroy, and at an early age learned cabinet-making with John W. Strahle, serving an apprenticeship of three years. Wishing to perfect himself as a workman, he went to Lewistown, Mifflin county, and placed himself under instructions for six months, after which he returned to Milroy and bought the business and establishment of his former employer, Mr. Strahle. In his work as furniture dealer and undertaker, Mr. Camp has been very successful. He is truly a self-made man, in the sense in which we usually employ that term. Entirely dependent upon his own resources in early manhood, with no expectations of financial aid, he started out with a brave spirit and steadfast perseverance that met and triumphed over many difficulties and discouragements.

Mr. Camp was married January 3, 1847, to Martha M., daughter of Andrew and Mary (Ream) Maybin. They had four children: William R., married Alice Burnett, four children; Mary M. (Mrs. John Russler), two children; John A., married Mary Martha Brown, three children, one of whom met her death by drowning, at Milroy, March 21, 1896; Lauretta Jane (Mrs. Henry Barr), six children. Mrs. Camp is one of seven children, the others being: John; Joseph; Eliza; Rachel; Jacob; and Margaret. Her father, Andrew Maybin, died December 31, 1879, and her mother June 28, 1882; she was a daughter of Joseph and Julia Ann Ream. The grandfather of Mrs. Camp was John Maybin, who married Margaret Maybin, both natives of Ireland.

Mr. Camp enlisted, March 16, 1865, in Company C, One Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, under Captain Moffat, and served to the close of the war, being mustered out July 5, 1865. He is a member in

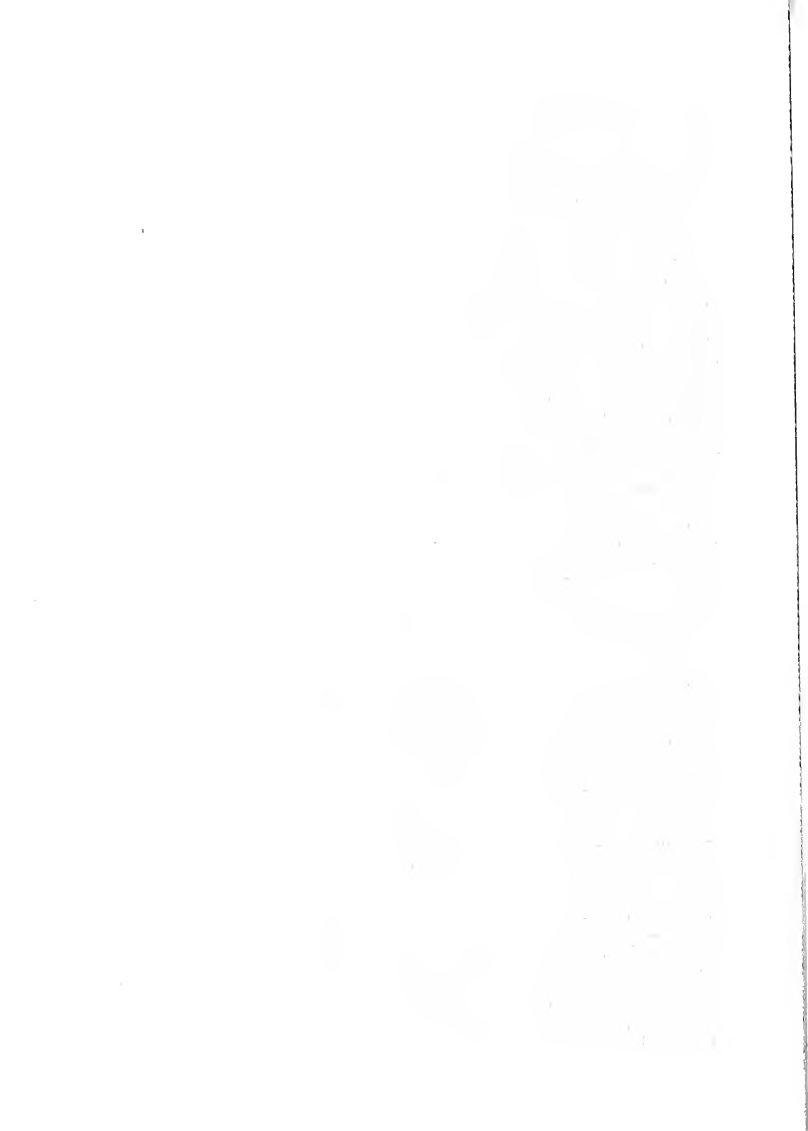
good standing in Lodge No. 203, F. and A. M., at Lewistown, and of Colonel Hudings Post, No. 176, at Lewistown. He is a Democrat. Himself and family attend the Methodist Episcopal church at Milroy.

ABRAM WITMER GRAFF, deceased, formerly of Milroy, Mifflin county, was born at Graff's Mills, near Lancaster, Pa., January 14, 1816. He was a son of John and Mary (Witmer) Graff, and grandson of Hon. Judge Andrew Graff, of Lancaster. His maternal grandparents were Abraham and Mary Witmer, who had four children. Abraham Witmer was the projector and builder of Witmer's bridge across the Conestoga creek at Lancaster. This was a private enterprise, upon which Mr. Witmer expended nearly \$150,000. Mr. Witmer was elected to the Pennsylvania assembly, and served during the time when that honorable body sat in Philadelphia. He took an active interest not only in political concerns, but in local affairs generally, and was always ready to promote by the use of his time and means the advancement of the place in which he resided. He at one time kept the leading hotel in Lancaster. At another time we find him in Clearfield, where his memory is preserved as the donor of the ground on which the academy was built, and Witmer Park laid out.

Abram W. Graff attended the public schools of Lancaster, finishing his education in the academies of that city and Lebanon. Soon after he removed with his parents to Cumberland county, where he taught school for a short time, and then engaged in the mercantile business with his brother-in-law, Abram Hamilton. Mr. Hamilton was the father of Maj. Andrew G. Hamilton, of the One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Kentucky Cavalry. Major Hamilton was taken prisoner and confined in Libby Prison at Richmond, Va., and later, with Colonel Rose and one hundred and seven other prisoners made his escape. Major Hamilton and Colonel Rose were the leaders in engineering and digging the famous tunnel out of Libby Prison. Some years later, Major Hamilton met his death at the hands of an assassin, near his home in Kentucky. Owing to adversities, the business enterprise conducted by Messrs. Graff and Hamilton was not continued long, and the former took a clerkship in Carlisle for a short

time, and then came to Huntingdon county. For a time he was associated in the mercantile business with Mr. Grier, but soon after removed to Aaronsburg, Centre county, where he conducted a store. In 1852, he removed to Milroy, and formed a partnership with Joseph Beck in the mercantile business, which was continued for some time. In 1859, he joined his interests with Xer Thompson, at Milroy, where they carried on a large and profitable business, in conjunction with a second store at Centre Hill, Centre county. This partnership proved a very successful one. In addition to conducting mercantile business, they invested largely in timber lands near Milroy, where they manufactured lumber and building material. They also operated the tannery at Milroy. After a successful career of fourteen years, the firm of Graff & Thompson was dissolved by mutual consent, Mr. Graff continuing mercantile business, independently at Milroy. He later became interested with L. F. Treaster, in the manufacture of cooerage stock, under the firm name of Graff & Treaster, continuing this in connection with his mercantile business, until his death, April 5, 1892. He left a considerable estate, all of which was acquired by his efforts, and by the exercise of his talents. He was a Republican; he served as postmaster at Milroy for sixteen years. He was a charter member of Lodge No. 97, I. O. O. F., at Lewistown.

Mr. Graff was married July 25, 1848, to Mrs. Caroline (Flick) McMurtrie, widow of Marshall McMurtrie. They had five children: Mary Witmer, wife of George H. Fulton; Caroline; John Witmer, married Mary Taylor, resides in Osborn City, Kan., two children; Harriet Stoner (Mrs. John D. Sterrett), four children; and Jacob Witmer, who died young. Mrs. Graff had one daughter by her first marriage with Mr. McMurtrie. She died July 17, 1872, aged forty-nine years. In his early boyhood, Mr. Graff enjoyed the honor of shaking hands with General Lafayette, when, as the Nation's guest, he visited Lancaster, in 1824. This privilege, slight in itself, but precious when joined with underlying sentiment, was always remembered with pride and pleasure. The distinction was effected through the influence of Mr. Graff's paternal grandfather, who had been a soldier in Washington's army, was with him at Valley Forge, and





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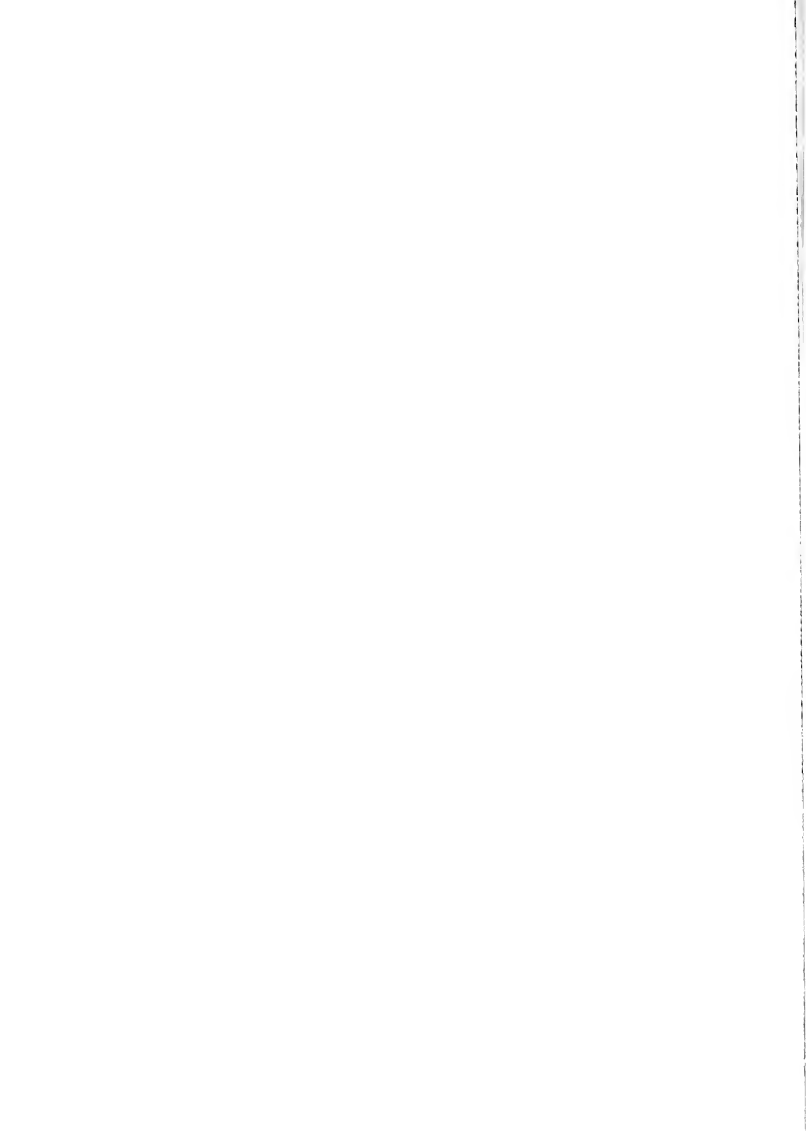
William Johnson



Sam. Herrick



C. W. Craft



afterwards received an honorable appointment from President John Adams, March 25, 1799. Abraham W. Graff was an honorable and conscientious man, faithful in business transactions and exemplary in the various relations of life. His many acts of kindness endear his memory not only to their recipients, but to all who knew and appreciated his character.

HOWARD C. KULP, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Shamokin, Pa., July 30, 1879, and is a son of Darlington R. and Elizabeth (Gilbert) Kulp. Darlington R. Kulp was a Philadelphian, born in that city November 29, 1826. His parents removing during his childhood to Pottstown, Pa., he attended school there, and learned carpentry. A few years after his marriage, which took place when he was about twenty-five years of age, he established himself in Shamokin, with Daniel S. Shultz and William B. Bechtel as partners, in the lumber and real estate business. In 1869, the firm secured control of the Ben Franklin colliery, and operated it for several years. In 1871, in partnership with Matthias Emes, Mr. Kulp became engaged in the lumber trade on a more extensive scale. Six years later, Mr. Emes sold his interest to Isaac F. Stetler, who in his turn was succeeded in the firm by C. Q. McWilliams in 1878. The firm, now Kulp & McWilliams, added the brick and the ice business, and a few years later, having meanwhile admitted W. C. McConnell to partnership, acquired a large interest in the company which supplied Shamokin and its vicinity with water. The firm was dissolved August 15, 1886, McWilliams & McConnell taking the brick and ice business, and the management of the water interests, and Mr. Kulp becoming sole owner of the lumber business, and president of the Roaring Creek Water Company, the branch which today furnishes the main water supply. He continued to be occupied with these enterprises until his death, which occurred December 29, 1893. He was an active, energetic and successful business man. His record is in every way worthy of imitation. He was much interested and very useful in all matters of public importance. As a member of the borough council, and as a director of the poor in Coal township, during the great small-pox epidemic some years ago, he served most efficiently and

honorably. During the war of the Rebellion, he served for some time in the Northern army. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity. Darlington R. Kulp was married in 1851 to Elizabeth Gilbert, of Montgomery county, Pa. Mrs. Kulp and the following children survive him: Cora (Mrs. Chester B. Thomas), has four children; Joanna, widow of Edward Shuman, has two children; Hon. Monroe H.; Clayton A., married Alice Schlegel, has three children; Ella J.; Chester G., married Nellie Dintger, has two children; G. Gilbert; and Howard C. All but the last-named reside in Shamokin, Pa.

Monroe H. Kulp, M. C., eldest son of Darlington R. Kulp, was born in Barto, Pa., October 23, 1858. After the removal of the family to Shamokin, he attended the public schools of that place, and worked about the collieries of the neighborhood. At the age of seventeen, he entered his father's store, and remained there until the firm of Kulp & McWilliams was organized, in 1878. A year later he took a course at the State Normal College, Lebanon, O., and in 1881, graduated from the widely known Eastman Business College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. From this time until the dissolution of the firm, he had charge of the office work of Kulp, McWilliams & Company, which he performed in a very satisfactory manner. From 1886 until 1892, he assisted his father in the management of the lumber business, and in February of the latter year, his father being attacked by the illness which resulted in his death, Monroe H. Kulp assumed the entire responsibility of the affairs of the estate. He is now senior partner in the firm of Monroe H. Kulp & Company, Shamokin, Pa., general lumber and timber merchants, and contractors for the building of bridges and other heavy structures. His partners are his brother, G. Gilbert Kulp, and D. C. Kaseman. The firm is the sales agent of Kulp, Thomas & Company, Milroy, Pa., and in addition to the Milroy shipments, it handles the products of a tract of about 1,000 acres in the immediate vicinity of Shamokin, and of 1,400 acres at Delano, Schuylkill county, Pa., recently secured from the Lehigh Valley Coal Company. The firm is also the northern branch of one of the largest shippers of long leaf Southern yellow pine lumber, and has under contract the delivery of a large amount of white oak lumber

and railroad ties from West Virginia. In March, 1897, the firm having secured 26,000 acres of timber land in Union county, was incorporated under the name of Monroe H. Kulp & Company, incorporated, and in connection with it they formed the Spruce Run Railroad Company. The road runs from West Milton to the lands of the firm, which are in the western part of the county, a distance of about fifteen miles. The railroad, in addition to the work of the firm, will do a regular freight and passenger business, and will be in operation by September 1, 1897.

In 1890, Monroe H. Kulp was a candidate for the State legislature, but withdrew from the field to facilitate the amicable adjustment of certain complications. He wisely preferred to wait for a time when his personal interests and the existing political conditions should be more favorable for his entering upon public life. In 1894 he was elected to the national House of Representatives as a Republican from the Seventeenth Congressional District, overcoming a normal Democratic majority of more than five thousand. He was the first Republican representative of that district. His record as a member of the Fifty-fourth Congress, and his efforts in behalf of his constituents have made his friends more numerous and devoted than ever. He was re-elected in 1896 by an increased majority. Monroe H. Kulp is a member of several Masonic bodies, of the Elks, the Cresco Club, the Spruce Run Railroad Company, of which he is president, and of the North and West Branch Telephone Company, besides being director in a number of other corporations.

G. Gilbert Kulp, of the firm of Monroe H. Kulp & Company, was born in Shamokin, June 17, 1873. He attended the common schools of that town for some years, and was then connected with the *Daily Dispatch* and other papers until 1890, when he entered Ursinus College, Montgomery county, Pa., in order to prepare for a course in civil engineering. The illness of his father in 1892 led to his abandoning this idea, and fitting himself for the lumber business. In 1894 he graduated from Eastman College, and since then has devoted his exclusive attention to this business. He is vice-president of the Anthracite Telephone and Supply Company, and the Spruce Run Railroad Company. He is prom-

inent in society and is an active member of the Clover Club. He also belongs to the Order of Masons, the Elks, the Knights of Malta, and the Liberty Hose Company.

D. C. Kaseman, the remaining member of the above firm, was born in Columbia county, October 18, 1862. His home from infancy until his twenty-first birthday was in Shamokin. He attended the State Normal School at Millersville, reaching the senior year, when he was compelled by ill-health to retire. He was a graduate of Eastman College in 1881, and was for several years book-keeper for his father, the late Joseph A. Kaseman, an extensive breaker builder and contractor. In 1883, he entered the employ of Slaymaker & Company, of Sunbury, Pa., remaining with them until the firm retired from business in 1888, when he returned to Shamokin and assumed the duties of the position he still holds. He is connected with other enterprises, among them being the Watstown, Pa., Nail Works. He is secretary and treasurer of the Anthracite Telephone and Supply Company, Monroe H. Kulp & Company, Incorporated, and the Spruce Run Railroad Company. He is a notary public, and has been three times elected to council from the first ward. He is an Elk, and a member of several Masonic bodies, a member of the Cresco Club, the secretary of the Anthracite Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and of the Commandery of Knights Templars, recently instituted.

Howard C. Kulp, of Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., youngest son of Darlington R. and Elizabeth (Gilbert) Kulp, was born July 30, 1870, at Shamokin, Pa., and educated in the schools of that place, after which he graduated from Eastman Business College. He worked for some time at the tinning business, but abandoned it to enter his father's store, where he remained until 1892, taking charge in that year of a branch of the lumber interest at Coburn, Centre county, Pa. Since November, 1893, he has been superintendent of the business of Kulp, Thomas & Company, at Milroy, which he conducts very ably. The operations of this firm are prominent among the industries of Mifflin county, as it belongs to what is probably the largest lumber and timber concern in the anthracite coal fields. The firm consists of the estate of Darlington R. Kulp, Chester B. Thomas and Monroe H. Kulp, and operates a tract of nearly 4,000 acres of first

quality timber land. For facility in handling the output, a twenty-ton Clinax locomotive is used, on a tramway nearly thirteen miles in length. There is a fifty-horse power saw-mill in Milroy, by the side of the Pennsylvania Railroad, so as to avoid expense after the lumber is prepared for the market. They have also a shingle-mill and a lath-mill. Mr. Kulp is also engaged in mercantile business, having succeeded A. K. and J. B. McManigle, dealers in general merchandise, at Milroy, August 1, 1895. Mr. Kulp has the reputation of being a shrewd and energetic business man; he is esteemed and respected, and has before him the prospect of a successful career. He adheres to the Republican party, and is a Free Mason.

Howard C. Kulp was married, March 17, 1893, to Clara J., daughter of Emanuel Eisenhuth. Their children are: Eleonora E.; and Darlington R.

Chester B. Thomas, brother-in-law of Mr. Kulp, and a member of the firm of Kulp, Thomas & Company, was born near Berwick, Columbia county, Pa., December 14, 1849. His father was a farmer, and Chester worked on a farm until he was seventeen years of age, securing a fair degree of training in the ordinary branches of an English education. In 1867, he became an apprentice in the tinshop of his brother, at Kingston, Pa., and made himself thorough master of that trade. From 1870 to 1873 they carried on business in Tunkhamock, Pa., and then established themselves at Shamokin, in a stand formerly occupied by Nathan Erdman. His brother dying two years later, Mr. C. B. Thomas became sole proprietor of the establishment. The business had already grown to such proportions that he was obliged to seek larger quarters. He accordingly purchased his present place of business on Independence street, near the Reading Railroad station, one of the most suitable corners in the business part of the town. He gives his personal attention to all departments of his establishment, and is regarded as one of the most substantial business men of the town. He is a school director and a member of the committee on building and repairing school houses.

C. E. AURAND, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., was born near Lewisburg, Union county,

Pa., September 16, 1862. He is a son of John and Sarah E. (Sechler) Aurand. His paternal grandparents were of German descent. His maternal grandfather was John Sechler, who had a family of twelve children, all of whom lived to old age. John and Sarah Aurand had seven children: Four who died in childhood; Mary C. (Mrs. James Spiegelmeyer), has one child; James, married Lydia Spiegelmeyer, has four children; and C. E.

When C. E. Aurand was six years old, his father died, and his mother removed to Hartleton, Union county. He attended the public schools of that town until he was seventeen, completing his education by studying three years at the State Normal School at Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Pa. In 1882, he removed to Nebraska, and was for a short time employed as clerk in a drug store at Plattsmouth. Returning to Pennsylvania, he became a clerk in the drug store of Dr. M. L. Mench, at Hartleton, Pa., where he remained until the autumn of 1883. He then opened a drug store at Spring Mills, Centre county, Pa. Close confinement, however, so impaired his constitution, that in the spring of 1884 he sold his store and removed to a farm in Smith county, Kan. Three years of healthful exercise in the pure life-giving air so far restored his health that he ventured to return to his native State, but, profiting by experience, he abandoned his profession, and began to deal in grain and lumber at Millmont, Mifflin county. Mr. Aurand was too ambitious to be content with a small business. In 1890 he removed to Milroy and engaged in manufacturing, also dealing in lumber. Since 1894, he has been a builder and contractor. His energy, experience and business tact have made him successful in various enterprises. Mr. Aurand belongs to the Republican party. He is also an active member of Lodge No. 213, I. O. O. F., at Milroy.

C. E. Aurand was married, March 14, 1883, to Kate L., daughter of W. E. and Hannah M. (Halfpenny) Smith. Their children are: Jesse, deceased; Hannah M., deceased; Estella; Rae; William E.; and Nellie H. Mrs. Aurand died November 6, 1894, aged twenty-eight. She was an earnest Christian, and a devoted wife and mother, beloved and esteemed by all who knew her. Mr. Aurand and his family attend the Presbyterian church at Milroy.

F. B. McCLENAHAN, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at Milroy, September 29, 1829, son of George B. and Mary (Wingate) McClenahan. His paternal grandparents, of Scotch-Irish extraction, were William and Elizabeth McClenahan; his maternal grandparents were Jesse and Jane (Breckenridge) Wingate. William and Elizabeth McClenahan had sons and daughters, one of the sons being George B. McClenahan, father of F. B. McClenahan. He was for fifty years the "village blacksmith" at Milroy, having learned the trade early and well. He was master of his business, a worthy citizen, respected for his intelligence and for his just and conscientious dealings. George B. McClenahan died aged eighty-one years. His wife still survives at the venerable age of eighty-six. They had seven children, four of whom died in childhood. Those surviving are: Charles Brown, first married to Martha Orner, who died, leaving him three children, afterwards to Catharine Coldren, by whom he had three children; Rachel (Mrs. Edward Faulkner), has two children; and F. B. Charles Brown McClenahan enlisted in the Union army during the war of the Rebellion. He was a member of Company H, Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers. He served three years, receiving promotion to the rank of sergeant-major for faithful and gallant conduct in the service. He was honorably discharged in September, 1864. He died at Milroy, November 26, 1894.

After attending the public schools of Milroy, F. B. McClenahan entered his father's shop, and was his efficient assistant until August, 1864. At that time he enlisted in the army. Commissioned as a lieutenant recruiting officer, he organized a company of soldiers at Milroy, and with the rank of captain, was assigned to Company K, Two Hundred and Fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers. He served until the close of the war. He was brevetted major for gallant services at Pittsburg in 1865. When honorably discharged, June 2, 1865, he returned to work at home, and was employed at his trade until November, 1868. Early in 1869 he removed to a farm in Armagh township, near Milroy, where he now resides. Captain McClenahan, in his occupation of farming, has shown himself practically wise. After a few years' work, in 1876, he bought the farm, and by his attention to its cultivation, its 80 acres have been made very

productive. Captain McClenahan, as a Democrat, has been active in politics. He was appointed postmaster at Milroy in February, 1894, and assumed the duties of the office March 1, 1894. He is a member of Colonel Hulings Post, No. 176, G. A. R., at Lewistown.

Capt. F. B. McClenahan was married November 18, 1868, to Agnes, daughter of William A. and Margaret (Brown) McManigal. Their children are: William K., married Fanny Foltz; Edith (Mrs. Charles Henry); George B.; Walter B.; Charles B.; Margaret; May Thompson; Rachel; Harry; and James McManigal. Captain and Mrs. McClenahan and family are members of the Free church.

WILLIAM THOMAS CLOSE, deceased, formerly of Armagh township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in the Big valley, Armagh township, August 1, 1821. He is a son of Peter and Jane (Orr) Close. His paternal grandparents, Peter and Catharine Close, had a family of three sons and two daughters. His maternal grandparents were John and Catharine Orr, who had a large family of sons and daughters. His parents, Peter and Jane Close, had six children: John, married Rachel Longwell, has seven children; Henry L., married Frances Ramsey, has five children; Eliza (Mrs. William Aitkens), has four children; Elliott, married Mary Barger, has six children; William, died in childhood; and William Thomas.

William Thomas Close received a limited education in the schools of Armagh township. When he was twenty-four he left home and began farming for himself on land belonging to his father. In 1862, he removed to the homestead, near Milroy, where he spent the remainder of his life. His industry and good management made him successful in business, and enabled him to provide a competence for his widow and children. Mr. Close was a member of the Republican party, interested in local politics, and anxious for the improvement of the community. He filled various township offices, serving as tax collector for some years. He was very kind-hearted, and it is said that during his term of office he often paid the taxes of delinquents to avoid proceeding against them to collect the amount due the township. Hospitable and liberal towards all, he was greatly beloved by his

friends and neighbors. William Thomas Close was married September 7, 1843, to Mary B., daughter of John and Hannah (Adams) Aitkens. Their children are: James H., born July 26, 1846, died December 29, 1853; Hannah Jane, born March 10, 1850, died January 6, 1854; John Williams, married to Sarah Matilda Aitkens, who died July 25, 1880, has four children: Samuel Elliott, married first to Matilda Orr Templeton, who died, leaving two children, and afterwards to Jennie V. Rogers, who has three children; Eliza Matilda (Mrs. William C. Naginey), has six children; and Robert Thomas, married Lillian Furst, has two children. Mr. William Close was a consistent member of the Presbyterian church at Milroy. He died August 31, 1888. The paternal grandparents of Mrs. William Close, James and Ann Aitkens, lived and died in Ireland. Her maternal grandparents, Samuel and Margaret Adams, were natives of Scotland. They emigrated to America and settled in Philadelphia, Pa., some time in the last century.

EDWIN P. HARVEY, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in the valley of the Brandywine, near Coatesville, Chester county, Pa., March 20, 1829. He is the son of Powell and Catharine (March) Harvey. His paternal grandparents were members of the Society of Friends. His maternal grandparents, John and Catharine (Wartman) March, were of German descent. His parents had ten children: Edwin P.; George W., married Rachel Smith; John W., died aged fifteen; James Bayard, died at the age of fourteen; Frank B.; Phineas S. C.; Wilson D.; Jane (Mrs. David Alcott); and two who died in infancy. Mr. Powell Harvey died in 1876, aged seventy-four, and his wife died in 1878, aged sixty-five.

Edwin P. Harvey attended the district schools of his native county until he was thirteen, when his parents removed to Mifflin county, and settled at Browns Mills, near Reedsville, Pa., and Edwin completed his education in the public schools of that town. At sixteen he was apprenticed to Aaron Wagner, blacksmith, at Forks, Centre county, Pa. After serving his full term of three years, he returned to Armagh township, and hired himself for one year to Henry Slack, receiving for his services his board and the privilege of

attending school during the winter term. At the end of the year he rented a shop from T. C. Williams, and began working at his trade, and two years later, he bought a house and shop near Lockes Mills, where he remained for eleven years. Encouraged by his success, Mr. Harvey determined to increase his business, and removing to Milroy, he formed a partnership with Ezra M. Hoopes. The enterprise prospered, and the partnership was continued until Mr. Hoopes died, when the firm became Edwin P. Harvey & Sons. They are general blacksmiths, wagon builders and dealers in agricultural implements. Mr. Harvey is a self-made man. The comfort and ease which he now enjoys are the result of his own industry and good management. He is not a politician, but he has always identified himself with the Republican party, and is also a member of Lodge No. 213, I. O. O. F., at Milroy.

Edwin P. Harvey was married, October 2, 1851, to Amelia Ann, daughter of Peter Kemmerlin, of German descent. Their children are: Alice Mary, died in infancy; Frank, died in infancy; Eldridge, married Mary Thompson, of Minnesota, has one child; Edwin C., married and living in Arkansas; Clay W.; William E.; Sarah (Mrs. O. H. Barkelass), has one child; and Catharine E., teaching in Armagh township. Mr. Harvey's eldest daughter taught for some time in Armagh township, and afterwards in the State Normal School at Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Pa. Mr. Harvey and his family attend the Presbyterian church.

EZRA M. HOOPES, deceased, formerly of Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., was born near Westtown, Chester county, Pa., December 24, 1822. He is the son of Isaac and Hannah (Jones) Hoopes. His parents had ten children.

Ezra M. Hoopes attended the public schools of Chester county until he was sixteen, when he was apprenticed to Mr. Pennock, blacksmith, at Kennett Square, Chester county. After his term of service expired, he spent one year at the Westtown Academy, and at the close of the term returned to Kennett Square, and for some years worked as a journeyman for his former master. In 1847 he went to Lewistown, Pa., to find work at his trade, but after a short time he removed to Milroy, and found employment in the establishment of

Col. William Reed, manufacture of grain drills. Several years later he formed a partnership with Mr. Barger in the firm of Barger & Hoopes, blacksmiths. In 1864 the firm made a contract to build and grade the railroad between Reedsville and Milroy. When this work was completed, Mr. Hoopes enlisted, March 16, 1865, in Company C, One Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, Capt. Samuel Matthews. He had, however, served only a few months when, the war being over, he was mustered out at Washington, D. C., June 28, 1865. Returning to Milroy, he became a member of the firm of Hoopes & Harvey, blacksmiths and wheelwrights. Their business prospered, and the partnership continued until the time of his death, December 28, 1886. Mr. Hoopes was a poor boy, but although he had no money with which to begin business, he had energy, industry and perseverance, and by the right use of this capital he was able to earn a competence for himself and his family. He belonged to the Republican party, but was never prominent in political circles. He was a consistent member of the Free church of Milroy.

Ezra M. Hoopes was married, July 1, 1853, to Bandena, daughter of Nicholas and Sarah (Yohn) Lyons. Their children are: Henry Orr, was burned to death, aged seventeen; Jeremiah, died in infancy; Sarah Yohn, died, aged seven; Ira Thompson, married Annie Daniels; Jennie (Mrs. Edwin Jefferis); Mary Griffith; William Lyons; Anna L.; Ralph Maclay; and Roland Eldridge. William Lyons Hoopes received a classical education. When he was twenty-one he removed to the West, but remained only eighteen months, and returning to Pennsylvania, began to read law with his uncle, the Hon. Judge Lyons, of Juniata county. April 28, 1890, he was admitted to the bar in Juniata county, where he is now practising.

Mrs. Hoopes' parents had twelve children; Elizabeth, died at the age of twenty; John, married Elizabeth Bixler, has five children; Margaret (Mrs. Joseph Moul), has seven children; David, died aged twenty; Mary Ann (Mrs. Jonathan Swartz), has seven children; Sarah (Mrs. Jacob Krotzing), has seven children; Daniel, married Ann Rice, has ten children; Bandena (Mrs. Ezra M. Hoopes); Julia (Mrs. Peter Smith), has five children; Ellen (Mrs. Jacob Bixler), has eight children;

Jeremiah, presiding judge of Juniata county, married Ada Thompson; and Rebecca (Mrs. William Trostle), has six children.

NER THOMPSON, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., son of Robert M. and Sarah (McManigal) Thompson, was born on the old homestead, near Milroy, February 11, 1837. He received his primary education at Laurel Run school house, attending the winter terms there until his fifteenth year. He then entered the academy at Tuscarora, Juniata county, under Professor David Wilson, where he remained for two terms, completing his education in the academy at Potters Mills. He began mercantile business at Milroy, associating himself with A. W. Graff under the firm name of Graff & Thompson. Their business venture was the beginning of a successful career for both gentlemen. Prospering beyond their expectations, they extended their interests into other lines of business, and became extensively engaged in the manufacture of leather and lumber; the latter article they obtained from timber lands owned by Messrs. Thompson and Graff. The successful management of these varied pursuits required no small amount of business tact and ability, but with such energy and careful direction was the work carried on, that in 1873, Mr. Graff felt justified in embarking in business independently, and the partnership was dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. Thompson then bought the large store which he now conducts alone.

Mr. Thompson was married June 5, 1878, to Elizabeth, daughter of Abraham T. and Mary (Elwell) Highlands. They have one child, Edward H., born March 8, 1879. The maternal grandparents of Mrs. Thompson were Abraham and Sarah Elwell, who had a family of two children. The paternal grandparents were Thomas and Jane (Tallman) Highlands, of Scotch-Irish descent. They had six children: John; Abraham T.; Mary; Elizabeth; Thomas; and Rebecca. John and Thomas are the only surviving ones. Abraham T. Highlands and wife, parents of Mrs. Thompson, had a family of five children: Elizabeth; Mary, who died aged seven; Thomas R., died aged ten years; Annie E. (Mrs. Isaac Strode), of Culver, Ottawa county, Kan.; William A., married Nellie Palmer, of Steilacoom, Washington. Mr. Highlands

was born in Lycoming county, Pa., and died at Culver, Kan., April 10, 1887. He learned the trade of tanner with Thomas Scattergood, of Philadelphia. Some years later he came to Milroy, where he was for a time a member of the firm of Graff, Thompson & Company, and later of Highlands & Graff. In the autumn of 1878, he went to Culver, Kan., where the rest of his life was spent. Mr. Highlands served through the entire war, enlisting August 1, 1861, as second lieutenant of Company H, Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and receiving promotion to the rank of first lieutenant, afterwards to that of adjutant. On the 11th of January, 1863, he was transferred to Company A, where he served up to the time of his second promotion. Mr. Thompson is a Republican, but has never aspired to political office. He and his family are members of the Free church at Milroy.

CHRISTIAN HARTMAN, deceased, formerly of Armagh township, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Mt. Wolf, York county, Pa., in August, 1816. He is the son of Christopher and Barbara Hartman, who had twelve children: Jacob; John; Isaac; Samuel; Daniel; Christian; Leah (Mrs. Strahl); Betsy; Susan (Mrs. Cassel); and two who died in early childhood. Christian Hartman's early educational advantages were limited to the district schools of York county. When he was seventeen, he learned masonry, serving a full apprenticeship. He had, however, worked at his trade only a short time, when he turned his attention to the cultivation of the soil. When he was quite a young man, he went to Reedsville with a neighbor who had moved there from York county. While in Reedsville, he met Miss Barbara Wilson, and was so charmed with Mifflin county, that, after spending one year at home in York county, he removed to Mifflin county, and began farming in the Stone valley, near Belleville. Although Mr. Hartman removed several times after this, he never left Mifflin county. After farming for some years in Stone valley, he moved to a place near Reedsville, and seven years later to a farm near Lewistown. Here he spent four years, and, returning to Brown township, cultivated a farm there for ten years. Every move had been a step in advance for the successful farmer, and he was now able to buy a farm of

his own. He removed to the homestead, a farm of about 112 acres, situated near Milroy, Mifflin county, March 22, 1876. Mr. Hartman now turned his attention to improving his home. The large stone mansion on the homestead had been built in 1800, and here he enjoyed the well-earned reward of his care and toil. With little capital except energy and perseverance, by industry, frugality and honest dealing, he won a competency for himself and family. In 1888 the stone mansion and his large barn were destroyed by fire. Far from being discouraged by this misfortune, Mr. Hartman began immediately to rebuild, restoring the house and erecting a much larger barn. Mr. Hartman is a member of the Democratic party, but, although interested in politics, has never desired office.

Christian Hartman was married in 1842, to Barbara Wilson. Their children are: Elizabeth, died aged nineteen; Frank, died at the age of fifteen; Mary (Mrs. Samuel Hains), of Lewistown, died leaving three children; Barbara, died aged nineteen; John, left home in 1886, supposed to be dead; Sarah; Rachel; Joseph; Hale; and one child who died in infancy. John Hartman left three children: Parker; Ellen; and John, who is living with his uncle and aunt at Milroy. Christian Hartman died July 7, 1895, aged seventy-nine. His wife died March 18, 1895, aged eighty-one. Mr. Hartman was a consistent member of the Lutheran church; his wife was an active member of the Presbyterian church.

WILSON S. DELLETT, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., is the fourth son of Hugh and Christiana (Scott) Dellett, the former of whom came from near Belfast, County Antrim, Ireland. The latter was a native of Mifflin county, being born in the Juniata valley. They were married in 1824; to them were born: in 1825, Margaret A. (Mrs. Robert Gemmill); in 1827, John L., married late in life to Ellie (Way) McGuire; in 1829, James C., who married Jeanette Auld; in 1831, Hugh M., who married Anna Straley; in 1835, Wilson S., who married Sarah (Hoffnagle), widow of Henry Barger, who died in the United States service during the Rebellion; in 1838, Mary C., who remained single; and in 1843, William W., who married Sarah E. (McMonigal), widow of James Hassenpflug, who also died in the service. Of these

seven children all are dead, as well as the parents, except the younger sons, Wilson A.; and William M. James died in Milroy in 1860; Margaret in Washington, Ia., in 1861; Hugh M., in Louder county, Nev., in 1880; John L., in Centre county, Pa., in 1894; and Mary C., in Washington, D. C., in 1897. The father of this family died in Milroy in 1873, in his eighty-fourth year, and the mother also in Milroy in 1888, in her eightieth year.

Wilson S. Dellett received his limited education in the old Laurel run school house, which has long since given place to modern improvements. He remained at home with his father until full age, first laboring and then hauling with his own team. When Company C, of the First Pennsylvania Cavalry, (Captain, afterwards General, J. P. Taylor), was organized, in August, 1861, Wilson S. Dellett answered "Present," and was made quartermaster's sergent. The regiment was assigned to the Army of the Potomac, and became a part of the famous Pennsylvania Reserves. While on a foraging expedition Mr. Dellett was captured with three or four of his comrades by Stuart's Cavalry, and taken to Libby prison, but was soon sent over to Belle Island. Fortunately for him, he was paroled about three weeks later, and sent to Annapolis, Md.; soon after which he was exchanged, and returned to the regiment. He was mustered out of the service September 9, 1864. Returning home he engaged in farming and lumbering near Milroy, and soon after began dealing in stock, in which he is still interested to some extent. Mr. Dellett moved to his present comfortable home in 1880. He is a successful business man, prudent and intelligent. He assumed the support of his parents in their old age, especially during the last eight years of his father's life, who was totally blind. Mr. Dellett is a member of the Democratic party, and is heartily interested in all efforts to promote the welfare of the community. Although not an office-seeker, he has occupied various important positions; he was supervisor of roads for four successive terms. It was owing to his untiring efforts that Woodlawn cemetery was opened in 1892. Mr. Dellett is a member of Colonel Hulings Post, No. 176, G. A. R., Lewistown, Pa.; is secretary of Lodge No. 213, I. O. O. F., and also of Castle No. 257, K. G. E., of Milroy.

John I., eldest brother of W. S. Dellett, served during the war in Captain Cole's Independent Cavalry, and later in the Second Maryland Cavalry. William W. Dellett, the youngest brother, served the last year of the war in the Thirteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry. The father of W. S. Dellett was an Orangeman and a Free Mason, and the mother was of Scotch-Irish descent, and a relative of the late Gen. Winfield Scott. They were naturally Presbyterians, and gave their family strict Protestant training.

WILLIAM BROWN McNITT, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at the old homestead in Arnagh township, Mifflin county, July 23, 1864. He is a son of Thomas Brown and Sarah Ann (Gourley) McNitt. Mr. William McNitt's great-grandfather, William Alexander McNitt, was of Scotch descent. He was one of five brothers who came to this country in the latter part of the last century, and settled in the Kishacoquillas valley. William McNitt married Mary Brown. They had seven children: Alexander; Thomas B.; William; Elizabeth; Jane; Catharine; and Mary Ann. William McNitt's maternal grandparents were Joseph and Margaret (McNitt) Gourley. They had two children: Sarah Ann (Mrs. Thomas B. McNitt); and James Gourley, who married Mary Jane McNitt. They have one child, Mr. and Mrs. Gourley are both dead. Mr. Gourley died when his daughter, Sarah Ann, was fourteen. Thomas B. McNitt, father of William B. McNitt, was born at the homestead, April 20, 1816. He was educated in the common schools of his native township, and remained at home working with his father on the farm. At his father's death, Thomas McNitt succeeded to the homestead. The children of Thomas and Sarah Ann (Gourley) McNitt are: William Alexander, born July 30, 1858, died March 28, 1860; Robert Bruce, married Caroline Reed, has one child; Margaret; William Brown; and Joseph Gourley. Mr. Thomas McNitt was a successful farmer, one who not only kept but improved that which he had inherited. He died May 20, 1883. Mrs. Thomas McNitt attends the Free church at Milroy.

William Brown McNitt attended the public schools of Arnagh township. He remained at home, and, under his father's care-

ful training, acquired a thorough and practical knowledge of farming. When his father died, William McNitt and his brothers took charge of the estate and have been very successful in farming and raising cattle. The McNitt brothers are progressive business men, interested not only in the better cultivation of the land, but also in the improvement of farming operations. They are members of the Republican party. The homestead farm on which William Brown McNitt resides is part of the original grant made to the first McNitt brothers. Mr. William McNitt attends the Presbyterian church at Milroy, Pa.

WILLIAM ALLEN STERRETT, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the old Sterrett farm near Milroy, in Armagh township, January 11, 1835. He is a son of William T. Allen and Mary (McNitt) Sterrett. His paternal grandparents were Robert and Rosanna (Green) Sterrett. They had a family of thirteen sons and daughters. Mr. Robert Sterrett, with his two brothers, John R. and David, settled near Lockes Mills, Armagh township, in 1808. William Sterrett's maternal grandparents, Robert and Sarah (Glasgow) McNitt, were of Scotch-Irish descent. They had three sons and two daughters. Mr. Sterrett's parents had two children: William A.; and Robert, who died in childhood. Mr. Robert Sterrett's death occurred near Milroy. He descended a well which proved to be full of noxious gas. A friend, seeing his danger, hastened to his assistance, but was too late, and both were suffocated.

William Sterrett attended the district schools of Armagh township, and after one term at the academy in Tuscarora, Juniata county, Pa., he completed his education at Kishacoquillas Seminary, in Brown township. He remained at home, working with his father until he began farming for himself in Armagh township. Mr. Sterrett lived in Milroy from 1874 to 1886, when he removed to Missouri; he remained there for six years, cultivating a farm in Washington county. In 1892, he sold his interest in this farm, and returned to Armagh township, where he is now living on the old Sterrett farm, with his cousin, Sarah Ann, widow of Thomas Brown McNitt. Mr. Sterrett has always belonged to the Demo-

cratic party. He is an earnest member of the Presbyterian church at Milroy.

William Allen Sterrett was married, February 17, 1886, to Elizabeth Margaret, daughter of William Brown and Ellen Maclay, who died on the farm in Washington county, Mo., May 14, 1889. Her remains were brought to Armagh township, and interred in the family burial ground at Milroy, Pa.

WILLIAM McCLINTIC, Sigleville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the old homestead in Armagh township, July 21, 1844. He is a son of Felix and Rosanna (Aitkens) McClintic. His paternal grandfather, James McClintic, was of Scotch-Irish, and his grandmother, Mrs. Ann McClintic, of German descent. They had ten children, sons and daughters, who all lived to a mature age. His father, Felix McClintic, was born and grew up in Decatur township, receiving his early education in the public schools of that township. When he was twenty-six, he left home and settled on a farm in the eastern part of the Kishacoquillas valley. Several years after, he bought a tract of land, part of which is the old homestead, where his son, William, now resides. Mr. Felix McClintic was married to Rosanna Aitkens. They had seven children: Hannah Jane, died at the age of twenty-one; James A., married Elizabeth Grove, of Centre county, Pa., had one child; John C., married first to Rebecca Mitchell, who died leaving five children, and afterwards to Mrs. Clarissa Brown, widow, of Lewistown, Pa.; Samuel A., married Mary Margaret McNitt, has one child; William; Margaret (Mrs. Samuel O. McCurdy), has three children; Hugh, married first to Elizabeth Ehrenfeld, who died leaving five children, and afterwards to Ruth Smith, of Bedford county, Pa., who has one child; Mary Matilda (Mrs. David E. Sprengel), of Altoona, has three children; Howard, died at the age of two; and Andrew F., married Ada Jane Crisman, has two children. Mr. Felix McClintic died, October 6, 1883, aged seventy-six; his wife died February 27, 1890, aged seventy-nine.

William McClintic was educated in the district schools of his native township. He remained at home working on his father's farm until 1869, when he began farming for

himself. Not content with his success in cultivating the soil, William McClintic has engaged in various enterprises; among them is the flouring mill at Milroy which is in charge of his son, Miles Reed McClintic. He is not active in political affairs, but has identified himself with the Republican party.

William McClintic was married, November 24, 1869, to Rachel J., daughter of Reed and Henrietta (Koch) Sample. They have three children; Miles Reed, married Anna W. Spangler; Francis Felix; and William Sample. Mr. William McClintic and his family attend the Free Church at Siglerville.

Mrs. William McClintic's paternal grandparents were David and Rachel (Alexander) Sample. They had seven children, three sons and four daughters. Her parents, Reed and Henrietta Sample, had twelve children: Rachel J. (Mrs. William McClintic); Robert, died in infancy; James Reed, married Flora Turner, has nine children; Hannah Margaret (Mrs. William Black), has three children; Osceola, died aged twelve; Allie W. (Mrs. Robert A. Naginey), has two sons; Rosanna M., died at the age of seven months; Charles Lunger, died aged ten; Carrie M. (Mrs. John Bailey), has two children; Annie (Mrs. Ira Sigler), died aged twenty-five; Laura I. (Mrs. William Bailey); and Rhoda (Mrs. Walter Clark Crissman), has one child.

JOSEPH MAUCK, Siglerville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Northumberland county, Pa. His parents had these children: Joseph; Sarah (Mrs. Andrew Dotts), has one child; John, married, has a family; William, married, has a family; Lewis; Frank, married, has a family; Samuel; and two who died in infancy. After his mother's death, his father married a second time. His half sisters are: Mary; Annie; Ida; Cora; and Lizzie. His father died in 1893, aged eighty-three.

Joseph Mauck was educated in the public schools of Milton, Northumberland county, Pa. At the age of sixteen, he was apprenticed to William Hood, coach-smith, at McEwensville, Pa. At the end of the second year of his apprenticeship, he made his way to Harrisburg and enlisted in Company H, Fifty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, under Captain Shroyer. The regiment was assigned to the First Brigade, Second Division of the Second Army Corps, commanded by General Han-

cock. Mr. Mauck had been in the army two years and a half when he was taken prisoner at the battle of Spottsylvania. After ten months in the prison at Andersonville, he was released on parole, and returning to his regiment, served until the close of the war, and was mustered out, July 4, 1865. After leaving the army, he returned to Northumberland county and worked at his trade for two years; he then found employment at lumbering. In 1872, he began working in Joseph Heiser's mill at Chillisnauque Creek, in Northumberland county. When he had served Mr. Heiser for six years, feeling that he had acquired a thorough knowledge of the business, he removed to Arnagh township, Mifflin county, and began milling at the old Benedict mills, where he now resides. His conscientious work and honest dealing soon brought him patronage, and for nearly a quarter of a century he has enjoyed the respect and confidence of the community. He not merely preaches but practises the precepts of the Golden Rule. He has always belonged to the Democratic party, but has never made himself prominent in local politics. He is a member of Colonel Huling's Post, No. 176, G. A. R., at Lewistown, Pa., and is a pensioner of the Government.

Joseph Mauck was married, May 14, 1866, to Susan, daughter of Lot and Sarah (Haff) Armstrong. They had one child, who died in infancy. Mr. Mauck and his wife are members of the Lutheran church.

Mrs. Mauck's parents have seven children: Bella (Mrs. William Ryne); John, married Margaret Ramsey; William; Matilda W.; James; Louis, married Alice Wagner; and Susan (Mrs. Joseph Mauck).

JAMES MEADE CRISSMAN, Siglerville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born near Siglerville, August 23, 1863. He is a son of John McDowell and Mary J. (Aitkens) Crissman, and is one of ten children, Samuel Rush; William J.; Hattie E.; Ida Jane; James Meade; Edward Bruce; Minnie M.; Walter Clark; Bertha; and Mary M. A full account of the family is given in our sketch of the father, John M. Crissman. The maternal grandparents of James M. Crissman were William and Elizabeth (Close) Aitkens. His paternal grandparents were John and Elizabeth (Rothrock) Crissman. James M. Crissman

acquired his education in the district schools of his native township. He remained on his father's farm until he reached his thirty-second year, when he married Maria C., widow of Samuel M. Brown. Mr. Brown died December 29, 1888, aged forty-six years, leaving six children, three of whom died within four weeks, in 1889: Fannie, who died June 27, aged seven years; Bessie, who died July 7, aged nine years; and James Blaine, who died July 15, aged five years. Mr. Crissman is a Republican, but has never sought political office. He is an highly esteemed citizen. He and his family attend the Free Church at Sigleville.

The parents of Mrs. James Crissman were Robert and Margaret Susanna (Shaw) Sterrett. Their children are: William Shaw; Robert Watson; Maria C. (Mrs. Crissman); John David, who married Hattie Graff, has eight children; Mary J. (Mrs. William R. Barefoot), has four children. Mr. Sterrett died in his seventieth year. His wife died at the age of seventy-nine. The paternal grandparents of Mrs. Crissman were Mr. and Mrs. William Sterrett, who had a family of twelve sons and daughters. Her maternal grandparents were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shaw, who had seven children.

JOHN CULBERSON, Sigleville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born near Allensville, Menno township, Mifflin county, July 28, 1835. He is the son of Samuel and Jane (Given) Culberston. His paternal grandparents, William and Barbara Culberston, had nine children, six sons and three daughters. His father, Samuel Culberston, was born November 10, 1810, and married Jane Givin, daughter of George and Prudence Givin. She was born March 20, 1810. Their children are: Elizabeth Jane (Mrs. Adam Bitner), has a large family of sons and daughters; William Henry, died aged four years; Louisa A., married, first, to David Graham, who died leaving one child, and afterwards to Archibald King, by whom she had three sons; and Marietta (Mrs. Solomon Dinsh), removed to the State of Washington, has one child. Mrs. Samuel Culberston died, May 19, 1853; her husband died in August, 1888.

John Culberston attended the district schools of his native township, and while still a boy, was obliged to earn his living among

strangers. He obtained employment from the farmers of Menno township, until he was twenty-two, when he began farming on his own account near Milroy. Mr. Culberston enlisted, August 19, 1861, in Company H, Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, under Captain Maclay and Colonel Irwin; after serving for fourteen months, he was discharged on account of disability. Unable to remain at home when his country needed his assistance, he re-enlisted, August 10, 1864, in Company I, One Hundred and Eighty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, under Captain Edmunds and Colonel Stover, and served until the close of the war. For gallant conduct, he was made quartermaster's sergeant. He was taken prisoner at Hatcher's Run, but was soon discharged. He was mustered out July 10, 1865. The war being over, Mr. Culberston returned to his home in Decatur township. Three years after, he removed to Sigleville, and one year later, to a farm in Haviee valley, Armagh township, which he cultivated for nineteen years. In 1889, he bought the homestead, taking possession in 1890. His home is pleasantly situated in a beautiful part of Haviee valley. He has improved the quality of the land by careful cultivation, and has also increased the value of his property by good fences and convenient buildings. Mr. Culberston is now enjoying the competence which he has earned by his industry and economy. For some time Mr. Culberston identified himself with the Republican party, but for eight or ten years has been neutral. He, however, takes an active part in local politics, and in all questions that concern the welfare of the community. He is a member of Colonel Hulings Post, No. 176, G. A. R., Lewistown, Pa.

John Culberston was married, March 4, 1855, to Mary, daughter of John and Elizabeth Yetter. Their children are: William Henry, married Hannah Price, has four children; George, died August 4, 1855; James Oliver, born August 19, 1859, died February 16, 1863; John, died in December, 1862; Samuel Jefferson, born August 15, 1863, died June 21, 1865; and Nancy Jane (Mrs. Robert Pecht), has two children. Mrs. Culberston died, September 8, 1894. Mr. Culberston married his second wife, Mrs. Evanna Moul, daughter of Christian and Sarah Elizabeth (Haviee) Keperling, January 23, 1896. John Culberston is a member of the Evangelical

church, and his wife belongs to the Lutheran church. Mrs. Culberson's parents, Christian and Sarah Keperling, have six children: Jacob; Joseph; Mary Ann; Sarah Elizabeth; John, who died in early childhood; and Evanna (Mrs. John Culberson).

ROBERT G. SHAW, Siglerville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born February 18, 1813, near Clearfield, Clearfield county, Pa. He is the son of Robert and Mary Margaret (Crissman) Shaw. Robert Shaw was first married to Miss McIlvain. Their children are: Richard, who married Miss Moore; James, who married and had a family; Mary Ann, deceased; Jane, who married and had a family; John, who died leaving a family. Mrs. Shaw died in Armagh township, and is interred in the Kishacoquillas graveyard. Robert Shaw, Sr., then married Mary Margaret Crissman. Their children are: Adam C., who married Mary Ehrenfeld, and has two children: Robert G.; Archibald Stewart, who married Elizabeth, another daughter of Dr. Ehrenfeld, and has five children; and Margaret, deceased. Robert Shaw, the father, died in Half Moon valley, in Centre county, and is buried in the Friends' graveyard there. His widow married Jacob Senter. She died in Centre county, and is buried in Philipsburg, in the Episcopal graveyard.

Robert G. Shaw attended the district schools of his native township, and at the age of sixteen years began to learn the trade of saddle and harness making with John Rothrock at Bellefonte, Centre county, Pa. After serving an apprenticeship of two years, he spent seven years traveling through the western and southern states, working at his trade in different places. He came east in 1837, settled at McVeytown, in Oliver township, and worked at his trade, doing a successful business for over two years. His health became impaired, and his physician advised him to take up the more healthful occupation of farming. He began farming in Armagh township, on the old Aikens' farm, formerly known as the Lee farm. He was successful in this undertaking, and in 1845, he bought the old Adam Crissman farm, where he lived until his removal to Siglerville, in 1864.

Robert G. Shaw was married in 1838, to Margaret Matilda, daughter of John and Hannah (Adams) Aikens. Their children are;

Rosanna, died when about eighteen months old; Mary Martha; Sarah T., died January 31, 1896, aged fifty years; and three infants who died. The daughter, Mary Martha, married Jeremiah Grove, a wagon-builder at Siglerville. He died December 22, 1878, aged forty years. Their children are; James Robert, deceased; Milton Elmer, who married Sarah Jane Pecht, has one child, Marion Elizabeth; and Archie Lyman. Mrs. Robert G. Shaw died February 20, 1885. She was a faithful and earnest Christian, beloved and esteemed by all who knew her. Mr. Shaw has never aspired to any public office, nor given his support to any one of the political factions; but at present he supports the Prohibition party. He is a member of the Free Church at Siglerville.

JAMES H. CLOSE, Siglerville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born at the old homestead in Armagh township, Mifflin county, July 28, 1856. He is the son of Henry L. and Francisca M. (Ramsey) Close. His great-grandfather, Peter Close, removed from Lancaster county to Mifflin, then Cumberland county, and settled in East Kishacoquillas valley, on the farm now owned by Henry L. Close's heirs. In 1767, this land was purchased by Mr. O'Connor. He transferred it to Hon. Thomas Mifflin, September 29, 1787, who sold it to Christopher Boker, and Mr. Close received a deed of the property from Christopher Boker, November 23, 1787. Peter Close married Catharine Livingston, of Lancaster county, Pa. Their children are: Henry, removed to Ohio; Adam, removed to Venango county, Pa.; Elizabeth (Mrs. George Bridge), settled on an adjoining farm; and Peter, born in Lancaster county in 1786. Peter Close, grandfather of James H. Close, remained on the old homestead in East Kishacoquillas valley. He married Jane, daughter of John and Catharine Orr, of Armagh township. Their children are: John, born in December, 1810, settled in his native county; Henry L. Elliot, born August 5, 1815, married and lived near Milroy, Mifflin county; Eliza (Mrs. William Atkins), born in August, 1819, settled in Armagh township; and William T., born August 1, 1821, farming in Armagh township. Mr. Peter Close spent his life on the farm. He was an active member

of the East Kishacoquillas Presbyterian church, and enjoyed the respect and confidence of the community. He died March 24, 1838; his wife lived until March 26, 1864.

Henry L. Close, father of James H. Close, was born at the homestead May 19, 1813, and was educated in the public schools of Armagh township, attending school in the winter and working with his father on the farm during the summer. He was an industrious boy and a dutiful son, and at his father's death he received his portion of the estate in land. He never left his farm, but spent his life in cultivating and improving it. In 1842, he built the large and convenient house in which his son James H. now resides, and in 1877, the cosy home in which his widow is now living. Henry L. Close was either a Whig or a Republican, and was actively interested in the political issues of the day. For seventeen successive years he was a school director of Armagh township. In 1873, he served as county commissioner, and for one term was auditor of the county. He was often requested to serve as guardian, or as trustee for an estate. Henry L. Close was married to Francina M., daughter of William and Elizabeth Ramsey, November 12, 1845. They had six children: William T., deceased, born September 4, 1846; Edmund M., who married Clara P., daughter of William and Sarah Nale, and Edwin, who is dead, were twins, born November 3, 1847; Elizabeth B., born July 23, 1849; S. Jennie (Mrs. James B. Smith), born May 29, 1853, resides in Armagh township; and James H. Mr. Henry Close was a member of the Presbyterian church, and it was, in a measure, owing to his energetic efforts that the East Kishacoquillas church was built. He died September 9, 1893.

James H. Close was educated in the district schools of his native township. He was of a quiet, retiring disposition and remained at home working for his father until 1878, when he began farming on the homestead. Mr. James H. Close is a member of the Republican party, is active in local politics, and has filled various offices in Armagh township.

James H. Close was married, November 15, 1876, to Mary Blanche, daughter of James and Elizabeth Alexander, of Centre county, Pa. Their children are: Edna Elizabeth, born May 13, 1879; Henry Livingston, born September 14, 1880; James Beatty, born

June 21, 1882; Estella Montgomery, born June 13, 1887; and Grace Alexander, born February 7, 1895. The grandparents of Mrs. James H. Close were James and Margaret Alexander. James Alexander was born April 19, 1773, and his wife, July 9, 1774. They had eight children: Alexander, born April 23, 1799; Josiah, born May 1, 1801; Sarah, born October 15, 1803; Francis, born July 10, 1806; Elizabeth, born December 1, 1808; Amos, born August 2, 1811; Rachel, born November 26, 1813; and James, born July 21, 1817. James Alexander, with his sister Rachel and his brothers Francis and Amos, removed from Maryland to Centre county, Pa., and settled on a farm in Potter township, where he spent the remainder of his life.

JAMES C. EHRENFELD, Siglerville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born October 12, 1853. He is a son of William J. and Mary (Alexander) Ehrenfeld. His grandfather was Dr. Augustus Clemens Ehrenfeld, who was born May 16, 1774, at Heilbronn, Wurtemberg, Germany. He was a son of George Frederick and Sophia Frederica Charlotta Ehrenfeld. He was a descendant of Bernard Matthias Ehrenfeld, who was born in 1601, and died in 1659. Bernard Matthias Ehrenfeld and all his descendants, down to Dr. Augustus C. Ehrenfeld, were merchants and men of culture. They all, except one, at some time held positions of trust in public life. Dr. Ehrenfeld, his father and grandfather were university graduates. The ancestry on the maternal side is traced to 1697. They also were a line of merchants, many of them finely educated, and holding high official position. Both maternal and paternal ancestors were for several generations very wealthy. Augustus Clemens Ehrenfeld first attended the Gymnasium (high school) of his native city, and afterwards graduated from the University of Heidelberg. He resided for several years at Geneva, Switzerland, where he was engaged as a pharmacist. He had leisure and means to travel, and thus added much to his already fine mental equipment. He was in Italy during one of Napoleon's campaigns, and acted as a volunteer surgeon in one of the battles. He described Napoleon as spare of figure, with clear, penetrating eyes. Dr. Ehrenfeld came to this country in 1805, arriving

in Philadelphia on the 5th of August. He did not come with any idea of remaining here, but to meet his father, George Frederick Ehrenfeld, who had been in America some years, detained here by the complexities of his business, by the actual failure of part of his investments, and the threatened loss of all his wealth. He had lost eight thousand pounds by one man alone. His health failed under his anxieties, and when Dr. Ehrenfeld arrived, he found his father suffering from a stroke of paralysis. This deferred their return to Germany, so Dr. Ehrenfeld began to practise medicine in Philadelphia. His father was familiar with the eastern part of the State, and probably advised his son to see as much of the country as possible before he should return to Europe. So the Doctor traveled through the State, and came to Fredericksburg, then Stumpstown, and spent the year 1807 there, practising medicine with Dr. Essig. It is said he was attracted to that place by the charms of Miss Charlotte Catherine, daughter of Henry Stitzer, a soldier of the Revolution and a resident of that town. Dr. Ehrenfeld had met her at the home of Rev. Dr. George Lochman, who was pastor of the Lutheran church at Lebanon. They were married January 5, 1808, by Rev. Dr. Lochman, and with Mr. Ehrenfeld, the father, began housekeeping in Philadelphia. Dr. Ehrenfeld continued the practise of his profession. His father's death in November, 1809, as well as his own marriage, banished all idea of his returning to Europe. He gathered what little he could of his father's estate, and began his life here as a poor man. In November, 1811, he removed to Lebanon county and thence to Selinsgrove. In 1817, he went to Mifflin county, then to Adamsburg in 1822. He removed in 1830 to the east end of the Kishacoquillas valley and remained there until his death, which occurred January 23, 1839, in his sixty-fifth year. He was interred in the graveyard of the old Lutheran church. His wife, whose energy and devotion had been his main stay through years of toil and privation, was laid by his side in 1868. Dr. Ehrenfeld left to his children and friends the best of legacies, an honored name and the memory of an unselfish and noble life. He had a logical mind, was master of the classics, and could speak and write Latin with the readiness that characterizes the graduate of the German universities.

He was also fluent in French and Italian. His knowledge of English was accurate, as his manuscripts testify, but he learned this language too late in life to be able to speak it without marked accent. He was a thorough chemist and manufactured many of his own drugs; as a physician and surgeon he was skillful and successful. He was devoted to his profession, and though his practise was large, his charges were small, and these he was slow to press, so that he never gained the competency he so well merited. He was quiet and unassuming, so much so that his children learned more of his family's position and wealth from the public records in Germany, than they ever did from him. He taught them the lessons of temperance and honesty by precept and example. By his kindly and courteous manners he was endeared to all who knew him. Three of his six sons entered the ministry, and two of the daughters married ministers. The regret of his life was the lack of opportunity and financial ability to have all his children given a liberal education. Dr. Ehrenfeld was five feet seven inches tall, and slender. He grew gray and bald when he was about thirty-six years of age. He was an elder in the old Salem church.

William J., second son of Dr. Ehrenfeld, was born July 24, 1816. He was married to Mary Alexander. Their children are: Elizabeth Charlotte, wife of Rev. Hugh McClintic; Nettie Alexander (Mrs. Morris M. Nagincy); and James C. The mother died October 19, 1892, aged seventy-seven years. The father, William J., spent the greater part of his life in farming. He was a man of estimable character. His death occurred July 17, 1893.

James Charles Ehrenfeld acquired his education in the district schools of his native township. He remained with his father until his marriage, and then farmed the homestead at Siglerville on his own account. Mr. Ehrenfeld is an intelligent and progressive farmer, quick to adopt improved methods in his business.

James C. Ehrenfeld was married December 18, 1879, to Sallie E., daughter of William and Maria J. Aitkens. Their children are: Jesse Vernon; Alfred Grant; Mary M., who died August 2, 1893, aged ten months and twenty-nine days; Ethel May; and Charles Clemens. Mr. Ehrenfeld is a Re-

publican. He is a member of the Lutheran church.

Mr. Aitkens, the father of Mrs. Ehrenfeld, was first married to Eliza Close. They had four children. He then married Mrs. Maria J., widow of William Barry, who had one child by her first husband. Mrs. Ehrenfeld is one of three children. Her sisters are Maggie (Mrs. S. H. Crissman); and Martha G. (Mrs. A. B. Cummins). Her father was born March 24, 1816, and died February 10, 1889. The mother died July 4, 1894, aged fifty-seven years, five months and eighteen days. Mrs. Ehrenfeld is a member of the Free Church at Siglerville.

CAPT. ROBERT J. McNITT, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., son of William and Nancy (Naginey) McNitt, was born in Armagh township, April 13, 1833. He is a descendant of John McNitt, who, with his brothers, Alexander, Robert, James, and William, came to the east end of the Kishacoquillas valley, where each took out a warrant for a large tract of land, September 8, 1755. John McNitt was the great-grandfather of Capt. McNitt, and the homestead now occupied by the latter is part of the original tract taken up by his ancestor. Alexander McNitt took out a warrant for a large tract comprising the present farms of James, John and James B. McNitt. He married and reared a large family. John McNitt's portion was a large tract where Alexander B. McNitt now resides. He also married and had a family. Robert McNitt settled and took out warrants for the land where Sterrett McNitt now resides. Robert married and had two sons: James; and William R. They married two sisters whose surname was McCoy. James had one son, Robert, who married Miss Brown and reared a family of two sons and two daughters. The sons were James, married Margaret Kyle, and settled in Kansas; and William H., married Miss Ingram, and resides at Patterson, Juniata county. The daughters were Mary (Mrs. Levi Barefoot), has two sons, Robert and William R.; Nancy (Mrs. Hiram McClenahan), has three sons and two daughters. James McNitt, the fifth of the patriarchs, took up the tract where the daughters of Brown McNitt now reside. He married and had seven daughters. He remained on his land only a few years,

when he abandoned it, removing with his family to Cumberland county, Pa.

John McNitt, great-grandfather of Capt. R. J. McNitt, had a son, John McNitt, Jr., who was a soldier in the war of 1812, and served on Lake Erie, under Commodore Perry, taking part in that commander's famous victory. A medal was awarded to him by the United States Government for gallant and meritorious services; this medal is now in the possession of James D. McNitt, of Logansport, Ind. John McNitt died in Illinois, leaving no children. Another son of John McNitt, Sr., was Robert, who in 1790 married Sarah Glasgow. They had these children: William; James Glasgow, married Jane Naginey, had six children, now resides in Cass county, Ind.; John, married Mary Jane McNitt, one daughter and one son living; Margaret, wife of Joseph Gourley, had one son and one daughter, the former married to Mary Jane McNitt, and the latter to Thomas B. McNitt; Mary (Mrs. William A. Sterrett), has a son, William A. Sterrett, Jr.

William McNitt, the father of Capt. McNitt, was born on the homestead where James S. McNitt now resides, in 1806; he was educated in the district schools of Armagh township, and grew to manhood in his father's house. He assisted on the homestead farm, and after his father's death, succeeded him as its owner. He continued its cultivation during his lifetime. William McNitt married Nancy, daughter of Charles and Martha (Ross) Naginey. They had seven children: Robert J.; James C., married Ada Kessler, one son and one daughter; Samuel B. married Margaret McDowell, two sons; Wilson A., married Elizabeth Kyle, five sons and two daughters; James A., died aged eight years; Mary Margaret (Mrs. Samuel A. McClintic), one daughter; William D., is unmarried. The father and mother were born in the same year, 1806; the former died in 1868, the latter surviving until 1882.

Captain McNitt began business life with but a limited education. This was acquired in the common schools during the winter months, the time during the rest of the year being devoted to diligent labor on the home farm. He remained with his parents until the beginning of the war. On April 1, 1861, he enlisted at Milroy, in Company C. First Pennsylvania cavalry, under Capt. John P. Tay-

lor. They constituted the cavalry of McCall's division and were assigned to the Army of the Potomac, but later were transferred to Sheridan's Cavalry corps, in General Gregg's division. At Camp Pierrepoint, Va., Mr. McNitt was promoted to the rank of first sergeant, then to second lieutenant, and on September 13, 1863, to that of first lieutenant. Finally, for gallant and meritorious services at the battle of Cedar Mountain, he was made captain, August 9, 1863. At Whitehouse, Va., June 21, 1864, Captain McNitt, with two officers and twenty-eight others of his regiment, was captured and confined in Libby Prison. For forty days they endured the horrors of that dreadful place, and were then sent to North Carolina, and thence to Columbia, S. C. Remaining here for only a short time, their next removal was to Macon, Ga., and then to Savannah, whence they were shipped to Charleston, S. C. Captain McNitt, with about five hundred other Union prisoners, was confined in the central part of the city of Charleston, S. C., exposed to the shells and fire during the bombardment and burning of the city by the Union troops. This exposure lasted over thirty days, during which time many of the unfortunate prisoners were killed; and not until the naval ships and monitors of the Union forces retaliated by similarly exposing some Confederate prisoners, were the Northern prisoners removed from their perilous position. They were next sent to Columbia, S. C. It was during the dreary days of imprisonment here, that Captain McNitt, with two others, John R. Kelly, of Juniata county, Pa., and John Chittin, of the Fifth Indiana Cavalry, made their escape, November 25, 1864. Although hotly pursued by the enemy and their blood hounds, they succeeded in evading capture for seventeen days, but were finally retaken on the Savannah river, near Augusta, Ga., and were held prisoners until March 12, 1865; then they were paroled at Wilmington, N. C. Captain McNitt was mustered out of service by an order of the Secretary of War, March 12, 1865. He was discharged at Annapolis, Md., and thence went to Washington, D. C., where he was staying at the time President Lincoln was assassinated; by this terrible event, his return home was for a short time delayed. He was a soldier true and tried, and the memory of his patriotism, bravery, and resolution will ever live in the minds of

his comrades and friends. After his return home he remained with his parents on the old homestead until the death of his father, in 1868. He then succeeded to the place. He has made many improvements, keeping everything in good order, and the land in a high state of cultivation, the result being that it is one of the best farms in the community. He has been a life-long Democrat of the Jeffersonian type, serving as county commissioner for three years.

Captain McNitt was married, December 16, 1868, to Mary E., daughter of Thomas and Margaret (O'Neil) Thompson. Mrs. McNitt was an only child. She was born July 31, 1844. Her father was captain of a boat running on the Pennsylvania canal. He was married October 23, 1843, and died December 21st of the same year. His wife survived until November 8, 1879, when she died aged sixty-eight years. Captain and Mrs. McNitt have three children: William J.; Harry Thompson; and Mary Margaret. The family attend the Free Church at Milroy.

JOHN M. CRISSMAN, Siglersville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born December 5, 1834, son of John and Elizabeth (Rothrock) Crissman. His grandfather, Adam Crissman, settled on a tract of land near Siglersville, consisting of about 150 acres, in 1792 or 1793. This estate has been in the family since that time, and is now owned by R. G. Shaw. Adam Crissman was married October 24, 1780, to Margaret Steerly. Their children are: Elizabeth (Mrs. John Shaw), who had a family of sons and daughters; Catharine (Mrs. Charles Ramsey), who had a family; Anna Margaret (Mrs. George Settle), had a family; Mary (Mrs. John Burns), had also a family; John; George, who married Lydia Darfinger, and has a family; Sarah (Mrs. Frederick Pecht), has a family; Adam, who married Nancy Riley, and has a family, two of their sons having been ordained to the ministry. John Crissman, father of John M., was born February 17, 1891. He attended the district school, remaining on his father's farm until he reached his majority. He married Elizabeth Rothrock. Their children are: Margaret (Mrs. Christopher Brown), who has fourteen children; Adam, married Sarah Hudson, and has five children; George W., married Elizabeth Longwell, and had five sons, his second wife is







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Louisa Wagner, they have three children; Lavinia (Mrs. Frederick Hayice), has fourteen children; Elizabeth (Mrs. Thomas Longwell), has six children; John M.; Susanna, first Mrs. Thomas Aikens, then Mrs. William H. Glass, now deceased, had two children; Lydia Ann, deceased; David, deceased; Mary, deceased. Mr. and Mrs. John Crissman are both dead.

John M. Crissman was born and reared on the old homestead and received his education in the public schools. He learned to farm with his father, and remained with him until his death. He then succeeded to the homestead, but did not long remain on it, for in 1869 he bought and removed to a farm near the old home. He was a successful farmer, and was able to retire from active business in 1893, when he removed to Siglerville. Mr. Crissman is a Republican.

John M. Crissman was married December 29, 1857, to Mary Jane, daughter of William and Eliza (Close) Aikens. Their children are: William J., who married Juniata Kepner; Hallie E. (Mrs. William G. Ramsey), has four children; Ada J. (Mrs. Andrew McClintic), has two sons; James Meade, who married Maria Brown; Ira Rush, deceased; E. Bruce, married twice, first to Clara J. Saylor, deceased, and later to Margaret Esh, and has one son; Minnie M. (Mrs. T. W. Lawyer), has three children; W. Clark, who married Rhoda Sample, has one son; Bertha; and Mary M. Mr. Crissman and family attend the Free church of Siglerville.

Mr. and Mrs. Aikens, the parents of Mrs. Crissman, are both deceased. They had four children: Thomas, who died aged forty-two years; Mary Jane (Mrs. Crissman); Samuel D., married Maggie Adams, and has two children; Adeline (Mrs. Wilson Nale), has four children.

SARAH A. GILMORE, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in the western part of the Kishacoquillas valley, February 25, 1823. She is a daughter of William and Ann (Alexander) McDowell. Sarah Gilmore's parents had seven children: Samuel, married Miss Eichy; John R., married Margaret Jacobs; Thomas Jackson, died in early manhood; Perry Wilson, married Katherine Conley; William Elliott, married Louisa Maguire; Sarah A.; and Eliza Jane, married to William

Kennedy, and after his death to William Stroup. They reside in Adams county, O.

Sarah A. McDowell was married February 7, 1843, to Thomas Brown. Mr. Brown was born June 30, 1811. He was a son of James and Nancy (McClure) Brown, who had seven children: Thomas; Martha (Mrs. Robert McNitt); Mary (Mrs. Cyrus Alexander); Margaret (Mrs. William McManigal), and Jane (Mrs. William Smith), who were twins; Nancy (Mrs. Christopher Marks); and James, married first to Elizabeth McManigal, and after her death, to Elizabeth, widow of James Alexander, of Centre county, Pa. They removed to Kansas, where Mr. Brown died. Thomas Brown was educated in the district schools of his native township, and spent his life on the farm. Prudent and conservative, Mr. Brown preferred the routine of farm labor to the uncertainties of commercial life. He was actively interested in the affairs of the township, and contributed liberally to all benevolent enterprises. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brown's children are: James, died January 4, 1856; Nancy McClure, died January 9, 1856; Jane E., who died May 13, 1860; and Ann Alexander. Mr. Thomas Brown died June 4, 1856. Mrs. Brown was married, October 23, 1860, to Jacob Mutthersbaugh. They removed to Lewistown, where they remained until his death, September 26, 1861. After her husband's death, Mrs. Mutthersbaugh returned to the old Brown homestead in Armagh township, where she was living at the time of her third marriage. Her daughter, Ann Alexander Brown, was married January 18, 1865, to John M. Bunnell, of Crawford county, Pa. For a number of years they lived on the Brown homestead. Mr. Bunnell then opened a music store in Bellefonte, Pa., where he remained for a number of years. He sold his business there and opened a music store in Philipsburg, Pa., where they are living at the present time. They had five children, all of whom died quite young except Sarah M., who was married January 1, 1890, to Thomas Mayes, of Lewistown; they had one child, John Albert Mayes.

Mrs. Mutthersbaugh was married to William Gilmore, April 19, 1866. Mr. Gilmore and his wife lived at Reedsville, Pa., and when Mr. Gilmore died, August 31, 1876, she again returned to the homestead in Armagh township, where she is now living. Mrs. Gil-

more is kind-hearted and intelligent, noted for her generous hospitality, and her liberality to the poor of the neighborhood.

WILLIAM R. BAREFOOT, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Armagh township, Mifflin county. He is a son of Levi and Mary (McNitt) Barefoot. William R. Barefoot's paternal grandfather, William Barefoot, moved from Lancaster county to Mifflin county, and settled on a farm in Big valley, Union township. A short time after he removed to the farm now cultivated by William Brown and J. G. McNitt, near the Back mountains, in Armagh township. It is supposed that he died at this farm. William Barefoot had eleven children: Peter; Levi; John; Job; James; William; Rebecca; Susanna; Jemima; Mary; and Margaret. William Barefoot's father, Levi Barefoot, married Mary, daughter of Robert McNitt. They had two children: William R.; and Robert. After his wife's death, Mr. Levi Barefoot removed to Illinois, where he married.

William R. Barefoot attended the district schools of Armagh township until he was nine years old, when he went with his father to Illinois. He studied for four years at an academy in that State, and, at the age of thirteen, returned to Mifflin county to become a clerk in the store of Albert C. Mayes, at Siglerville, Pa. Two years later he obtained a position in the store of Samuel McClintie, where he remained for eight years. During these ten years, Mr. Barefoot had acquired a practical knowledge of business, and he now decided to open a store of his own. This venture was so successful that in a short time Mr. Barefoot had gained a liberal share of the patronage of the community. For nine years he was postmaster at Siglerville. In 1887, after a successful mercantile career he purchased his present home, a farm of 125 acres. William Barefoot is a practical and progressive farmer. Not content with building a convenient modern house and a large barn, he has improved the quality of the land, by a complete system of drainage. The whole farm is well cultivated, and all the appointments are in excellent order. Mr. Barefoot's live stock is celebrated in the county. His horses, cattle and small stock are of a fine breed and in good condition. Mr. William Barefoot is a member of the Republican party,

and although not active in politics, he is interested in all that concerns the community.

William R. Barefoot was married November 28, 1879, to Mary, daughter of Robert and Margaret Susanna (Shaw) Sterrett. Their children are: Robert, born November 12, 1882, died September 6, 1889; Frank, born January 26, 1888, died September 11, 1889; Mary, born April 12, 1890; and John, born June 12, 1895. Mrs. Barefoot's parents are both dead. They had five children: William; Maria; Mary; Robert; and John. Mr. William R. Barefoot and his family attend the Free church at Siglerville, Pa.

NATHANIEL WOODS STERRETT, deceased, was born March 31, 1811, on the homestead at Lockes Mills, formerly known as Sterretts Mills, in Armagh township. He was a son of John and Rebecca (Woods) Sterrett. His grandfather, James Sterrett, was of Scotch ancestry, and lived in Lancaster county. John Sterrett, son of James, was one of the early settlers of the Kishacoquillas valley. He took out warrants for a large tract of land there, and began to make improvements. He cultivated the land, built a house and made other necessary additions. Being a man of keen perception and foresight, he saw the need of a mill in that community, and accordingly built one, on the site of Lockes Mill, and established a good business there. John Sterrett married Rebecca Woods. Their children are: Nathaniel W.; John Thomas, born June 9, 1813, died December 17, 1856; James Charles, born December 15, 1815, died December 15, 1837; Mary Matilda (Mrs. John Sterrett), born February 8, 1808, died May 6, 1848, had two children: Sarah, born August 28, 1809, died August 8, 1833. Nathaniel Woods Sterrett was educated in the district schools of his native township. At the age of six he was left fatherless. He remained with his mother until her death, assisting her with the farm, of which she gained possession in later years. Upon the death of his mother, he succeeded to the homestead. He was a Democrat, and took an interest in politics, though he never sought office.

Nathaniel Woods Sterrett was married April 21, 1841, to his cousin Rebecca, daughter of Robert and Rosanna Sterrett, who was born August 11, 1811. Their children are: Albert Scott; Sarah Ellen; Margaret Isabella

(Mrs. John Thompson Sterrett), died in Kansas, December 18, 1875; James Charles; John Robert, who married Emma G. Aitkens; Mary Matilda; Montgomery Green, who died June 10, 1855; Woods Sterrett, who is a physician of Milroy; and Anna Rebecca. Mrs. N. W. Sterrett died January 11, 1895. Mr. Sterrett closed a useful Christian life December 17, 1856.

JOHN ROBERT STERRETT, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., was born on the old homestead at Lockes Mills, where he now resides. He is a son of Nathaniel Woods and Rebecca (Sterrett) Sterrett. He attended the public schools and lived with his parents until he reached the age of twenty-three years. On the death of his father, he and his brother, Albert Scott, became executors of his father's estate, and as such, have farmed the homestead. During the war of the Rebellion John R. Sterrett enlisted in Company H, One Hundred and Ninety-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers, under Capt. Abraham Selheimer, on August 4, 1864. His regiment was assigned to the Army of the Potomac, and served until November 8, 1864, receiving honorable discharge at Harrisburg, Pa. Mr. Sterrett is a Democrat, and takes an active interest in politics. He has served the township in various offices. He was elected county commissioner in 1896.

John R. Sterrett was married April 7, 1887, to Emma T., daughter of McDowell and Catharine (Muthersbaugh) Aitkens. Mrs. Sterrett is a member of the Presbyterian church at Milroy, which Mr. Sterrett also attends. Mrs. Sterrett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aitkens, have seven children: Mary, widow of John M. Beatty, died in 1897; John Jacob, married Maggie W. Sigler, has three children; Emma T. (Mrs. Sterrett); William David, married Effinda Dummeyer, has three children; James T., married Laura Russler, has three children; Carrie May (Mrs. Charles W. Ruple), has one child; and Samuel, died November 3, 1889. McDowell Aitkens, died March 5, 1890. His wife survives. Mrs. Sterrett's paternal grandparents were John and Hannah (Adams) Aitkens. They had eight children: Hugh; William; McDowell; James; Samuel; Rosanna; Matilda; Mary.

WOODS STERRETT, M. D., son of Nathaniel W. and Rebecca (Sterrett) Sterrett, was born February 11, 1852, in the eastern end of the Kishacoquillas valley, at what is now McAnleys Mill. He was a student at Airy View Academy, in Juniata county, Pa., in 1872. After reading medicine from the year 1873 with Dr. Samuel Maclay, of Milroy, Pa., he matriculated in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, from which he was graduated March 12, 1877. On April 9, 1877, he began practise at Yeagerstown, Pa. In April, 1879, he removed to Port Royal, Juniata county, and from that place, in 1882, he went to Milroy, and has practised there continuously ever since.

SAMUEL B. McNITT, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., son of William and Naney (Naginey) McNitt, was born on the old homestead, where he now resides, March 22, 1837. He is a great-grandson of William McNitt, who settled in 1755 upon a tract of land in the east end of the Kishacoquillas valley. Samuel McNitt was one of seven children. He attended the district schools of his township during the short winter term, and worked on the farm at other times. After the death of his parents he and his brother, William David McNitt, who was born August 1, 1847, succeeded to the homestead, a farm of about 125 acres, a superior place, well kept and productive. Mr. McNitt is a Democrat, actively interested in political affairs, and has held various township offices. Mr. McNitt served in the cause of the Union during the war of the Rebellion, enlisting as a volunteer in a Pennsylvania Reserve regiment in September, 1864, and being honorably discharged in November of the same year.

Samuel McNitt was married, May 29, 1889, to Margaret J., daughter of John R. and Margaret (Jacobs) McDowell. They have two children: William Reed, born May 24, 1891; and Herbert B., born July 31, 1893. Mr. McNitt and his family attend the Free church at Milroy.

Mrs. McNitt's great-grandfather, John McDowell, who was of Scotch-Irish descent, came from the northern part of Ireland about 1754 or '55. After staying a short time in the neighborhood of Carlisle, Pa., he returned to Ireland, but soon came

again to America. Having again resided for a short time near Carlisle, he bought and settled on a claim of 600 acres in the Kishacoquillas valley, a beautiful stretch of country situated about five miles beyond where Belleville now stands. He bought the land from two men named Torrington. They had become frightened by the Indians, had left their claim and crossed Jack's mountain at McVeytown, following the Indian trail. They had built a log cabin near the spring, and they informed Mr. McDowell, as a token by which to identify the place, that they had buried a bottle of whiskey in the corner of the cabin, also an ax and a mattock. About 1770, or earlier, John McDowell married Elizabeth Reed, of Shavers Creek, Huntingdon county, near where Petersburg now stands. They improved the tract they had acquired, erecting buildings. The original stone house is still standing, and does service as a farm-house; it has been improved, plastered on the outside, and entirely remodeled. It is now owned by Lydia and Katie, daughters of Christian Peachey. John McDowell served in the Continental army during the Revolutionary war. He died in 1809, at the age of seventy-five years, and is buried in a small plat near the original farm-house. Mrs. John McDowell died in 1812, aged sixty-five. Both were staunch Presbyterians. A brother, Robert McDowell, came to America with this patriarch, but the family have no record of him of later date than the time of John McDowell's leaving Carlisle.

John McDowell divided his landed property among his children, of whom he had thirteen; but the spirit of emigration was in them, and most of them have left the valley. The children of this family are as follows:

I. Polly, who was scalded to death when quite small.

II. Robert, who lived and died at Belleville, Mifflin county. He had four sons; William, who died at Belleville, unmarried; John; Robert; and James, who married and settled in Fayette county, Pa.

III. William, who spent his life in the valley, the earlier part of it on the original home place, and his latter days in the eastern end of the valley, where he died in 1851, at the age of seventy-five. He was married in 1809 to Ann, daughter of Maj. Thomas Alexander, of Revolutionary fame. He had seven chil-

dren, as follows: i. Samuel Alexander, who spent the earlier part of his life in the valley, and afterwards removed to Centre county, Pa., where he died at more than seventy years of age. He was married to Sarah Eichly, of Union county, Pa.; they had one child, William, who, with his venerable mother, his wife and six children, still lives on the farm near Jacksonville, Centre county. ii. John Reed, who lived and died in the county, and who married Margaret Jacobs; they were the parents of Mrs. Samuel McNitt, to whose kindness we owe these details. Their other children are: James, married first Helen Campbell, and after her death, her sister, Dora Campbell, resides in York county, Pa.; Willey, married Louisa Bacher, resides in York county; William Howard, whose touching history will be sketched later; Annie (Mrs. S. F. Fry), of York county; and John, who died young. John Reed McDowell was raised on a farm. He taught school for several years. He was appointed deputy sheriff, and in 1841 was elected prothonotary of Mifflin county, filling the office during two terms. Afterwards, for several years, he kept the Valley House, at Lewistown, and then during the rest of his life gave his attention to farming. He died in 1861, aged about forty-seven; his wife died April 19, 1887, at the age of sixty-eight years. iii. Thomas Jackson, died aged nineteen; iv. Perry Wilson, the only surviving son, is living at the age of eighty years on his beautiful home farm near Mackeyville, Clinton county, Pa. He spent his earlier life in the valley, and went to Centre county about 1853 or '54, and afterward to Clinton county. He became a prosperous farmer and dealer in real estate. In 1842 he married Katherine Conley, of the Kishacoquillas valley. She has become an invalid. Five years ago Mr. and Mrs. Perry Wilson McDowell celebrated their golden wedding, at which all their descendants, four generations, were present, except one grandson and one grandson-in-law. Their daughter Anna Mary married John Blair, of Ohio, now lives at Belle Centre, O., and has one daughter, Anna; Elizabeth (Mrs. James Allison), formerly of Centre county, Pa., now of Adams county, O., has three children; Margaret (Mrs. Samuel Bemison), of Centre county, has eleven children, all now living but one; Emma, married to Dr. Joseph Tibbins, of Beech Creek, where they reside.

has one son; and Harry, married to Belle Kline, of Howard, Centre county, lives on a fine farm, four miles from Jacksonville, Centre county, has had three sons, of whom only one is living. v. William Elliott McDowell, spent his life in the eastern end of the valley, was a successful farmer, and was married late in life to Louisa McGuire, of Luzerne county, who survives him, he having died in 1882, and lives with her son in Ridgway, Elk county, Pa.; their children were: Minnie, died when a few months old; and the son, who grew up in Milroy, graduated at State College, Pa., was for some time professor there, and is now employed as chemist at the Ridgway tanning establishment. vi. Sarah Ann, widow of William Gilmore, resides at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. M. Bunnell, two miles east of Milroy, is in the seventy-fifth year of her age; and vii. Eliza Jane, married James Kennedy, of the valley, had two children, James and Willa; after Mr. Kennedy's death she married John Stroup, of Adams county, O., had one son, John, with whom she lives on her farm in Adams county; James is married and lives near her, and Willa died in her youth.

IV. James, who served in the war of 1812, removed to Long Hollow, near where Newton Hamilton, Pa., now stands; had ten children, of whom Robert and William settled in Altoona, Pa., James and Carson in Illinois, Jonathan and Walker remained near Newton Hamilton, Joseph disappeared during the late war, Mrs. Mary Brillhart lives in Philadelphia, and Mrs. Belle Norton in Illinois.

V. John, died a bachelor in Kishacoquillas valley.

VI. Samuel, settled near the present site of Altoona, was twice married, each time having four children; by the first marriage: Isaac; Eliza; Lydia; and one other who was killed; by the second: Brown; Samuel; Sarah; and one other; Samuel and Isaac removed to Iowa, the others live in or near Altoona.

VII. Joseph, lived and died in Mercer county, Pa., had one daughter who married, and probably removed to Ohio.

VIII. Jonathan, settled in Clearfield county, Pa., had children: Eliza; Samuel; Charles; Elizabeth; Bertha, and another daughter, residing in Clearfield; James; and George, both in Clarion.

IX. Elizabeth, married Samuel McGlath-

ery, owned and settled on part of the land on which Altoona now stands; they had children: Samuel, lived and died in Altoona, leaving seven or eight children; Allen, died a few years ago, having passed his life in and near Altoona, where most of his children remain; John, settled in Virginia, where he died, leaving several children; Elizabeth Reed (Mrs. Haggerty), lived and died near Altoona, left two daughters and one son, probably residing in the same vicinity; and Isabel (Mrs. George Merriam).

X. Jean (Mrs. Henry B. Taylor), lived and died in the Kishacoquillas valley, where her daughters reside, Elizabeth Reed (Mrs. Dr. Mitchell); and Mary Williams (Mrs. Robert Taylor).

XI. Nancy, died unmarried.

XII. Sallie, lived to early womanhood.

XIII. Polly (2), died quite young.

William Howard, third son of John Reed and Margaret (Jacobs) McDowell, was born in Lewistown, Pa., August 9, 1843. When about eleven years of age the family removed to the farm near Milroy, where he remained with his parents until he was a young man. He removed with his widowed mother to York, Pa., where a short time afterwards, in 1863, he enlisted in the Union army, in Company G, Ninth Pennsylvania Cavalry. He saw much service. He was in General Sherman's army on the march to Atlanta, being in General Kilpatrick's division, and was taken prisoner with two others, by guerillas, while out scouting. One of his comrades escaped, but Howard, being wounded, was captured; this was in September, 1864. He was taken from prison to prison, and died at Andersonville prison in March, 1865.

ROBERT A. NAGINEY, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Armagh township, Mifflin county. He is a son of John D. and Mary (Marks) Naginey. Robert Naginey's paternal grandparents were Charles and Jane (Craig) Naginey, who emigrated to America from Ireland, and lived in what was then Lancaster county. They removed to the Kishacoquillas valley during the latter part of the last century, and settled near Reedsville, on the farm now occupied by Alexander Reed. Charles Naginey had three sons and three daughters. John D. Naginey, father of Robert Naginey, was born in 1818. Mr.

Naginey spent his life in farming. He settled on the old Marks homestead, where he passed the latter days of his life. Mr. Naginey was an earnest Christian and a useful citizen, always interested in local improvements. John D. Naginey was married to Mary M., daughter of George and Maria (Emory) Marks. They had eight children: Maria; Jennie E. (Mrs. John E. Deery), has two children; Morris M., married Nettie J. Ehrenfeld, has three children; William C., married Matilda Close, has six children; Robert A.; Frank E., married Ella Shank; and two sons who died in infancy. Maria Naginey is the widow of Rev. J. Foster Bell, who was a son of Thompson and Priscilla (Martin) Bell. He was born October 16, 1844, and died March 5, 1878. They had two children: Alfred E., born December 9, 1873, died June 13, 1875; and John Thompson, born July 10, 1876. He is now at college. Mr. John D. Naginey died September 14, 1886, aged sixty-eight; his wife is still living.

Robert A. Naginey attended the public schools of Armagh township. When he was eighteen he studied for one term in the academy at Lewistown, and spent one year at the State Normal School in Indiana county, Pa. Returning to Armagh township, Mr. Naginey taught at the Salem school for two terms, and after teaching one term in Milroy, he again took charge of the Salem school. In the spring of 1882 Mr. Naginey began farming on the old homestead. The intelligence and industry which have made Robert Naginey a successful farmer make him a useful and reliable citizen, interested in the welfare of the township. Mr. Naginey supports the Democratic party, but has not cared to be prominent in political circles.

Robert Naginey was married, January 16, 1884, to Allie M., daughter of Reed and Henrietta (Koch) Sample. Their children are: Harry Sample; George M.; one son who died in infancy; and one who died in early childhood. Mr. Robert Naginey and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church at Reedsville, Pa. Mrs. Naginey is one of a family of twelve children.

ROBERT CUMMINS, deceased, formerly of Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Jackson township, Huntingdon county,

He received his education in the common schools of his native township, devoting the winter months to study, while during the summer he was occupied with farm duties. He became an intelligent and skilful farmer, was enterprising, diligent and upright. His undertakings flourished, and in 1867 he bought the valuable homestead now occupied by his family in the vicinity of Milroy, in Armagh township. It contains about 210 acres. Almost as soon as the purchase was made Mr. Cummins began introducing improvements. In 1875 he built the large and convenient barn now in use. By judicious care he soon brought the land into a state of abundant productiveness, and all the buildings and other accessories to a high degree of excellence. Robert Cummins married Catherine Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander McNitt. Their children are: Agnes Jane (Mrs. Ogleby James Reed), has three children; Catherine Sterrett (Mrs. William Beatty), has two children; Alexander Brown; Mary Brown; and Martha. Mr. Cummins died May 28, 1882.

At the age of six Alexander Brown Cummins came with his parents from Huntingdon county to Mifflin, and received his elementary education in the public schools at Milroy. He entered the State Normal School at Indiana, Pa., at the age of twenty, and studied there for one year; after which he returned home and remained with his father until the latter died. He then succeeded to the homestead, to the cultivation of which he has since devoted his attention, with the most satisfactory results. He is intelligent and progressive, alive to the requirements of his important and most serviceable calling. He is a Republican, and interests himself in the political affairs of his neighborhood, as well as in its social concerns; he is always ready to perform his part in promoting the welfare of the community.

Alexander Brown Cummins was married March 20, 1894, to Martha Gertrude, daughter of William M. and Maria (Jones) Aitkens. Mr. and Mrs. Aitkens have two daughters besides Mrs. Cummins; they are: Sarah E. (Mrs. J. C. Ehrenfeld); and Margaret B. (Mrs. Homer S. Crissman), who has one child, a son. Mr. Cummins is a member of the Presbyterian church, and Mrs. Cummins of the Free church, at Milroy.

JAMES R. TREASTER, Schraeders Station, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in April, 1852, in Treasters valley, which received its name from his paternal grandfather. He is a son of John and Margaret C. (Ramsey) Treaster. George Treaster, his grandfather, who was among the pioneer settlers of the valley, originally warranted a tract of about 200 acres; but the possessions of the family in real estate were gradually augmented, until at one time they owned about 6,000 acres of timber. George Treaster began the manufacture of shaved shingles and building lumber; he furnished the shingles and other material for many of the largest barns and dwellings erected in his day in the eastern end of the Kishacoquillas valley. He was a person of energy and perseverance, and of undoubted Christian character, exemplary in public and private relations. All of his family of thirteen sons and daughters grew to mature years. It was about the year 1817 that he came to Treasters valley with his family; among them was John Treaster, father of James R. After remaining with his father for several years he went to Cambria county, Pa. There he resided during a number of years, and married. Mr. and Mrs. John Treaster had two children, of whom only one, Margaret E., lived to grow to womanhood; she married Dr. John Strohmeyer. After the death of his first wife John Treaster resided in Centre county for two years, after which he returned to Treasters valley. Two years later he was married again. The children of John and Margaret (Ramsey) Treaster are: Samuel P., deceased, married Louisa Jane Ramsey, of Clarion county, Pa., had eleven children; Martha (Mrs. Samuel Osborne); George, died at two years of age; James; Leo F., married Mary Furst, has one child. John Treaster died April 30, 1886, aged seventy-seven; Mrs. Treaster died April 5, 1887, aged about seventy-six years.

Having received his education in the common schools of the township, James R. Treaster, who had already given during his vacations much of his time to the work of the field, continued upon the farm as his father's assistant in its cultivation until he had almost reached his majority. In 1873 he went to Miami county, O., and was there for two years, engaged in various occupations. After this he returned to his father, and worked with

him at farming and in the lumber business until the death of his father in 1886. He then built himself a house upon the homestead property, in which he lived for about two years; then resided near Milroy for a year and a half, occupied with lumbering. He took possession October 15, 1890, of his present dwelling at Schraeders Station, and combines the cultivation of his acres with the lumber business. He is an energetic, substantial business man, and a good citizen, always willing to do his share towards the general welfare of the community. He adheres to the Democratic party, is interested in public affairs, but is not an aspirant to office.

James R. Treaster was married, June 19, 1875, to Martha E., daughter of Charles and Julia Ann (Cottorell) Masterson. Their children are: Lillie Bell (Mrs. Frederick Henry), has one child; Margaret A., died March 28, 1894, at the age of eighteen; John; Charles; James C.; Samuel R.; Jacob A., died May 21, 1888, when about five years old; Miles C., died January 6, 1887, aged two years and five months; Willa Jane; Blanche; and Merle, who died February 15, 1894. Mr. Treaster holds his membership in the Evangelical church, and Mrs. Treaster has hers in the Free church at Milroy.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Masterson are: George Francis, deceased; Ann, deceased; one that died in infancy; Mary J. (Mrs. David Yontz); William, married Eliza Zieber, has four children; Martha Ellen (Mrs. Treaster); Thomas, married Ettie Lindsay, has four children; Sarah (Mrs. Samuel Maxwell), has six children. Mr. Masterson died October 18, 1881; Mrs. Masterson still survives him.

JOHN A. SHUMAKER, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., was born near Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., November 28, 1841. He is the son of Daniel and Sarah Ann (Bailey) Shumaker. They had eight children: Mary E. (Mrs. Jeremiah Seidagel), has five children; John A.; Anna L. (Mrs. Joseph Forsythe), has two children; Matthew T., married and removed to Kansas; Charles D., removed first to Iowa, afterwards to Springfield, Mo., where he died, leaving a widow and one daughter; Samuel, died in Iowa; James, resides in Brown township; and William, also of Brown township, married Rebecca Maybin,

Daniel Shumaker died in April, 1885, aged sixty-eight; his wife died in September, 1891, aged seventy-four. They were devout Christians. Their remains are interred in the Presbyterian cemetery at Reedsville.

John A. Shumaker attended the common schools of his native township, and remained at home assisting his father, with the exception of one year, during which time he was engaged on another farm, until his enlistment, August 15, 1861, in Company H, Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, Capt. Ralph L. Maclay. He served with his regiment on marches and in fatigue duty, and took part in the battles of Yorktown, Williamsburg, Goldens Farm, Savage Station, Malvern Hill, White Oak Swamp, Second Bull Run, and Antietam. At the battle of Goldens Farm, the sergeant, acting orderly of Company H, called for two volunteers for a certain perilous service. After a few moments, during which no one responded, Mr. Shumaker said he would go if a certain other comrade would accompany him. Colonel Irwin, of the Forty-ninth, was present, and noted this proof of bravery and fidelity to duty. Very shortly after, at White Oak Swamp, where the Union forces, exhausted by over four days' fighting, were overtaken on the march by Gen. "Stonewall" Jackson, at a point where a large portion of the army, with wagon trains and artillery, lay in an open field, the rebel general opened upon them with some forty pieces of artillery. Ranks broken, men running hither and thither, almost overcome by loss of sleep and rest, wagon trains in the way, and the demoralization almost completed by the destructive fire of the enemy, it became impossible for the officers to form their lines and hold their men in place without the assistance of the cooler headed men in the ranks. Among these was Mr. Shumaker, who, his captain being at another point, made gallant efforts to rally and form the scattered members of his company, and so effectively as again to attract the attention of Colonel Irwin, who happened to pass near them; the colonel declared that that man should have a commission. But before the promise could be fulfilled Colonel Irwin was wounded, and Mr. Shumaker was taken ill and left in the hospital. By the time he was returned to his regiment it had been consolidated, and he, more solicitous always to do his duty than to claim reward for

it, never made any efforts to rise from the ranks. At the battle of the Wilderness, the front rank, in which Mr. Shumaker was, was ordered to repel an attack by cavalry; a ball struck his gun, and glancing downward, wounded him in the leg, while the gun, striking him in the head, knocked him over. On June 1, 1864, at Cold Harbor, a wound from a musket ball in the left arm ended his military service, and he was discharged October 24, 1864.

After this Mr. Shumaker returned to Mifflin county, and began farming on shares for Crawford Kyle, in Brown township. Three years later he bought land in the same township, and cultivated it for three years, after which he farmed rented land again for nine years. By this time his industry and frugality had made him able to purchase a home of his own, and, in 1883, he bought the homestead on which he is now living, a beautiful and fertile farm near Milroy, Pa. He has greatly improved his property, and everything about his place bespeaks the intelligent and successful farmer. Mr. Shumaker belongs to the Republican party, and is actively interested in local affairs. He is a member of Colonel Hulings Post, No. 176, G. A. R., Lewis-town, Pa.

John A. Shumaker was married in March, 1867, to Sarah Ann, second daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth (Peeters) Witman. Their children are: Grace and Bessie, twins, both died in childhood; Boyd, died at the age of eighteen years and eight months; Elsie (Mrs. John Krotzer), has one child; Mary B; and Margaret. Mr. Shumaker and his family attend the Free church at Milroy. Mrs. Shumaker's parents are both buried in one grave in the Lutheran cemetery at Allensville, Mifflin county, Pa. They had a family of ten children, six sons and four daughters. Her grandparents were John and Eva (Hile) Witman, who had two children: Isaac; and Catherine (Mrs. Jesse W. Horton).

JAMES McFARLANE, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., is one of the progressive farmers of Armagh township. He is of Scotch-Irish ancestry, a descendant of the James McFarlane who was born in Scotland December 24, 1695, came to America in 1717, and settled in the province of Pennsylvania, in what was then a part of Lancaster county, now

known as Cumberland county. He married Jeanette Buchanan, of Lancaster. One of their sons was Patrick, great-grandfather of the present James McFarlane. Patrick McFarlane was born in 1727, in Cumberland county, whence he came to Mifflin county, and took up a tract of land comprising about 175 acres within the present boundaries of Armagh township. After securing the warrants for his land, he returned to Cumberland county. Patrick McFarlane married, and had a family of sons and daughters. Two of their sons, Robert and James (2), enlisted under General Washington, and served in the army throughout the war of the Revolution, and both, with all the forces left under Colonel Magaw to defend Fort Washington, on the Hudson, above New York City, were taken prisoners when that fort was seized by a detachment of Hessians, November 16, 1776. There were about three thousand prisoners. The private soldiers were confined during the severe winter of that year in churches, sugar houses and other unwarmed buildings, while the officers, being admitted to parole, were allowed to live in some deserted houses. It is a well-authenticated fact that James, then Lieutenant McFarlane, having a knowledge of blacksmithing, sought and obtained employment in the smithies of the British army, and every Saturday night divided the profits thus obtained from the enemy among the poorest of his fellow-captives, men whose rations, as doled out by the British commissary department, amounted to about four ounces daily of damaged beef. This fact was related, not by James McFarlane himself, whose modesty never permitted him to dwell upon his own heroism, but by his fellow-prisoners. Robert McFarlane was commissioned captain for gallant and meritorious services. At the close of the war he settled in Cumberland county, Pa., at Newville. He married, and some of his descendants still live in that county. Among them is Mrs. John Hayes, a resident of Newville, who has three daughters. Part of the tract upon which Captain McFarlane settled is still in the possession of the family.

As has been intimated, James McFarlane was mustered out of the Continental army with the rank of lieutenant. He afterwards became colonel of the militia of Mifflin county. At the close of the war he, like his

brother, returned for a time to Cumberland county. He married Mary Loudon; they had four sons and six daughters; these were: James (3), married Lillie Henry, has two sons; William, father of the present James McFarlane (4); Robert, who died in early manhood; Andrew, married Mary E., daughter of John and Sarah (Beatty) Smith, had seven children; Elizabeth (Mrs. John Thompson), of Centre county, Pa., has five sons and two daughters; Jeannette (Mrs. Joseph Kyle), has four sons and two daughters; Rosanna (Mrs. Henry Taylor); Margaret (Mrs. William Thompson), has two sons and four daughters; Nancy (Mrs. William Smith); and Mary, who died in early womanhood. The seven children of Andrew, fourth son of Lieut. James McFarlane, were: John, died at the age of eighteen months; Sarah (Mrs. Albert Thomson), has seven children; Anna Mary (Mrs. Robert P. Cochran), has six children; J. Howard, did not marry; Emily (Mrs. Hugh A. Barr); Agnes, resides with her brother, J. Howard; and Ada (Mrs. W. G. Carson).

Lieut. James McFarlane settled on the tract of land taken up by his father, Patrick McFarlane, in Armagh township, and brought with him Richard Johnson, his comrade and fellow-captive in New York. Lieut. James McFarlane and his friend Johnson built the old stone mansion on the homestead where Mrs. James McFarlane now resides. Here the Lieutenant, afterwards Colonel, McFarlane, raised his family, and lived to be almost an octogenarian, both he and his wife attaining to the age of seventy-seven. It is said that Colonel McFarlane never in his life required the services of a physician, nor ever took any medicine, nor lost a drop of blood by the lancet. Colonel McFarlane was one of the sturdy pioneers of his day; he was just and conscientious in all his business transactions, and was highly esteemed and respected. His son William, born January 26, 1796, was brought up on the old homestead in Armagh township, where he received his education in the common schools and from private tutors. He resided with his father until the death of the latter, and then succeeded to the homestead.

William McFarlane was married December 18, 1834, to Hannah S., daughter of Robert and Hannah (McKee) Means. They became the parents of six children: Rose A. E.;

Mary, died in early childhood; Elmira (Mrs. Rev. R. M. Campbell), of Port Royal, Juniata county, has six children; James (4); William, married Cora Cobb, of Bainbridge, O.; and Andrew L., died in infancy. Mr. McFarlane was a farmer of advanced ideas; in all his transactions he maintained the honorable reputation of his family; and as a neighbor and friend, his kind disposition and generous hospitality exerted a gracious influence upon all who came in contact with him. He died April 18, 1855; his wife survived him until October 7, 1886. She was a most charitable woman, often aiding the poor and needy in a quiet, unostentatious manner; in kindness and hospitality she was the true helpmeet of her worthy husband; her death was a bereavement to all who knew her.

Their son, James McFarlane (4), received his primary education in the common schools; at the age of fifteen he entered the Farmers' High School, now known as the State College, in Centre county, Pa., where he was a student about two years and a half, from 1859 to 1861; he then returned home, and devoted his attention to cultivating the McFarlane homestead. In this undertaking he has been eminently successful, having by his skilful management brought his property to a high state of excellence, making it rank foremost for productiveness among the farms of the valley.

James McFarlane was married, May 14, 1867, to Ellen Vance, daughter of Joseph and Annie (Horning) Strode. The children of Mr. and Mrs. McFarlane are: Anna Lillie; and William Joseph. Mrs. James McFarlane was born August 12, 1843, and died April 14, 1893. Others of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Strode are: Kate; Elizabeth (Mrs. Joseph Kyle); Maggie; and Mollie. The parents reside at Strodes Mills, Oliver township, where Mr. Strode has long been postmaster; he has the honor of being known as the oldest postmaster in the United States.

Mr. McFarlane is a citizen of liberal mind and public spirit, having always taken an active interest in local affairs. He contributes willingly towards church enterprises, or any such as are likely to promote the welfare of the community. He is a Republican. He and his family attend the Presbyterian church at Reedsville.

JOHN McDOWELL, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., son of John and Mary (Brisbin) McDowell, was born on the family homestead, July 19, 1845. His great-grandfather, John McDowell, was a native of Scotland, who came to this country early in the latter half of the eighteenth century. He first settled within the present boundaries of Franklin county, Pa., which then formed part of Cumberland county, but removed in 1754 to the Kishacoquillas valley, which became his permanent home. Among his children was John McDowell (2), born in Cumberland county in 1767. He was a farmer of the Kishacoquillas valley, and was also engaged in mercantile business, after becoming a resident of Mifflin county, having a store at Ferrysville, now Milroy. He was full of useful activity, not only as to his own private affairs, but in serving the interests of the young community in which he lived. He filled different local offices, and was for at least one term sheriff of Mifflin county, in which the present territory of Juniata county was included. John McDowell (2) was twice married; his children by the first marriage were: William; and Elizabeth, married February 8, 1817, to Alexander McCoy, of Potters Mills, Centre county, Pa. His second union was with Jane Mitchell. Their children were: John McDowell (3), born June 26, 1800; Samuel, born April 20, 1802, died unmarried, April 13, 1832; Margaret, born February 9, 1804, married William McKinney, of Lycoming county, Pa., January 11, 1825, died at Lawrence, Kan., September 21, 1869; Rosanna, born August 21, 1806, first married April 26, 1827, to Alexander Sharp, of Cumberland county, Pa., after his death to William Barr, Esq., of Newville, Pa., and she died November 13, 1882; Alexander S., born September 17, 1808, died unmarried, January 7, 1837; George, born September 29, 1811, married Elizabeth Kyle, January 6, 1847, died April 18, 1885; James, born July 20, 1814, died unmarried at Warrington, Fla., September 13, 1852; and Mary Jane, born September 22, 1817, married March 19, 1838, to Abraham Adams, of Hogestown, Cumberland county, died April 5, 1844. The father, John McDowell (2), died September 29, 1849. His wife, Mrs. Jane (Mitchell) McDowell, a lady of Irish lineage, survived him until January

1, 1864, almost attaining to the age of eighty-six. Both were zealous and consistent members of the Presbyterian church, and were widely known and greatly esteemed. Colonel McDowell, as he was styled during the later years of his life, by reason of his appointment to that rank in the Mifflin county militia, was a genial companion, and was held in high regard for his public services.

His son, John McDowell (3), having received such education as subscription schools afforded, supplemented it by observation and by well-chosen reading; and having an inquiring and reflective mind, sound judgment and retentive memory, he became more thoroughly educated than many are who enjoy the far wider opportunities of this later day. His was no heritage of wealth; but he did inherit something far better—the shrewdness and thrift, the endurance, like granite, and the steady, resolute perseverances which are among the fine elements of the Scottish character. These qualities sustained him through many struggles with the world, and secured to him at length an assured and influential position among men. His prudence and sound judgment made his counsel valuable in both public and private affairs; so that his advice and assistance were sought in the management of township and county business and of large estates. At the same time, his gentle and unassuming manner and genuine sympathy made him equally, if not more, acceptable as a helper and adviser of those in personal difficulties. On December 21, 1841, Mr. McDowell married Mary, daughter of James Brisbin, Esq., of the Kishacoquillas valley. Their children were four in number; the only surviving ones are: John McDowell (4); and Margaret J., wife of Rev. A. H. Parker, pastor of the East Kishacoquillas Presbyterian church. Mr. McDowell died suddenly after a short illness, March 29, 1863. John McDowell (3), like his father, bore the title of colonel by reason of his appointment by Governor Pollock as one of his aides-de-camp with that rank.

His son, John McDowell (4), the present occupant of the well-known homestead, received his early training in the same peaceful and refined home, and in the schools of his neighborhood. He inherits, with the name of his ancestors, their useful calling, that of a tiller of the soil. He was married, October

11, 1888, to Elizabeth R., daughter of Alexander and Mary L. (Taylor) Reed. Their children are: Alexander Reed; and Mary Lyon. Mr. McDowell was born and reared within the pale of the East Kishacoquillas church, of which he is at present a trustee.

WILLIAM HAMILTON RAMSEY, deceased, was born near Siglerville, in the east end of the Kishacoquillas valley, February 25, 1819. He was educated in the district schools, and learned carpentry. He was a contractor and builder for many years, and erected most of the barns in the east end of the Kishacoquillas valley. In 1850 he bought one acre of land, and built two houses, and established his home. William Hamilton Ramsey was married February 15, 1843, to Mary, daughter of Daniel Rare. Their children are: Charles Alexander, of Hillsboro, Ill., married Elizabeth Corley, of Shelby county; David Albert, who served in the late war, and died in a hospital at Philadelphia; Margaret Catherine, died aged one year; George Jackson, of Columbus, O., married Laura Austin, has two children; Nancy Jane Bell (Mrs. Andrew Johnson); William Ambrose, of Baker City, Ore.; Mary Martha; Robert John, married Candace Worley, of Reedsville; and Sarah Ann. Mr. Ramsey was a Republican. Mr. and Mrs. Ramsey were both members of the Presbyterian church at Milroy. Mrs. Ramsey died July 1, 1882. Mr. Ramsey's death occurred July 22, 1893.

Mrs. Ramsey was one of twelve children; they are: George; Jackson and Nancy, twins; John and Ellen, twins; Alexander and Henrietta, twins; Joan; Mary (Mrs. Ramsey); and three who died in infancy.

ISAAC G. HEADINGS, Milroy, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Menno township, October 29, 1838. He is a son of Jacob and Catherine (Griff) Headings. Jacob Headings was a carpenter and worked at his trade all his life. He married Catherine Griff. Their children are: John, married Sarah Allison, has two children; Jacob, married Ann Dachenbach, has sons and daughters; Ann, widow of John Newman, married Jacob Nepp; Sophia (Mrs. Schapp), has two children; Catherine (Mrs. Jacob Dachenbach), has seven children; Mary (Mrs. Henry Dachenbach), has four children; Eliza (Mrs. Samuel K.

Metz), has five children; Nancy (Mrs. Samuel Hazlett), has four children; Sarah, died aged fifteen years. Jacob Headings died in October, 1875, aged sixty-nine years. His wife died in May, 1867.

Isaac G. Headings attended the public schools until his thirteenth year, when he was sent out to work among farmers. The first year he received two dollars a month, the second year four. He gave his parents all his wages until he was eighteen years old. He worked by the month or year until he was twenty-five, and then began to farm on the Robert E. Willis farm, in Menno township, where he remained three years. He removed to Armagh township and took the Mary Sterrett farm one year, and then for nine years worked the Oliver Smith farm. In 1876 he bought his present home, which consists of 450 acres, partly in timber. Mr. Headings is a Democrat; he has served as school director. Isaac G. Headings was married December 29, 1859, to Maria, daughter of John K. and Susanna (Steel) Metz. Their children are: Jacob, died aged eight months; John, died aged twenty-seven years; Robert E., married Florence Alexander, has two children; Samuel, married Priscilla Yoder, had four children; Oliver; Isaac; James; Amy; Marshall; Prestie; Rhoda; Harry McCoy. Mr. Headings has educated all his children. Isaac studied medicine under Dr. Rothrock, of Reedsville, graduated from the Jefferson Medical College, of Philadelphia, and is practising in Juniata county. Amy attended the Huntingdon Normal School for two terms, and graduated at Bloomsburg State Normal School. She taught five consecutive terms at the Honey Creek school in Armagh township. Robert, Isaac and Marshall, all taught school for a number of years. Mr. Headings is a progressive and esteemed citizen; he and his family are members of the Lutheran church.

John K. Metz, the father of Mrs. Headings, was born in Brady township, Huntingdon county, Pa., June 5, 1808, and was a son of Dr. John Metz, who came from England and settled in Huntingdon county. Dr. Metz had eight children. He died at the age of eighty-eight years, eleven months and ten days. John K. Metz married Susanna Steel; their children are: Louisa (Mrs. Ephraim Hazlett); Frances (Mrs. Rudolph Neff); John, married Sarah McDonald; Elizabeth (Mrs. George

Wallheator); Sarah (Mrs. William G. Altz); Samuel, married Elizabeth Headings; Louis, died October 28, 1882, aged thirty-seven. John K. Metz died February 12, 1894. His wife, who was born December 13, 1806, died June 31, 1876.

J. HOWARD MCFARLANE, Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pa., was born December 7, 1837. He is a son of Andrew and Mary E. (Smith) McFarlane. His great-great-grandfather was James McFarlane, who was born in Scotland, December 24, 1695. He came to America in 1717, and settled in what was then Lancaster county and now Cumberland. He married Janet Buchanan in 1724; they had sons and daughters; one of their sons, Patrick, was the great-grandfather of J. Howard McFarlane. Patrick McFarlane was born in 1727; he came to Mifflin county and took out warrants for a tract of land, consisting of 175 acres, but he returned to Cumberland county. He married and had sons and daughters, one of whom was James. When James was a young man he enlisted in Washington's army, and served all through the war. He was taken prisoner at Fort Washington, near New York, and was captive for eighteen months. After his release he returned to Cumberland county, and married Mary Louden. Their children are: James, married Lillie Henry, had two sons; William, married Hannah Means, had two sons and two daughters; Robert, died aged twenty-five years; Andrew; Elizabeth (Mrs. John Thompson), of Centre county, has five sons and two daughters; Janet (Mrs. Joseph Kyle), has four sons and four daughters; Nancy (Mrs. William Smith); Mary, deceased. James McFarlane and his wife both lived to the age of seventy-seven.

Andrew McFarlane was born on the old homestead, February 21, 1803. He received a limited education, and served an apprenticeship of three years with Uriah Jacobs, tanner; but his health not permitting him to remain in the business, he was for two years in Reedsville as a merchant. In 1832 he bought the homestead where his son Howard now resides. Andrew McFarlane married Mary E., daughter of John and Sarah (Beatty) Smith. Their children are: John, deceased; Sarah (Mrs. Albert Thompson), has seven children; Anna Mary (Mrs. Robert P. Cochran), has six chil-

dren; J. Howard; Emily (Mrs. Hugh A. Barr); Agnes, who resides with her brother Howard; Ada (Mrs. W. G. Carson). Andrew McFarlane died February 1, 1887. His wife followed him July 3, 1887. Mrs. Andrew McFarlane was one of seven children and was born October 16, 1805. The others are: Dr. Samuel Smith, who practised in Lewistown; William, married Nancy McFarlane; John; James, married Eliza Campbell, has three daughters; Oliver P., married Isabella Taylor; Sarah (Mrs. Samuel Kyle), has four children.

J. Howard McFarlane attended the public schools and took a two years' course at the Kishacoquillas Seminary. He remained with his father, and at his death succeeded to the homestead. Mr. McFarlane is a Republican. He was for a number of years one of the trustees of the Presbyterian church at Reedsville.

HENRY BOSSINGER, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., a resident of Granville township, was born at Magstadt, district of Boeblingen, Wurtemberg, Germany, December 29, 1843, son of Henry and Frederica (Knoll) Bossinger. Their family included nine children: Henry; Andrew, married Matilda Kauffman, who died in 1878, leaving five children, after which he married Miss Harshbarger, by whom he had four children, and died in June, 1896; Frederick, who married Martha Heineman, and has three children, keeps the Keystone Hotel in Lewistown; Catherine (Mrs. August Miller), has eight children; Louis, married and resides at Lewistown, has three children; Christian, died in early life; Rachel C. (Mrs. James N. Blymyer), has three children; Mary (Mrs. Philip Young), died in December, 1895, had two children, the family residing in Louisville, Ky.; and Sophia (Mrs. Abraham Kitting), has three children. The father of the family, Henry Bossinger, Sr., who was born November 1, 1814, died October 16, 1877. He was greatly esteemed for his kindness and hospitality.

The eldest son, Henry Bossinger, Jr., received the good common school education that the law of Germany assures to its citizens, and was confirmed at the age of fourteen. He then learned coopering and afterwards brewing with his father, serving a full apprenticeship. He then worked several years in the

principal towns of Germany, and a year and a half in France, afterwards residing at home for a time, and conducting a brewery for his father. At last, thinking that he would find more lucrative employment in America, he left home, December 18, 1863, and embarked at Havre on the 31st of that month. More than six weeks later, February 17, 1864, the young man landed in New York. After working at his trade on Staten Island, and in other places in the vicinity of New York, he went to Philadelphia, in October, 1864, and pursued his vocation in that city for a year. In October, 1865, he went to Milford township, Juniata county, Pa., where he was employed in coopering, and some time later purchased 1,700 acres of timber land. His brother, Andrew Bossinger, came to America in the spring of 1864, and in July of the same year the father came, with Catharine and Frederick. All worked in Philadelphia until the removal to Juniata county, where all the family were reassembled; for in that year—1865—Henry Bossinger, Sr., sent home for his wife, her mother, Margaretta (Holzapfel) Knoll, and the rest of the children. In 1868 the family once more removed, this time to Lewistown, where at first they conducted a coopering establishment, and in 1870 added a brewery. In both these enterprises they did a flourishing business, the unity of the family contributing greatly to their success. In November, 1869, Henry Bossinger, Jr., went to Indiana, where he worked for about a year at brewing, and then returned to Lewistown. In 1882 he bought the homestead on which he now resides, comprising 112 acres, to which he has since added 40 by purchase. He has made many improvements in the way both of utility and of beauty; in 1884 he built the large and convenient house in which he now resides. He is an enterprising man, and ready to adopt anything which he sees to be a real improvement. He takes much interest in local political affairs, and is a worker in the Democratic party. Mr. Bossinger is a member of the A. O. U. W.

Henry Bossinger, Jr., was married, April 15, 1869, to Mary, daughter of Carl and Mary (Attinger) Frasel. The children of this marriage are: Christiana (Mrs. William Bossinger), has two children; Frederica; Henry; Mary; Carl Frederick, who died in early life; Joseph; Bertha; Sophia; and Louisa.

DAVID J. HOUGH, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., a resident of Granville township, was born in Milford township, Juniata county, Pa., October 21, 1848, son of David and Eliza (Davault) Hough. David Hough, generally known as Major Hough, was born in Wayne county, O., in March, 1805. He was educated in Ohio, and studied the art of surveying, which he practised after coming to Mifflin county, for the rest of his life. He was an accurate and reliable measurer of land, just and conscientious in his business, as he was in all the affairs of life. He was a Democrat, and zealous in the support of his opinions. Major Hough was a consistent member of the Baptist church; he was widely known, as he practised his profession not only in Mifflin, but in the surrounding counties, and everywhere there was but one opinion as to his ability and integrity. Mrs. David Hough was a daughter of Joel and Mary (Shuster) Davault. Joel Davault came from the State of Delaware to Juniata county, Pa. He constructed a section of one mile of the Pennsylvania Canal. In his later years he became an agriculturist, cultivating his farm near Lewistown, Mifflin county. The children of Major and Mrs. Hough, besides David J., are: Joel; Mary (Mrs. William Shimp), has seven children; Ann (Mrs. Robert Van Noomer), has seven children; Ellen (Mrs. David Holtzapfel), has five children; Rachel (Mrs. Albert Sweeton); Margaret (Mrs. George Craig), has two children; and Merce (Mrs. Charles Scott), has one child. Mrs. Hough died at the age of sixty-nine years, seven months and twelve days. Her husband attained the age of seventy-nine years, eleven months and twenty-one days.

David J. Hough was educated in the public schools of Juniata county. He resided with his father until 1876, the year of his marriage, when he removed to the homestead farm, which he cultivates, and which has been his home ever since that time. While strictly attentive to the business of his calling, in which his abundant success proves his ability and good judgment, he is also actively interested in local affairs. His fellow citizens have called him to look after one of their highest interests, the education of their children, and for three years he has served as school director. Like his father, Mr. Hough is an ardent Democrat.

David J. Hough was married, November 20, 1876, to May, daughter of William W. and Rachel (Mann) Johnson. Their children are: Nellie; Clarence; Frank; William; and Esther. Mr. Hough and his family attend the Lutheran church at Lewistown.

MARTIN ORT, deceased, was born on the Ort homestead in Granville township, Mifflin county, March 4, 1825. He was a son of John and Elizabeth (Beck) Ort, and a grandson of John Ort, Sr. His grandfather was one of the pioneer settlers of the township, and was a man of influence and great force of character. For many years he was an officer in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church at Lewistown, Pa. His son, John Ort, Jr., was reared in Granville township, and followed farming all his life. He had nine children, among whom were: Martin; and Mrs. James Barr, of Dawn, O., the latter being the only surviving child. Like his father, John Ort, Jr., was active in church affairs, holding office in the church continuously. His wife died in 1868, aged seventy-four. Mr. Ort died a year later, at the age of seventy-nine.

Martin Ort received a limited education in the district schools. His childhood and early manhood were spent on the home farm, and a short time before his father's death he succeeded to the property. He was a successful farmer and a progressive one. He was a Republican; he was ever alive to the interests of the community and of the State, but he never sought political preferment, accepting only at the earnest request of neighbors the office of school director and supervisor. He was a consistent member of the Lutheran church.

Martin Ort was married February 13, 1851, to Nancy E., daughter of David and Susan Rothrock. They had these children: George R., married Ada Brice, ten children; Elizabeth E. (Mrs. W. L. Reigle), six children; John William; Lawrence G., married Edith V. Price; Carrie M. (Mrs. Seneca Bennett), two children; Albert Grant, married Elizabeth Ganze, one child; Edith E. (Mrs. Andrew J. Lucas); and two children that died in infancy.

John W., third child of Martin and Nancy E. Ort, received a common school education. He grew to manhood on the homestead, which has been under his management for the last few years. He is one of the most enterprising

farmers in the township. He is a member of the Democratic party. John William Ort was married, December 24, 1883, to Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas and Martha (Rothrock) Parsons. They had seven children: Jesse A., born September 25, 1884; Walter M., born May 4, 1886; Lottie J., born November 12, 1887; Laura May, born August 7, 1889; Ida Nancy, born July 25, 1891; William Warren, born August 8, 1892; and Thomas Edwin, born March 7, 1895. The family attend the Lutheran church.

ISAAC AURAND, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., son of Henry and Catharine (Bradley) Aurand, was born March 18, 1839, on the Aurand homestead, on which he now resides. He is a grandson of Samuel and Catharine (Valentine) Aurand, who resided near Beaver Spring, Snyder county, Pa., where they spent the latter years of their life. They had a family of five daughters and five sons, among whom was Henry, the father of Isaac. Henry Aurand received a limited education in the common schools, and in his early manhood learned blacksmith's work. His father having bought a tract of land in Granville township, erected thereon a house and barn, and after his marriage, in 1833, Henry removed to the place and began farming; he was so successful that in a few years he bought the place from his father. He was an ardent Republican. In his relations as neighbor and friend he was most highly esteemed.

In 1833 Henry Aurand was married to Catharine Bradley. They had these children: Harrison; Mary, widow of Henry Ort, resides at Centralia, Wash.; Isaac; and Frances Granville, died in 1888, aged forty-four years. Harrison Aurand married Elizabeth Foster, who died, leaving two sons. He then married Rachel Markley, who also died, leaving one child; after which he married Mary Markley, a sister of his second wife. To this marriage thirteen children were born. Mrs. Mary Aurand having died, Mr. Aurand married again, his fourth wife being Emma Getz. They had three children. Mrs. Emma Aurand died in 1875, aged sixty-two years, and her husband in 1882, at the age of seventy-one. Although of a quiet, unassuming disposition and manner, Mrs. Aurand was an earnest, active worker in her church, and was noted particularly for her kindness to the poor and her ready sympathy

with the sick or suffering. They were members of the Lutheran church at Lewistown. Mr. Aurand held the office of elder for many years.

Isaac Aurand was reared to manhood on the homestead farm in Granville township. He attended the district schools, and when the time came to learn a trade, he became his father's apprentice. Besides learning blacksmithing, he assisted on the farm, and later assumed management of the same, until on the death of his father, he succeeded to the place.

Isaac Aurand was married, June 12, 1860, to Nancy Potts, daughter of Joseph and Rachel (Berlin) Potts. They have had these children: William Lincoln, married Mary Barr, seven children; Joseph Elmer, died aged five years; Lawrence Edward, married Fanny Appleby, two children; Harry Grant, married Nettie Koelt; James Franklin; John Milton, married Minnie Haller; Clyde; Arthur Allen; Bertha May, died aged two years; Ralph; Herbert, died aged three years; and two who died in infancy. Mrs. Aurand died September 19, 1886, aged forty-six years. She was a member of the Lutheran church, a faithful wife, and a kind and loving mother. Some time afterwards Mr. Aurand married Mrs. Amanda, widow of Harry Brindle. He is a Republican, and has served in various township offices. Mr. Aurand is very popular among his acquaintances. He attends the Lutheran church.

THOMAS WILLIAM MOORE, deceased, a former resident of Granville township, was born in County Donegal, Ireland, October 31, 1801, son of John and Margaret (McGill) Moore. He accompanied his parents in their emigration to America in 1819; the family resided for a short time in Philadelphia, and for a number of years after in Marietta, Lancaster county, Pa. They then removed to Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., which became their permanent home. Mr. and Mrs. John Moore, one son and one daughter died in 1822, and with three daughters and one son are interred in the old cemetery at Lewistown. One daughter and two sons are buried in the new Presbyterian cemetery at Lewistown, one daughter in Ireland, and one in Marietta, Pa. Two of the daughters, Misses Mary and Ra-

chel Moore, for many years conducted a select school at Lewistown.

Although he had been favored with only limited educational advantages in his native country, during his boyhood, yet Thomas W. Moore was of an inquiring mind, thoughtful, and an intelligent reasoner; and he made so good a use of the opportunities that came in his way, and of his intercourse with the world, as to become well endowed with practical wisdom. This fact, together with his honorable reputation as a business man, led to his being called to fill various positions of trust and responsibility. In the business of butchering, in mercantile pursuits, and as a farmer, after his removal in 1857 to his farm in Granville township, Mr. Moore manifested always the same intelligence, the same careful management and scrupulous honesty. He was not only very successful in his enterprises, but won for himself respect and confidence. He was the first elected associate judge in Mifflin county, being the Democratic nominee for that office, and receiving a very large majority. He was always actively interested in local affairs. He was a worthy and useful citizen, and a faithful member of the Presbyterian church at Lewistown.

Thomas William Moore was married December 20, 1855, to Sarah Jane, daughter of David R. and Amelia (Major) Reynolds. Their children are: John Reynolds, born November 6, 1856; married December 24, 1896, to Ada Smith, of Juniata county; Amelia McGill, who died June 27, 1860, aged two years and three months; Sarah Jane, who died July 17, 1865, aged five years, eleven months and eighteen days; Nancy Matilda, born September 8, 1861; and Thomas William, born January 14, 1865, married Emma Aurand, April 7, 1888. Mr. Moore departed this life August 4, 1888. Mrs. Moore still resides at the homestead of the family, in Granville township. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David R. Reynolds, were residents of Lewistown. They had nine children. Mr. Reynolds took an active and prominent part in borough affairs. He served for one term as prothonotary of Mifflin county, and also held other minor offices. He and his wife were consistent members of the Lewistown Presbyterian church. He died October 27, 1877,

aged eighty-two years, six months and sixteen days; Mrs. Reynolds died August 8, 1880, at the age of seventy-seven years, ten months and twenty-two days.

JAMES K. MUTERSBAUGH, Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pa., was born in Decatur township, Mifflin county, August 29, 1845. He is a son of Abraham and Jemima J. (Sigler) Mutersbaugh, and one of a family of seven children. He received a good common school education, which was supplemented by study for one term at the academy at Freeburg, Snyder county, Pa., where he went when he was twenty-one years of age. After this, Mr. Mutersbaugh remained at home until he was twenty-three, when he began farming on his own account, cultivating the homestead farm in Decatur township. After spending several years of very successful work there, he removed in 1871 to his present place of residence in Granville township, which place he purchased in 1873. Here he has not only been financially successful, but has had the pleasure of adding to the value and beauty of the farm by his judicious and tasteful improvements. In 1876, he built his convenient and sightly dwelling, and in 1877, his spacious barn. The productiveness of the land has been increased, and the fences, etc., show the wisdom of his outlay of time and money. While thus attentive to his own business, Mr. Moore does not neglect his duties as a citizen. He shows his interest in the political and general affairs of the community. He is a Republican; he has been elected on his party's ticket to various township offices.

James K. Mutersbaugh was married December 2, 1870, to Mary M., daughter of Richard and Agnes Gallagher, both of whom are deceased, Mrs. Gallagher having died in 1840, and her husband in 1873. They had five children, all of whom have also died, except Mrs. Mutersbaugh. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Mutersbaugh are: Harry, a graduate of the Eastern Business College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., class of 1896; and Jennie G., now engaged in teaching music, but residing at home. Mr. Mutersbaugh and his family attend the Presbyterian church at Lewistown.





