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GENEALOGICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL ANNALS  
OF  
NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY  
PENNSYLVANIA

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CONTAINING

A GENEALOGICAL RECORD OF REPRESENTATIVE FAMILIES, INCLUDING MANY OF THE  
EARLY SETTLERS, AND BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES OF PROMINENT  
CITIZENS, PREPARED FROM DATA OBTAINED FROM  
ORIGINAL SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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as treasurer of the church; he has been identified with the Sunday school as teacher and superintendent for fifteen consecutive years.

Cyrus Leitzel, son of Benjamin B. Leitzel, is the proprietor of the "Franklin House" at Mandata, Northumberland county. He was born Sept. 15, 1871, at Klingerstown, where he was reared and educated, and worked for his father until he reached the age of sixteen. For six years he was employed in the lumber districts in the State of Washington, in 1896 returning to Pennsylvania and settling at Klingerstown, where he was engaged in horse dealing and in the wholesale whisky business, selling whisky for Detweiler & Co., of Lebanon. He still continues both lines of business, being a well known horse dealer in lower Northumberland county, where he handles many head of horses yearly, and he has represented Detweiler & Co. continuously since 1896, selling their goods in Northumberland, Schuylkill, Perry, Juniata, Snyder and Dauphin counties. He continued to live at Klingerstown for a number of years before moving to Mandata, where he has been proprietor of the "Franklin House" since 1906. He has a farm of 100 acres between Mandata and Mahanoy in Jackson township (part of which was formerly the Abraham Klock homestead, the rest the Jacob Smith place), which he farms with the aid of hired help, and he has prospered in his various undertakings, being an excellent manager.

In March, 1895, Mr. Leitzel married Carrie E. Boyer, daughter of John and Polly (Shartle) Boyer, and they have one daughter, Bessie J. Mr. Leitzel and his family are members of the Lutheran congregation of the Klingerstown Church. For ten years he held membership in the Klingerstown lodge of Odd Fellows.

E. F. SCHRAWDER, of Shamokin, dealer in ladies' furnishings and fancy goods, at No. 108 West Independence street, has been established at his present place of business since 1904, and he had previous experience in practically the same line as traveling salesman for a number of years in the employ of the well known firm of English & Henry. He has made a success and has a well stocked store.

Mr. Schrawder was born Nov. 2, 1874, at McKees Falls, Snyder county, son of Henry H. Schrawder and grandson of Jacob Schrawder. The family is of German origin, the first of the name in this country having come from Germany and settled in 1774 in Berks county, Pa. He took part in the Revolutionary war and members of the family have been represented in nearly every war in which this country has been engaged since his time.

Jacob Schrawder, the grandfather of E. F., was a native of Berks county, whence he moved to Snyder county, settling at McKees Falls, where

he conducted a shoe store and also did custom shoemaking.

Henry H. Schrawder, father of E. F., learned the trade of stonemason and plasterer, which he followed for many years, now living retired, at Port Treverton, Snyder county. He served in the Civil war. His wife, Mary (Weaver), daughter of David Weaver, bore him four children: David, E. F., William, and Jennie (married Clarence Hershey).

E. F. Schrawder attended public school at Port Treverton and McKees Falls. When fifteen years old he began clerking for N. T. Dundore in Snyder county, near Port Treverton, remaining with that employer eight years, after which he clerked two years in the First National Bank at Selinsgrove. In 1895 he came to Shamokin, where he engaged as traveling salesman with D. G. Snyder & Co., continuing with the same house after it passed into the hands of English & Henry. He was with that concern for seven years in all, and has since been in business on his own account, handling ladies' furnishings, children's goods and fancy goods. His first venture in this line was at Phillipsburg, Pa., where he remained four and a half years, and since 1904 he has been established at his present location in Shamokin. Mr. Schrawder carries complete stocks of his special lines, and enjoys an excellent trade, which has increased steadily from the beginning.

Mr. Schrawder is a high Mason, holding membership in the following bodies: Shamokin Lodge, No. 255, F. & A. M.; Shamokin Chapter, No. 264, R. A. M., of which he is past high priest, having held the office in 1909; Shamokin Commandery, No. 77, K. T. (in which he is an officer); Williamsport Lodge of Perfection, fourteenth degree; Williamsport Consistory, thirty-second degree; and Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. In religious connection he is a Lutheran.

Mr. Schrawder married Mamie Shuman, daughter of Edw. (deceased) and Joanna (Kulp) Shuman, the former of whom was a merchant at Shamokin. Two children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Schrawder, J. Merrill and Thelma.

● LEVI B. BARBER, who is engaged in farming about three miles east of Milton, in Turbut township, was born Oct. 28, 1873, in Delaware township, Northumberland county, son of Anthony A. Barber and grandson of David Barber.

David Barber was bound out when a boy to Anthony Armstrong, of Turbut township, to live with him until he reached the age of twenty-one. He afterward continued to live in that township, and did day's work among farmers, being an industrious, respected man. He died in that part of Turbut township now included in the borough of Milton, when sixty-eight years old. His wife was Mary Jones, daughter of William Jones, and

they are buried in Harmony cemetery, Milton. Children as follows were born to them: Jane, who married William Falls; William, who died in Milton; Anthony A.; Margaret, Mrs. Robert Seiler; Isaac J.; Catharine, a resident of Milton; and Washington, who died in Milton. Of these, Isaac J. Barber, born in 1835, learned the boat building business and has resided in Milton for the past fifty years. By his first wife, Lucy A. Hester, he had a son Harry, and his second marriage was to Sarah J. Krisher.

Anthony A. Barber, son of David, was born in Delaware township in 1833, and there followed farming, retiring about four years before his death, which occurred March 18, 1892. He is buried in Harmony cemetery, at Milton. In politics Mr. Barber was a Democrat, and he took quite an active part in local affairs, serving as tax collector and school director. He was a member of Messiah Lutheran Church at McEwensville, and took an active part in its work. His widow, Maria (Bender or Binder), daughter of Jacob Bender, of Delaware township, is living with her daughter Mrs. Greinly at Berwick, Pa. They had the following children: Anna is the widow of William C. Thomas and resides in Berwick; Cora married Lewis L. Follmer; Ida B. married William Tobias; Minnie M. married H. Greinly, of Berwick; Frances E. E. married David R. Eves and is living in Berwick; Charles A. married Mary Summers and is engaged in farming in Montour county; Levi B. is mentioned below; David F. married Emma Kreisher and is farming in White Deer township, Union county; Maude M. married John E. Kurtz.

Levi B. Barber attended the public schools of Delaware township, and later worked with his father until he began farming for himself, in 1896. He was in Delaware township for three years, and in Lycoming county for two years, returning to Northumberland county, where he farmed one year in Turbut township, when he decided to remove to Jerseytown. Selling out his farm stock he made the change, but after six months he returned to this county and in 1902 bought the Lantz farm of sixty-six acres in Turbut township where he has since resided. This was at one time Abraham Follmer's farm, it having belonged to him for fifty years, after which it passed into the possession of the Kase family and from them to the Lantzes. It is about three miles east of Milton. Mr. Barber has all the modern improvements on his place, and is one of the enterprising farmers of his locality. He was formerly a member of the Grange. In politics he is a Democrat, in religion a Lutheran.

Mr. Barber married Rachel Gold, daughter of George Thomas Gold, of McEwensville, Pa., and they have two children, Helen May and George Anthony.

David Gold, Mrs. Barber's grandfather, was a

native of Bushkill township, Northampton Co., Pa., born about 1805, and died about 1878, aged seventy-three years. In the spring of 1841 he came to Northumberland county, locating at McEwensville, where he built the Gold gristmill, now owned and operated by Oliver Gold. He bought a tract of fifty acres, upon which he erected his mill and later three of his sons built homes upon the property; the McEwensville high school also stands upon land he owned. Both the cemeteries of McEwensville were laid out from his land, and all but thirty-seven acres of his holdings have been cut up into building lots or turned to public use. During the fifties he was one of the organizers of the borough of McEwensville. In politics he was a Whig, and he served as school director and for many years as overseer of the poor in Delaware township. In his earlier life Mr. Gold was a Moravian in religious connection, as were all his family in Northampton county, but he later became a Lutheran. His wife, Maria (Rissmiller), was the daughter of Daniel Rissmiller, who was earlier a resident of Berks county, Pa., and his first ancestor in America came hither as one of the Hessian army sent over to fight the Colonists in the Revolution. David Gold and his wife had children as follows: Rosanna married Charles Sensenbaugh, and they lived at Sunbury; Henry D., who was a merchant, died at Charlestown, Pa.; George Thomas settled in McEwensville; Edwin F. is mentioned below; Joseph died at Watsonstown; Mary married Reuben Derr; Maria married Ellis Irwin; Charles was killed while serving in the Union army during the Civil war; David died in New Brighton, Pa.; Margaret, widow of E. Lewis Painter, lives at Lewisburg; Susan married Abram Redcay and they live in Milton; John L. is a resident of Newcastle, Pa. Of these, Rosanna, Henry D., Joseph, Mary, Maria, Charles and David are deceased.

Edwin F. Gold, born July 29, 1832, near Nazareth, Northampton Co., Pa., attended the McEwensville Academy in his boyhood. On April 26, 1861, he enlisted for service in the Civil war from Northumberland county, in Company B, 11th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, Col. Pharon Jarett's regiment, which was assigned to the 6th Brigade, 2d Division, Army of the Potomac. They proceeded through Westchester, Hagerstown and Williamstown, and were discharged at Harrisburg July 25, 1861. Mr. Gold again enlisted June 18, 1863, becoming a sergeant in Company I, 28th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Militia, under Lieut. Col. Chamberlain. He was discharged at Harrisburg July 27, 1863, and in the meantime took part in the battle of Gettysburg and did valiant duty as a scout, being arrested three times. He wore a Southern uniform, and with two companions performed notable service. On Feb. 28, 1865, he again enlisted, in Company E, 74th Regi-