GENEALOGY

OF THE

Ludwig Bretz Family.

1750-1890.

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TO THE

MEMORY OF

SUSAN BRETZ EBERSOLE ESHENAUER,

GRAND DAUGHTER OF LUDWIG BRETZ,

THE HEAD OF THE PROGENY OF THIS GENEALOGY,

THIS VOLUME

IS DEDICATED WITH LOVING REMEMBRANCE AND AFFECTION BY HER

GRAND SON,

THE AUTHOR.



PREFATORY.

The time of preparing the Parthemore Genealogy, which was published in the year 1885, the author of this family genealogy gathered considerable information of a number of allied families, little thinking at that time that any of the family genealogies would be enlarged and appear in this form. With a natural desire for historical work, we set ourselves to the task to see if the ungathered and unwritten history of Ludwig Bretz and his descendants' families could be gathered together. 'How well we have succeeded can be told by a perusal of this volume. We are only sorry that some one else had not taken up the task, whose pen may have been more able than ours, and whose intellectual ability more able, as we make no claim to literary ability.

We have, however, the consciousness of knowing that what has been done was the best we could do with our humble ability, and with only one object in view, prompted by our love of our ancestor, to perpetuate the memory of Ludwig Bretz in this form. When we began the publication we expected it would make a volume of one hundred pages, including a complete index, but in this we are disappointed, as the book has reached in size nearly double what we calculated, without an index, which we are very sorry to leave out.

There are a number of provoking errors, which we are sorry for; but when it is taken into consideration

that the gathering of this material, arranging of the same, and the reading of proof has all been done in our spare moments and hours, which are few, having to earn our livelihood by the sweat of our brow, we are surprised that there are no more and greater ones. It was presumed, when we sent our prospectus with circular letter to the living descendants, that we would at least succeed in securing one hundred and fifty subscribers, but behold the disappointment when we received only seventy-five, and hence we reached the conclusion that few were interested to know who their ancestors were, and the author experienced a shrinkage of no small amount in his exchequer by the enterprise.

Some years ago, a venerable and distinguished New England gentleman said: "The study of family history elevates and ennobles the nature of man, and lifts it up to a truer and nobler type. To know nothing of our ancestry, or from whence they came, to have no reverence for the precious memories of the past, or an interest in those who are to succeed us in the battle of life, is to ignore the elements and influences that have made us what we are, to repudiate the natural instincts and affections of the human heart, and to suppress the aspirations and hopes of a soul that is to course on through endless circles of eternity. And what more precious testimonial of your love of kindred and home can you leave, than that which provides for the transmission of the history of your ancestors, yourself and family, to future generations! And how consoling the thought, that when you shall have been gathered to your fathers, this history shall live through all coming time, as a precious inheritance to your descendants! This is a

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trust that Providence has confided to your care, and who so dead to sympathy and affection, to kindred and country, that would not preserve the record of his ancestors, the place of his birth, the home of his child-hood, and the sacred spot where repose the loved and lost ones of earth!"

Trusting that "he who runs may read."

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HARRISBURG, PA., May 1, 1890.



EUDWIG BRETZ PAMILY IN AMERICA.

August 15, 1750, the ship Royal Union, Clement Nicholson, captain, from Rotterdam, landed at Philadelphia with two hundred and forty-eight male passengers on board above the age of sixteen years; amongst this number were Wendel, Henry, and Ludwig Bretz. last two, with ten others of the two hundred and fortyeight, are marked "on board" and probably confined by The object of this genealogy is to present the record of the last named—Ludwig Bretz—and his numerous descendants down to the present generation. It is more than probable that they first located in Germantown, now a part of the city of Philadelphia, Pa. Wendel Bretz left children at his death, and no doubt some of his descendants are residing in Carlisle, Pa. Henry Bretz also left issue, and possibly the family of that name who resided for so many years in the vicinity of West Fairview, Cumberland county, Pa., are of his descendants.

Ludwig Bretz's place of birth is not known nor the time, but he belonged to the German race and was a follower of Martin Luther, in which faith he lived and died. He settled as early as the year 1760 in what is now Lancaster county, Pa., where he was the possessor of a farm which he sold a short time prior to the Revolutionary war, and receiving in pay continental money which shortly afterwards depreciated, and he was left a poor man; but possessing that grit so usual to his race and

braving the vicissitudes such as the early pioneers were expected to meet, he became one of the first settlers in Lykens Valley, about five miles north of Millersburg, Pa., near the Mahantango mountain, where he was the happy possessor of a small farm, and resided the remainder of his days, reared his family and died. He is buried in the Lutheran grave-yard belonging to what was then St. David's Lutheran and Reformed Church, the locality now known as Killinger P. O., Dauphin county, Pa. He was not long a resident of the Lykens Valley until was heard the call for soldiers in the American army in the war of the Revolution, when he became a member of Captain Albright Deibler's Company of Associators of the Fourth Battalion, commanded by Col. James Burd. The company to which he belonged was in active service nearly a year, participating in the New Jersey campaign and in the battles of Trenton and Princeton, returning home in January, 1777. A portion of the command was captured at the battle of Long Island, Ludwig Bretz being wounded in this battle. This little company of German pioneers of the valley did valiant service, and many of them sleep their last sleep beneath the clods of the same enclosure where rest the remains of father Bretz.

April 23, 1781, Ludwig Bretz is returned as a sergeant of Captain Martin Weaver's company, which company was in service protecting the inhabitants from the Indians which threatened the settlements of the West Branch Valley. They were absent from their homes in service only a short while, until the spring planting was completed. The company of Capt. Weaver's, like

the one of Capt. Deibler's, was made up almost wholly of the Germans of the Valley. This is a pride we dare boast of, since it is so often represented that the German pioneer of this country made a good tiller of the soil, but as a soldier in the establishing of our government of the people, for the people and by the people, took a very small interest.

On the contrary, it should thrill the heart of every descendant of Sergeant Ludwig Bretz with patriotism to know, while the "Dutch blood" courses through his veins, he belongs to the posterity of a noble, brave, and patriotic ancestor.

March 26, 1778, Ludwig Bretz appeared before Joshua Elder, one of the justices of Lancaster (now Dauphin) county, Pa., and took the oath of allegiance.

Mr. Bretz died in the year 1807; who he married we have been unable to ascertain or where his wife was born and died. Her christian name was Elizabeth. They had issue; all born in Lykens Valley:

- 1. i. Mary, b. circ. 1761; m. Emanuel Duey.
- 2. ii. Catharine, b. circ. 1763; m. Christian Wirt.
- 3. iii. Elizabeth, b. October 17, 1765; m. Henry Bomgardner.
- 4. iv. Susan, b. January 20, 1770; m. Henry Meck.
- 5. v. John, b. December 15, 1771; m. Catharine Fox.
- 6. vi. Ludwig, b. circ. 1773; m., Ann Moyer.
 - vii. Magdalena, born in Lykens Valley, Dauphin county, Penna.; died in the vicinity of Mifflinburg, Union county, Penna.; m. Robert Dunbar, and moved to Youngmanstown,

now Mifflinburg, Union county, Pa., where his wife died after they resided there only a year or two, and left him one or two children. After her death he removed to one of the western States, and all efforts to learn of him and his descendants have failed.

- I. Mary Bretz,² (Ludwig,¹) born about 1761, in Lykens Valley, Dauphin county, Penna.; died in the year 1834, in West Hanover township, Dauphin county, Penna.; m., Emanuel Duey, b. February 17, 1755; d. in the year 1834, and he and his wife are buried in the old grave-yard at Shoop's Church, Dauphin county, Penna. They had issue, (surname Duey:)
 - 7. *i. John*, b. February 5, 1783; m. Charlotte Ruter.
 - 8. ii. Simon, b. December 11, 1784; m., first Elizabeth Hotz; m., secondly Maria Wolf.
 - 9. iii. Susannah, b. November 20, 1786; m. Elisha Stone.
- 10. iv. Jacob, b. August 18, 1789; m. Elizabeth Ramsey.
- 11. v. Catharine, b. November 11, 1791; m. Jacob Dubbs.
- 12. vi. Mary, b. December 14, 1793; m. David Pool.
- 13. vii. Frederick, b. March 24, 1796; m. Barbara Peiffer.
 - viii. Eva, b. October 22, 1798; d. in Fishing Creek Valley, Dauphin county, Penna.; m. November 16, 1820, by Rev. H. Van Hoff, Michael Palm. They had no issue, and

both are buried in some farm graveyard, in Fishing Creek Valley, Dauphin county, Pa.

- 14. ix. Elizabeth, b. April 3, 1805; m. George Straw-
- II. Catharine Bretz,² (Ludwig,¹) born about 1763, in Lykens Valley, Dauphin county, Penna.; died in Snyder county, Pa.; m. Christian Wirt, son of John Adam Wirt, (b. 1727, in Europe; d. 1800,) and Eva Elizabeth Snoke, (b. 1730; d. 1800.) They had issue, (surname Wirt:)
- 15. i. Anna Maria, b. June 8, 1788; m. John Adam Miller.
- 16. ii. John Adam, b. January 17, 1790; m. Anna Margaret Swartz.
- 17. iii. Susannah, b. June 16, 1791; m. Casper Miller.
 - iv. Catharine, b. January 11, 1793; m. a Mr. Wise; removed to Crawford county, Ohio, where they died, leaving issue.
 - v. John Ludwig, b. July 21, 1794; d. July 13, 1845, at Baskin's or Duncan's Island, Benvenue P. O., Dauphin county, Pa., and with his wife are buried in Long's Church grave-yard, near Halifax, Pa. He married Anna Maria Seibert; b. October 27, 1800; d. February 11, 1846. They had no issue.
 - vi. Elizabeth, b. May 29, 1796, in Upper Paxtang township, (Lykens Valley,) Dauphin county; d. September 8, 1868, in Crawford county, Ohio; m., first, Isaac Diddy, b. April 1, 1792, in Dauphin county, Pa.; removed to Ohio, settling in Crawford county, where he died,

March 23, 1845. They had issue, surname Diddy, (now spelled by many of this family Didie:)

- 1. Washington, b. August 27, 1817, in Lykens Valley, Pa.; m. October 3, 1843, Maria Layman; and they had issue:
 - a. Ophelia S., b. August 25, 1844, in Bucyrus, O.; m. August 5, 1880, George Stewart, had issue, (surname Stewart:) Ralph D. M., b. April 21, 1884.
 - b. Thomas J., b. April 29, 1846.
 - c. George W., b. April 21, 1848; resides at Bucyrus, Ohio; at present is Deputy Auditor of Crawford county, Ohio; has held a number of local offices, among them city clerk, for six years, of Bucyrus. He m. January 9, 1873, Amanda F. Wise, of Crown Point, Ind., and had issue: Edgar Allen, b. November 9, 1875; Laura Della, b. September 28, 1878; Dora Zellah, b. October 20, 1884.
 - d. Isador L.
- 2. Martha, d. s. p.
- 3. Sarah, m. June 29, 1839, Jacob Wise; she died a few years afterwards leaving issue, (surname Wise:) Henry and Cornelius.
- 4. Mariah, m. December 21, 1843, Jacob Wise, who was the husband of her sister Sarah, deceased; they reside at Crown Point, Ind. They had issue, (surname Wise:) James M.; Laura J.; Amanda T., m. George W. Diddy, (see record;) George M.; Margaret L.; Martha E.
- 5. Elizabeth, d. s. p.
- 6. Amanda, m. Milton McNabb; have issue.
- 7. Catharine, m. October 10, 1849, John P. Miller; reside at Hopkins, Hennepin county,

- Minn.; have issue, (surname Miller:) Charles P.; Lucretia; Frank.
- 8. Ann, m. Adam Wise, reside at Fort Scott, Kansas, and have issue.
- 8. John, m. March 25, 1852, Jane Ream; was a soldier in the Rebellion and at the close of the war settled in Minnesota, where he died, leaving issue: Annsettie; Charles; John; William.
- 10. Rachael, m. first, John Doering, who died, leaving issue. She m. secondly, Joseph Doering, and had issue.
- 11. Susan, m. William Smith, born in England and died a few years ago; she survives him, residing in Dayton, Ohio.
- 12. Adaline, m. April 25, 1858, Peter Nungesser; reside at Galion, Ohio, and have issue.
- 13. Sophia, m. September 30, 1856, William H. Fralick; reside at Daisey, Van Wert, county, Ohio.
- 14. Isaac, b. September 30, 1831; d. August 30, 1852, of cholera.
- Mrs. Diddy married secondly, John Shaffer; no issue.
- vii. [dau.,] b. January 15, 1798, d. s. p.
- 18. viii. Christian, b. October 13, 1799; m., first, Miss Elizabeth Motter; m., secondly, Polly Bitterman.
- 19. ix. Sarah, b. September 26, 1801; m. John Shive-
- x. George, b. November 1, 1803; bap. January 4, 1804; sponsors, George Shoop and wife. We could not learn any more of him than that he was married and resided in North-umberland county, Pa., and had issue.

- 20. xi. Rachel, b. August 17, 1806; m. Wendel Row.
 21. xii. Anna Eve, b. October 10, 1808; m. Martin Schaffner.
- III. ELIZABETH BRETZ, (Ludwig,) b. October 17, 1765; d. November 20, 1829; m. Henry Bomgardner, b. April 15, 1760, in old Hanover township, Dauphin county, Pa. He resided in Lykens Valley, Pa., where he raised his family, and d. March 22, 1846, and with part of his family are buried in the Lutheran grave-yard in connection with the church at Killinger, in Upper Paxton township, Dauphin county, Pa. They had issue, (surname Bomgardner:)
 - i. Henry, born in Lykens Valley, Pa.; was married and raised a family, but we were unable to secure any record.
 - ii. Susan, m., first, Joseph Shuman, b. August 31, 1791; d. November 10, 1831; they had issue:
 - 1. Matilda; killed by the cars in Chester county, Pa.; she was m. to Mr. John Crossin. After his wife's death he moved to Crawford county, Ohio.
 - 2. Louisa.
 - Mrs. Shuman m., secondly, Jacob Meck, and had issue, (surname Meck:)
 - 3. Warren, resides at Danville, Pa.
 - 4. Charles, resides at Williamsport, Pa.
 - 5. [dau.,] m., and resides in Perry county, Pa.
 - iii. John, lived and died in Lykens Valley, Dauphin county, Pa.; m. Susan Lemon, and had issue, (surname Bomgardner:)
 - 1. Elizabeth, m. Solomon Stiffler, and had issue.

- 2. Henry Lemon, b. December 27, 1827; d. May 2, 1884; m. Susanna Zimmerman, b. December 2, 1833; d. June 8, 1880; they had issue, (surname Bomgardner:)
 - a. John William, b. January 31, 1856; resides at Abilene, Kans.; m. May 14, 1876, Clara Louisa Kocher; b. December 29, 1857; they have issue, (surname Bomgardner:)
 - i. Virgil Minerva, b. November 29, 1876.
 - ii. [son,] b. August 15, 1880; d. August 16, 1880.
 - iii. Harry Walter, b. November 27, 1883; d. November 17, 1887.
 - iv. Arthur Cleveland, b. August 28, 1885.
 - v. Grace May, b. June 15, 1888.
 - b. Susan Rebecca, b. September 7, 1864; d. May 8, 1885.
 - c. Clara Elizabeth, b. February 18, 1866; m. Aaron M. Keiter; reside near Fisherville, Dauphin county, Pa.; have issue, (surname Keiter:)
 - I. Howard Eugene, b. September 27, 1883;d. September 12, 1884.
- 3. Amanda, m. C. Forney; they reside in Turkey Valley, Perry county, Pa., and have issue.
- 4. Matilda, m. James Nicholson; they resided and died in Harrisburg, Pa.; leaving issue, amongst the number a dau. m. Anthony Frenie. They reside in Harrisburg, Pa.
- 5. Rebecca, m. William Sausser; they resided in Cumberland county, Pa., where she died; he survives her, residing in the State of Ohio.
- iv. Catharine, b. July 6, 1795; d. November 18, 1869; m. Joseph Osman, b. March 26, 1792;
 d. February 19, 1879. His parents were

natives of the north of Ireland. They resided and died in Lykens Valley. They had issue, (surname Osman:)

- 1. William, b. August 16, 1817; is a carpenter by trade, residing in Harrisburg, Pa.; m., April 6, 1843, Rebecca Berkey, b. November 26, 1818; have issue, (surname Osman:)
 - a. Charles, b. October 2, 1843; resides in Harrisburg, Pa.; m. Agnes Weaver, and have issue (surname Osman:)
 - i. Alice, b. July 18, 1865; d. September 19, 1888; m. Samuel F. Dunkle, of Steelton.
 - ii. Edwin, b. June 19, 1868.
 - iii. May Bertha, b. March 28, 1871.
 - iv. William, b. June 30, 1874.
 - v. Horace, b. December 29, 1876.
- 2. John, b. June 1, 1819; m. Mary Ann Bretz, daughter of John Bretz, (for record see V for his family record,) his first cousin.
- 3. Maria, m. Peter Stiffler; they both died in Lykens Valley, leaving issue, (surname Stiffler:)
 - a. Catharine, m. Daniel Oberholtzer.
 - b. Amanda, m. William Sheaffer.
 - c. Caroline, m. Mr. Showers.
- 4. Susan, m. John Lenker; reside at Millersburg, Pa., and have issue.
- 5. Josiah, ib. May 31, 1825; d. January 19, 1867; m., August 12, 1850, Elizabeth Rahn, b. August 28, 1829; she survives him, residing in Harrisburg, Pa.; they have issue, (surname Osman:)
 - a. Henry, b. May, 1851, m., and resides in Harrisburg, Pa.
 - b. Catharine, b. August 12, 1853; m. Samuel W.

- Smith, residing in Harrisburg, Pa., and have issue seven children.
- c. Mary Jane, b. March 2, 1855; m. Daniel Deitz, residing in Columbia, Pa., have issue.
- d. Elmer Ellsworth, b. May 3, 1861; m. Clara Kepford, reside in Harrisburg, Pa., and have issue.
- 6. Elizabeth, b. ; m. Jeremiah Miller; reside at Millersburg, Pa.
- 7. Andrew, b.; m. Ellen Nagley; reside at Paxtang P. O., Dauphin county, Pa.
- 8. Lavina, b.; m. Lewis Rutter; reside at Millersburg, Pa.
- 9. Lucinda, b.; m. Andrew Wirt; she survives him, residing at New Cumberland, Pa; have issue.
- 10. Isaac, b. February 20, 1828; resides opposite Millersburg in Perry county, Pa.; m., December 2, 1860, Rebecca Jane Seiler, b. September 8, 1841; daughter of Joseph Seiler (b. August 29, 1807; d. August 10, 1881) and Elizabeth Shaeffer (b. April 7, 1809; d. October 1, 1865); they have issue, (surname Osman:)
 - a. Charles Franklin, b. August 16, 1861; m., March 31, 1887, Emma J. Wardly, b. September 15, 1862.
 - b. Mary, b. March 8, 1865; d. September 11, 1866.
 c. Charles Franklin, b. September 15, 1867.
- v. Jacob, b. April 28, 1797; d. March 22, 1836; resided and died in Lykens, Valley, Pa.; m. Susannah Lentner, b. December, 22, 1803; d. January, 20, 1828; had issue, (surname Bomgardner:)
 - 1. John Lentner, b. December 29, 1827; resides

at Millersburg, Pa.; m., first, February 9, 1850, Hannah Leib, daughter of Jacob Leib and Esther Will: had issue, (surname Bomgardner:)

- a. William E., d. s. p.
- b. Charles W., d. s. p.
- He m., secondly, December, 1857, Eliza J. Leib, a sister of his first wife: had issue, (surname Bomgardner:)
 - c. *Mary*, d. s. p.
 - d. *Emma*, d. s. p.
- 2. Eliza Ann, b. ; d. March 20, 1872; m. William J. Seal, b. Nov. 12, 1825; d. May 15, 1866. They had issue, (surname Seal:)
 - a. Jacob H., b. March 8, 1846; d. April 8, 1848.
 - b. George H., b. March 2, 1855; resides in Lykens, Pa.; m. April 22, 1872, Mary Ellen Hoffman, daughter of Jacob P. Hoffman. Had issue, surname Seal:) Claud-Franklin, Harry-William, Edith-May.
 - c. John B., b. February 26, 1855; resides in Harrisburg, Pa.; m. Jennie Osman.
 - d. Charl's W., b. February 14, 1858; resides in Harrisburg, Pa.; m. Emma Longabaugh.
 - e. Mary J., b. October 4, 1865; m. E. K. Gaugler and reside in Carlisle, Pa.

vi. George.

22. vii. William, b. February 22, 1801; m. Sarah Egle.

IV. Susan Bretz, (Ludwig,) b. January 20, 1770, in Lykens Valley, Dauphin county, Pa.; d. December 19, 1834, in Liverpool, Perry county, Pa.; m. Henry Meck, b. April 17, 1773; d. December 12, 1831; resided in Lykens Valley, Pa., keeping hotel and store at the public road leading from Harrisburg to Sunbury, Pa., at a point then known as "Jockey Hill," receiving the

name by reason of it being the place of a primitive race course, where the jockeys tested the speed of their Jehus. In the year 1808 he removed to Harrisburg, where he commenced to keep store on the site where the present *Telegram* printing office is located. At the end of eight years he removed to Carlisle, Pa., where he engaged in hotel keeping. In 1819 he returned to Lykens Valley, where they resided a few years, and then removed to Liverpool, Perry county, Pa., where they resided the remainder of their days. They had issue, (surname Meck:)

- i. Jacob, b. in the year 1794; m. Sarah Foster.
 ii. Mary, b. July 13, 1800; bap. November 2, 1800, sponsors, Christian and Catharine Magdalena Wirt; d. June 16, 1882; m. John Gillen, an Irishman, b. May 15, 1794; d. August 25, 1863; theyhad no issue; both are buried in the Roman Catholic church grave-yard, at Carlisle, Pa.
- 24. iii. Susan, b. October 13, 1804; m. John Inch.
- 25. iv. Daniel, b. December 26, 1806; m. Susan Rhoads.
- 26. v. Isaac, b. December 18, 1808; m. Susan Reifsnyder.
- 27. vi. Juliann, b. February 25, 1811; m. Joseph Shuler.

V. John Bretz,² (Ludwig,¹) b. December 15, 1771; d. March 26, 1845. He resided for fourteen years prior to his death on the Kelker farm, east of Harrisburg, Pa., near where the town of Progress is now located, in Susquehanna township, Dauphin county, Pa. He m Chtharine Fox, b. December 21, 1773; d. May, 1862,

at Middletown. He is buried in the old grave-yard at Shoop's Church, and she in the Middletown cemetery. The author of this work remembers, when a boy, of visiting her several times. They had issue:

- 28. i. Ludwig, b. December 6, 1792; m. Margaret Wolf.
- 29. *ii.* John, b. August 9, 1794; m. Catharine Huffnagle.
- 30. iii. William, b. March 16, 1796; m. Elizabeth.
 Cassell.
- 31. iv. Thomas, b. January 4, 1798; m. Mary Huffnagle.
- 32. v. Elizabeth, b. October, 1799; m. George Fisler.
- 33. vi. Jacob, b. May 27, 1801; m., first, Ann Elizabeth Milleisen; m., secondly, Mrs. Sarah Sheesley.
- 34. vii. Susan, b. March 1, 1803; m., first, Abraham Ebersole; m., secondly, John Eshenauer.
 - viii. Anna Maria, b. November 15, 1804; d. s. p.
- 35. ix. Isaac, b. November 8, 1805; m. Catharine Myer.
- 36. x. Simon, b. April 27, 1808; m. Mary Garverich.
 - xi. Catharine, b. December 25, 1809; d. s. p.
 - xii. Joseph, b. April 19, 1811; d. December 4, 1856.

 He resided at Middletown, Pa., where he and his wife are buried. He married, March 19, 1840, Keziah Myer, b. November 20, 1818; d. January 21, 1878; dau. of Jacob Myer, of Lancaster county, Pa., (1777–1842,) and Catharine Heistand, (1781–1839.) They had issue:
 - 1. Anna Mary, b. August 9, 1845. She resides at Middletown, Pa., and is single.

- 37. xiii. Benjamin, b. August 23, 1812; m. Fanny Miller.
 - xiv. Mary Ann, b. March 19, 1814; m. October 13, 1839, by Rev. Samuel Sprecher, John Osman, son of Joseph Osman, (b. March 26, 1792; d. Febuary 19, 1879,) and Catharine Bomgardner, (b. July 6, 1795; d. November 18, 1869.) They reside in Middletown, Pa., and have issue, (surname Osman:)
 - 1. John Bretz, b. May 1, 1844; d. April 6, 1863; was a soldier in the rebellion, enlisting August 12, 1862, as a private in Co. H, 127th Regt., Pa. Vols.
 - 2. Isaac Edward, b. May 21, 1848; d. December 16, 1880, at Highspire, Pa.; m. Catharine Carter, and had issue, (surname Osman:)

Mary Ellen, Anna Elizabeth, Alice Agnes.

- 38. xv. Sophia, b. January 13, 1816; m., first, Isaac Knerr; m., secondly, John Springer.
- VI. Ludwig Bretz, (Ludwig,) b. in Lykens Valley, Pa., where he resided all his life-time; by trade a tailor and farmer. He died in the year 1827; m. Anna Moyer, daughter of Henry Moyer. The had issue:
- 39. *i. John*, b. April 1, 1805; m., first, Lydia Seal; m., secondly, Julia A. Beasley.
 - ii. Lydia, d. at Millersburg, Pa.; m. Richard Rogers; no issue.
 - iii. Daniel, b. November 22, 1808, in Dauphin county, Pa.; bap. at St. David's Lutheran church; sponsors, Adam Koenig and wif died single.

- iv. Isaac, b. March 14, 1811; bap. May 11, 1811, at St. David's Lutheran church; sponsors, Henry and Catharine Kizeel; d. April, 1839, at Wooster, Ohio; was unmarried.
- 40. v. Henry, b. July 12, 1814; m. Mary Campbell.
 - vi. Mary Ann, b. October 25, 1815; d. April 6, 1843; m., November 23, 1841, Franklin Meck, b. February 15, 1815, son of John Meck and Catharine Eberly; he survives her, residing near Newport, Pa.; they had issue one child.

VII. John Duey, (Mary [Bretz] Ludwig,) b. February 5, 1783; d. August 20, 1858. In the year 1833 he removed to Centre county, Pa.; m. Charlotte, Ruter, of Lancaster county, Pa. They had issue (surname Duey):

- i. Mary, b. June 9, 1807; m. Thomas Duey, and had issue a son, John Duey, residing at South Bend, Ind.
- ii. Martha, b. October 29, 1810; d. September 12, 1880; near Hummelstown, Pa.; m. John Lingle, b. September 26, 1809; d. October 11, 1880, and with his wife are buried in the Hummelstown, Pa., cemetery; no issue.
- iii. Eliza, b. May 12, 1813; d. s. p.
- 41. iv. Emanuel, b. March 4, 1816; m. Mary Ann Carter.
- 42. v. Lavina, b. October 31, 1819; m. Robert Edminston.

VIII. Simon Duey, (Mary [Bretz] Ludwig, b. December 11, 1784; d. October 12, 1867. He resided in

Derry township, southeast of Hockersville, Dauphin county, Pa. He married, first, December 9, 1806, by Rev. James Snodgrass, Elizabeth Hotz, b. January 16, 1789; d. April 4, 1825, daughter of John George Hotz. They had issue, (surname Duey:)

- i. Isaac, b. December 20, 1807; m. Sarah Miller, and removed to Centre county, Pa., in the vicinity of Old Fort, where they died, leaving issue.
- ii. Mary, b. March 22, 1808; d. 1809.
- iii. Eliza, b. January 9, 1810; m. a Mr. Wirt, and resided in Centre county, Pa.
- iv. George, b. April 14, 1813; d. s. p.
- 43. v. Samuel, b. January 31, 1816; m. Margaret Schitz.
 - vi. John, b. November 15, 1817; d. April 7, 1825.
 - vii. Margaret Ann, b. October 15, 1819; d. April 17, 1825.
 - viii. Jacob, b. February 10, 1824; m. Anna Howard, and had four children. In 1852 they started with a colony, made up mostly of Dauphin county farmers, by canal to Pittsburgh, and then took passage on the steam boat "Belle of the West," and when the boat was passing the vicinity of Marietta, Ohio, it was discovered to be on fire, and many lost their lives, including Mr. Duey and family. (See Benjamin Bretz, No. XXXVII, for a full account of the disaster.)

Simon Duey, m., secondly, March 22, 1826, by Rev. Johannes Stein, Maria Wolf, b. January 16, 1789; d. November 29, 1863, and with her husband are buried

in the Sand Hill Lutheran Church grave-yard, in Derry township, Dauphin county, Pa. They had issue, (surname Duey:)

- ix. Sarah Ann, b. January 8, 1828; d. February 9, 1846.
- x. Maria, b. July 15, 1831; d. February 16, 1855; m. Henry Whitman, and had issue. He removed to Iowa.

IX. Susannah Wirt,³ (Mary² [Bretz] Ludwig,¹) b. November 20, 1786, in Dauphin county, Pa.; d. 1822, in Pottsville, Pa.; m. Elisha Stone, b. March 20, 1784. They had issue (surname Stone:)

- 44. i. Carolina, b. March 15, 1811; m. Isaac Thompson.
 - ii. Anna, b. January 10, 1815; d. October, 1840; m. George Welsh; no issue.
- 45. iii. Rachael, b. August 13, 1816; m. Michael Mortimer.
 - iv. Susan, b. December 29, 1818; m. Jacob Ball: both are dead; they had issue, (surname Ball:)
 - 1. Laura, married and residence unknown.
 - 2. Sallie, d. s. p.
 - v. Anthy, b. March 18, 1822; m. Frederick William Cole, both are dead; they had issue, (surname Cole:)
 - 1. Lizzie.
 - 2. Josephine, m. Charles Johnson and reside at 2d and Christian streets, Philadelphia, Pa.
 - 3. Frederick William.
 - 4. Caroline.
- 46. vi. Elisha, b. November 27, 1823; m. Hester Stichter.

X. Jacob Duey, (Mary [Bretz] Ludwig,) b. August 18, 1789, in Dauphin county, Penna. He was a tailor by trade, which he followed, and resided in Hummelstown, Pa., until the year 1828, when he settled in Union, Montgomery county, Ohio, where he died, February 23, 1834. He married, April 15, 1813, by Rev. Philip Glonninger, Elizabeth Ramsey, b. August 11, 1782; d. October 25, 1842, in Jacksonville, Morgan county, Ill.; daughter of Alexander Ramsey and Vena Feit Cornelius. She was a sister of Thomas Ramsey, who was the father of ex-Gov. Alexander Ramsey, of Minn. They had issue, (surnamed Duey:)

- i. Thomas Ramsey, b. January 24, 1814, in Dauphin county, Pa.; d. June 1, 1831, by drowning in Mad River feeder of the Miami, Ohio, canal.
- ii. Elizabeth, b. June 5, 1816; d. June 17, 1816.
- 47. iii. Jacob, b. December 7, 1817; m. Jane Allison.
 - iv. Mary, b. August 27, 1820; d. May 16, 1822.

XI. CATHARINE DUEY, (Mary [Bretz] Ludwig,) b. November 11, 1791; d. November 27, 1872; m. Jacob Dubbs, b. February 10, 1790; d. February 15, 1858; son of Leonard Dubbs and —— Van Gundy. They resided all their life in Dauphin county, Pa., and died in Harrisburg. They had issue, (surname Dubbs:)

- 48. *i. Rebecca*, b. November 11, 1811; m. Benneville Eppler.
- 49. ii. Mary Ann, b. July 27, 1813; m. John Bowermaster.
- 50. iii. Elizabeth Ann, b. October 30, 1815; m. Christian Leib.

- 51. iv. Amanda, b.; m. Thomas Jones.
 - v. Caroline, b. August 7, 1820; m. John Simmons.

 They had issue one child, dying in infancy.
- 52. vi. Chambers, b. February 3, 1823; m. Susan Alleman.
- 53. vii. Emeline, b. May 9, 1826; m., first, Henry Lutz; m., secondly, John Rauch.
- 54. viii. Catharine, b. October 5, 1828; m. William Wells.
- 55. ix. Susan, b. December 26, 1833; m. John Owens. x. Jacob Houser, d. at the age of five years.
- XII. Mary Duey, (Mary [Bretz] Ludwig,) b. December 4, 1793; d. September 4, 1831, in Carlisle, Pa. She married, November 20, 1820, David Pool, b. September, 1, 1793; d. June 12, 1870, in Perry county, Pa. Son of Henry Pool and Mary Dorthy Bone. Mr. Pool was a brick maker by occupation, but was mostly engaged in farming, residing in the vicinity of Newport, Pa., removing there from Cumberland county, Pa. They had issue, (surname Pool:)
 - i. John, b. September 5, 1823; d. at the age of five years.
 - ii. Mary Dorthy, b. May 28, 1826; m., August 6, 1846, Jonas Stutsman, b. February 17, 1824; d. June 8, 1855, son of Adam Stutsman and Barbara Smith. He was by trade a carpenter, and at his death resided in the vicinity of Newport, Pa. Mrs. Stutsman resides in Harrisburg, Pa. They had issue, (surname Stutsman:)
 - 1. John Pool, b. July 26, 1847; resides in Harrisburg, Pa., and is in the employ of the

- P. R. as a conductor; m. Jane Rudy, and had issue, (surname Stutsman:)
- a. Myrtie, d. s. p.
- b. James McClintock.
- c. Rudy.
- d. Catharine.
- e. John.
- 2. David, b. January 2, 1849; resides in Harrisburg, and is one of the city's policemen; m. Elizabeth Hostetter, and had issue, (surname Stutsman:)
 - a. John Milton, d. s. p.
 - b. Annie Clare.
 - c. Frank Van-Hagq.
 - d. Mary Leah.
 - e. Rosa May, d. s. p.
 - f. Eve Elizabeth.
 - g. Ellen.
 - h. Ruth, d. s. p.
- 3. Sarah Ellen, b. January 6, 1851; d. March 12, 1853.
- 4. Martha Ann, b. February 18, 1853; m. Cyrus Lowe. They had issue, (surname Lowe:) a. Daniel.
- 5. Mary Catharine, b. November 29, 1854; m., December 31, 1872, William Henry Huston, b. February 8, 1852, son of Levi A. Huston and Catharine Shatto. They reside in Harrisburg, Pa., where Mr. Huston is in the employ of the P. R. R. as a baggage-master. They had issue, (surname Huston:)
 - a. Margaret Alcinda, b. August 6, 1876.
- iii. Henry, b. September 5, 1829; d. at the age of two and a half years.
- XIII. Frederick Duey³, (Mary² [Bretz] Ludwig,¹) b.

March 24, 1796; d. in the year 1834. He was by trade a weaver, and during his life always resided in Dauphin county, Pa. He, with his wife, are buried at Shoop's church. He married Barbara Peiffer. They had issue, (surname Duey:)

- i. Caroline, b. November 8, 1823; m. February 24, 1842, Paul Barnhart, son of Michael Barnhart and Elizabeth Mann. She survives her husband and resides in Harrisburg, Pa. They had issue, (surname Barnhart:)
 - 1. Emma, m., first, Jacob Wanamaker and had issue. She m., secondly, Samuel Wyant and had issue.
 - 2. Susan, m. Daniel P. Huber, resides in Harrisburg, Pa.
 - 3. Caroline.
- ii. Elizabeth, b. October 1, 1825; m. Samuel Stober, who was the husband of her sister Mary Ann. They had issue:
- iii. Mary Ann, b. October 26, 1827; m. Samuel Stober. She is dead.
- iv. Simon, b. December 1, 1829. He is a carpenter by trade. Has been very active Republican politician, having been twice elected as an auditor for Dauphin county. November 28, 1870, was elected Register of Wills for three years and re-elected to succeed himself for three years. In 1884 was elected Prison Warden for Dauphin county, which office he held for several years. Is now one of the prison inspectors, and resides in Harrisburg, Pa. He married, December

- 25, 1853, Susan Zarker, b. May 9, 1832, daughter of Benjamin Zarker and Catharine Failor. They had issue, (surname Duey:)
- 1. Mary, b. August 15, 1854; m. John H. Smith.
- 2. Sarah Elizabeth, b. August 6, 1857; m. Andrew R. Unger.
- v. Susan, b. February 19, 1832; m. Jacob Shirk, and have issue. They reside at Progress, Dauphin county, Pa.
- vi. John-Jacob, b. December 5, 1834; enlisted June 8, 1861, in Co. K, 1st Regt. Pa. Reserves; May 31, 1864, transferred to 190th Regt. Pa. Vol. Vet. He is dead.
- vii. Anna-Catharine, b. April 11, 1837; m. Jessie Long, and had issue. They reside at Sunbury, Pa.
- viii. Fanny, b. February 15, 1839; d. s. p.
 - ix. Harriet, b. March 13, 1842; m. Daniel W. Miller, and had issue. They reside at Harrisburg, Pa.
 - x. Leah, b. November 15, 1843; d. s. p.
 - xi. Frederick, b, December 11, 1844; enlisted in Co. C, 20th Regt. Pa. Cav., and died in the army.
- xii. Rebecca, b. May 4, 1848; d. s. p.
- XIV. ELIZABETH DUEY, (Mary² [Bretz] Ludwig,¹) b. April 3, 1805; d. October 9, 1889, at Rockville, Dauphin county, Pa.; m. George Straw, b. October, 1803; d. October 7, 1889; son of Frederick and Elizabeth Straw. They resided in Dauphin county, Pa. They had issue, (surname Straw:)
 - i. Mary, b. May 28, 1826; m. William Turns.

He is dead. She resides at Rockville, Dauphin county, Pa. They had issue, (surname Turns:)

- 1. William.
- 2. Lewis, m. Hannah Russell, and had issue.
- 3. Edward, b. August 15, 1865.
- ii. Louisa, b. January 13, 1828; m. Samuel Straw, and had issue, resided at Rockville, Pa.
- iii. Susan, b. March 24, 1830; m. William Swoyer-She is dead. They had issue.
- iv. Elizabeth, (twin.)
- v. Benjamin, b. August 10, 1832; m. Susan Stickmiller, and resides at Mt. Wolf, York county, Pa., and had issue.
- XV. Anna Maria Wirt, (Catharine [Bretz] Ludwig,) b. June 8, 1788, in Dauphin county, Penna.; d. January 3, 1850, in Crawford county, Ohio; m. John Adam Miller, b. March 9, 1780, in Dauphin county, Pa.; d. January 18, 1852, in Crawford county, Ohio; son of John Adam Miller, (b. July 25, 1743; d. October 12, 1831,) and Susannah Orth, (b. July 10, 1769; d. April 5, 1843.) Mr. Miller removed to Union county (now Snyder) where his father-in-law resided, where he remained a few years, when he emigrated by team with all his worldly possessions to Crawford county, Ohio, settling on the banks of the Sycamore creek, in Ladd, then Sycamore township, some distance from Bucyrus, where he resided the remainder of his days. They had issue, (surname Miller:)
 - i. Elizabeth, b. January 27, 1809; bap. May 2, 1809, sponsors, Christian Wirt and wife; m.

- Solomon Snavely; settled in the State of Missouri, where they died, leaving issue.
- ii. Jonathan, b. August 7, 1810, in Dauphin county, Pa.; came to Crawford county in 1831, with his parents; resides at Broken Sword, Ohio; m. January 28, 1834, Ann Shoop, b. March 4, 1814, in Dauphin county, Pa. They had issue, (surname Miller:)
 - 1. Isaac, b. July 28, 1834; resides at Northwest P. O., Williams county, O.; m. Elizabeth McBride.
 - 2. Henry, b. December 13, 1835; m. Martha Downing, and had issue, one child.
 - 3. Mary, b. March 6, 1837; m., first, John Welsh, and had issue.
 - She m., secondly, James George; no issue. She m., thirdly, Joseph Williams; no issue.
 - 4. Sarah, b. June 19, 1838; m. Tillman George, and had issue, William, Wesley, John, Anna, Rolla, and Zetta.
 - 5. Adam, b. August 23, 1839; resides in Fostoria; m. Emma Angue; no issue.
 - 6. Mary-Ann, b. January 22, 1842; d. November 12, 1887, at Green Ridge, Petis county, Mo.; m. John A. Pfletcher, and had issue, Edward.
 - 7. Lydia, b. September 19, 1844; m. William George, and had issue, Jonathan, Alice, and Della.
 - 8. Leah, b. April 28, 1846; m. Charles Margroff, and had issue, Mattie, Ella, Ida, Edward, and Clarence.
 - 9. Fannie, b. May 19, 1848; d. March 12, 1887;

- m. Williams Stearns, and had issue, Callista, Oliver, Esta, Mettie, and Earl.
- 10. Israel, b. July 26, 1850; m. December 21, 1874, Ida Cusion, of Defiance, Ohio; had issue, (surname Miller:)
 - a. William, b. January 11, 1876.
 - b. Erwin, b. March 29, 1877.
 - c. Ira, b. April 12, 1880.
 - d. Pearl, b. August 21, 1885.
 - e. Edith, b. December 21, 1889.
- 11. Louisa, b. May 4, 1853; m. Andrew Shutt, and had issue, Esta.
- iii. Lydia, m. David Kisser, and resides in Ohio; had issue.
- iv. Isaac, m. Elizabeth Lay; in an early day they emigrated to the State of Iowa, where they reared a large family of children.
- v. Susan, b. June 19, 1817, in Union (Snyder) county, Pa.; d. December 19, 1877; m. March 4, 1834, Michael Shupp, b. July 24, 1809, in Dauphin county, Pa.; son of Michael Shupp and Rebecca Wise. Mr. Shupp's father was a farmer residing in the Lykens Valley, Dauphin county, Pa., and concluded to remove west, where land was cheap, and consequently landed at Bucyrus, Ohio, May 28, 1828, with his family. Michael Shupp, Jr., is yet a resident of the same community, where he and wife enjoy a portion of this world's goods by their patient industry and frugality. They had issue, (surname Shupp:)
 - 1. Isaac.

- 2. Amanda.
- 3. Mary-Ann.
- 4. Lavina.
- 5. Noah.
- 6. Caroline.
- 7. Lucinda.
- 8. Benjamin.
- 9. Henry.
- 10. Susannah.
- 11. Catharine.
- 12. Julianna.

vi. John, m. Catharine Ann Hall, and had issue. vii. Jacob, b. August 17, 1820; came to Crawford county, Ohio, with his parents, where they settled, 1830, in Ladd township; he has always been engaged in farming, residing near Bucyrus, Ohio. He married, first, at the age of twenty-two years, Miss Polly Shupp; they were to only remain in this union a short while, when his wife died. He married, secondly, only to bury his second wife in a short while after their union; married, thirdly, April 13, 1802, Mary Ream, and had issue:

- 1. Thomas.
- 2. Elizabeth.
- 3. Sarah.
- 4. Eve.
- 5. Christopher.
- 6. Maria.
- 7. *Emma*.
- 8. Catharine.
- 9. John.

- viii. Mary, m. Thomas Lay, and had issue.
- ix. Catharine, m. Benjamin Shupp, a brother of Jonathan Miller's wife: they settled in the State of Illinois, and died leaving issue.
- x. Sarah, m. Christopher Sheffer; reside in Ohio, and had issue.

XVI. John Adam Wirt,³ (Catharine,² [Bretz] Ludwig,¹) b. January 17, 1790, in Lykens valley, Dauphin county, Pa.; bap. February 7, 1790, sponsors, Adam and Elizabeth Wirt.

At an early day he settled with his father's family in the territory which is now Snyder county, Pa., where he resided until he removed to Crawford county, Ohio, which was in the spring of 1842, where he resided until his death, April 30, 1846. He was a soldier in the war of 1812. He and his family are buried in the Seery cemetery, Lykens township, Crawford county, Ohio. Mr. Wirt married, in the year 1816, Anna Margaret Swartz, born in Germany; came to America, landing at New York on her twelfth birthday; she died August 31, 1867; they had issue, (surname Wirt:)

- i. Isaiah, b. July 22, 1817; d. May 9, 1887; came to Crawford county, Ohio, leaving their Pennsylvania home May 10, 1840; m., first, November, 1842, Belinda VanGundy, b. May 3, 1825, d. February 11, 1859; they had issue, (surname Wirt:)
 - 1. George-Washington, b. July 23, 1843; enlisted August 18, 1861, in Co. G, 55th Reg. O. Vol. Inf.; was engaged in twenty-three battles; mustered out of service October 30, 1865, at Victoria, Texas. Resides

- at Springfield, Ohio; m. Tillie Fisher, of Clark county, Ohio; they had issue, (surname Wirt:)
- a. Jennie-May, m., May 30, 1889, Walter E. Colton; reside in Springfield, Ohio.
- b. Florence.
- 2. Frederick-Henry, b. January 12, 1845, d. January 28, 1878, at Broken Sword, O; enlisted as a private at Bucyrus, O., September 15, 1863, in Co. A, 12th Reg., O. Vol. Inf.; mustered out of service at Cleveland, O., October 27, 1865; m., October 12, 1866, Mrs. Eliza J. Gerls. She survived him several years and resided at Greenville, Mich., where she died about the year 1882; they had issue, (surname Wirt:)
 - a. Frank-Mason, b. March 7, 1869, in Mt. Cahn county, Mich.; is unmarried, residing near Greely, Anderson county, Kans.
 - b. William-Walters, b. March 7, 1871, at Greenville, Mich.; resides at Los Angelos, Cal.
 - c. Hiram-David, b. March 7, 1873, in Crawford county, O.; d. October 13, 1878, at Sycamore, Ohio.
 - d. Clara-E., b. June 13, 1874, in Sycamore, O., d. January 28, 1876, in Sycamore, Wyandot, county, O.
- 3. Alva-Isaiah, b. February 17, 1847; enlisted May 2, 1864, at Bucyrus, O., in Co. E, 136th Reg. O. Vol. Inft; mustered out of service at Columbus, O., August 30, 1864; re-enlisted in Co. A, 12th Reg. O. Vol. Cav.; captured December 24, 1864, at Salt Works, Va., and placed in Libby Prison three months; mustered out of service

November 14th, 1865. He settled in Williams county, O., in the year 1866, where he died February 17, 1878, at Montpelier, O.; m. Philena B. Mullen, who survived him, having married second time William Griffin, residing in Williams county, O. They had issue, (surname Wirt:)

- a. Webster-E., b. April 29, 1868; resides in Williams county, Ohio.
- b. Wilbur, (twin,) b. April 29, 1868, d. s. p.
- c. Lesley, b. March 24, 1871; resides in Williams county, Ohio.
- d. Emma, b. April 27, 1873; d. May 18, 1888.
- c. Edwin, b. February 21, 1875; resides in Lane, Kans.
- 4. Mason-Oliver, b. March 25, 1849; learned the carpenter trade, which he followed till of age, giving his father his earnings; from that time until September 1, 1870, followed his trade, and by economy in that time saved enough money to attend Heidelberg College, Tiffin, Ohio, and afterwards attended, during the summer months, the North - western Normal School, at Republic, Seneca county, Ohio, and taught school in the winter, read medicine with Dr. J. Bland, of Poplar, Ohio, and attended the Columbus, Ohio, Medical College, where he graduated February 27, 1878; engaged in the practice of medicine at Mexico, Wyandotte county, Ohio, for several years, but his health failing him in the summer of 1881, was spent in the mountains of Colorado for his health and benefit. In the fall of the

same year resumed the practice of medicine at Mexico. In the year 1883, becoming dissatisfied with the practice of medicine, he entered the Keokuk College of Law, from which he graduated June 12, 1884. On returning to Ohio on account of his father's failing health, he felt it his duty to assist his father, and located within a few miles of his father's home, Poplar, Crawford county, Ohio, where he is engaged in the practice of his profession; is unmarried.

- 5. Sarah-Ann, b. March 31, 1851; d. January 10, 1865.
- 6. David-G., b. March 24, 1854; in the year 1880 removed to the State of Iowa, and in 1881 to the State of Oregon; in the spring of 1883 returned to Waterloo, Iowa, where he married, February, 1865, Catharine Leeper; they had issue, two children.
- 7. Thomas-Jefferson, b. April 26, 1856; began the study of the ministry in early life, preaching in 1884, and ordained as a minister of the gospel in September, 1887; he entered Adrian Theological School in September, 1889, but on account of failing health he abandoned the purpose of taking a course at college; he is engaged in the ministry now, at Cardington, Ohio, preaching for the Methodist Protestant church; is unmarried.

Isaiah Wirt married, secondly, November 8, 1859, Lucy Jane DeLong, of Seneca county, Ohio. They had issue, (surname Wirt:)

- 8. Nancy-Elizabeth, b. July 31, 1861.
- 9. William-Shultz, b. March 4, 1863; graduated in 1888 from the Mansfield, Ohio, Business College. He is now a student at Adrian Theological School, Mich., preparing for the ministry.
- 10. Wilbur-Brown, b. May 12, 1864.
- 11. Hannah-Martha, b. January 22, 1866.
- 12. James-Edward, b. September 4, 1867.
- 13. Florence-Belle, b. July 30, 1869.
- ii. Emanuel, b. August 15, 1819, in Penna.; d. July, 1868, at Willshire, Ohio; m. Catharine Shoop, a descendant of an old Dauphin county family; no issue.
- iii. Frederick, b. September 10, 1821; resides in Springfield, Ohio, where he is engaged in the mercantile business. He m., first, April 20, 1846, Sophia Weaver, of Clark county, Ohio; they had no issue. He married, secondly, September 4, 1883, Lucinda J. Colliston, of Clark county, Ohio. They had issue, three boys.
- iv. Martin, b. March 8, 1824; d. 1884, at Winfield, Ind. He m., about the year 1847, Mary Ann Miller, of Cook county, Ill.; they had issue twelve children, all having died but three.
- v. Joseph, b. May 18, 1826; married, first, Mary Sitzler, and had issue George, Minerva, and Charles. He m., secondly, Lydia Wirt, widow of his brother George; they had issue Tillie and Maggie.
- vi. William, b. in the year 1828; was a soldier in

the Mexican war. After he was mustered out of service he started for his home, and having come back as far as Wheeling, Cook county, Ill., he went to Chicago, Ill., to seek work at his trade of carpenter, and the last ever heard of him was his being seen on Clark street, that city, in conversation with a friend. This was in the year 1849.

- vii. George-A., b. April 30, 1832; m., in 1852, Lydia Shoop, and had issue John-Wesley, Lucy, d. s. p., and Maggie, d. s. p. After his death his widow became the second wife of his brother, Joseph Wirt.
- viii. Christian, b. in the year 1834; d. at the age of two years and six months, in Snyder county Pa.
- ix. Leah-Margaret, b. June 4, 1838; m., first, Christian Haish, and had issue Albert, Venie, and Eva. She m., secondly, September 29, 1874, William J. Shusler, and had issue George-Washington, Mary-Adriana, Lennie-Louisa, Mertie-Grace, and Charles-Frederick.

XVII. Susanannah Wirt, (Catharine Eretz] Ludwig, b. June 16, 1791, in Lykens Valley, Dauphin county, Pa.; bap. July 10, 1791; sponsors, Michael Radel and wife Margaretta; m. Casper Miller, b. October 4, 1787, in Dauphin county, Pa.; d. February, 1873, son of John Adam Miller, b. July 25, 1743; d. October 12, 1831,) and Susannah Orth, (b. July 10, 1769; d. April 5, 1843.) They left Pennsylvania in the year 1830, and settled on a farm in Craw-

ford county, Ohio; in the year 1839 he removed with his family to Green county, Ohio, where he remained but a short while, and in 1841 removed to near Medway, Clark county, Ohio, thence to a farm near Croft's church, same county, which he farmed in connection with his son, Wendle; from here he and his son moved to a farm near New Carlisle, Clark county, Ohio, where he resided until his son's death, when he and his wife went to his daughter, Mrs. Garst, in New Carlisle, Ohio, where his wife died. In after years, when his daughter was unable to care for him, by reason of her declining health and his feebleness, he went to live with his daughter Catharine, Mrs. Ross Mitchell, where he ended his days; he and wife are buried in the cemetery at New Carlisle, Ohio. They had issue, (surname Miller:)

- i. Simon, b. January 8, 1813; time of death unknown; he was a tailor by trade; m. Ann Jones, b. December 3, 1816; she survived him; m., afterwards, Peter Witman. They had issue, (surname Miller:)
 - 1. Anna-Maria, b. March 10, 1841; m. January 10, 1861, John McFeely. They have issue, (surname McFeely:)
 - a. Ellen-Sarah, b. December 26, 1862; m., February 23, 1886, Wm. A. Rockafield.
 - b. Harry, b. August 17, 1863; m., January 10, 1886, Lizzie C. Snyder. They had issue, one daughter.
 - c. Ann-M., b. February 12, 1865; m., May 24, 1886, George W. Musser. They had issue, one son.
 - d. Keziah, b. October 7, 1866.
 - e. John, b. March 3, 1868.
 - f. William, b. January 20, 1870.

- ii. Martin, d. in State of Indiana; m. a Miss Hamilton, of that locality, where he resided; they had issue, one child dying in infancy.
- iii. Caroline, m. John Wise, of Crawford county, Ohio. In the year 1855-56 they moved to Northern Iowa, where she died, leaving him issue, eleven children.
- iv. Joseph, d. near new Carlisle, Ohio; unmarried.
- v. Magdalena, b. January 21, 1820, in Dauphin county, Pa.; sponsors at baptism, John and Rachel Miller; d. December 16, 1855; m., January 1, 1842, Samuel Grindle, of Clarke county, Ohio; b. July 9, 1819, a cooper by trade; moved to Grant county, Indiana, where he followed farming and trading in stock. In felling a tree he was caught and one of his limbs injured, which was necessary to be amputated. They had issue, (surname Grindle:)
 - 1. Jacob, b. November 18, 1842; m. Amanda Russel, and had issue, four sons and six daughters.
 - 2. Caroline, b. December 28, 1843; m. Abraham Kline and had issue, four sons and four daughters.
 - 3. John, b. July 17, 1845; m. Dicy Long, and had issue, one son and five daughters.
 - 4. Christina, b. March 9. 1847.
 - 5. Abraham, b. April 27, 1848; d. s. p.
 - 6. Clarissa-R., b. October 7, 1849; m. November 3, 1869, J. M. Wilson, and had issue,

(surname Wilson,) B.-Isma, Effie-S., and Grace-Lois.

- 7. Mary-C., b. December 30, 1851; m. Samuel Campbell, and had issue, three daughters.
- 8. Paul-P., b. December 16, 1853; m. Anna Ferree.
- 9. Casper, b. December 8, 1855; d. s. p.
- 10. [dau.,] (twin,) b. December 8, 1855; d. s. p. vi. Susan, b. September 6, 1821, in Dauphin county, Pa.; bap. January 29, 1822; sponsor, Christina Miller, d. April 14, 1874; m., September 10, 1846, Sam'l K. Wildasin, a widower, b. October 23, 1810; d. October 20, 1886. They resided and died in Donnelsville, Ohio, where, at the time of marrying, he was engaged in distilling of whiskey. They had issue, (surname Wildasin:)
 - 1. Serepta-Rachael, b. January 5, 1848; d. January 5, 1883; m., April 13, 1879, Martin Benjamin Routzahn, b. August, 8, 1850; d. November 11, 1888, a harness maker by trade. They are both dead and left issue, a daughter, who survives them.
 - 2. Susannah-Virginia, b. December 26, 1850; m., November 18, 1871, George Frantz, b. September 10, 1845, by trade a carpenter. They moved to Michigan and engaged in farming, where they now reside. They had issue, (surname Frantz:)
 - a. William-Ross, b. February 28, 1874; d. October 11, 1888.
 - b. Myron-Stanley, b. August 10, 1876.
 - c. I.-Leah, b. September 9, 1888.
 - d. Rolland-Miller, b. March 1, 1889.

- 3. Franklin, b. March 5, 1852; d. August 10, 1853.
- 4. Caroline-Jane, b. March 10, 1854; m., June 3, 1878, John Young, b. March 27, 1857; had issue, (surname Young:)
 - a. Ernest-Miller, b. May 10, 1881.
 - b. Esma-May, b. July 1, 1883.
 - c. Russell-Clarence, b. December 29, 1886.
- 5. Mary-Leah, b. May 11, 1857; resides in Donnellsville, Ohio.
- 6. Joanna, b. August 5, 1859; m. September 7, 1877, Madison Britton, b. April 10, 1854; by occupation a painter. They had issue, (surname Britton:)
 - a. Elsa-Vesena, b. October 8, 1878.
 - b. Pausy-Burnace, b. January 4, 1889.
- 7. Samuel Casper, b. April 29, 1862; d. July 5, 1886.
- vii. Wendle, b. March 6, 1823, in Dauphin co., Pa.; sponsors at baptism Henry and Catherine Siegle, d. March 31, 1856; m. January 15, 1854, Elizabeth Walter. She survives him. They had issue.
 - 1. Laura, m. Rev. Wm. S. Bugby, a Congregational minister. They resided at South Haven, Mich., where he died February 13, 1890. They had issue, two sons and one dau.
- viii. Christian, b. April 20, 1825, in Dauphin co., Pa.; baptized June 12, 1825; sponsor Catherine Wirt. He resided and died January 13, 1859, at Donnellsville, Ohio; he was a tailor by trade; m. Eliza Wise, she survives

him, residing with her only surviving child, a son, in Mich.

ix. Catherine, b. February 20, 1827; d. September 12, 1878; m. October 7, 1852, Ross Mitchell; b. November 14, 1824, in Landisburg, Perry co., Pa.; son of James Blaine Mitchell, of Carlisle, Pa., and Cynthia Dowdy, of Perry co., Pa. Mr. Mitchell removed, with his father's family, to Dayton, Ohio, in May, 1836, locating at the Patterson Mills. In the year 1837, to Shartle Mills, on the Mad River, in Clark Co., Ohio, and in the year 1838 to Medway Mills. In 1840 Ross Mitchell was engaged by his father in the saw-milling business, and at nights he spent in reading and studying the primary branches of an education, using for his light that made of hickory bark and cooper's shavings, and thus fitted himself for a clerkship. In the year 1859 worked for Dan'l Hertzler, seven miles west of Springfield, Ohio, as a sawyer, but soon after became a clerk, and in the year 1853 removed to Springfield, Ohio, where he was employed in a wholesale liquor establishment, but his wife objecting to the business, he quit it and entered a large merchant tailoring establishment. In the year 1854 he moved to Lagonda, then a suburb of Springfield, Ohio, and engaged as assistant bookkeeper in the Lagonda Agricultural Works. In 1856 became principal bookkeeper, in 1860 a special

partner, in 1865 a full partner, where he remained until 1881, when he withdrew from the business on account of failing health. They had issue, (surname Mitchell:)

- 1. Effie-J., b. August 30, 1855; m. Prof. E. L. Shuey, son of Rev. W. J. Shuey, of Dayton, Ohio. Prof. Shuey is a graduate of Otterbein University where he also was engaged in teaching at one time. He now resides in Dayton, Ohio, and has charge of the book department of the U. B. Publishing House, of which his father is General Superintendent. They had issue, one daughter and one son.
- 2. Fannie-F., b. Feb. 2, 1858; m., May, 1878, Rev. G. P. Raup, of Turbotville, Pa. He is a graduate of Wittenburg College and is a minister of the Lutheran denomination. They had issue, five sons and one daughter.
- 3. Anna-Mary, b. Dec. 13, 1859; m., May, 1889, Rev. S. E. Greenawalt, of Osborne, Green county, Ohio. He is a graduate of Wittenburg College and a minister of the Lutheran denomination.
- x. Rachel, b. Oct. 31, 1831; m. John Garst, a widower and wealthy farmer of New Carlisle, Ohio. They are both dead, she dying June 25, 1870. No issue.
- xi. Elizabeth, b. October 12, 1829; d. August 31, 1844.
- xii. Fanny, b. January 4, 1833; d. January 10, 1844.

XVIII. Christian Wirt,³ (Catharine, [Bretz] Ludwig,⁴) b. October 13, 1799; bap., November 12, 1799, sponsors, George and Catharine Wirt; he resided many years in Lykens Valley, Pa., when he moved to Mahantango Valley, Northumberland county, Pa., where he died. He married first Elizabeth Motter, daughter of John Motter and Anna Mary Paul. They had issue, (surname Wirt:)

- i. Catharine, b. November 7, 1827; d. February 25, 1858; m. October 10, 1848, Peter Motter, b. December 4, 1826, son of Daniel Motter and Catharine Buffington. He resides in Elizabethville, Dauphin county, Pa. They had issue, (surname Motter:)
 - 1. William-Henry, b. October 4, 1850; d. August 4, 1856.
 - 2. Mary-E., b. September 3, 1852; m. February 1, 1879, William Hewitt; they reside at Elizabethville, Pa.; had issue.
 - 3. Sarah-A., b. September 20, 1855; d. July 26, 1857.
 - 4. Martha-J., b. May 2, 1859; m. February 8, 1879, Daniel Eberly; they reside at Elizabeth ville, Pa.; had issue.
 - 5. Catharine-S., b. March 6, 1861; d. September 27, 1861.
 - 6. Jacob-A.-P., b. July 25, 1862; m. Julia Row; reside in Tower City, Pa.
 - 7. Jonas-W.-N., b. November 12, 1866.
 - 8. Laura-Etta, b. January 31, 1872; resides at Lancaster, Pa.
- ii. Jeremiah, b. circ. 1830; resided in the vicinity of Harrisburg, Pa., and was drowned about

eighteen years ago in the Paxtang creek, in said city. He married Hannah Forney, daughter of Henry Forney and Sarah Cassell. She survives him, residing in Linglestown, Pa.; they had issue, (surname Wirt:)

- 1. Sarah, m. David Smeltzer; reside near Harrisburg, Pa.; had issue.
- 2. Elizabeth, m. Daniel Longnecker.
- 3. Charles-L., resides at Progress, Dauphin county, Pa., following the trade of harness maker; unmarried.
- 4. Catharine, m. Frederick Enders; had issue.
- 5. Susan, m. William Minnich; had issue.
- 6 John-F., resides at Linglestown, Pa., and engaged in school teaching; unmarried.
- iii. Jonas, b. May 16, 1832; d. May 18, 1874; m. March 31, 1856, Susan————, b. June 14, 1834; she survives him, residing at Sunbury, Pa. They had issue, (surname Wirt:)
 - 1. Mary-J., b. August 27, 1857; d. May 28, 1887; m. April 17, 1886, James M. Snyder; he survives her, residing at Lebanon, Pa.
 - 2. Charles-W., b. December 2, 1858.
 - 3. Edwin-H., b. May 14, 1860; m. May 22, 1888, Annie E. Snyder.
 - 4. Margaret-A., b. August 12, 1862; d. August 25, 1873.
 - 5. Albert-T., b. August 11, 1865.
 - 6. Annie-A., b. December 26, 1868; m. November 22, 1887, Harry H. Smith; reside in Harrisburg, Pa.
 - 7. William-G., b. February 12, 1871.
 - 8. Newton-B., b. April 2, 1873.

- Mr. Wirt married secondly, Polly Bitterman; they had issue, (surname Wirt.)
- iv. Daniel, married and resides in Mt. Carmel, Pa.
- v. Elizabeth, m. George Longabaugh; moved to Kansas, where they reside; had issue.

vi. Augustus.

vii. Mary.

XIX. SARAH Wirt, (Catharine, [Bretz] Ludwig,) b. September 26, 1801; d. May 30, 1855; m. John Shive, b. November 8, 1800; d. May 18, 1855, and with his wife are buried in Long's Church grave-yard, near Halifax, Pa. They had issue, (surname Shive:)

- i. Caroline, m. Joseph Miller, and had issue, a number of children. Mrs. Shive is buried at Long's Church.
- ii. Emanuel, d. s. p.
- iii. Eliza Jane, m. Andrew Bressler; no issue.
- iv. John-Albert, b. August 24, 1831, resides in Millersburg, Pa.; m. Elizabeth McKissick, and had issue a number of children.
- v. Edward-Lewis, b. January 11, 1835; resides in Lykens, Dauphin county, Pa., and employed as a locomotive engineer. He m., October 11, 1858, Mary Jane Weaver, b. August 7, 1842, daughter of Martin Weaver. They had issue:
 - 1. Sarah-Ann, b. May 7, 1860.
 - 2. John-Albert, b. December 22, 1861; d. December 29, 1861.
 - 3. Kate-Elizabeth, b. March 17, 1863.
 - 4. Susan-Rebecca, b. June 20, 1865; m., April

- 6, 1884, Joseph Peter Heckart; reside in Lykens, Pa.; had issue, (surname Heckart:)
- a. Zora, b. September 25, 1886.
- 5. Ellen-Priscilla, b. November 13, 1886.
- - i. Amanda, b. in Lykens Valley, Pa.; d. in the State of Missouri; m. George Henninger. Twenty-five years ago they removed to Missouri, where they left issue, a large family.
 - ii. Lavina, b. in Lykens Valley, Pa.; d. in the same valley, where she always resided; m. Jacob Reist; had issue, two children.
 - iii. Susan, m. Charles Stine; she is dead, leaving him issue. He survives her and married his wife's sister Catharine.
- 56. iv. Leah, b. February 20, 1831; m., first, Philip Lenker; m. secondly, James Humes,
 - v. George, b. August 31, 1808; d. September 19, 1883, and buried at St. John's church grave-yard, near Berrysburg, Pa.; m. Jane Koppenhaver. They had issue, (surname Row:)
 - 1. John, d. s. p.
 - 2. Daniel.
 - 3. *Mary*.
 - 4. Elizabeth.

vi. Catharine, m. Charles Stine, the husband of her deceased sister Susan. They are engaged in farming, residing near Centre, Perry county, Pa. Had issue.

. vii. Mary, d. s. p..

viii. Sophia, m. Jonathan Smith, reside at Williamstown, Pa.; had issue.

XXI. Anna Eve Wirt, (Catharine [Bretz] Ludwig, b. October 10, 1808, in Dauphin county, Pa.; d. September 10, 1831, and was buried near Bucyrus, O.; after the death of her husband her body was interred by the side of her husband and other wives, in Seneca county, Ohio. While yet a young girl she lost her parents by death, when she was bound out to John and Nancy (Schaffner) Fleisher, (who afterwards became her sisterin-law by her marriage,) where she remained until eighteen years of age. She then made her home with her sisters Sarah Shive and Susan Miller. March 6, 1827, she married Martin Schaffner, b. January 22, 1787; d. September 13, 1870; son of Martin Schaffner (1759–1826) and Fanny Halderman, (1762–1855.) She being his second wife, and after her death he succeeded in marrying twice again, having in all four wives and twentyone children. In the year 1830 Mr. Schaffner removed from Dauphin county, Pa., to Crawford county, Ohio; in a few years after he purchased a farm in Seneca county, O., which he afterwards sold and returned to his adopted county in Ohio. They had issue, (surname Schaffner:)

i. Levi-Brice, b. December 9, 1827; d. November 4, 1828.

- 57. ii. John-Frederick, b. May 23, 1829; m. Barbara Mader.
- 58. iii. Anna-Eve, b. September 17, 1830; m. John Cromer.

XXII. WILLIAM BOMGARDNER,³ (Elizabeth,² [Bretz] Ludwig,¹) b. February 22, 1801; d. May 19, 1867. By trade a hatter, having served an apprenticeship with a Mr. Ziegler, of Harrisburg, Pa. In after years he was engaged in the hotel business, being the proprietor of the well-known "Bomgardner House," which stood at the corner of Cowden and Canal streets, Harrisburg, Pa. He married Sarah Egle, b. December 25, 1802; d. March 30, 1870, daughter of Valentine Egle (b. October 27, 1756; d. November 23, 1820) and Elizabeth Thomas, (b. May 2, 1772; d. August 5, 1867.) They had issue, (surname Bomgardner:)

- i. Elizabeth, b. December 12, 1825; m. William G. Thompson, and had issue:
 - 1. Ralph.
 - 2. Elizabeth, m. Arthur Trexler, and had issue.
- ii. Alfred, b. September 3, 1827; m., first, Elizabeth Frankem. He is by trade a machinest in the employ of the P. R. R., residing in Harrisburg, Pa. They had issue, (surname Bomgardner:)
 - 1. William-H., married, and residing in the west.
 - 2. Charles-Edward, resides in Philadelphia, Pa. He m., secondly, April 13, 1886, Lucinda Winters, b. July 15, 1832, in East Hanover township, Dauphin county, Pa.; no issue.
- iii. Cornelius, b. October 5, 1829; d. January, 1889;

- m. Catharine Haller, and had issue, among others:
- 1. John.
- 2. Valina.
- 3. Joseph.
- 4. Mary, m. Samuel J. Shepley.
- iv. John-Edward, b. June 9, 1834; d. March 14, 1858, in Harrisburg, Pa. Read medicine with the late Dr. Rutherford, of Harrisburg, Pa.; graduated from the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia.
- v. James-Madison, b. April 19, 1837; d. March 3, 1869; m. Hattie Winters, b. September 21, 1841. He was a druggist, doing business in Harrisburg up to the time of his death. They had issue, (surname Bomgardner:)
 - 1. Alice-May, m. Robert Hudson; they reside in Brooklyn, N. Y., and had issue, a daughter.
 - 2. Florence, m. George Ellis; they reside in Brooklyn, N. Y.
- vi. Thomas-Jefferson, (twin,) b. April 19, 1837; d. October 24, 1864; m. Jane Miller; they had issue, (surnamed Bomgardner:)
 - 1. Wilhelmina, b. April 21, 1862, in Harrisburg, Pa., resides with her aunt Sarah Nichols, at Omaha, Neb.
- vii. Sarah-Ellen, b. May 14, 1841; m. January 7, 1868, Peter J. Nichols, b. February 9, 1830, in Bainbridge, Chenango county, N. Y. In 1851 he entered the engineer corps as axman in the construction of the Williamsport and Elmira R. R.; in 1853 in the

service of the railroad as a brakeman, then conductor, and afterwards promoted to passenger conductor on the Catawissa R. R.; and in 1857–1866 same position with Sunbury and Erie R. R., and Central R. R. of New Jersey and Long Island R. R. In 1870 conductor on the Ohio and Mississippi R. R. and Missouri Pacific; 1871 yard-master Union Pacific, at Omaha; 1872-3 superintendent of a division on same road at Cheyenne, Wyoming; after this superintendent Colorado Central R. R., from 1875-82; superintendent eastern division Union Pacific R. R.; from 1882–84 general superintendent Nebraska division same road, and for one year following superintendent construction branch lines for same company; and afterwards superintendent construction Missouri Pacific R. R., until 1888; since then he has been engaged in general insurance business with the firm of Nichols Brothers and Hall, at Omaha, Neb., where they reside. They had issue, (surname Nichols:)

1. Grace-Elizabeth, b. May 31, 1878.

viii. Alice-J., b. February 22, 1843; d. July 19, 1859.

XXIII. Jacob Meck,³ (Susan² [Bretz] Ludwig,¹) b. in the year 1794; d. in the year 1849 in Carlisle, Pa. He was the keeper of the well-known hostelery "Rising Sun" near Carlisle, Pa., and afterwards moved to the town of Carlisle and engaged in butchering. He mar-

- ried, January 7, 1819, Sarah Foster, b.in the year 1793; d. March 24, 1845, daughter of George Foster; they had issue (surname Meck:)
- 59. *i. Ephriam*, b. October 19, 1819; m. Mary R. Steer.
 - ii. Leander-William, b. August 10, 1821; d. November 9, 1821.
- 60. iii. Humphry-Jacob, b. September 10, 1822; m. Elizabeth S. Elliott.
 - iv. Alexander, b. May 28, 1825. He is a coach-maker by trade, which he follows, residing at Carlisle, Pa.; m., May 13, 1852, Sarah Parkinson, b. August 25, 1826; d. November 10, 1875, daughter of John Parkinson and Sarah Mitchell. They had issue, (surname Meck:)
 - 1. Emma-Maria, b. February 14, 1853; d. March 22, 1861.
 - 2. John-Frank, b. July 30, 1854; he is married resides in Altoona, Pa.
 - 3. George-Parkinson, b. February 25, 1857; d. August 5, 1859.
 - 4. Lewis-Carr, b. November 4, 1858; he is married and resides in Altoona, Pa.
 - 5. Ella-Rhoads, b. November 2, 1864; d. s. p.
 - 6. Alice-Howell, (twin,) b. November 2, 1864.
 - 7. Harry-Meck, b. March 29, 1871.
 - v. Mary-Isabella, b. September 4, 1827; d. June 8, 1830.
 - vi. Sarah, b. August 13, 1829; d. s. p.
 - vii. Charles-Bannister, b. March 8, 1832; d. May 4, 1888. By trade a sadler, and resided in Carlisle, Pa.; m. Sophia Comp, b. March 8,

- 1844, daughter of Andrew Comp, (1812–1854,) and Abigail Sunday, (1814–1866.) They had issue, (surname Meck:)
- 1. William-H., b. October 5, 1875; d. October 12, 1878.
- 2. Helen-Augusta, b. October, 12, 1880.
- viii. Margaret-Matilda, b. October 31, 1834; d. September 13, 1838.
- 61. xi. John-Daniel, b. October 12, 1838; m. Margaret R. Schlosser.
- XXIV. Susan Meck,³ (Susan² [Bretz] Ludwig,¹) b. October 13, 1804, in Lykens Valley, Pa.; m. September 21, 1825, in Lykens Valley, John Inch, b. August 16, 1800; d. September, 1848, son of John Inch (born in Ireland) and Nancy Reily, (born in Northampton county, Pa.) Shortly after marriage they moved to Liverpool, Perry county, Pa,, where they resided till the year 1867, when she moved with her son to Sedalia, Mo., where she now resides; they had issue, (surname Inch:)
 - i. Mary-Jane, b. June 24, 1826; d. September 24, 1829.
 - ii. Henry, b. August 16, 1828; d. February 16, 1835.
- 62. iii. William, b. January 28, 1830; m. Mary Shuman.
- XXV. Daniel Meck, (Susan² [Bretz] Ludwig, b. December 26, 1806, in Carlisle, Pa.; d. November 13, 1843. He came to Perry county, Pa., with his parents. After marrying he engaged in the hotel business at Mt. Patrick, Pa.; afterwards became proprietor of the Clark's

- 64. ii. John-Gillen, b. March 20, 1837; m. Ellen Green.
 - iii. Henry-A., b. December 30, 1838. He moved west, and we have failed to secure his record, except that he married Miss Kate Ziegler. They had issue, (surname Meck:)
 - 1. Carrie-Elmira, b. November 22, 1862.
 - 2. Susan-May, b. January 9, 1864.
 - iv. Clara-E., b. January 20, 1841; m. February 16, 1858, Henry Free Shure, b. February 21, 1836; resides in Sunbury, Pa.; had issue.
 - v. Mary, b. May 23, 1843; d. March 20, 1846.

XXVI. ISAAC MECK,³ (Susan² [Bretz] Ludwig,¹) b. December 18, 1808, in Dauphin county, Pa.; d. October 30, 1881, in Liverpool, Perry county, Pa. He was engaged in farming, and also kept hotel in Liverpool, Pa.; m. February 19, 1833, Susan Reifsnyder, b. December 13, 1807, in Limerick township, Montgomery county, Pa.; d. October 29, 1879; daughter of John Reifsnyder and Elizabeth Missimer. They had issue, (surname Meck:)

- 65. i. Louisa, b. November 21, 1834; m. Franklin P. Seltzer.
 - ii. Henry-R, b. February 23, 1837; d. March 6, 1837.
 - iii. Charlotte, b. March 19, 1838; d. January 28, 1839.
 - iv. John-T., b. November 28, 1839; d. February 17, 1842.
 - v. Maria-Alice, b. February 25, 1842; m., October 24, 1871, Franklin P. Dilley. They reside in Philadelphia, Pa., and had issue, (surname Dilley:)
 - 1. Ralph-S., b. December 13, 1872.
 - 2. Edgar-M., b. February 25, 1874.
 - vi. Harriet, b. September 29, 1844; d. May 3, 1849.
 - vii. Thomas-G., b. June 22, 1847; d. January 15, 1849.

XXVII. Juliann Meck,³ (Susan² [Bretz] Ludwig¹) b. February 25, 1811; d. April 18, 1836, and with her husband are buried in Liverpool, Pa., cemetery; m. Joseph Shuler, b. June 22, 1811; d. March 6, 1876; son of John Shuler and Leah Richardson. They resided at Liverpool, Perry county, Pa., where for a time he followed his trade, that of gunsmith, and then engaged in mercantiling. He was very prominent in his community and county. In the year 1838 was elected High Sheriff of Perry county, and in 1872 to the Assembly of Pennsylvania. They had issue, one child which died young. He afterwards married again and had a number of children.

XXVIII. Ludwig Bretz,³ (John,² Ludwig,¹) b. December 6, 1792; d. October 1, 1859, in Middletown, Pa. He followed farming most of his life-time; was a soldier in the war commonly called the "War of 1812," a private in Capt. Richard Knight's company, first regiment, first brigade, Pennsylvania militia, Col. Maxwell Kennedy; m. March 6, 1817, by Rev. J. D. Peterson, Margaret Wolfe, b. July 30, 1797, in Dauphin county, Pa.; d. January 25, 1887, in Middletown, Pa.; they had issue:

- i. John, b. December 20, 1820; d. January 9, 1821.
- ii. Catharine, b. February 17, 1822; d. September 26, 1822.
- iii. Mary-A., b. December 24, 1826; m., February 18, 1864, Amos Fortney. She survives him, residing at Middletown, Pa. They had issue, (surname Fortney:)
 - 1. Margaret-A., b. September 22, 1865.
- iv. Elizabeth, b. February 18, 1830; d. March 9, 1840.
- v. Henry, b. March 25, 1834; d. April 9, 1834.

XXIX. John Bretz,³ (John,² Ludwig,¹) b. August 9, 1794, in Dauphin county, Pa.; d. March 8, 1861. By trade a miller, living at Fort Hunter mill, Dauphin county, Pa.; from there he removed to the mill at Mt. Patrick, Perry county, Pa.; after he quit his trade, he resided in Howe township, Perry county, Pa., where he died; m. Catharine Huffnagle, b. April 12, 1795; d. May 5, 1880, daughter of Jacob Huffnagle and Catharine Minnich. They had issue:

- 66. i. Jacob, b. April 19, 1820; m. Amanda Henrie.
- 67. ii. George, b. July 4, 1827; m. Elizabeth Strite.
- 68. *iii. Catharine-Elizabeth*, b. May 18,1831; m. Joseph W. Frank.

XXX. WILLIAM BRETZ,³ (John,² Ludwig,¹) b. March 16, 1796, in Dauphin county, Pa.; d. January 11, 1838, in Holmes county, O.; was a miller by trade and before moving to Ohio, which was in the year 1836, he was running the Andrew Miller mill in Dauphin county, Pa. In his later years was a minister in the Church of God; m., April 13, 1819, Elizabeth Cassell, b. July 28, 1802, in Dauphin county, Pa.; d. January 24, 1870, in Scott county, Iowa.

- i. John-Frederick, b. April 29, 1820; d. October 2, 1845.
- ii. Isaac-C., b. August 3, 1822; d. s. p.
- iii. Catharine-Ann, b. September 22, 1824, in Dauphin county, Pa.; d. April 12, 1880; m., August 3, 1849, Henry Cassell, b. March 30, 1822; d. May 22, 1863. They had issue, (surname Cassell:)
 - 1. Elizabeth-Caroline, b. May 19, 1850; d. February 7, 1877; m., December 27, 1866, Leondius Peyton, b. March 24, 1848. They had issue, (surname Peyton:)
 - a. Amelia, b. November 13, 1867; m., July 11, 1888, George Coon.
 - b. Mary E., b. October 22, 1869.
 - c. Ralph-A., b. October 6, 1871.
 - d. Samuel-C., b. January 20, 1872; d. July 5, 1879.
 - 2. Mary-Catharine, died aged about eight years.

- 3. John-William, b. March 15, 1856; resides at Hubhard, Iowa; m., May 15, 1881, Emma Smucke, b. February 28, 1864; they had issue, (surname Cassell:)
 - a. Katie-Ann, b. March 26, 1882.
- 4. Sarah-Georgia, b. January 16, 1860; d. November 11, 1886; m., November, 1880, W. W. Scott, whose first wife was his second wife's mother's sister. They had issue, (surname Scott:)
 - a. Clefford-W., b. March 5, 1881.
 - b. Mary-A., b. May 18, 1883; d. February 16, 1886.
- 4. Joseph-Henry-V., b. May 15, 1863; d. April 16, 1884.
- iv. Cornelius-W., b. July 3, 1827; d. s. p.
- 69. v. Priscilla, b. July 10, 1829; d. September 19, 1878; m., W. W. Scott.
 - vi. Elizabeth, b. May 18, 1831, in Dauphin county, Pa.; m., March 17, 1853, George W. Vorhees; they reside in Coshocton, Coshocton county, Ohio. They had issue, (surname Vorhees:)
 - 1. Abram-C., b. April 9, 1856; m., November 11, 1886, Jennie P. Williams; they had issue, two children.
 - 2. Mary-E., b. August 18, 1858.
 - 3. Laura-E., b. October 19, 1860; m., September 24, 1885, Rev. Dougless Haight, D. D.
 - 4. Georgia-F., b. March 6, 1863.
 - 5. Virginia-H., b. November 25, 1867.
 - 6. Marguerite-B., b. September 6, 1869.

- vii. Abraham, b. June 27, 1833, in Dauphin county, Pa.'; resides at Tingley, Ringgold county, Iowa; m., June 5, 1860, Mary Ann Peyton, b. March 20, 1840; d. April 15, 1881; they had issue:
 - Cora-H., b. April 16, 1861; m. August 22,
 1878, Anderson E. Mills; had issue, three children; they reside at Toll House,
 Fresno city, Fresno county, California.
 - 2. Jesse-Delphine, b. July 1, 1863; d. December 23, 1882.
 - 3. Elizabeth-Caroline, b. November 3, 1865; d. January 12, 1886.
 - 4. Joseph-Vorhees, b. December 21, 1867; d. July 20, 1885.
 - 5. George-A., b. October 27, 1869; d. s. p.
 - 6. Samuel-T., (twin,) b. October 27, 1869; d. s. p.
 - 7. Eva-Alice, b. December 9, 1872.
 - 8. Frederick-Valentine, b. June 30, 1875.
 - 9. Mary-Esher, b. December 2, 1877.
 - 10. Addie-Lois, b. June 15, 1880.
- viii. Joseph-S., b. February 9, 1836; he resides at Toll House, near Fresno City P. O., Fresno county, California. He m., first, Martha E. McAlpine; they had issue:
 - 1. Ellen-Elizabeth, b. January, 1859; m. Alexander Farries; reside in Millville, Clayton county, Iowa.
 - 2. Priscilla-Aldora, m. James Griffith; reside in Millville, Clayton county, Iowa.
 - 3. Alcesta-May, m. Scott Marshall; reside in Millville, Clayton county, Iowa.
 - 4. William-Robert, resides in Nebraska.

- 5. Savilla.
- 6. Myrtie.
- Mr. Bretz m., secondly, April 29, 1886, Ellen Lepley, and had issue:
- 7. Joseph-Edgar.
- 8. Frank.
- ix. Esther-Sarah, b. April 4, 1838; m., September, 1857, Adam M. Noland, b. April 4, 1829; reside at Union, Hardin county, Iowa; they had issue, (surname Noland:)
 - 1. Viola-Lillian, b. May 26, 1858; m. September 16, 1877, Thomas J. Lepley; had issue, (surname Lepley:)
 - a. Arthur-Valmer, b. May 20, 1878.
 - b. Hattie-Ethel, b. November 8, 1880.
 - c. Charles-William, b. August 6, 1883; d. Febru-12, 1888.
 - d. Margaret-Esther, b. December 4, 1885.
 - e. Carrie-Alta, b. November 2, 1887.
 - f. Earl, b. July 28, 1889.
 - 2. William-Bretz, b. February 16, 1860.
 - 3. Elizabeth-Ellen, b. December 25, 1862; d. February 22, 1875.
 - 4. Harry-Ellis, b. August 29, 1865.
 - 5. Mary-Ann, b. May 6, 1868.
 - 6. Adam-Messmore, b. May 19, 1871.
 - 7. Margaret-Esther, b. October 16, 1874.
 - 8. Sarah-Josephine, b. February 4, 1879.

XXXI. Thomas Bretz,³ (John,² Ludwig,¹) b. January 4, 1798, in Derry township, Dauphin county, Pa.; d. June 2, 1866, in Newport, Perry county, Pa. By trade a miller, learning the same at a mill near Harrisburg, Pa.; from there he moved to Silver Spring mill, Cumberland county, Pa.; he then went to Pfoutz's

Valley, Perry county, Pa., where he engaged in farming. From here he located in Newport, Pa., with a view of giving his younger children the advantage of the schools of the town, and how well he calculated can better be told by reading the sketch of the lives of his two younger boys. He not only chose the same trade as his brother John, but also secured a wife from the same family, marrying, July, 29, 1824, in Harrisburg, Pa., by Rev. George Lochman, Mary Huffnagle, b. July 3, 1806, daughter of Jacob Huffnagle and Catharine Minnich. She survives her husband, residing at Newport, Pa. They had issue:

- 70. *i. Catharine-A.*, b. July 27, 1825; m. Simon H. Fry.
 - ii. Louisa-S., b. September 23, 1835, at Mt. Patrick, Perry county, Pa.; d. October 15, 1861; m. Samuel Bresler, b. April 26, 1829; d. November 17, 1865. They resided in Newport, Pa., where he was engaged at the cabinet-making trade; they had issue, (surname Bressler:)
 - 1. Effie-Louisa, b. February 2, 1859; d. March 13, 1863.
 - 2. (nameless,) b. September 15, 1861; d. November 9, 1861.
- 71. iii. John-Henry, b. April 20, 1832; m. Martha E. Carl.
- 72. iv. Mahlin-Thomas, b. July 14, 1843; m. Emma Prettyman Kirby.
- 73. v. Calton-L., b. March 28, 1847; m. Georgie C. Benedict.

XXXII. ELIZABETH BRETZ,³ (John,² Ludwig,¹) b. October 1, 1799, in Londonderry township, Dauphin county, Pa.; d. December 19, 1882, in Highspire, Pa., and buried in Highspire cemetery; was confirmed and admitted into the communion of the Lutheran church, 1817, by George Lochman; m., February 17, 1820, by Rev. George Lochman, George Fisler, b. August 19, 1798, in Conestoga township, Lancaster county, Pa.; d. May 9, 1869, son of John Ulrich Fisler, (b. 1757; d. June 23, 1814.) They had issue, (surname Fisler:)

- i. John, b. November 1, 1821; d. April 6, 1844.
- 74. ii. Washington, b. March 25, 1824; m. Lydia Peck.
- 75. iii. Mary-Ann, b. July 2, 1826; m. John Lehman.
 iv. Catharine, b. December 19, 1827; m., June 19,
 1849, Adam Earnest, b. May 28, 1810; d.
 September 20, 1873; son of David Earnest,
 (b. October 15, 1777; d. January 12, 1831;
 and Magdalena Early, (b. February 5, 1777;
 d. October 29, 1817.) They resided in Hummelstown, Pa.; she survives him, residing
 in Middletown, Pa. They had issue, (surname Earnest:)
 - 1. Catharine-Elizabeth, b. July 31, 1850; d. August 3, 1850.
 - v. Sarah, b. October 5, 1829; d. August 8, 1833.
 - vi. Elizabeth, b. October 7, 1831; d. September 16, 1833.
- 76. vii. David, b. December 30, 1832; m. Rebecca Grove.
- 77. viii. Sophia, b. April 22, 1834; m. Andrew Millard.

- ix. Ulrich, b. October 17, 1835; d. November 21, 1835.
- 78. x. Susan, b. February 24, 1837; m., first, John Reitzell; m., secondly, Adam Cover.
 - xi. Mariah, b. October 25, 1838; d. August 6, 1839.

XXXIII. Jacob Bretz,³ (John,² Ludwig,¹) b. May 27, 1801, in Dauphin county, Pa.; d. March 19, 1885, and with his wife are buried at Buck's U. B. Church, Perry county, Pa. He was a farmer, residing many years in Howe township, Perry county, Pa., where he located in the year 1838; m., first, May 11, 1825, Ann-Elizabeth Milleisen, b. June 29, 1804, in Dauphin county, Pa.; d. August 8, 1859; daughter of John Milleisen, (1771–1831,) and Elizabeth Cassell. They had issue:

- 79. i. Ann-Catharine, b. March 8, 1827; m. John Potter.
- 80. ii. Margaret, b. April 8, 1829; m., first, Joseph Morris; m., secondly, Henry Deckard.
 - iii. John-Benjamin, b. December 29, 1831; d. March 26, 1832.
 - *iv. Jacob*, b. September 18, 1833; d. September 17, 1838.
 - v. Sarah, b. November 4,1835; m. Jacob Matson; reside in Philadelphia and had issue a number of children.
 - vi. William-H.-H., b. August 14, 1840; d. April 16, 1847.
 - vii. Esaias. b. March 13, 1844; d. April 3, 1844.
 - viii. Isaac-Malen, b. May 30, 1845; d. March 9, 1849.

Jacob Bretz m., secondly, January 27, 1861, Mrs. Sarah Shutt, daughter of George Sheesley; no issue.

XXXIV. Susan Bretz,³ (John,² Ludwig,¹) b. March 1, 1803, in Dauphin county, Pa.; d. July 5, 1880, at Churchville, (Oberlin P. O.,) Dauphin county, Pa., where she made her home the latter years of her life, residing in the house of her son; m., first, Abraham Ebersole, who was in the year 1800, died in the year 1831, and buried in the grave-yard on what is known as the Judge Whitman farm, situate between Middlesex Station and village of the same name, in Cumberland county, Pa. Mrs. Ebersole is the person who had Benjamin and Thomas Bretz returned to her, from Iowa, after the closs of their parents, as spoken off under XXXVII, and cared for her little nephews until they had grown to be young men. They had issue, (surname Ebersole:)

- 81. i. John-Bretz, b. April 9, 1825; m. Margaret.
 Tyler.
- 82. *ii. Jacob*, b. June 23, 1826; m. Mary Bingaman.
- 83. iii. Nancy, b. June 19, 1828; m. Daniel Parthemore.
- 84. iv. Abraham, b. September 23, 1831; m. Ann Lehman.

She m., secondly, John Eshenauer; son of Christian Eshenauer, (b. May 24, 1768; d. September 22, 1840,) and Christina Mumma, (b. October 23, 1770; d. June 15, 1829,) and had issue, (surname Eshenauer:)

- 85. v. Joseph, b. July 25, 1838; m. Priscilla Shope.
 - vi. Susan-Elnora, b. February 7, 1840; d. s. p.
 - vii. Susanna, b. September 11, 1841; d. s. p.

- XXXV. Isaac Bretz,³ (John,² Ludwig,¹) b. November 8, 1805, in Derry township, Dauphin county, Pa.; d. August 9, 1876. By trade a miller, and for a while operated a mill at Orwigsburg, Schuylkill county, Pa., from here he removed to Juniata county, and then to the mill at Montgomery's Ferry, Perry county, Pa. When he quit the milling trade he engaged in farming in Miller township, Perry county, Pa., where he resided upwards of thirty years; m., October 15, 1836, Catha-Myers, b. February 7, 1812; d. August 3, 1881; daughter of Jacob Myers, 1777–1842,) and Catharine Heistand, (1781–1839.) They had issue:
- 86. i. William-Henry, b. January 27, 1838; m., Annie Ramer.
- 287. ii. Isaac-Stewart, b. May 10, 1839; m., Sophia S. Wright.
 - iii. Phianna, b. August 9, 1841; m., William Hostetter. Reside near Newport, Pa., had issue, Olive-C., b. April 2, 1865, William-R., b. January 1, 1867, Juniata-L., b. March 27, 1869, John-B., b. March 11, 1872, Mary-E., b. November 23, 1873, Augustus-E., b. January 15, 1875; d. October, 1878, Allen-Leroy, b. January 17, 1877, Agnes-F., b. April 18, 1874, d. s. p., Grace, Newton.
 - iv. Agnes-B., b. May 19, 1843; is single, residing in Harrisburg, Pa.
 - v. Mary-S., b. April 4, 1845; m., first, June 15, 1865, George W. Toland b. December 18, 1837; d. August 8, 1869; had issue, (surname Toland:
 - 1. Isaac-T., b. April 12, 1866; resides at Bur-

- lingame, Pa.; m. April 12, 1887, Jennie G. Johnson; d. April 4, 1878, at Minneapolis, Minn.
- 2. Jessie-B., b. February 21, 1868; d. February 20, 1871.

Married, secondly, November 9, 1872, John Baskins, b. November 26, 1824, son of John Baskins; reside at Burlingame, Pa., and have issue, *Cordelia-B.*, b. June 14, 1874, *Foy-S.*, b. December 27, 1876, *Emma-E.*, b. March 2, 1881, *Henry-M.*, b. August 25, 1883.

- vi. Elnora-B., b. August 15, 1847; m., February 1, 1876, Andrew B. McNaight. Resides in Williamsport, Pa.; had issue, Cordelia-B., Foy-S., b. December, 1876, Emma-Eby, Harry-Myers.
- vii. Crisanna-Elkala, b. January 4, 1852; m., September 12, 1885, Van A. Roth, b. November, 1845; d. October 1, 1886; by trade a painter; she survives him, residing in Harrisburg; they had issue, Grace-Van, b. April 29, 1886.

XXXVI. Simon Bretz,³ (John² Ludwig,¹) b. April 27, 1808, in Dauphin county, Pa.; d., February 28, 1874. Resided many years in Middletown, Pa., where he held the position of market master; m., October, 1834, Mary Garverick, b. June 21, 1812; d. March 28, 1874; daughter of John Garverick and Barbara Schaffer. They had issue:

- i. Joseph, b. September 15, 1835; d. s. p.
- ii. Sarah-Ann, b. November 8, 1836; d. s. p.
- 88. iii. John-James, b. September 28, 1837; m., first,

- Elizabeth Espenshade; m., secondly, Mary Ann Yousling.
- 89. iv. Simon-Benjamin, b. October 27, 1838; m., Elizbeth Renninger.
 - v. Elias-Jacob, b. February 2, 1840; d. January 2, 1879.
 - vi. Mary-Ann-Sophia, b. May 16, 1841; m., November 15, 1862, Isaac C. Chase; he is dead, leaving her no issue; she resides in Harrisburg.
 - vii. Daniel-Nathaniel, b. January 11, 1843; d. December 31, 1862.
 - viii. William-Henry, b. August 27, 1844; resides in Middletown, Pa., was a soldier, enlisting August 9, 1864, in Co. C, 92d Reg. (9th Cav.) Pa. Vol., discharged May. 29, 1865; m., March 12, 1867, Catharine Schrader, and had issue, Simon-J., b. December 17, 1867.
 - ix. Michael-Thomas, b. September 12, 1846; d. March 30, 1873; m., July 26, 1866, Elizabeth C. Brandt, b. February 22, 1849. They had issue:
 - 1. Emma-L., b. January 8, 1869; m., September 29, 1885, Christian Ober, b. February 8, 1864; resides at Milton Grove, Pa., and had issue, Elizabeth-L., b. November 15, 1886; d. November 21, 1886, Harry-B., b. Fedruary 14, 1888; d. March 9, 1889, Harriet-B., b. December 16, 1889.

Thomas Bretz's wife survived him and married again a Mr. Schaffner, she survives Mr. Schaffner, residing at Milton Grove Lancaster county, Pa.

- x. Abraham-George, b. September 22, 1844; is a carpenter by trade, which he follows, residing at Dayton, Ohio; m., February 10, 1870, Mary Miller, b. September 2, 1846, at Millersburg, Pa., had issue, Anna-Sophia, b. September 29, 1871, in Pa., John-A., b. July 1, 1873, in Pa., Simon-G., b. August 4, 1875, in Pa., Missoury-Emma, b. July 24, 1879, in Pa., George-B., b. October 4, 1883, in Ohio, Harrison-M., b. July 24, 1888, in Ohio.
- xi. Elizabeth, b. September 18, 1849; m., William Gilette. She survives him, residing in Middletown, Pa.; had issue, John-Wesley, Mary-Catharine.
- xii. Angustus-Ludwig, b. September 11, 1850; m., Sarah Dunkle, resides in Dayton, Ohio; had issue.
- xiii. Susan-Catharine, b. September 5, 1853; d. May 8, 1854.

XXXVII. Benjamin Bretz,³ (John,² Ludwig,¹) b. August 23, 1812, in Dauphin county, Pa., where he resided until March, 1852, when he left with a colony, made up mostly of Dauphin county farmers and their families, for Iowa. They left Harrisburg, Pa., via of packet boat on the Pennsylvania canal, and at Pittsburg they took passage on the boat "Belle of the West," on the Ohio river, and on Monday night, April 29, 1850, when near Warsaw, Ky., he and his family were either drowned or burnt to death, save two small boys—one a mere babe. As it will be interesting to the reader to know of this calamity, we here quote from the newspapers of that day:

AWFUL STEAMBOAT DISASTER—DESTRUCTION OF THE BELLE OF THE WEST.

[The Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, *Telegraph*, of Wednesday morning, May 1, 1850, contains the following account from the Cincinnati, O., *Daily Dispatch*, of the burning of the above boat.]

"Our city was thrown into gloom on yesterday afternoon, by the arrival of the heart-rendering intelligence that the steamer "Belle of the West," on her way to St. Louis, from this port, was burned to the water's edge, on Monday night about 12 o'clock, two miles below Warsaw, Ky., and in all probability from fifty to one hundred persons had perished in the flames.

The Belle had on board one hundred registered cabin passengers, not including a number of children attached to families, whose names were not registered, and on deck there were about one hundred emigrants and others, whose names had not been taken down. The boat was fully freighted, and had on the luggage and moveables of numbers of emigrants, and some forty or fifty persons on their way to California.

The fire was discovered in the hold by the smoke issuing from aft the hatchway, and is supposed to have been occasioned by carelessness in leaving a candle burning. Prompt efforts were made to suppress the flames without giving the alarm, but the fire gained so fast that the officers and crew were compelled to yield to it. The engineer called to the pilot, through the trumpet, to run the boat ashore, which was immediately done and the alarm given. The greater portion of the passengers being asleep in their rooms, the offi-

cers of the boat rushed into the cabin, into which fire and smoke had already commenced pouring, and those who could not be awakened by the alarm were dragged from their beds. The doors were burst open; numbers who were insensible from fright were carried out by the crew, and, in fact, as we have it from an eye witness, all connected with the boat periled their lives to save those on board.

The boat was totally enveloped in flames, fore and aft, in less than four minutes, and amidst the crackling roar of consuming fire, the shrieks of the helpless, the doomed to certain death, were distinctly heard—the voices of men, women, and children; mothers, fathers, and offspring—mingling in the roar of death and horror. The steamers Hermann and Useter brought up a number of the survivors, and a portion of the freight that was saved. The houses in Florence were filled with the sufferers, and every attention to their comfort was bestowed by the citizens.

The register of the boat was saved, but the contents of the iron safe, including the money, etc., were destroyed. The Belle of the West was commanded by Capt. James. Mr. Salsbury, of Hanging Rock, who was on board—a deck passenger—says he knows of two families, one consisting of four and the other of seven persons, who perished; they were from Pennsylvania. Numbers leaped over board and were drowned, while others were awakened too late to escape the horrid death which surrounded them.

The scene, as described by Mr. Thomas Rutherford, of this city, who, in company with Thomas Lawsen, had retired to his berth but a short time before the alarm

was given, was awful and heart-rending. The officers of the boat repairing to the cabin, upon the first alarm aroused the passengers by knocking at each state-room. door. In a moment all was confusion and disorder beyond description. Shriek upon shriek broke upon the midnight air. Mothers in their night dresses, with babes pressed for safety to their breasts, rushed to and fro in frantic agony in search of other loved ones of their flock, whom they sought to save. Every part of the boat was filled with the dense and suffocating smoke which had been so long pent up in the hold, where the destroying element was preying on the vitals of the illstarred steamer. The lurid flames shot up through the thick smoke in tortuous windings like fiery serpents enveloping their victims, amid whose agonizing cries the demoniac crackled and laughed in mad mockery and direful derision.

Many in the insane fright of the moment leapt into the water from the hurricane deck, their egress being cut off below, preferring to stem the current of water to the current of flame; others jumped overboard from the guards and the afterpart of the boat; some saved themselves by swimming ashore, while others only escaped the fire to perish in the water. The bow of the boat only struck the shore, the stern swung round, the boat struck, and the only chance was in reaching the shore by the bow. So great was the rush of deck and cabin passengers that many were prevented from saving: themselves through that channel. Many were jostled and trampled upon, and so rapid was the progress of the fire that, notwithstanding the communication with the shore, it is estimated that not less than from fifty to one hundred passengers perished by fire and water.

The Louisville Journal says: "We have heard some thrilling incidents attending the great calamity. Of a family of a man named Amon Waggoner, of Virginia, consisting of himself, his wife, and eight children, three children were lost,—a daughter of 17, another of 13, and a little son of 4. They were on their way to Iowa and lost all they had. About 50 German Moravians from near Lancaster, Pa., were on board, and many of these lost children and other relatives."

A young lady, in her endeavor to escape, had gained the hurricane deck, and was observed clinging on to the casing of one of the chimes, but unable to retain her clasp, she sank down amid the flames, and was seen no more.

Mr. Bretz m. Fanny Miller, b. in the year 1819; d. April 29, 1850, daughter of Jacob Miller and Margaret Lerch; they had issue:

- i. William-Augustus, d. s. p.
- 90. ii. Benjamin-Franklin, b. January 18, 1841; m., first, Rebecca S. Rife; m., secondly, Annie S. Ritter.
 - iii. John-Calvin, d. s. p.
 - iv. Jacob-Wesley, d. s. p.
- 91. v. Thomas-Jefferson, b. December 18, 1848; m. Mary J. Kurtz.

XXXVIII. SOPHIA BRETZ,³ (John,² Ludwig,¹) b. January 13, 1816; m., first, Isaac Knerr. They resided on McCormick's Island, in the Susquehanna river, above Harrisburg, and during the spring freshet of the year 1843 he was crossing the river from the island to the Dauphin county shore and was drowned, his body never being found. They had issue, (surname Knerr:)

- i. Mary-Ann, b. September 15, 1839; m., Ammon Wise Beard, b. September 4, 1841, son of Samuel Beard and Hannah Rhoads; they reside at Middletown, Pa., and had issue; (surname Beard:)
 - 1. Ida-Kate, b. June 9, 1862; d. August 21, 1862.
 - 2. Sarah-Rebecca, b. June 29, 1863; m. Jacob Dougherty, and reside at Middletown, Pa.; had issue, Robert.
 - 3. Charles-Franklin, b. November 23, 1865, he resides at Middletown, Pa.; m., Mary Peters; had issue, Charles.
 - 4. Samuel-Harrison, b. September 6, 1867.
 - 5. Isaac-John, b. September 1, 1869.
 - 6. William-Henry, b. August 18, 1871; d. October 4, 1873.
 - 7. Titus-Knerr, b. October 30, 1872.
 - 8. Sophia-Elizabeth, b. December 28, 1874.
 - 9. Anna-Margaret, b. January 30, 1877, d. s. p.
 - 10. Marr-Ellen, b. September 7, 1880.
 - 11. Clara, b. April 6, 1882; d. s. p.
 - 12. Edna-May, b. October 17, 1886.
- ii. Kate, m., first, John Knull. He died and left her issue. She m., second, a Mr. Clark and resides somewhere in the State of Iowa.

Mrs. Knull m., secondly, John Springer; she survives him, residing at Humbold, Iowa. They had issue.

- iii. John, is married and had issue; resides at Humbold, Iowa.
- iv. Amanda.

XXXIX. John Bretz,³ (Ludwig,² Ludwig,¹) b. April 1, 1805, in Lykens Valley, Dauphin county, Pa.; d, June 22, 1873, in Missouri. Was a tanner by trade. In

the year 1835 he moved to Ohio, and located in the western Reserve, and from there he emigrated to Illinois, where he remained two years, and at the end of that time removed to Bee Creek, Platte co., Mo., where he prescripted and entered eighty acres of land. located at this point on account of an excellent spring of water, which he utilized in his tannery which he erected there, and which business he followed in connection with farming. After a short while he leased the Bee Creek mills, located close to his property, where he met considerable success. After awhile, (1844,) he rented the Hamsen Whetson mill, and removed to Buchanan co., Mo., at which business he continued until 1853, when he sold a one half interest to his sonin-law, Mr. Wm. M. Matney, and in the year 1857 he closed his interest in the mill to his partner and moved to DeKalb, in the western part of the county. year 1848 he was elected by the Democratic party to the Missouri Legislature, and also in the year 1856. In the year 1860 Gov. Jackson appointed him Supt. of State Tobacco Warehouse, at St. Louis, Mo., where he reproved and where he resided four years; when in 1864 Gov. Gamble, who was then the Republican Governor of Mo., reappointed him Supt. for two years more. Gov. Gamble was appointed Governor by President Lincoln to succeed Gov. Jackson, who fled the State on account of his personal opinions. At the end of his term, he removed to St. Joe, the county seat of Buchanan co., where he resided a short while and then to his farm, located some sixteen miles from St. Joe. In 1871 Gov. Gratz Brown appointed him one of the three Justices of the Court of Buchanan co., Mo., but not being able to agree with his colleagues, he resigned in the spring of 1872; and in the fall of the same year he was put forward as a candidate for the same office, and elected to the office, which was a full endorsement of his course before his colleagues; and which office he held until his death. He was the first postmaster at Platte River, Mo. He married, first, Lydia Seal, b. September 24, 1807, in Dauphin county, Pa., d. April 7, 1850; daughter of Henry Seal, (b. October 16, 1770; d. December 31, 1827:) and Catharine Lentner, (b. April 7, 1779; d. May 29, 1842.) They had issue:

- 92. i. Catharine-Ann, b. August 23, 1832; m. William Marion Matney.
 - ii. William.
 - iii. Sarah.
 - iv. Henry, d. July, 1836, of cholera; m. Abigail Miller, and had issue.
 - v. Daniel.
 - vi. Jackson, d. by drowning in a tan vat at Bee Creek mills, Mo.
 - vii. Mary, b. February 15, 1837; d. October 15, 1848.
 - viii. Rebecca-J., m., 1842, William J. Everetts. He survives her, and resides at Stewartsville, Clinton county, Mo.; had issue, six children.
- 93. *ix. John-B.*, b. March 14, 1846; m. Rachael E. Shull.
- 94. x. James-P., b. May 15, 1849; m. Grizelda Shull.
- Mr. Bretz m., secondly Julia A. Beasley, b. March 9, 1821; she survives him; they had issue:

- xi. Maddison-H., b. November 14, 1855; resides at Council Bluffs, Iowa, where he is employed as a telegraph operator.
- xii. Addie-B., b. February 27, 1858; m., M. M. Holmes; reside at Frazer, Mo., and had issue, John-M., b. October 13, 1874, William-R., b. September 17, 1876, Wellington-H., b. January 25, 1879, Thomas-R., b. August 18, 1881, Harry-B., b. April 25, 1884, Mattie-M., b. April 15, 1886, Addie-M., b. January 30, 1888.
- xiii. Mollie-May, b. May 5, 1860; m., September 11, 1878, Van B. Prather, b. August 4, 1849, in Kentucky, reside in Neutral, Kans.; had issue, Van-Leslie, b. Fəbruary 23, 1881, Myrtle, b. December 18, 1882; d. November 8, 1883, John-Kirk, b. August 20, 1884, Charles-Edward, b February 8, 1886, Walter, b. January 10, 1889.

XL. Henry Bretz, (Ludwig, Ludwig,) b. July 12 1814, in Millersburg, Dauphin county, Pa.; d. March 20, 1875; learned the trade of harness-maker, in Millersburg, Pa.; in the year 1836 he moved with his family to Callidonia, Marion county, Ohio, where he followed his trade and was also postmaster. In the year 1844 he moved to Bee Creek, Mo., where his brother John had already located, and in the following year to Platte River, Mo., and at the end of two years he settled at DeKalb, Buchanan county, Mo., where he lived till his death. He was a member of Millington Lodge, No. 22, A. F. & A. M. He m., November 9, 1833, Mary Ann Campbell, b. January 20, 1817, in Dauphin

- county, Pa.; d. January 2, 1876, daughter of Peter Campbell and Mary Moore; they had issue:
 - i. Mary-Elizabeth, b. March 1, 1835; m. Bird S. Pumphery; they reside at Dearbourn, Buchanan county, Mo.; and had issue, (surname Pumphrey:)
 - 1. Mary-Ann, b. August 22, 1855; d. June 29, 1859.
 - 2. George-William, b. February 12, 1858; m., September 8, 1884, Luld Allie; they had issue: Ernest, b. August 30, 1885.
 - 3. Henry-L., b. March 1, 1861; d. September 4, 1869.
 - 4. Ida, b. October 29, 1863.
 - 5. Jessie, b. April 11, 1867; d. October 27, 1872.
 - 6. Samuel-G., b. December 25, 1869.
 - 7. Stephen-G., b. September 4, 1876.
 - ii. Anna-Jane, b. November 28, 1836; m. James Garton, reside at De Kalb, Mo. They had issue, (surname Garton:)
 - 1. James, b. November 20, 1856.
 - 2. Blanche-R., b. January 31, 1859; m. February 1, 1878, Walter Prather, and had issue Anna-Jane, Stephen-Waller, Guy, Ethilage, Elsie-F.
 - 3. Florence-B., b. June 16, 1861; m., October 23, 1878, Thomas J. Hill, b. May 23, 1858.
 - 4. Mary-Henry, b. August 9, 1869.
 - 5. Annie, b. August 9, 1874; d. s. p.
- 102. iii. Susan-Adeline, b. January 17, 1839; m. Thos. J. Crumpacker.
- 103. iv. Francis-Marion, b. October 31, 1840; m. Cleora Smith.

- *v. Amanda-Jane, b. November 28, 1836; m. September 20, 1860, Albert Derge. They reside at De Kalb, Mo., and had issue, (surname Derge:)
 - 1. Alice, b. July 2, 1861.
 - 2. Frederick-H., b. December 22, 1864.
 - 3. William-G., b. March 15, 1871.
 - 4. Bertha-Lou, b. February 8, 1874.
- vi. George-Campbell, b. February 21, 1845; d. January 30, 1846.
- vii. Daniel-Ludwig, b. December 2, 1846; d. May 18, 1865.
- 104. viii. Sarah-Catharine, b. March 13, 1849; m. Shadrich Michael.
 - ix. Thomas-Henry-Benton, b. February 7, 1851.
 - x. Agnes-Melinda, b. January 2, 1853; m. March 17, 1884, George Taylor; d. January 9, 1885. She survives him, residing at DeKalb, Mo. They had issue Georgie-Alice, b. December 27, 1884.
 - xi. Thomas-Richard-Wilson, b. May 1, 1855; m., January 20, 1884, Rose Bledumenan; resides at St. Joseph, Mo.; had issue Leroy, b. December 7, 1884.
 - xii. Alice-Malinda, b. June 5, 1857; d. August 30, 1859.
 - xiii. Ella, b. December 19, 1861; m. July 20, 1880, T. R. Hill; reside at DeKalb, Mo., and had issue, Albert, b. May 16, 1881; Artie, b. May 8, 1883.
- XLI. EMANUEL DUEY,⁴ (John,³ Mary,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. March 4, 1816, in the town of Lebanon, Pa.

In the year 1833 moved to Centre co., Pa., where he resides, near Lemonte P. O. He married, January 28, 1839, Mary Ann Carter, b. May 25, 1818, in Mifflin county, Pa. They had issue, (surname Duey:)

- i. Joseph-C., b. December 11, 1841. He resides at Pittsburg, Pa., and is employed as a conductor on the Allegheny Valley R. R. He m. Nancy Bolton, and had issue, one child.
- ii. Ellnora, b. May 25, 1845; m. Henry Fishel, resides at Lemonte, Pa., and had issue, three sons and two daughters.
- iii. Eliza-Ann, b. September 16, 1847: d. November, 1868; m., November, 1867, George Spangler. They had issue, (surname Spangler:)
 - 1. Martha-Alice, b. September 9, 1868; m., November 26, 1887, by Rev. J. B. Crist, Joseph Albert Koons, b. September 9, 1865, and reside in South Hanover township, (Hummelstown P. O.,) Dauphin county, Pa.; had issue; Grace-Pearl, b. June 12, 1888.
- iv. Thomas-A., b. October 31, 1849; resides at Snow Shoe, Centre county, Pa.; m., Catharine Wirt, and had issue, one son and one daughter.
- v. Rachel-M., b. March 25, 1852; m. Emanuel Roan. He resides near Fillmore, Centre co., Pa.; had issue.
- vi. Mary-Margarette, b. August 21, 1855; m., January 13, 1885, P. M. Holt, b. April 2, 1859; reside at Snow Shoe, Centre co., Pa.; had

- issue; Edith-Pearl, b. November 15, 1885; Mary-Elizabeth, b. March 8, 1889.
- vii. Martha-M., b. February 11, 1857; d. s. p.
- viii. William-N., b. May 11, 1859; resides at Sunbury, Pa.; m. Belle Ramer, and had issue, three sons and one daughter.
 - ix. Robert-C., b. May 11, 1859; resides at Snow Shoe, Centre county, Pa.; m. Elizabeth Kelly, and had issue, two sons and one daughter.
- XLII. LAVINA DUEY,⁴ (John,³ Mary,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. October 31, 1819; m. January 6, 1842, Robert Edminston, b. August 17, 1814; they reside in Centre county, Pa.; had issue, (surname Edminston:)
 - i. William-A., b. January 16, 1843; d. January 6, 1888.
 - ii. Charlotte, b. November 24, 1844; is married, residing at Osceola, Pa.
 - iii. Joseph, b. December 4, 1845, resides at State College P. O., Centre county, Pa.
 - iv. Eliza, b. July 14, 1847.
- XLIII. Samuel Duey, (Simon, Mary, Bretz, Ludwig,) b. January 31, 1816; resides in Derry township, south of Hockersville, Dauphin county, Pa.; m. Margaret Schitz, b. August 20, 1815; daughter of Philip Schitz and Susan Wolleschlager, (b. July 20, 1784, d. May 25, 1854;) they had issue, (surname Duey:)
 - i. Harriet, b. June 27, 1839; d. September 23, 1867.
 - ii. Susan, b. April 7, 1842; m. December 15, 1862, Samuel H. Clark, son of Joseph Clark and

- —— Hollinger. They reside in Derry township, Dauphin county, Pa.; had issue, (surname Clark:)
- 1. Margaret-Ann, b. February 15, 1863; d. October 19, 1880.
- 2. Joseph, b. September 27, 1860; m. Kate Xander, and had issue.
- 3. Samuel-D., b. November 30, 1870.
- iii. Henry, b. November 25, 1847; d. July 23, 1850.
- iv. Mary-Ann, b. August 27, 1851; d. January 29, 1855.
- XLIV. CAROLINE STONE,⁴ (Susan,³ [Duey,] Mary,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. March 15, 1811; d. 1890; m. August 16, 1832, Isaac Thompson, b. November 30, 1808; d. October 15, 1844. They had issue, (surname Thompson:)
 - i. David, b. May 19, 1833; m., November 4, 1854, Mary Musselman, b. May 28, 1834; reside in Pottsville, Pa.; they had issue, (surname Thompson:)
 - 1. Sarah-E., b. August 21, 1855; d. June 8, 1863.
 - 2. Charles-D., b. January 6, 1857; resides in Pinegrove, Pa.; m. Annie Nittle.
 - 3. Caroline-A., b. December 10, 1859.
 - 4. Harry-J., b. November 2, 1866.
 - 5. George-C., b. September 1, 1869.
 - 6. Bessie-M., b. September 1, 1872.
 - ii. Alba-Cada, b. March 1, 1835; m., March 26, 1874, Cornelia L. Zahm; she is dead. He entered the service of his country at the beginning of the rebellion as a member of the

- Washington Artillerists of Pottsville, and mustered out at the close of the war as captain of Co. H., 48th Reg., P. V. V. They had issue, (surname Thompson.)
- iii. Sophia, b. March 11, 1837; d. January 16, 1849.
- iv. Amanda, b. November 18, 1838; m. Clarence C. Carter; they had issue, (surname Carter.)
 - 1. Helen-V., b. May 28, 1862; m. Simon Brown, b. May 28, 1862, and reside at Columbia, Pa.; they had issue, Edward, b. June 9, 1882; d. s. p., Florence-May, b. March 2, 1884, Alma-M., b. August 19, 1887.
 - 2. Alba.
 - 3. Frank.
 - 4. Emma.
- v. Angelia-A., b. July 18, 1843; d. March 25, 1868; m. November 9, 1865, John M. Rich, b. July 1, 1841, in Pottsville, Pa.; d. March 23, 1883, in Duluth, Minn.; was a machinist by trade, and at the time of his death superintendent of the L. S. E. Company's elevator; was a soldier in the rebellion, enlisting in the Seventh Pa. Cavalry, and ranked as captain. They had issue, (surname Rich:)
 - 1. George-Thompson, b. August 12, 1866, in Phila.; resides in Duluth, Minn.; m. August 4, 1886, Belle M. Grierson, b. August 31, 1868, in Burgess, Canada; dau. of George J. Grierson and Jessie Austin, a niece of Thomas Carlyle, the

noted thinker; had issue, Royale-John, b. April 21, 1887, Belle-Angelia, b. February 9, 1889.

- 2. Alba-R., b. March 10, 1868.
- XLV. RACHAEL STONE,⁴ (Susan,⁸ [Duey,] Mary,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. August 13, 1816, in Harrisburg, Pa.; M., August 20, 1839, Michael Mortimer, b. March 22, 1813. They had issue, (surname Mortimer:)
 - i. William-Wesley, b. June 20, 1840; resides in Pottsville, Pa.; m., June 30, 1881, Mary Hursh, of Pottsville, Pa., had issue, Mary-Ida, b. April 28, 1883, Edmard-Hursh, b. March 25, 1885.
 - ii. Emma-R., b. March 26, 1842; m., March 19 1864, Wm. Henry Boyd. They reside in Reading, Pa., he being the publisher of "Boyd's Directories" in use in most of the cities and towns in Pa., was a soldier in the rebellion, enlisting July 9, 1861, in Co. C, 1st Regiment, N. Y. (Lincoln) Cav. Vol.; September 9, 1862, commissioned second lieutenant; July 31, 1863, commissioned first lieutenant; mustered out of service October 2, 1863, by special order of Secretary of War, to enable him to accept the appointment of quartermaster, 21st Reg. Pa. Cav.; mustered out of service February 29, 1864, as first lieutenant and quartermaster 21st Pa. Cav. Vol., and re-mustered with same regiment, (re-organized,) as captain of Co. E, with rank as such from March 1, 1864.

Discharged from service June 7, 1865—end of the war. They had issue, (surname Boyd:)

- 1. Guy-Mortimer, b. March 5, 1866.
- 2. Alma-B., b. July 5, 1868.
- 3. William-H., b. June 25, 1873.
- 4. R.-Bessie, b. September 7, 1876.
- 5. Helen-V., b. January 21, 1879.
- iii. Helen-V., b. July 22, 1843.
- iv. Anna-Maria, b. March 25, 1845.
- v. Rachael-J.-K., b. January 6, 1849; m. July 3, 1873, Thomas Tindle, Jr., b. February 2, 1850; d. December 18, 1877, and had issue, John-Mortimer, b. March 25, 1874, William-Boyd, b. February 28, 1875, Thomas, b. November 3, 1877.
- vi. Mary-Ida, b. October 25, 1851; m. John Mowery, and resides in Denver, Colorado; no issue.
- vii. John-Robinson, b. September 7, 1853; resides in Reading, Pa., is a printer by trade; m. April 23, 1885, Jennie A. Kriner; had issue:
 - 1. [son,] b. February 22, 1890.

viii. Susan-Virginia, b. June 27, 1856.

XLVI. ELISHA STONE,⁴ (Susan,³ [Duey,] Mary,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. November 27, 1823; d. December 3, 1888; resided in Philadelphia, where he was killed; m., September 25, 1845, by Rev. R. J. Cox, Hester Stichter, of Orwigsburg, Pa.; b. December 15, 1828; d. January 1, 1879. They had issue, (surname Stone:)

- i. Annie, b. April 2, 1848; d. December 24, 1870.
- ii. William-Wallace, b. March 17, 1850; resides at Lost Creek, Schuylkill county, Pa. He m.

August 27, 1873, by Rev. John Greuler, Helen Walt Bowman; b. November 29, 1851, in Tamaqua, Pa. They had issue, Hester, b. June 12, 1874, Sarah-McCool, b. May 11, 1876, Elisha-George, b. July 18, 1878; d. April 15, 1881, Mary-Elizabeth, b. March 12, 1881, Norman-McLeod, b. August 14, 1884; d. September 6, 1886, William-Wallace, b. September 17, 1885, Ross-Kemble, b. March 25, 1889.

- iii. George-Lewis, b. April 13, 1852.
- iv. John-Elisha, b. November 14, 1854; d. September 18, 1857.
- v. Charles, (twin,) b. September 9, 1857; d. September 12, 1857.
- vi. Sarah-Rebecca, b. May 16, 1860.
- vii. Edward-Morris, b. November 4, 1862.
- viii. Laura-Susan, b. November 3, 1865.
- ix. Harry, b. April 2, 1870; d. s. p.

XLVII. Jacob Duey, (Jacob, Mary, Eretz, Ludwig,) b. December 7, 1816, in Dauphin county, Pa.; d. November 16, 1847, in the city of Mexico. In the year 1842, with his parents family, settled at Union, Montgomery county, Ohio. In 1847 he enlisted as a soldier in the Mexican war, and died while in service; m., August 27, 1838, by Squire Barton, of Marion, Ohio, Jane Allison, b. January 23, 1820, in Muskingum county, Ohio. She survives her husband, and married, second time, Mr. Fitzhugh, residing at Ashland, Ill. They had issue, (surname Duey:)

- i. Elizabeth, b. September 11, 1839, at Union, Montgomery county, Ohio; m. Robert Irwin, reside in Ashland, Ill; had issue.
- ii. Mary-Josephine, b. June 29, 1841, at Jacksonville, Ill.; m. December 5, 1858, Robert Ryman. In the year 1870 they removed to near Moline, Elk county, Kansas; no issue.
- iii. Otis-M., b. September 23, 1843, in Louisburg, Preble county, Ohio; d. January 10, 1886, at Ashland, Ill; m. October, 1872, Mary J. Bale, of Petersburg, Ill; they had issue, Leslie, b. September 23 1878.
- iv. Thomas-Alexander-Ramsey, b. September 1, 1845, in Montgomery county, Ohio; resides at Oak Valley, Kansas, where he is engaged in the grain business; m. November 29, 1871, Sarah A. Giltner; had issue, Nellie-E., b. February 5, 1873, Mary-J., b. August 11, 1874, Fanny-A., b. December 21, 1876, Abie-G., b. April 22, 1879.
- v. John-Jacob-Scott, b. August 19, 1847, in Montgomery county, Ohio; when a child his father moved to Cass county, Ill. In 1879 he removed with his family to Lawrence, Kansas, and in the year 1885 to Armer, Gila county, Arizona, moving there by wagons, being over four months in making the trip; m. June 28, 1872, Rebecca Beggs, of Ashland, Ill.; b. March 11, 1855; had issue, Annie-T., b. September 14, 1873, Harold, b. January 30, 1876, Winfield-P., b. November 5, 1878.

XLVIII. Rebecca Dubbs, (Catharine, [Duey,] Mary, [Bretz,] Ludwig,) b. November 11, 1811; d. April 26, 1850; m. Benneville Eppler, b. March 5, 1805; d. January 25, 1864, in Altoona, Pa.; by trade a tailor, which he followed, residing most of his time in Harrisburg; they had issue, (surname Eppler:)

- i. Anna-Ellen, died at the age of eleven months.
- ii. Electa-Jane, b. September 11, 1833.
- 105.iii. Elmer-Francis, b. June 27, 1836; m. first, Cornelia J. Brubaker; m. secondly, Maria C. Miller.
 - iv. Jacob-Dubbs, b. November 16, 1838; was a soldier in the rebellion, enlisting in Co. B, 87th Regt. Pa. Vols.; discharged for disability. He is married, residing at Clearfield, Pa.
 - v. Leah-Marian, b. January 30, 1841; died; was married to William A. Boyden.
 - vi. Benneville-Chambers, b. December 28, 1842. Resides in New York city.
 - vii. Hannah-Mary, b. January 8, 1845; m. March 18, 1879, Henry Albert; they reside at Rockville, (Fort Hunter P. O.,) Dauphin county, Pa.; had issue, Edward-Renatus, b. December 14, 1880, Florence-Fisher, b. February 15, 1883, Edna-Wade, b. October 18, 1884, Elizabeth-Little, b. February 26, 1886.
 - viii. William Edward, d. s. p.
 - ix. John-Carson, d. s. p.

LXIX. MARY ANN DUBBS,⁴ (Catharine,³ [Duey,] Mary,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. July 27, 1813; d. April 19, 1855; m. October, 1833, John Bowermaster, b. July 9,

- 1813; d. October 1, 1849; was a painter by trade, and resided, when he died, at Mercersburg, Pa.; he was also a teacher of music. They had issue, (surname Bowermaster:)
- 106. i. Anna-Catharine, b. February 2, 1834; m George Bowersox.
 - ii. Caroline, b. September 27, 1838; m. May 26, 1860, Samuel A. Bush, b. June 7, 1837; d. April 14, 1874. She survives him, residing in Harrisburg, Pa. They had issue, Edward-Arthur, b. February 21, 1861; d. June 9, 1874, Bertram, b. September 2, 1871.
- 107. iii. Marian, b. November 15, 1842; m. Samuel Howard Kennedy.
 - iv. Chambers, b. March 11, 1845; resided at Harrisburg, Pa., where he was employed at the Chesapeake Nail Works, where he was killed, June 25, 1878, by the explosion of the boiler; m. December 24, 1872, Maria Barr Kennedy, b. December 2, 1846; she survives him, residing at Newville, Pa.; they had issue, Maria-Barr, b. November 29, 1873, Mary-Ann, b. October 30, 1876.
- 108. v. Benjamin-Frederick, b. February 18, 1847; m. Mary Ellen Small.
- L. ELIZABETH ANN DUBBS,⁴ (Catharine,⁵ [Duey,] Mary,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. October 30, 1815; m. May, 1834, Christian Leib, b. February 19, 1813; d. January 3, 1852; son of Christian Leib and Catharine Frankenberger. He was engaged in boating as long as packet boats were in use in this section of country. They had issue, (surname Leib:)

- i. George-Johnsen, b. March 13, 1837; d. April 8, 1888; m. Margaret Lee, and resided in Harrisburg, Pa.
- ii. Catharine-B., b. September, 1838; d. April 16, 1865; m. Daniel B. Herr, d. January 25, 1890, son of Daniel Herr (1795–1857) and Sarah Gilbert, (1801–1880.) They resided in Harrisburg.
- iii. Sobieski, b. April 16, 1840; he resides in Harrisburg, and is employed by the P. R. R. since the war, in which he was a soldier. He m., February 4, 1862, Kate Weitzell; no issue.

iv. Jane, d. s. p.

LI. AMANDA DUBBS, (Catharine, Duey, Mary, [Bretz,] Ludwig,1) b. about the year 1820; d. July 28, 1889, in Tyrone, Pa., and, with her husband, is buried in the Harrisburg Cemetery; m., April 26, 1838, Thomas E. Jones, b. October, 1815, d. December 8, 1887, in Harrisburg, son of Thomas Jones and Margery Donnelly. When a youth he came to Harrisburg, and was apprenticed to Samuel Bryan, a famous carpenter and builder. On finishing his trade he went to Pittsburg, Pa., remaining there a couple of years, returning to Harrisburg, and followed his trade till 1856. this year he went to Barton, Allegany county, Md., to take charge of a coal mine, remaining there till 1865. In 1862, was appointed enrolling officer by the Governor of Maryland. At the close of the war he returned to Harrisburg, Pa., and opened a grocery store, which he conducted several years. In 1867 he was appointed Assistant Superintendent of Public Grounds by Governor Geary, and held the same up to the time of his death. They had issue, (surname Jones:)

- i. Thomas-Harrison, b. December 13, 1838; resides at Harrisburg, Pa.; was a soldier in the rebellion, enlisting in a Maryland regiment; he m., March 31, 1863, Margaret A. Inskeep, b. March 6, 1839, in Oldtown, Va.; they had issue, surname Jones:)
 - 1. Catharine-Anna, b. January 17, 1864, in Barton, Md.; m., January 14, 1885, John Albert Fisher, b. January 19, 1860, in Philadelphia, Pa.; reside in Harrisburg, where he is employed in the passenger service of the P. R. R.; no issue.
- ii. Andrew, b. August 21, 1840; d. February 10, 1841.
- iii. Mary, b. March 17, 1842; m., first, John Ayers; they had issue; she married, secondly, George Wighaman; resided in Tyrone, where he died January 13, 1890; had issue.
- iv. Amanda, b. January 27, 1844; m. A. B. Stark and reside at Red Cloud, Neb.; had issue.
- v. Carrie-A., b. January 10, 1847; m., first, Alexander Cooper; they had issue, William, b. May 13, 1867; Edward, b. July 30, 1869; Catharine, b. December 20, 1871. Mrs. Cooper m., secondly, David George Otstot, b. October 2, 1854, son of Jacob Otstot and Martha Barber; reside in Harrisburg, Pa.; no issue.
- vi. Jacob-M., b. July 12, 1849; d. s. p.
- vii. Catharine-M., b. July 19, 1853; m., October 24,

- 1871, John M. Powell. They reside at Tyrone, Pa.; had issue, *John-Earl*, b. October 3, 1873; *George-S.*, b. May 21, 1875; *Ella*, b. December 22, 1878; *Thomas-E.*, b. September 27, 1880.
- viii. Elizabeth-M., b. August 12, 1855; d. August 17, 1855.
 - ix. Millard-Fillmore, b. September 6, 1856; d. March 6, 1857.
 - x. William-H., b. April 6, 1858; by trade a brick-layer; resides in Harrisburg, Pa.; m., December 23, 1880, Isabella Loban, b. March 27, 1860, daughter of John Loban and Isabella Richmond; had issue, Isabella-Loban, b. October 17, 1881, Thomas-Kerr, b. May 29, 1883, Morris-Reed, b. February 19, 1886.
 - xi. Emeline, b. September 15, 1859; d. September 5, 1889.
- xii. Susan-F., b. April 9, 1861; m., first, Philip Detweiler; m. secondly, A. C. Findlay; reside in Butte City, Mont.; had issue.
- LII. CHAMBERS DUBBS,⁴ (Catharine,³ [Duey,] Mary,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹ b. February 3, 1823, in Harrisburg, Pa.; by trade a carpenter, but at present engaged in mercantiling; at present is also a member of Common Council; he m., October 10, 1850, Susan A., daughter of Martin Alleman, (b. July 13, 1803; d. December 30, 1839.) They had issue, (surname Dubbs:)
 - i. Kate-Irene, b. August 21, 1851; m., June, 1874, Amos W. Hess; they had issue: Bertha-Susanna, Mabel-Hanna, Edith-Rebecca, Thurman-Dubbs, Ruth-Shively.

- ii. Harry-K., b. July 7, 1853.
- iii. John-M., b. July 4, 1855; he resides at Harrisburg, Pa.; m. Ella Sprigman; had issue.
- iv. Martin-Alleman, b. May 11, 1858; resides at Mauch Chunk; m. Lizzie Fry; had issue, Ettie-Fry, b. March 27, 1882; Frank-Edward; Chambers.
- v. Charles-C., b. April 2, 1861; reside in Harrisburg, Pa.; m., Kate Reinhoel; had issue: Walter, b. March 25, 1889.
- vi. William, b. February 4, 1863; d. February 3, 1865.
- vii. Frank-Reily, b. October 1, 1865.
- viii. Edith-Rebecca, b. February 26, 1868; d. December 5, 1878.
 - ix. Edward-W., b. August 23, 1871.
 - x. Elizabeth-Alleman.
- LIII. EMELINE DUBBS,⁴ (Catharine,³ [Duey,] Mary,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. May 9, 1826; m., November 17, 1850, Henry S. Lutz, d. May 18, 1856; he resided and died in Harrisburg, Pa.; had issue, (surname Lutz:)
 - i. Henry, b. November 13, 1851; d. August 5, 1852.
 - *ii. William-Wells*, b. February 4, 1853; d. March 18, 1857.
 - iii. Jacob, b. July 13, 1855; d. March 28, 1887.

Mrs. Lutz married, secondly, September 25, 1871, John Rauch, a plumber; resides in Harrisburg, Pa.; no issue.

LIV. CATHARINE DUBBS,⁴ (Catharine,³ [Duey,] Mary² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. October 5, 1828; d. April 13, 1876; m. William Wells, b. September 12, 1813; d.

- January 9, 1880; by trade an upholsterer, and resided in Harrisburg, Pa. He was a son of James Wells and Mary McPike. They had issue, (surname Wells:)
 - i. Charles-Muench, b. June 6, 1851; by trade a boiler-maker, and resides at Galveston, Texas; m. Emma Kennedy, a native of Texas; they had issue Grace-Muench, Mary-Schrenk.
 - ii. Ellenora, b. November. 17, 1853; m. Charles A. Haverstick. They reside in Baltimore, where he is employed as a passenger conductor on a railroad running between Baltimore and Washington, D. C.; no issue.
 - iii. Mary, b. July 15, 1856; m. October 17, 1876,
 Alexander Hamilton Shrenk, b. November
 12, 1851, in Fremont, Ohio, son of John
 Shrenk and Elizabeth Faloon. They reside
 in Harrisburg; Pa., where he is engaged in
 the furniture business; had issue, (surname
 Shrenk:)
 - 1. Charles-Wells, b. April 15, 1878.
 - 2. Murray-Hamilton, b. July 17, 1880.
 - 3. James-Lereu, b. November 27, 1886.
 - iv James-Franklin, b. July 18, 1859. He is a boiler-maker; resides in Jimulco, Mexico, where he is keeping hotel; single.
 - v. Catharine, b. August 16, 1862; m. Ben. F. Nicholas. They reside in Renovo, Pa., where he is engaged at moulding.
- LV. Susan Dubbs,⁴ (Catharine,³ [Duey,] Mary,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. December 26, 1833; m., January 20,

1861, John L. Owens, of Philadelphia, Pa.; they reside in Harrisburg; he is engaged in brick making and contracting in building brick houses. They had issue, (surname Owens:)

- i. Carrie, b. September 17, 1861; d. March 29, 1868.
- ii. Harry-Morris, b. July 30, 1863.
- iii. J.-Lewis, b. July 19, 1865.
- iv. Ralph-Curtis, b. January 13, 1868.
- v. Kehr, b. October 26, 1869; d. July 15, 1870.
- vi. Paul Pierce, b. January 22, 1872.
- vii. Florence-May, b. September 26, 1875.

LVI. LEAH Row,⁴ (Rachael,³ [Wert,] Catharine,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. February 20, 1831; baptized by Rev. Peter Shindel; m., first, November 8, 1855, by Rev. Henry W. Landis, Philip Lenker, b. December 14, 1829; d. June 1, 1862, son of Jacob and Isabella Lenker. He was a shoemaker and resided near Berrysburg, Pa. They had issue, (surname Lenker:)

- Rachael-Rebecca, b. August 10, 1856; bap. October 26, 1856, by Rev. Frederick Woltz; d. December 22, 1869.
- *ii. John-Franklin*, b. December 13, 1858; d. April 5, 1859.
- iii. Mary-Catharine, b. January 26, 1860; m., October, 1881, Levi Khaney. He is a miner, resides at Shamokin, Pa.; they had issue: Flora-Agnes, b. August 26, 1882; John-Isaiah, b. February 29, 1883; William-Levi, b. June 1, 1884; Kate-May, b. January 12, 1886; James-Daniel, b. April 2, 1887; Edwin-Franklin, b. November 26, 1889.

iv. Daniel-Lincoln, b. February 23, 1862; bap. March 31, 1862, by Rev. George A. Mark; resides at Baskinsville, (Duncannon P. O.,) Perry county, Pa.; m., December 24, 1889, Minnie Kline.

Mrs. Lenker married, secondly, by William Baskins, J. P., James Humes, b. April 20, 1832, son of Joshua Humes and Jane Boyd; by trade a shoe maker; resides at Baskinsville, (Duncannon P. O.,) Perry county, Pa.; was a soldier in the rebellion, enlisting, August 7, 1862, in Co. C, 136 Reg., P. V. Inf.; was in the battle of Fredericksburg, where, from the great noise caused by the heavy cannonading, his hearing was affected, which at this time has caused him to be quite deaf; mustered out of service June 30, 1863; they had issue, (surname Humes.)

- v. James-Wendel, b. September 27, 1870.
- vi. Annie-Leah, b. June 29, 1873; d. May 31, 1877.
- LVII. John Frederick Schaffner, (Ann Eve, 1829; Wert, Catharine, Ebretz, Ludwig, 1981) b. May 23, 1829; resides in Willshire, Van Wert county, Ohio, where he is engaged in the practice of medicine since the year 1850; was a commissioned surgeon in the late war; m., first, March 29, 1849, Barbara Mader, b. July 14, 1829, d. April 13, 1877; had issue, (surname Schaffner:)
 - i. Phelessa, b. July 30, 1850; d. August 28, 1850.
 - ii. Oliver-Perry, b. July 16, 1851; d. August 29, 1851.
 - iii. Mary-Agnes, b. January 30, 1853; d. September 15, 1878.
 - iv. David-Martin, b. September 13, 1855.

- v. Webster, b. March 3, 1860.
- vi. Addie, b. January 14, 1863; d. November 2, 1868.

Mr. Schaffner m., secondly, July 4, 1878, Nancy J. Roop, b. August 4, 1857; they had issue, (surname Schaffner:)

- vii. Frederick-Smith, b. April 25, 1879; d. February 3, 1880.
- viii. Anna, b. July 24, 1881.
- ix. Lucy, b. August 11, 1884.
- x. William-R., b. April 20, 1887.
- xi. Bessie-L., b. December 19, 1888.

LVIII. Anna Eve Shaffner, (Shaffner, Anna Eve, [Wert,] Catharine, [Bretz,] Ludwig,) b. September 17, 1830; m., December 28, 1847, John Cromer, b. October 9, 1822, in York county, Pa. In the year 1840 Mr. Cromer's father emigrated to near Van Wert, Ohio, where Mr. and Mrs. Cromer reside on a farm of their own within the corporation limits of the city of Van-Wert. They had issue, (surname Cromer:)

- i. John-Wesley, b. September 10, 1850; d. September 13, 1852.
- ii. William-Jefferson, b. October 20, 1851; d. October 19, 1862.
- iii. Sarah-Catharine, b. July 16, 1853; d. October 7, 1875; m. John Wesley Balyeat. They resided at Lake Odessa, Iona county, Mich; had issue, Orly-Edna, b. January 29, 1877; Wilma, b. February 7, 1881.
- iv. Frank-Alfred, b. May 25, 1855; m. August 30, 1882. Kate P. Harris, b. December 7, 1862;

- they reside at Van Wert, Ohio; had issue, *Hazel-B.*, b. August 20, 1883; *Silva*, b. September 17, 1884; d. September 20, 1884; *Milo*, b. September 20, 1887.
- v. Irene-H., b. May 25, 1857; m. December 24, 1884, John W. Kensler, b. May 26, 1859; reside at Middleport, Van Wert county, Ohio; had issue, Frederick-B., b. April 15, 1887; Ray, b. May 22, 1888.
- vi. Anna-Eve, b. May 25, 1859.
- vii. Martin-Schaffner, b. December 23, 1861; is a graduate of Sterling Medical College, Columbus, Ohio, and is practicing medicine at Enterprise, Ohio.
- viii. Ralph-W., b. March 30, 1865; m., March 13, 1890, Nettie Longsworth; reside at Van-Wert, Ohio.
 - ix. Charles-B., b. August 28, 1868; is a graduate of public schools of VanWert, Ohio; is engaged in teaching school.
- LIX. EPHRIAM MECK, (Jacob, Susan, [Bretz,] Ludwig,) b. October 19, 1819. He resided in Harrisburg, Pa. At one time was a clerk in the Auditor General's Department of Pennsylvania; d. March 8, 1872; m., June 23, 1850, Mary R. Steer. She survives him; resides in Harrisburg, Pa. They had issue, (surname Meck:)
 - i. Henry-Edward, b. August 25, 1851. He is connected with the Cumberland Valley Railroad, and resides in Harrisburg, Pa.; m. Margaret Grove: no issue.

- ii. Charles-Pierce, b. August 31, 1853; a printer, and foreman of the Harrisburg Daily Telegraph; m. Mary J. Dwyer, and had issue two children.
- iii. George-Eugene, b. December 25, 1855; is a carpenter by trade, but is engaged at painting, residing in Harrisburg; m. Teressa Campbell; had issue three children.
- iv. William-John, b. September 24, 1857; resides in Harrisburg; m. Elizabeth Wohleben; had issue five children.
- v. Mary-Hannah, b. November 6, 1858; is blind, residing in Harrisburg with her mother.
- vi. Alexander-Ephraim, b. March 23, 1865; resides in Harrisburg, Pa.; m. Fanny Moyer.

LX. Humphery Jacob Meck,⁴ (Jacob,³ Susan,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. September 10, 1822, in Carlisle, Pa.; d. November 20, 1887, in Logansport, Ind. The first thirty years of his life were spent in Carlisle, Pa. His educational advantages were limited to the instructions given by the common schools of that time. He was early obliged to care for himself, and chose the occupation of a tailor. He advanced to become a cutter, and finally a merchant tailor.

Mr. Meck was soundly converted in his twentieth year, while attending a camp-meeting at Green Village. He at once united with the Methodist Episcopal church, from whose membership he never departed, and which he honored and prospered by his faithful labors. He immediately became a very active worker in the church, and soon became a class-leader, and for some time led two classes. After a time he felt deeply impressed that

he was called to preach the Gospel. This call he long Bishop Peck, who was then at the head of Dickinson College, in Carlisle, and who lived for a time in Mr. Meck's family, and Dr. E. Wentworth, then a professor in this same college, both united in urging him to enter this work, but he continued to refuse. In 1849 he was licensed to exhort, and in 1853, to preach. About the year 1854 he removed to Indiana, and began business in Indianapolis as a merchant tailor. he was very active in Christian labors, and preached often. He organized the Methodist Episcopal church in Mapleton, which will be a lasting evidence of his faithfulness. Bishop Ames, who then lived in Indianapolis, and others, continued to persuade him to give himself wholly to the ministry. In 1855, he closed up his business, and was received on trial in the North Indiana Conference, of which he continued a faithful and honored member for almost thirty-three years.

He was ordained Deacon by Bishop Simpson in 1857, and Elder by Bishop Morris in 1859. He filled the following appointments: Goshen, Lanesville, Williamsburg, Hagerstown, Winchester, Wabash, Kendallville, Knightstown, Goshen District, Wayne St., Ft. Wayne, Ft. Wayne District, Kokomo, Union City, Bluffton, Woblesville, and Market St., Logansport, where he ended his course in triumph. He finished the churches in Wabash and Union City, and built a parsonage at Bluffton.

Although Mr Meck was not naturally rugged, he never had any special sickness. He never missed a Sabbath from illness until his final sickness, nor did he ever take a vacation or miss a prayer-meeting. He

was always present at the roll-call of his conference and at the final benediction. For the last six months of his life he was in gradually declining health. About the last of September he was taken ill with what proved to be stricture of the bowels, and suffered severely for several weeks. He recovered sufficiently to be up and visit his son at Kokomo. Here his last work was on the Sabbath, two weeks before his death, when he baptized his infant granddaughter, sang one of his songs. and pronounced the benediction.

On his return home he was again prostrated. Although he suffered greatly, yet he never murmured. He spoke very little about himself, but talked concerning his charge and how he should fill his pulpit. Whenever he was questioned about himself his testimony was clear, giving no uncertain sound. friend he quoted the twenty-third Psalm, as indicating his spiritual condition. To one of his colleagues in Logansport he said he never felt so resigned to the divine will as he did then, being willing to go or stay. When his physician informed him of the gravity of his condition, he replied, "I have been preparing for forty vears for this time." About twenty minutes before his departure the doctor informed him that the end was very near, and he answered, "It is all right." And his last words that could be distinguished were, "I am almost home, almost home." Without a struggle, it being necessary to observe carefully to mark his last breath, he gently departed to be with the Lord, and fell asleep.

Mr. Meck was a very successful minister. Few can point to a better record than he. He remained in

his charges the full time allowed by our laws, or was called by the church to a more important post or to a charge where he was needed more. He never appeared to be troubled about his appointments, nor did he trouble the appointing power. He went cheerfully where he was sent. He was stationed in some of the most important and heavy charges of this Conference, and in them all he did good work. The churches prospered under his care and grew in spirituality and power. He always added to the membership. He excelled as a revivalist. In every charge he had blessed revivals, some of which were the most glorious in the history of the Conference.

He was beloved by the old and young. Whereever he went he won a host of friends. His affable manners, pleasant ways and active habits soon gained for him the universal love and respect of every community. People soon found out that he was in the town. He never hesitated to preach the whole gospel. He had no toleration for sin. He denounced every evil unsparingly, but not in such a way as to make enemies.

Mr. Meck specially excelled as a singer. He had a voice of great compass, power and sweetness, which was one of his great elements of strength. Congregations and conferences have wept and shouted as they listened to his melodies. As a man he was kindhearted and readily responded to every advance. He was ever pure and blameless in life and conversation. No aspersion was ever cast upon him and no one ever heard an unworthy word from his lips.

As a citizen he was public spirited; he was an uncompromising advocate of reform and in every community his influence was for good and remained behind him. In his family circle he was especially beloved. He loved to have his family about him. He took great pleasure in visiting his children and his friends. As a husband and father he is enshrined in the hearts of his wife and children.

After services in his residence in Logansport, his remains were taken to Kokomo, where he was buried in Crown Point, after one of the largest funerals ever held in that city. His Presiding Elder, the Rev. J. E. Ervin, had charge, assisted by Brethren Daniel Neal, Vigus, Hudson, and many other members of the conference.

How much better the world is because Mr. Meck has lived in it!

"He being dead, yet speaketh."

The universal verdict of heaven and earth must be, "servant of God, well done!"

He married, March 28, 1844, at Carlisle, Pa., Elizabeth Stayman Elliott, b. April 14, 1824, at Brookville, Ind., daughter of James Elliott, (b. 1785, d. 1830,) and Sarah Kline, (1793–1875;) she survives her husband, residing at Kokomo, Ind. They had issue, surname Meck:)

i. Sarah-Ann, b. February 12, 1845, at Carlisle, Pa.; m. November 29, 1881, Henry Small Foster, b. January 30, 1834, in Montgomery county, Ohio, son of Isaac Preston Foster and Rebecca Ware. He is engaged in photographing and manufacturing of ironing-boards; resides at Union City, Ind.; had

- issue, *Edgar-Meck*, b. August 25, 1883; d. August 14, 1884.
- ii. Augusta-Mary, b. September 2, 1846, at Carlisle, Pa. She is a music teacher, and engaged at clerking; resides at Kokomo, Ind.
- iii. Frances-Virginia, b. October 11, 1848, at Shippensburg, Pa.; d. December 15, 1852, at Carlisle, Pa.
- iv. James Elliott, b. November 6, 1850, at Carlisle, Pa.; d. July 4, 1852.
- v. Martha-Elizabeth, b. February 6, 1853, at Carlisle, Pa.
- vi. Charles Weaver, b. February 19, 1855, at Indianapolis, Ind. He is engaged as a traveling salesman for a book and paper house at Indianapolis, Ind., where he resides; m., March 29, 1888, Fleta M. Keys, had issue, Mabel-Elizabeth, d. s. p.
- vii. George-Edgar, b. September 21, 1858, at Hagerstown, Md.; is one of the leading druggists in Kokomo, Ind. Is prominent in church work, and superintendent of the M. E. Sunday-school; m., January 7, 1885, Margaret E.-O'Brien, daughter of Judge James O'Brien and Charlotte Louisa Lindsey; they had issue, Helen, b. September 14, 1887.
- viii. William Theodore, b. May 3, 1861, at Winchester, Ind. Is engaged in clerking at Kokomo, Ind., where he resides.
 - ix. Harry-J., b. December 12, 1864, at Kendall-ville, Ind.

x. Stephen-Morris, b. March 8, 1867, at Kendall-ville, Ind. Resides at Indianapolis, Ind., where he is employed as a clerk, and is a professional singer.

LXI. John Daniel Meck, Jacob, Susan, [Bretz,] Ludwig, b. October 12, 1838; by trade a moulder, residing in Carlisle, Pa., where he is engaged in the wholesale and retail confectionery trade and manufacturing; m., January 15, 1861, Margaret R. Murray, b. July, 1834, dau. of Henry C. Murray and Anna Schlosser. They had issue, (surname Meck:)

- i. Charles-Henry, b. April 6, 1862; m. Flora Dickson; they reside in Carlisle; had issue, Helen.
- ii. John. b. November 20, 1863.
- iii. Mary-Gillen, b. September 9, 1865; m. Harry Fackler; reside in Carlisle, Pa.; had issue, Christena.
- iv. Edgar-Isaac, b. February 4, 1869.
- v. Frank-Dilley, b. June 2, 1873.
- vi. Eliza-Jane, b. March 21, 1877.

LXII. WILLIAM INCH,⁴ (Susan,³ [Meck,] Susan,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. January 28, 1830. From the year 1847 to 1857 he drove wagon on the line running between Harrisburg and Williamsport, Pa. Afterwards he followed boating and boat building for a number of years. Enlisted in the war of the rebellion, September 7, 1864, in Co. I, 208 Reg., Pa. Vol., and discharged June 1, 1865. March, 1867, he moved to Sedalia, Mo., where he resides, having first engaged in the grocery business, then elected marshal of Sedalia, and after-

wards entered the service of the Missouri Pacific R. W. Co., at which he is now employed. He m., December 26, 1852, Mary Shuman, b. November 11, 1831, daughter of George Shuman, (b. August 22, 1792; d. 1842,) and Susanna Rusher, (b. August 22, 1800; d. June 25, 1846.) They had issue, (surname Inch.)

- i. Isaac-Meck, b. October 3, 1854. He resides in Parsons, Kans., and is in the employ of the R. R., in the baggage service, running from Parsons, Kans. to St. Louis, Mo.; m., May 21, 1879, Laurabelle Louisa Thomas, b. August 7, 1856, had issue, Gwendola, b. May 8, 1880, Edgar, b. February 2, 1884.
- ii. Harry-Wallis, b. October 3, 1854, (twin.) He is in the car account office of the Mo. Pac. R. R., at St. Louis, Mo.; m., 1879, Ida Morrison, had issue, Harry-Earl, b. March 9, 1880.
- iii. Alice-Adela, b. October 1, 1856, resides in Sedalia, Mo.
- LXIII. FLORA MECK,⁴ (Daniel,³ Susan,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. August 15, 1835; m., October 22, 1852, Jeremiah Boger, b. December 16, 1828, son of Daniel Boger and Mary Wolf. They reside at Port Trevorton, Snyder co., Pa. He is engaged in the life insurance business with headquarters at Baltimore, Md. They had issue, (surname Bogar:)
 - i. John-Daniel, b. February 18, 1853. Resides in Port Trevorton, Pa., and engaged in the lumber trade; m. Mary Nayler, had issue.
 - ii. Jacob-Paul, b. May 28, 1855; resides at Hern-

- don, Pa., and is employed as ferryman; m. Catharine Etter, and had issue.
- iii. Charles-William, b. September 24, 1857; d. April 3, 1873.
- iv. Clara-Elizabeth, b. August 26, 1859; m. Harry E. Austin. They reside at Washington, D. C., where he is employed as clerk in the War Department; had issue.
- v. George-Meck, b. October 19, 1861; d. August 11, 1864, by drowning in the Susquehanna river.
- vi. James-Henry, b. January 27, 1864. Resides at Port Treverton, Pa., and is engaged in boating; m. Jennie Bordner, and had issue.
- vii. Isaac-Meck, b. June 15, 1866.
- viii. Mary-Wolf, b. November 16, 1868.
 - ix. Joseph-Edwin, b. July 16, 1871.
 - x. Christian-David, b. May 2, 1873.
 - xi. Victor-Emanuel, b. December 13, 1878.

LXIV. John Gillen Meck,⁴ (Daniel,³ Susan,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. March 20, 1837, at Mt. Patrick, Perry county, Pa. After his father's death, he went to live with his uncle Isaac Meck until the year 1852. He was then employed during the summer months as mail boy on the packet boats running from the junction of the Juniata and Susquehanna canals to Williamsport, Pa., and in the winter months attended school. In the spring of 1856 he was apprenticed to the trade of painting and papering. In the spring of 1858 he attended the Freeburg, Pa., Academy, and from there attended the Millersville, Pa., Normal School. In April, 1859, went to Philadel-

phia, and met a Mr. Musselman, a former resident of Liverpool, Pa., who was a merchant, of Logansport, and into whose service Mr. Meck entered as a clerk, remaining until the spring of 1861. He then formed a partnership with a Mr. Grover in the grocery business, but one year later he retired from the firm, and visited his old home and native State. On returning to Logansport, he enlisted, July, 1862, as a soldier in Co. H, 55th Regt., Ind. Vols., and was commissioned a lieutentenant. On account of sickness he was discharged, October, 1862. He then entered into partnership with Mr. T. C. Mitchell, of Logansport, Ind., in the boot and shoe business, and retired from the firm in January, Visited his native heath once more, and was at 1865. the opening of State Capital Hotel, at Harrisburg, by W. P. Thompson, February 22, 1865. He returned again, at the end of his visit to Pennsylvania, and in May, 1865, was elected City Clerk of Logansport for two years, and re-elected in 1867, and served till May 1, 1869. In the spring of 1870, entered the law office of S. T. McConnell as a student, and in due course of time was admitted as an attorney of Cass county, Ind., where he now practices, residing at Logansport, Ind. He was elected a justice of the peace in 1875. He has "twice been a candidate before the Democratic convention for representative of the Legislature, both times against his will, and defeated. He has figured considerable in politics, stumping his county and adjoining counties for the past twenty years up to and during the last campaign," at which time he left the Democratic party, as he is strictly opposed to the free trade system. He married, May 27, 1869, Ellen Green, she was born

in Dayton, Ohio, 1843, dau. of Richard Green, of Dayton, Ohio, and Margaret J. Meredith, of Wilkesbarre, . Pa. They had issue, (surname Meck:)

- i. Richard-D., b. February, 1870; d. November 8, 1878.
- ii. Maggie-J., b. May 6, 1879.

LXV. Louisa Meck,⁴ (Isaac,³ Susan,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. November 21, 1834; m., May 27, 1856, Franklin P. Seltzer, b. January 31, 1823; d. August 28, 1886, in Philadelphia, Pa.; where his widow resides; they had issue, (surname Seltzer:) Charles, b. March 7, 1857; Anna-M., b. March 7, 1857; Alice-L., b. November 30, 1860; S.-May, b. July 15, 1866; Henry, b. December 5, 1867; Franklin-P., b. April 12, 1869, d. July 15, 1869; Ralph-E., b. July 12, 1870; Elizabeth-M., b. Aug. 8, 1871; Alfred-G., b. Sept. 3, 1873, d. Oct. 18, 1873; Lewis-E., b. Oct. 23, 1874, d. June 11, 1876; Walter-H., b. October 2, 1878.

LXVI. Jacob Bretz,⁴ (John,³ John,² Ludwig,¹) b. April 19, 1820, in Dauphin county, Pa.; d. about the year 1877. He was a carpenter by trade and a man very handy with tools, and was never better satisfied than when the opportunity presented itself for his brain and hand to blend together in the construction of some mechanism, and when once invented, to give the benefit of his genius to some one else; m. Amanda Henrie, b. February 10, 1821; d. October 3, 1865, daughter of Samuel Henrie and Catharine Williams; they had issue:

i. John b. August 31, 1844; enlisted August 13, 1862, as a private soldier in Co. I, 133d Reg.,

- Pa. Vol.; killed December 13, 1862, at the battle of Fredericksburg, Va.; his body is buried with the unknown dead on the battle field.
- 109. ii. Mary-Catharine, b. June 9, 1846; m. John Campbell.
 - iii. Margaret-McClure, b. April 23, 1848; d. March 14, 1886, and buried in Rose Hill cemetry, Meridan, Miss.; m. Ephriam Auker; they had issue, (surname Auker:)
 - 1. Irene, b. February 6, 1868, at Greenville, Pa.; m., March 14, 1885. S. Wesley Kemp; reside at Danville, Ky.; and have issue, (surname Kemp:) George-Bretz, b. May 10, 1887.
 - iv. Emma-Harriet, b. April 23, 1851; m. March 10, 1875, William A. Sheller, he is engaged as a passenger conductor on the P. R. R., b July 29, 1852; reside at Altoona, Pa., and had issue, E.-Roy, b. February 25, 1876, Au-U., b. May 4, 1878.
 - v. Alice-Elnora, b. February 12, 1853; m. October, 1882, Louis Korth; two years after marriage they moved to Florida.
 - vi. Frank-Henrie, b. September 27, 1854; is a coach maker by trade, residing at New Bloomfield, Perry county, Pa.; m. Anna Clouser; had issue, Roy, d. s. p.; May, Sheller-LeRue, Charles-Douglass.
 - vii. Jessie-Fremont, b. November 18, 1856; m. October 26, 1884, James Bortsdorf, b. March 20, 1859; reside in Altoona, Pa.

- viii. Jacob-Clark, b. April 8, 1858; he is married and resides at Heyworth, Ill.
- ix. Irene-Amanda, b. May 27, 1862; m. January 1, 1884, Charles Douglass, b. November 5, 1862; son of John and Virginia Douglass; he is a boiler-maker by trade and in the employ of the P. R. R. at Altoona, Pa.; had issue, Jesse-May, b. October 19, 1884, Alice-Bretz, b. September 14, 1886.

LXVII. George Bretz, (John, John, Ludwig, b. July 4, 1827, in Dauphin county, Pa., d. February 16, 1874. Mr. Bretz was a self-made man, had a good English education. His first effort in what was afterwards his work was as school teacher in Howe township, Perry county, Pa. Afterwards he taught school in Derry and Lower Swatara townships, Dauphin county, Pa. After returning to Perry county, Pa., he taught school in various townships and was also at one time principle of the Newport schools. He was always sought for when his neighbors and friends needed advice and held many of the local offices in his township, and whenever there was an educational gathering it was not a success or complete unless he was present and on the programme. In 1872 he was put forth by his friends as a candidate for County Commissioner, of Perry county, Pa., and received the nomination at the hands of the Democratic party and elected, although the county is Republican, and which office he held at the time of his death.

He m., May 23, 1854, Elizabeth Strite, b. March 2, 1827; daughter of Jacob Strite (1798–1843) and Nancy

Toot, (1795–1868.) She survives him residing near Newport, Perry county, Pa. They had issue.

- i. George-Roebuck, b. February 22, 1861. He is engaged in farming, residing on the old homestead, near Newport, Pa. He m., June 6, 1880, Ida C. Free; b. October 8, 1861, in Macon county, Ill; had issue: Nellie-O., b. April 7, 1881; Joseph-F., b. October 17, 1882; William-Ralph, b. June 30, 1887; George-Wesley, b. June 1, 1889.
- ii. Kate-F., b. October 22, 1866; she married William F. Meck, b. January 8, 1860, Buchannon county, Mo., and reside at St. Paul Minn; had issue, Ethel-Bretz, b. August 1, 1888.
- iii. William-Ralph, b. November 1, 1871.

LXVIII. CATHARINE ELIZABETH BRETZ, John, John, Ludwig, b. May 18, 1831; m., June 9, 1852, Joseph W. Frank, b. April 4, 1825, son of George Frank and Catharine Rathfon. They reside at Newport, Pa., where he is engaged in the general hardware business. They had issue, (surname Frank:)

i. Floy-Catharine, b. May 9, 1855; m. Calvin A. Stager, a native of Reading, Pa. They reside in Philadelphia, where he is connected with the Reading R. R.

LXIX. Priscilla Bretz, (William, John Ludwig,) b. July 10, 1829, in Pennsylvania; d. September 19, 1878; m., in the year 1848, William W. Scott, b. in the year 1825. He resides at New Providence, Iowa. They had issue, (surname Scott:)

- i. Ellen, b. in the year 1850; m., in the year 1872, Pliny Story; had issue, Alice, b. 1874; Marren, b. 1879; Stephen, b. 1880.
- ii. John, b. in the year 1852; m., in the year 1880, Francis Crosser, b. in the year 1861; had issue, Priscilla, b. 1881; Clarence, b. 1888.
- iii. Elizabeth, b. in the year 1856; m., in the year 1872, Jonathan Mulford, b. in the year 1850. They had issue, Ella, b. 1873, Priscella, b. 1875, Hattie, b. 1877, Edward, b. 1881, Ethel, b. 1885.
- iv. May; b. in the year 1859.
- v. Martha, b. in the year 1861; m., in the year 1877, William Elliott, b. in the year 1858. They had issue, Edward, b. 1878, Bert, b. 1880, Samuel, b. 1882.
- vi. Jessie, b. in the year 1866; m., in the year 1889, Cyrus Harlan.
- vii. Anna, b. in the year 1872.
- LXX. Catharine A. Bretz, (Thomas, John, Ludwig,) b. July 27, 1825, in Silver Spring township, Cumberland county, Pa.; m., February 6, 1853, Simon H. Fry, b. January 6, 1823, at Millerstown, Pa.; d. October 7, 1880. When a boy was a clerk in a store in Millerstown, Pa., until after his marriage, when he engaged in farming, and in the winter taught school; held various offices, and in the year 1866 was elected to the office of county auditor in Perry county, Pa., for three years; was a justice of the peace for fifteen years. She survives him, residing at Manhattan, Kansas; they had issue, (surname Fry:)
 - i. Clarence-B., b. October 21, 1853; d. April 10,

- 1881; m., March 4, 1875, Catharine Barto, of Millerstown, Pa.; they had issue, *Estella-Bertha*, b. December 6, 1876.
- ii. Lloyd-S., b. April 25, 1855; was principal of the Manhattan, Kansas, schools for a number of years; is now holding the same position in Randolph, Kans.; m., December 28, 1886, Mary J. Gripping, of Manhattan.
- iii. Bertha-Emma, b. April 6, 1862; m., September 9, 1886, Allen B. Ells, of Manhattan; they reside in Garden Grove, California; had issue, Emma, b. January 27, 1889.
- iv. Jennie-Catharine, b. November 14, 1865; she is engaged in teaching.

LXXI. John Henry Bretz, (Thomas, John, Ludwig, b. April 20, 1832, in Dauphin county, Pa.; remained with his father until he took his father's farm to cultivate, which he occupied until he was disabled by an accident which occurred on the presidential election day, 1860. On that day he, in company with his brother Mahlon and two of his neighbors, concluded to spend the day on the Buffalo mountains, in Howe township, gunning. After spending several hours on the mountain with no success, they stopped at a grape vine to get some grapes, and while thus engaged he noticed game near by and reached for his gun, which was placed against a tree amongst some of the grape vines. In taking the gun, his whole attention was directed on the game, when a vine caught the lock, pulling it back far enough to break the cap and discharge the gun; the muzzle of the gun being against his side, where the whole load was discharged. Two of his ribs were broken and afterwards were removed. After the wound was dressed the beating of his heart could be plainly seen. This incapacitated him from manual labor, when he learned telegraph operating, after which he was employed as operator at Marysville, Pa. In the year 1867 he was appointed agent for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and removed to New Florence, Pa. In 1872 he removed to Milton Junction, Iowa, where he had previously bought a farm, where he resided for five years, and then removed to Oakdale, Antelope county, Nebraska, where he resides. He married, November 12, 1856, Martha E. Carl, of Ickesburg, Pa., b. September 18, 1836, in Perry county, Pa., dau. of Christopher Carl and Sarah Kell. The had issue:

- i. Forrest-C., d. s. p.
- *ii.* Thorn-F., d. s. p.
- iii. Walter-Thomas, b. November 28, 1862; d. November 12, 1879, while they were on their way west.
- vi. Erastus-Spaulding, b. October 6, 1866.
- v. Foster-Isaac, b. October 20, 1869.
- vi. Carlton-Lewis, b. October 19, 1875.
- vii. John-Weston, b. November 3, 1867; m., November 13, 1889, Sarah Caldwell.
- viii. Mary-Bell, b. December 2, 1871.
 - ix. Emma, b. August 12, 1872.
 - x. Sadie-Carl, b. October 8, 1878.
 - xi. Catharine-T., b. December 8, 1879.

LXXII. Mahlon Thomas Bretz,⁴ (Thomas,³ John,² Ludwig,¹) b. July 14, 1843, in Phoutz Valley, Perry county, Pa.; lived with his father on the farm near

Newport, Pa., until the year 1858, when his father moved to Newport in order to give him and his brother Calton a better education than could be had in the country. He attended school when in session and during vacation worked at farming, until the war of the rebellion disturbed the peaceful habits of our every day life. When the war began, he was too young and could not enlist without the permission of his parents, which he failed to get; but in July, 1862, he succeeded in securing the proper document from his father, and on August 13, 1862, he was mustered into service in Co. I, 133d Reg. Pa. Vol., at Harrisburg, and was immediately sent to Fairfax, Seminary Hill, Va., where his regiment were put to work erecting fortifications in anticipation of McClellan's retreat from the peninsula. After Lee's flank movement via Warrington and Harper's Ferry, they joined McClellan's army and moved via Washington, D. C., and Frederick, Md. In Washington his brigade was detained one day while they exchanged their old Austrian muskets for Harper's Ferry muskets. This threw their brigade on the left and rear of McClellan's army of the Potomac, and consequently they arrived on the Antietam battlefield shortly after Lee hoisted the flag of truce and under cover of which he retreated. Their division was shortly after rushed to the front, but only their battery succeeded in firing into the rebels' rear guard as they were about crossing the Potomac and McClellan was again foiled. They camped on that ground for nearly a month, or until Lee had retreated as far as Fredericksburg, Va., when they followed, crossing at Harper's Ferry, on pontoons and leisurly following, going down

Loudon Valley and camping near Falmouth, Va. They remained here, doing picket duty and drilling until the 11th of December, when they were furnished with extra rations and amunition, and ordered into line ready to march at 3, A. M. They were attached to the third brigade, third division, fifth army corps. When the roll was called it showed the absence of two corporals, (one the "color guard,") and as Mr. Bretz was next in rank, he was ordered to the colors, and soon after they moved forward toward Fredericksburg and halted near the river, where they had a grand view of the bombardment, both sides of the river being lined with canon, which was fired continuously.

About noon the Fifth Army Corps was ordered for-. ward, and were soon on the pontoons crossing the river, with rebel shells falling on both sides of their line, but luckily not hitting the bridge, while their artillery was firing over them. They soon marched through the town, and out on the battle-field proper. During the time Mr. Bretz was present, they charged the rebel lines twice, and then lay down to fire. Shortly after, Mr. Bretz was wounded, and while he remained on the field he protected himself with a few knapsacks that he found near, and piled in front of him. Toward night he worked himself back into town, and about dark succeeded in finding his brigade hospital. The following day he was taken over the river, and was afterwards sent to Armory Square Hospital, Washington, D. C., and discharged, February 24, 1863. The bullet is still snugly lodged between his right lung and spinal column, and occasionally gives him to understand that it is not quite settled yet.

In June, 1863, the rebels again moved north, and as he was feeling pretty good, he enlisted in the 36th Regt., P. V. S. M., and they were sent to Gettysburg, but arrived too late to be of any use, except that they were detailed to guard the hospitals, and clean up the battle-field.

After his discharge from further service, he remained at home awhile, and being unable to do any labor, he · commenced a course at the Millersville State Normal In the summer of 1864, the rebels again marched north, and another call was made for troops. He enlisted in "Co. C," from Lancaster, and attached to the 195th Regt., P. V., and was ranked as sergeant, and were immediately sent up the Shenandoah Valley, crossing again at Harper's Ferry, Va., and on several occasions marching over the same ground that they marched over in 1862. They were stationed at different points until their term of service had expired. They could see the dust raised by Sheridan in his twenty-mile ride, and could hear the artillery, but were not sent forward, as they expected. In November they were discharged. That winter—1864-65—he taught school, and in the spring of 1865 went to Philadelphia and engaged in book-keeping for a wholesale firm, where he remained until the spring of 1868, when he became assistant to his brother, John Bretz, who was the station agent for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at New Florence, Pa., and in the fall of the same year he accepted the cashiership of the freight department of the P., C. and St. L. R. W. Co., at Pittsburg, Pa., where he remained until the autumn of

1869, when he became the assistant to the P. R. R. Co.'s station agent at Newport, Pa., accepting the position so that he could be at home with his mother, who was growing old and feeble. Having a desire to be in Philadelphia during the Centennial of 1876, he removed there in the fall of 1875, and engaged in the stationery and picture frame business, and at the close of the great Centennial he disposed of his business and accepted the cashiership of the freight department of the Penna. Railroad at Kensington, where he remained until July 3, 1882, when, on account of his old wound, he became totally disabled, and took to his bed, where he remained for more than a year. The succeeding three years he improved sufficiently so as to get around on an invalid's chair. Since then, four years, he has been able to sit on a common chair, but must use crutches to get around, being unable to stand or walk. At this time Mr. Bretz resides in Newport, Pa., with his family, where his mother makes her home, and where she is kindly cared for by her dutiful son. He married, October 15, 1871, Emma Prettyman Kirby, daughter of John Kirby and Eliza E. Prettyman. They had issue:

i. Frank-Kirby, b. August 4, 1872. He is a graduate of the Newport high school and at the same time, during his leisure moments, learned telegraphing and short hand. Afterwards he was employed for nearly a year as an operator for the P. R. R. Co., and afterwards as an amanuensis in the office of his uncle Calton. He is now taking a

course of civil engineering in Lafayette College, Easton, Pa.

LXXIII. CALTON L. Bretz,4 (Thomas,3 John,2 Ludwig,1) b. March 28, 1847, in Perry county, Pa.; remained at home, attending school until his father's death. When the rebels made the raid on Gettysburg, he enlisted in Co. B, 36th Reg. P. V. S. M. After the expiration of his term of service, he returned home and learned telegraphing at Newport; he was then employed in the general office at Altoona, then transferred to the Harrisburg office, and later as assistant to the ticket agent at the same place. When the Lewistown division of the P. R. R. was opened, he was made train master and chief operator, and when the Bedford division was opened he was transferred from his former position and accepted a similar one at Bedford, Pa., where he remained eight years, except during the Centennial of 1876, where he was employed as train master of the Centennial Grounds, Fairmount Park. the close of the Centennial he resumed his former position at Bedford until the spring of 1888, when he was appointed to the highly responsible position of general manager of the W. Va. Central R. R., with general offices at Cumberland, Md. He m., December 20, 1882, Georgie C. Benedict, daughter of Frederick Benedict and Belinda Corpening; she was born August 15, 1862, d. March 14, 1886. They had issue:

- i. Frederick-Benedict, b. May 25, 1884; d. December 18, 1886.
- ii. Thomas-Benedict, b. January 31, 1886; d. August 3, 1886.

LXXIV. WASHINGTON FISLER,⁴ (Elizabeth,³ [Bretz,] John,² Ludwig,¹) b. March 25, 1824; d. December 7, 1887; m. Lydia Peck; she survives him, residing in Middletown, Pa. They had issue, (surname Fisler:)

- i. Catharine, m. Michael Stewart; residing in Middletown, Pa.; had issue.
- ii. Sarah, m. George Gotshall; residing in Middletown, Pa.; had issue.
- iii. Ellen, m. Harry Linninger. They are dead; had issue.
- iv. George.
- v. Jacob, m. Alice Lerch; residing in Middletown, Pa.; had issue.
- vi. Edward, m. Emma Whitman; residing in Middletown, Pa.; had issue.
- vii. William.

LXXV. Mary Ann Fisler,⁴ (Elizabeth,³ [Bretz,] John,² Ludwig,¹) b. July 2, 1826; m., September 18, 1847, John Lehman, b. December 11, 1822; d. November 9, 1885, son of Henry Lehman and Christina Miller; was a blacksmith by trade, and also followed boating, residing many years in Highspire, and then moved to Steelton. At the time of his death he resided in Harrisburg, where his wife now resides. They had issue, (surname Lehman:)

- i. Sarah-Elizabeth, b. May 27, 1848.
- ii. Anna-Catharine, b. January 18, 1850; d. March 11, 1856.
- iii. George-Washington, b. April 29, 1851; d. February 25, 1855.
- iv. Edward-Henry, b. October 11, 1853; d. September 19, 1854.

- v. Fyanah-Amelia, (twin,) b. October 11, 1853; d. June 30, 1855.
- vi. William-David, b. November 15, 1856. He is employed at the Pennsylvania Steel Works, and resides in Harrisburg, Pa.; m., October 6, 1883, Ella Lerch, b. October 9, 1863; d. March 15, 1889; had issue, Nellie, b. September 19, 1887; Elsie, (twin,) b. September 19, 1887; Elgar, b. March 4, 1889. After the death of his mother, he was adopted by his father's cousin, and has now the name of Nuskey.
- vii. John-Franklin, [twin,] b. November 15, 1856; d. April 21, 1862.
- viii. Samuel-Wesley, b. August 4, 1859. He resides with his mother in Harrisburg, and is a conductor on the railroad.
- ix. Mary-Emma, b. June 21, 1862; m. Frank Downey. They reside in Harrisburg, Pa.; had issue, Wesley, William, Franklin, Mame, Roy, d. s. p., Alice, Edward.
- x. Carrie-Ellen, b. April 2, 1866; m. William H. Pepper; reside in Harrisburg.
- xi. Margaret-Jane, b. January 16, 1869.

LXXVI. David Fisler, (Elizabeth, [Bretz,] John, Ludwig,) b. December 30, 1832, in Dauphin county, Pa.; was a soldier in the rebellion, enlisting August 11, 1862, in Chambersburg, Pa., in Co. A, 126th Regt., Pa. Vol. Inf.; mustered out of service May 2, 1863. Re-enlisted February 16, 1864, in Co. C, 108th Regt. (11th Cav.;) mustered out of service August 13, 1865. He resides with his family near

Williamson, Franklin county, Pa.; m., June 8, 1863, Rebecca Grove, b. October, 1832. They had issue, George-W., b. August 1, 1864; d. May 11, 1865; James-T., b. May 16, 1866; Naomi-C., b. May 30, 1868; Margaret-E., b. February 23, 1871; d. March 31, 1871; John-W., b. April 24, 1872; d. April 26, 1872; Clara-C., b. May 29, 1873; Charles-C., b. December 2, 1875.

LXXVII. SOPHIA FISLER, (Elizabeth, [Bretz,]John, Ludwig,) b. April 22, 1834; m. Andrew Millard, b. June 14, 1831; son of Benjamin Millard and Elizabeth Strominger; reside in Middletown, Pa. They had issue, (surname Millard:)

- i. Benjamin, b. December 4, 1853; d. s. p.
- ii. John, b. January 16, 1856; d. October 7, 1888,
 by being killed while in the employ of the P. R. R. as conductor on a freight train;
 m., February 17, 1877, Anna Jane Buchanan.
- iii. Mary-Elizabeth, b. October 12, 1857; m. Samuel Nuskey; reside in Middletown, Pa.
- iv. Susan-Catharine, b. January 18, 1859.
- v. Emma-Jane, b. April 1, 1860; d. April 16, 1861.
- vi. George-B., b. September 6, 1862; d. December 4, 1882, by being killed on the P. R. R., where he was employed as a brakeman.
- vii. David Franklin, b. October 21, 1865; d. October 17, 1868.
- viii. Harry-F., b. March 18, 1867.
 - ix. Anna-Lydia, b. April 16, 1868.
 - x. William-W., b, November 29, 1870.
 - xi. Carrie-Edith, b. October 5, 1872.
- xii. Minnie-May., b. May 24, 1874; d. July 1, 1874.

xiii. Ella-Francis, b. September 11, 1875; d. February 8, 1882.

LXXVIII. Susan Fisler, (Elizabeth, [Bretz,] John, Ludwig,) b. February 24, 1837; m., first, October 20, 1861, John L. Reitzell, b. November, 1840; died while in the battle of Petersburg, Va., in the war of the rebellion. He enlisted, March 11, 1865, in Co I, 87th Reg. Pa. Vol. Inf. and was killed at above battle April 2, 1865. He was the son of John Reitzell and Mary Lockard. They had issue, (surname Reitzell:)

i. Sarah-Elizabeth, b. July 18, 1864; m., July 20, 1884, Daniel Fleger, b. July 20, 1865; reside in Highspire, Pa., and have issue: Edna-Susan, Clemie-Rebecca.

Mrs. Reitzell m., secondly, March 20, 1870, Adam Cover, b. March 27, 1837, son of Samuel Cover and Rebecca Ludwig; they reside in Highspire, Pa.; had issue, surname Cover:)

ii. Clarence-Eugene, b. June 6, 1872; d. September 9, 1872.

LXXIX. Ann Catharine Bretz,⁴ (Jacob,³ John,² Ludwig,¹) b. March 8, 1827, near Carlisle, Pa.; m., December 17, 1850, John Potter, son of George Potter and Catharine Smith; b. January 5, 1823; enlisted December 1, 1864, in Co. I, 258 Reg. P. V.; was engaged in the battles of Fort Steadman and in front of Petersburg, Va. They reside in Buffalo township, Perry county, Pa., near Ackers P. O. They had issue, (surname Potter:)

i. Susan-Elizabeth, b. October 11, 1851; m. David W. Haines, and resides at Baskinsville,

- Perry county, Pa.; had issue: William-J.-B. and Blanche-E.
- ii. Wesley-Whitefield, b. April 2, 1853; is engaged in farming, residing near Duncannon, Pa.; he m. Sarah Zimmerman.
- iii. Samuel-Jacob, b. July 14, 1855; resides at Baileysburg, Perry county, Pa.; m. Agnes Bair; had issue, Anne-Catharine.
- iv. Margaret-Rebecca, b. March 31, 1857; m., first, Andrew Burd, and had issue, John-Wesley, and Elizabeth-Catharine. She m., secondly, Samuel Moore, and had issue, Samuel Irvin and Jacob-Walton.
- v. Sarah-Catharine, b. January 15, 1859; m. Allen Asper. They reside near Juniata Bridge P. O., Pa.; had issue, John-Clarence, Carrie-Edna, and Blanche-Myrtle.
- vi. John-Isaiah, b. June 25, 1861. He resides with his parents, and conducts the farming for his father; m. Annie Hain. She was born February 25, 1861.
- LXXX. Margaret Bretz, (Jacob, John, Ludwig, b. April 8, 1829; m., first, Joseph Morris, b. January 23, 1818; d. February 1, 1851; had issue, (surname Morris:)
 - i. Margaret, b. May 8, 1849; d. July 12, 1849.
 - ii. Jacob-Lewis, b. November 3, 1850; resides at Lewistown, Pa.; m. Matilda Wilson; had issue eight children.

Mrs. Morris married, secondly, June 3, 1858, Henry Deckard, son of Philip Deckard, (1785–1857,) and Elizabeth Alspaugh, (1784–1856.) He was born 1814; d.

September 5, 1876. She resides on her farm near Buck's Church, Perry county, Pa. They had issue, (surname Deckard:)

- iii. Philip-Henry, b. March 3, 1859.
- iv. John-William, b. May 21, 1860. He resides near Mt. Patrick, Perry county, Pa. He m. Matilda Albright, and had issue three children.
- v. Margaret-Elizabeth, b. June 4, 1862; m. Samuel Moretz. They reside at Newport, Pa., and had issue.
- vi. Clara, b. September 25, 1863; d. s. p.
- vii. Sarah-Murva, b. November 21, 1864; d. s. p.
- viii. Ida-Jane, b. October 4, 1866.
- ix. Joseph-Allen, b. May 28, 1868.
- x. Anna-Minerva, b. January 1, 1870.
- xi. Jacob-Israel, b. July 25, 1872.

LXXXI. John Bretz Ebersole, (Susan, [Bretz,] John, Ludwig,) b. April 9, 1825; d. September 22, 1869; was engaged in farming, and died in Dauphin county, Pa.; m., May 25, 1848, Margaret Tyler, b. January 7, 1829, daughter of William Tyler and Leah Wilt; she survives him, residing in Middletown, Pa.; they had issue, (surname Ebersole:)

- i. Permelia-Susan, b. December 9, 1849; d. January 5, 1873.
- ii. Catharine-Anna, b. February 28, 1852; m., October 12, 1870, Martin Parthemore Wetzell,
 b. March 24, 1843, son of Martin Wetzell and Elizabeth Parthemore; reside in Unionville Center, Union county, Ohio; had issue: William, b. July 25, 1873; d. Septem-

- ber 21, 1880; Abner-Ebersole, b. October 12, 1876; Meta-E.
- iii. John-Abraham, b. October 1, 1855; is a moulder by trade, residing in Middletown, Pa.; m. Christina Seltzer, daughter of Samuel Seltzer and Christina Ehrisman; they had issue: Margaret Tyler, b. July 5, 1887.
- iv. Maggie-Leah, b. April 15, 1860; d. May 15, 1875.
- v. William-Tyler, b. April 10, 1865.
- vi. Jacob-Isaac, b. March 27, 1867.
- vii. Joseph-Christian, b. May 16, 1869.

LXXXII. Jacob Ebersole, (Susan, [Bretz,] John, Ludwig,) b. June 23, 1826, in Cumberland county, Pa. He learned the blacksmith trade at Shepherdstown, Pa., which he followed many years in Middletown; he afterwards followed farming in Lower Swatara township, Dauphin county, Pa., where he resides (Middletown P.O.) on his own plantation. He m., September 11, 1845, Mary Bingaman, b. October 9, 1824; d. June, 1884; daughter of Charles Bingaman and Susan Keiper; they had issue, (surname Ebersole:)

- i. Susan-Catharine, b. June 27, 1846; is single and resides with her father.
- ii. Charles-Abraham, b. April 14, 1848; resides near Middletown, Pa., and is engaged in farming; m., October 15, 1872, Christiana Ebersole b. February 10, 1854; had issue: Lizzie-May, b. October 12, 1875; Sophia-Orlina, b. December 27, 1877; Laura-Edna, b. April 5, 1880; d. March 24, 1881; Anna-Estella, b. July 22, 1884; d. December 13, 1886.

- iii. David-Benjamin, b. October 21, 1849; m., first, Fanny Ebersole, daughter of Benjamin Ebersole and Catharine Myers. He m., secondly, Mrs. Elizabeth Zimmerman, dau. of Samuel Lauman Brandt and Susannah Eshleman; reside at Plattsmouth, Nebraska; no issue.
- *iv. John-Adam*, b. September 10, 1851; d. September 3, 1856.
- v. Sarah-Ann, b. January 28, 1854; m. January 14, 1875, John Adam Gingerich, b. November 19, 1849; son of Elias Gingerich and—— Pancake; they are farmers, residing near Highspire, Pa.; had issue, Mark-Edwin, b. December 13, 1875; Myra-Idella, b. July 1, 1879.
- vi. Rebecca-Ellen, b. June 12, 1857, at Middletown, Pa.; m., October 14, 1876, Morris S. Stauffer, b. March 26, 1853; d. August 27, 1885, son of Moses Stauffer. He was engaged in farming, residing in Lower Swatara township, Dauphin county, Pa.; she survives him, residing with her father; they had issue, Jacob-M., b. June 20, 1877; d. April 12, 1878.
- vii. Mahlon-Garretson, b. May 28, 1860; d. April 12, 1861.
- viii. Mary-Bingaman, b. March 1, 1863; m., December 30, 1883, Aaron Eshleman Brandt, b. January 4, 1861, son of Samuel Lauman Brandt and Susanna Eshleman; was raised on a farm, and attended public schools until he entered Airy View Academy, Juniata

county, Pa., and afterwards the State Normal School at Bloomsburg, Pa.; read law with J. I. Chamberlin, and was admitted to practice in the various courts of Dauphin county, Pa. They reside near Middletown, had issue, *Myrtle-Leonie*, b. September 15, 1885.

LXXXIII. Nancy Ebersole, (Susan, Bretz, John, 2) Ludwig, 1) b. June 19, 1828, in Cumberland county, Pa.; m., May 21, 1850, by Rev. William Gerhard, of the Lutheran church, Elizabethtown, Pa., Daniel Parthemore, b. August 28, 1824, in Lower Swatara township, Dauphin county, Pa., son of George Parthemore, (b. May 29, 1771; d. December 12, 1848,) and Eve Winagle, (b. January 4, 1782; d. March 24, 1844,) and grandson of Philip Parthemore, (b. April 29, 1736; d. January, 1797,) and Ann Eve Hypsher, and greatgrandson of Johan Frederick Parthemore, (d. 1752,) and Anna Maria Weinman.) Mr. Parthemore's ancestors came from the town of Sprengheigen, Province Rhein Hessen, Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, to America, landing at Philadelphia October 20, 1744. learned the wheelwright trade with Christian Stoner, of Middletown, which trade he followed many years, resides in Highspire, Pa.; when a young man he took great interest in military matters, enlisting first in the State militia, (National Blues,) at Middletown, Pa.; was commissioned by Gov. Johnson, December 9, 1851, second lieutenant in the third brigade of the fifth division of the State militia: afterwards, by Gov. Bigler, January 1, 1853, first lieutenant of the same regiment. At the breaking out of the war of the rebellion enlisted, October 28, 1861, in Company

- I, Ninety-third Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served as corporal of his company until February 23, 1862, when he was honorably discharged for disability, having contracted rheumatism from exposure in the service; was afterwards employed in the wagon department of the Government at Washington, D. C. They had issue, (surname Parthemore:)
 - i. Henry-Milton, b. February 27, 1851; d. June 30, 1851.
- 103. ii. E.-Winfield-Scott, b. July 25, 1852; m. Clara Sarah Early.
 - iii. Emma-Catharine, b. September 28, 1854, in Highspire, Pa.; resides with her parents.
 - iv. Susan-Margaret, b. December 5, 1856; resides with her parents; she and her sister are members of the Church of God.
 - v. Simon-Cameron, b. August 19, 1859, in Highspire, Pa.; d. February 28, 1862.
 - vi. Anna-Matilda, b. January 23, 1862; d. June 23, 1877.
 - vii. Ida-May, b. May 31, 1864; d. September 2, 1864.
 - viii. Alice-Lizzie, b. August 31, 1866; d. September 1, 1866.
 - ix. Oliver-Paris, b. June 18, 1868, in Highspire, Pa.; is a graduate of the Steelton, Pa., High School, and is engaged in teaching.
 - x. Charles-Abraham, b. January 18, 1871, in Highspire, Pa.; is engaged in learning telegraph operating on the P. R. R. at Highspire, Pa.

LXXXIV. ABRAHAM EBERSOLE,⁴ (Susan,³ [Bretz,] John,² Ludwig,¹) b. September 23, 1831; he is engaged

in farming, residing near Harrisburg, Pa.; P. O. address, East Harrisburg, Pa. He married, March 23, 1858, Annie H., daughter of David Lehman, b. June 10, 1837. They had issue, (surname Ebersole:)

- i. David-Lehman, b. February 6, 1859. He resides near Harrisburg, Pa.; m. Lizzie A. Brown; had issue, Ada-E., b. February 10, 1883; Leroy-B., b. September 16, 1885; Murlo-P., b. August 5, 1887; Ellwood-D., b. October 10, 1889.
- ii. George-C., b. July 8, 1860. He resides at Middletown, Pa.; m. Sallie E. Garrett; had issue, Mabel-F., b. March 10, 1884; Oliver-S., b. January 26, 1886; Blanche-A., b. January 26, 1889.
- iii. S.-Kate, b. August 18, 1862. She is single and resides at home.
- iv. Mary-E., b. May 13, 1865; m. John Wagner;
 reside at Middletown, and had issue, Annie,
 b. March 21, 1885; Marian, b. April 11,
 1886; Harrison, b. October 14, 1887; Frank,
 b. March 15, 1889.
- v. Ellie-M., b. November 17, 1867; m. E. Penn Keever; reside in Hummelstown, Pa.; no issue.
- vi. Blanche-A., b. December 10, 1873.
- vii. Susan-M., b. October 16, 1878.

LXXXV. Joseph Eshenauer,⁴ (Susan,³ [Bretz,] John,² Ludwig,¹) b. July 25, 1838, in Susquehanna township, Dauphin county, Pa.; resides at Harrisburg, Pa.; m., October 18, 1860, Priscilla Shope, b. March 31, 1841. They had issue, (surname Eshenaur:)

- i. Susan, b. October 4, 1861; d. July 28, 1863.
- ii. Elmer-Ellsworth, b. September 4, 1864; resides in Oberlin, Pa.; m., February 11, 1886, Ellnora Duerr, b. October 31, 1867, in New Market, Baltimore county, Md., had issue, Bertha-T., b. October 31, 1886; Florence-M., b. June 25, 1888.
- iii. Laura-J., b. May 17, 1870.
- iv. Percie-Putt, b. October 7, 1878.

LXXXVI. WILLIAM HENRY BRETZ,4 (Isaac,3 John,2) Ludwig,1) b. January 27, 1838, in Buffalo township, near Montgomery's Ferry, Perry county, Pa.; spent his early years on a farm. When the peaceful quietude of our homes were threatened by the rebellious conduct of the South, in 1861, Mr. Bretz enlisted, July, 1861, in Co. H, 1st Pa. Reserves; in 1862, his command joined McClellend on the Peninsula, and he was in the battles of Mechanicsville, Gaines' Hill, Charles City, and Cross Roads, and also in the second battle of Bull Run. contracted chronic affections which disabled him for further infantry service, and was honorably discharged February, 1863. In 1864 he re-enlisted in the Pa. Vol. Heavy Artillery, and joined Grant at Cold Harbor, until the great flank movement which was brought in front of Petersburg, Va., June 15, 1864, and on the following day they became engaged with the enemy while charging their fortress, and he was wounded in the left leg and was removed to the hospital, where he was confined several months; he recovered sufficiently to join his regiment and was promoted to corporal and remained in active service until February, 1865, when he was mustered out of service; returned to his native county, where he resides at New Buffalo. He m., February 16, 1869, Annie E. Reamer, b. August 26, 1843, in Perry county, Pa. They had issue:

- i. Mary-Catharine, b. October 11, 1869.
- ii. Isaac-Reamer, b. December 13, 1870.
- iii. Melvina-Elenor, July 28, 1872.
- iv. Lillian-May, b. February 18, 1874.
- v. Ethel-Grace, b. December 18, 1875.
- vi. Agnes-Maranda, b. December 16, 1877.
- vii. Emma-Luella, b. February 5, 1880; d. August 23, 1882.

LXXXVII. ISAAC STEWART BRETZ,⁴ (Isaac,³ John,² Ludwig,¹) b. May 10, 1839; is a farmer, residing at Austin P. O., Cass county, Mo.; m., April 8, 1875, Sophia S. Wright; have issue:

- i. Minerva-B., b. April 17, 1876; d. January 17, 1877.
- *ii.* Emma-C., b. December 7, 1878.
- iii. William-H.
- iv. Pearl.
- v. Newton.
- vi. Norman.

LXXXVIII. John James Bretz,⁴ (Simon,³ John,² Ludwig,¹ b. September 28, 1837; followed farming for many years; resides in Harrisburg, Pa.; m., first, August 4, 1859, Elizabeth Espenshade, b. July 11, 1838; d. —, daughter of Jacob Espenshade and Margaret Evans. They had issue:

i. Mary-Catharine, b. February 10, 1860; m., March 18, 1884, John H. Yingst, b. September 6, 1860; reside at Middletown, Pa.;

- had issue, Kate-E., b. September 30, 1884; John-Adam, b. October 2, 1886; William-Henry, b. February 6, 1888; d. February 11, 1889.
- ii. Mary-Elizabeth, b. February 15, 1861; m., February 12, 1885, Uriah Nye, b. January 15, 1866; reside in Derry township, Dauphin county, Pa.; had issue, Tillie, b. November 29, 1885; Myra, b. August 23, 1887.
- iii. Sarah-Ellen, d. s. p.
- iv. George-Abraham, d. s. p.
- v. William-Henry, b. November 22, 1865; m. Susan Nye, b. July 22, 1863; reside near Oberlin, Dauphin county, Pa.; had issue:
 - 1. Emma-L, b. February 8, 1886.
 - 2. Ellen-E., b. April 27, 1888.
 - 3. *Mamie-J.*, b. February 3, 1890.
- vi. Simon-Jacob, d. s. p.
- vii. Thomas-Mahlon, b. November 22, 1868; d. September, 1869.

LXXXIX. SIMON BENJAMIN BRETZ,⁴ (Simon,³ John,² Ludwig,¹) b. October 27, 1838; he is engaged in farming, residing on his own plantation in Cumberland county, Pa., (Camp Hill P. O.;) m. Elizabeth Renninger, b. February 21, 1840, daughter of John Martin Renninger, whose mother was a daughter of John Jonas Rupp, who settled in America in the year 1751; they had issue:

- i. John-Martin, b. January 3, 1868.
- ii. Maggie-Ellen, b. July 10, 1871; m. February 8, 1890, W. Frank Walters.

- XC. Benjamin Franklin Bretz, (Benjamin, John, Ludwig,) b. January 18, 1841, in Dauphin county, Pa., when only nine years old his parents emigrated to Iowa, and when on their way down the Ohio river from Pittsburg, Pa., to St. Louis, Mo., the boat which carried them caught fire, and his parents and all were lost save himself and youngest brother, Thomas Jefferson, who were rescued from a watery grave. For full account of his rescue and life until grown to manhood see the record of his brothers following. Mr. Bretz resides in Steelton, Pa., where he is employed at the Pennsylvania Steel Works. He m., first, December 9, 1866, Rebecca S. Rife, b. December 17, 1850; d. January 29, 1880; daughter of Abraham and Mary Rife; they had issue:
 - i. Mary-Frances, b. August 4, 1867; m. February 23, 1884, Henry Scott Clark, son of Lafayette and Mary Clark; had issue, (surname Clark:)
 - 1. Lawrence-Henry, b. November 25, 1884.
 - 2. Thomas-Earnest, b. February 9, 1886.
 - 3. Charles Lafayette, b. July 31, 1888; d. January 24, 1890.
 - ii. Eugene-Edward, b. March 28, 1869.
 - iii. Maggie-Estella, b. January 19, 1871; d. October 29, 1889.
 - iv. Benjamin-Franklin, b. May 22, 1873.
 - v. Abraham-Thomas, b. July 23, 1875.
 - vi. Clarence-Harland, b. July 25, 1877.
 - vii. Eddie-Erdman, b. January 21, 1880; d. February 2, 1880.

Mr. Bretz m., secondly, May 1, 1881, Annie S. Ritter, b. May 8, 1860, in West Virginia, daughter of Carter and Sarah Ritter; they had issue:

- viii. Lulu-Bell, b. August 5, 1882.
 - ix. Howard-William, b. December 11, 1884.
 - x. John-Newton, b. January 24, 1886.
 - xi. Harrison-Morton, b. February 9, 1889.

XCI. Thomas Jefferson Bretz,⁴ (Benjamin,³ John,² Ludwig,¹) b. December 18, 1848, on the farm of John Eshenauer, now owned by Solomon Swartz, in Lower Swatara township, Dauphin county, Pa. When sixteen months old, he lost his parents and brothers, except Benjamin, above mentioned, who were rescued from a burning boat and watery grave. As to Thomas' future, from that period on through his babyhood days can better be given by a few letters, that have been preserved and recently resurrected. The following letter, written by Christian Eshenauer to his uncle, Jno. Eshenauer, the husband of Susan Bretz, will give some explanation of the burning of the boat, and who cared for these orphan boys for awhile:

IOWA, April 30 and May 4, 1850.

Uncle John Eshenauer: I take my pen with pleasure, to inform you that my company and I arrived safe in Muscatine on the 21st of April, 1850. Our company were David Gingrich, John Snavely, Daniel O'Neal, S. Dasher, Felix Gingrich, and myself. We have now traveled over about 300 miles in this State, and all like it very well.

* * * It grieves me that I must now take my pen in hand, to inform you that Neidig's company arrived this 4th day of May in Yankee Grove, forty-three miles from where they left the steamboat, and had bad luck. They took passage on the steamboat at Pittsburg, for down the Ohio river, and when 360 miles from Pittsburg, the boat caught fire, and was consumed to ashes. Benjamin Bretz and wife, and three of their children, are lost. Benjamin Franklin and Thomas Jefferson are safe.

The boat took fire on the 22nd of April, at 12 o'clock at night. Jno. Neidig took Bretz's two children into a store, and clothed them. Jno. Neidig told me that if any of Bretz's friends wish to have these two

children, they will try to send them East with some persons, and if not, he would keep them. Neidig and Runkle lost about \$1,000. There were about thirty-five or forty lives lost,—burned, and drowned, and found a watery grave in the Ohio river.

(Signed,)

CHRISTIAN ESHENAUER,

Mount Vernon,

Linn Co., Iowa.

The above Christian Eshenaur is still living, and residing in Oberlin, Dauphin county, Pa.

MIDDLETOWN, PA., June 13, 1850.

To Mr. JNO. NEIDIG:

DEAR SIR: I take this method to inform you that I received a letter of Christian Eshenauer, stating that you would give up Bretz's two children to us. I therefore inform you, by these few lines, that I wish you would send them to me, as I have a place for them, (or send them to Ludwig Bretz.) We hereby notify you not to give them up to any person but to us. * * * * * *.

(Signed,)

JNO. ESHENAUR.

YANKEY GROVE, August 17, 1850.

Messrs. Bretz and Eshenaur: I received your letter about a month ago, and ought to have sent you an answer long ago. You stated that you would like if we would send B. Bretz's two remaining children in to you. You can have them willingly, with all our hearts, but we do not know how to send them. There are two young gentlemen here, who intend to go in this fall. They would take them along if they would get some pay for their trouble. Maybe some of you could come out this fall to see the country, and then take them along. I intend to send them as soon as I can. We have no use for the children, and to put them out among strangers here, I would not like much. The most of the folks are Hoosiers, Irish, etc. I would rather you would fetch them, or send for them. I would pay about \$25 00 of the expense, if you would pay the rest.

Please send me an answer as soon as you receive this and let me know what you intend to do. I don't think that we can send them with these young gentlemen above mentioned. Come out this fall to see the country, etc. You will not rue it. Then you can take care of them yourself. Their friends ought to do something for them any how, for we have done a great deal for them already. The little one makes, or

did make, a good deal of trouble so far, but he is getting better now; but he ought to be taken away, if you want them, before he gets so much attached to my wife, and she would like if you would fetch them away. We intend to take her old parents to us, which will make her trouble enough.

Benjamin is at Runkle's, but he is of no use to him. He is at store keeping and has no work for him. He is going to school now; he would better be put on a farm and learn to work, etc.

(Signed) JNO. NEIDIG.

LISBON, March 3, 1851.

Mr. J. Eshenauer: I now take up my pen in order to write a few lines to you, and first I will inform you that we are all well at present, hoping that these few lines will find you enjoying the same great blessing, etc. But further I will come to the point of what my motive of writing is. It is about Bretz's children. I sent a letter to Ludwig Bretz last fall and got no answer yet, and we are at a loss to know what you intend to do. Now we understood that you, or in other words, the children's friends, would like to have them. Now we had them and took care of them for most a year, and had a good deal of trouble with them, at least with the little one, as you well can imagine, because he was so little yet, just weaned from his mother's breast, etc. But now it is mostly out of the dirt and no doubt the most part of raising him is past. My wife had all the trouble with him from the night the boat was burnt until the present; and now she declares that she will not keep him any longer than until spring, and, indeed, I can't persuade her. I think no person ought to desire it, because we have her old parents now in our family to take care of them, etc., which, you know, are generally troublesome enough without any children about them, and as we lost all our things, she has a great deal of work. We certainly thought that if we would keep the children one year, their friends would in that time try to provide for them and bring them to their own care, which I think they ought to have done, and would have done if they had any feeling for them as they ought to have. Now the children ought to learn to work and ought to be schooled, etc., and we don't know where to put them to. Our German friends and neighbors have all children enough of their own, and of course the most of the Hoosiers too. I would not like, and I suppose you neither, to have them among Hoosier strangers, Irish and all the like. If we can't get a place for them, they are apt to fall on the township, and that, I suppose, you

would not like either. Now you and their friends ought to look into these matters and provide for the poor children. As there are a good many friends on hoth sides, namely, Bretzs and Millers, you ought to. lay together and send some person out to fetch them. Now you must not think hard of us for soliciting their friends to fetch them to themselves to take care of them, for I consider that we have done a great deal for them, being no relation to them; and I don't suppose that any of their friends would ask it of my wife to keep it any longer, for she has enough to do with her parents. The children could easy be taken now most any way of traveling, but we have no way to send them. Therefore we think you would better lay together and send some one to fetch them. Benjamin would be old and big enough to earn his bread and clothing if he only had a place. Now if he would be in Pennsylvania he would get places enough among the Dutch and perhaps among his friends. Now I want you to send me an answer as soon as you receive this, and let me know what you intend to do, for it seems to me their friends ought to be a little more concerned about these children than what they are. I say again, write soon and let us know whether you intend to send for them, and direct your letter to Mount Vernon, Linn co., Iowa.

(Signed) JNO. NEIDIG.

Thomas Bretz was brought back to Pennsylvania with his brother by a maternal uncle and placed in the home of John Eshanuer, where their aunt Susan cared for them the same as she did for her own children until they were able to care for themselves. When not yet sixteen years of of age, he enlisted, February 11, 1864, in Battery B, 1st Pa. Light Infantry, and mustered out of service June 9, 1865. He enlisted the second time, May 31, 1866, in Co. A., 19 Reg, U. S. Infantry, and mustered out of service May 31, 1869. Thomas Bretz has been a resident of Steelton, Pa. for many years, where he is employed at the great steel works. He m., December 19, 1871, Mary J. Kurtz, b. March 1, 1850, daughter of John Kurtz and Margaret E. Fackler. They had issue:

- i. Elsie, b. October, 1872; d. July 12, 1873.
- ii. Gertrude, b. December 6, 1873.
- iii. Maggie-Frances, b. February 19, 1876; d. October 19, 1878.
- iv. John-Thomas, b. December 24, 1878.
- v. Niles-Orlanda, b. September 4, 1880.
- vi. Mary-Stella, b. November 28, 1881.
- vii. Charles-Hubert, b. May 15, 1854.
- viii. Myra-Ethel, b. March 24, 1886.
- XCII. CATHARINE ANN BRETZ, (John, Ludwig, Ludwig, Ludwig, b. August 23, 1832; d. March 7, 1879; m., April 7, 1853, William Marian Matney, b. May 21, 1824, in Adair county, Ky.; he resides at Platte River P. O., Mo.; had issue, (surname Matney:)
 - i. Albert-Elden, b. September 14, 1855; d. January 18, 1881; m., November 25, 1880, Hattie Boone Mitchell.
 - ii. James-Buchanan, b. February 3, 1857; m., December 21, 1882, Maggie M. Bruce, b. August 1, 1859; had issue, Thomas-Albert, b. July 29, 1885; Henry-Edward, b. June 15, 1889.
 - iii. Elizabeth-Jane, b. November 9, 1858; m., November 14, 1877, James M. Ridge; reside at Frazer, Buchanan county, Mo.; had issue, Charles-Roscoe, b. September 7, 1880.
 - . XCIII. John B. Bretz, (John, Ludwig, Ludwig,) b. March 14, 1846; is engaged at farming, residing at Frazer, Buchanan county, Mo.; m., April 18, 1867, Rachael E. Shull; had issue:
 - i. Lydia-E., b. August 1, 1868.
 - ii. William-S., b. March 22, 1870.

- iii. Rena-M., b. August 27, 1871.
- iv. John-M., b. February 19, 1876.
- v. Thomas-H., b. December 5, 1883.
- vi. Jacob-L., b. January 17, 1887.

XCIV. James P. Bretz, (John, Ludwig, Ludwig,) b. May 15, 1849; he is a telegraph operator, residing at Gower, Clinton county, Mo.; m., September 22, 1870, Grizelda Shull, b. April 19, 1847, and a sister of John B. Bretz's wife; had issue:

- i. Luna, b. July 4, 1874.
- ii. Julian-Pleasant, b. December 29, 1876.
- iii. Harry, b. October 13, 1879.
- iv. Mollie, b. August 10, 1881.

XCV. Susan Adeline Bretz,⁴ (Henry,³ Ludwig,² Ludwig,¹) b. January 17, 1839, in Dauphin county, Pa.; removed west with her parents; m., May 23, 1858, Thomas J. Crumpacker. They reside at DeKalb, Missouri; they had issue, (surname Crumpacker:)

- i. Mollie-A., b. March 4, 1859; m., March 26, 1876, Henry C. Davis, b. October 23, 1853; reside at Fulton, San Miguel county, N. M.; had issue, Minnie, Juetta, Jennie-M, Pearl, William-T., Henry-C.
- ii. Flora-S., b. September 18, 1861; m., first, September 29, 1878, Thomas S. Miskell, d. December 13, 1883. She m., secondly, January 10, 1885, Lewis C. Hook; reside at De Kalb, Mo.; had issue, Susan-A.
- iii. Telora-J., b. August 28, 1865; d. October 31, 1867.
- iv. Thomas-H., b. November 19, 1868.

- v. Jennie-May, b. May 1, 1871; m., March 18, 1888, Frank Cassity; reside at Bainbridge, Putnam county, Ind.; had issue, Thomas-H., b. December 25, 1888.
- vi. Jennie-Clay, [twin,] b. May 1, 1871; d. July 9, 1871.
- vii. Alice-A., b. September 7, 1874; d. September 13, 1876.
- viii. Frank-W., b. May 8, 1878.
 - ix. William-G., b. August 19, 1879.
- XCVI. Francis Marion Bretz,⁴ (Henry,³ Ludwig,² Ludwig,¹) b. October 31, 1840; resides in St. Joseph, Missouri; m., December 26, 1864, Cleora Smith. They had issue:
 - · i. Charles-L., b. September 24, 1866; d. October 18, 1887.
 - ii. Lora, b. December 19, 1869; d. July 21, 1871.
 - iii. Artie-M., b. October 31, 1874; d. June 1, 1882.
 - iv. Annie, b. July 2, 1877.
 - v. Henry, b. November 19, 1879.
 - vi. Eva, b. August 18, 1885.

XCVII. SARAH CATHARINE BRETZ,⁴ (Henry,³ Ludwig,² Ludwig,¹) b. March 13, 1849; m., April 20, 1865, Shadrich Michael; reside at Perry, Jefferson county, Kansas; had issue, (surname Michael:)

- i. Charles-H., b. May 31, 1869; d. August 26, 1871.
- ii. Mary-L., b. November 22, 1871.
- iii. Maud-E., b. February 20, 1874.
- vi. Anne-A., b. February 17, 1876.
- v. Nettie-B., b. May 11, 1879; d. April 29, 1880.
- vi. William-F., b. October 29, 1881.

vii. Thomas-M., b. December 9, 1884. viii. Jessie-Ray, b. April 15, 1887.

XCVIII. Elmer Francis Eppler,⁵ (Rebecca,⁴ [Dubbs,] Catharine,³ [Duey,] Mary,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. June 27, 1836, resides in Altoona, Pa., where he is employed at his trade, boilermaker, by the P. R. R. He served as coroner three years in the county of Blair, Pa.; m., first, July 31, 1862, Mrs. Cornelia J. Brubaker, of Altoona, Pa., b. May 9, 1840; d. July 26, 1867; had issue, (surname Eppler:)

i. Emma-L., b. November 17, 1863.

Mr. Eppler m. secondly, August 24, 1869, Maria C. Miller, b. May 26, 1845; had issue, (surname Eppler:)

- ii. Alice-G., b. April 3, 1870.
- iii. John-Creamer, b. February 19, 1873; d. October 23, 1888.
- iv. Edward-B., b. June 18, 1875.
- v. Agnes-M., b. April 3, 1878.
- vi. Maurice-T., b. February 3, 1882.
- vii. Anna-M., b. December 17, 1885.

XCIX. Ann Catharine Bowermaster,⁵ (Mary, Ann,⁴ [Dubbs,] Catharine,³ [Duey,] Mary,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. February 2, 1834; d. December 28, 1875; m., June 9, 1857, George Bowersox, b. February 6, 1834; d. July 11, 1880. She survives him; resides in Harrisburg, Pa.; had issue, (surname Bowersox:)

- i. Carrie-Bush, b. August, 1859; m., March 3, 1878, James Cummings; they reside at Harrisburg, Pa.; had issue, (surname Cummings:)
 - 1. James-Buchannan, b. January 26, 1879.

- 2. Anna, b. September 18, 1880; d. December 16, 1880.
- ii. George-Leib, b. Novembr 11, 1866.
- iii. Harry, b. February 13, 1870; d. May, 1870.
- iv. Mary-Bell, b. December 23, 1871.
- C. Marian Bowermaster,⁵ (Mary-Ann,⁴ [Dubbs,] Catharine,³ [Duey,] Mary,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. November 15, 1842; m., September 10, 1865, Samuel Howard Kennedy; they reside at Harrisburg, Pa.; had issue, (surname Kennedy:)
 - i. Annie, b. June 17, 1866.
 - ii. Margaret-Lucas, b. October 9, 1867.
 - iii. Carrie-Bush, b. August 4, 1869.
 - iv. Maria-Barr, b. October 5, 1872.
 - v. Marian-Howard, b. March 15, 1874.
 - vi. Samuel-Howard, b. May 10, 1877.
- CI. Benjamin Frederick Bowermaster,⁵ (Mary. Ann,⁴ [Dubbs,] Catharine,³ [Duey,] Mary,² [Bretz,] Ludwig,¹) b. February 18, 1847; resides in Harrisburg, Pa.; m., February 11, 1875, Mary Ellen Small, b. April 23, 1851; had issue, (surname Bowermaster:)
 - i. Lawrence-Small, b. April 16, 1877.
 - ii. Benjamin-Frederick, b. October 2, 1878; d March 22, 1880.
 - iii. Mary-Ellen, b. October 7, 1880.
 - iv. Chambers, b. August 20, 1882.
 - v. Jessee-May, b. September 3, 1884.
 - vi. Marian-Kennedy, b. November 1, 1886.
 - vii. Annie-Naomia, b. March 16, 1889.
- CII. MARY CATHARINE BRETZ,⁵ (Jacob,⁴ John,³ John,² Ludwig,¹) b. June 9, 1846, in Perry county, Pa.;

m., December 24, 1863, John Smith Campbell, b. October 17, 1843, at Newport, Pa. His paternal ancestors came from the north of Ireland, and were Scotch-Irish-His great-grandfather, William Campbell, on his arrival in America, settled at or near Northumberland, Pa., where he lived for several years, after which he descended the Susquehanna, and settled on a farm at or near what is now known as Centre P.O., Perry county, Pa., about or near the year 1792. His maternal ancestors were descendants of early German settlers of Berks county, Pa. The subject of this sketch spent his boyhood days in Newport, attending school. In 1856, he removed with his parents to a farm in Juniata township, two miles from his native town, but still pursued his studies, and assisted in the farm work part of the During the war of the rebellion, he served in the Union army as 1st sergeant of Co. I, 83rd Pa. Vols. The company was enlisted at Harrisburg, and mustered into the United States service in February, 1865, being immediately sent to the front to join the regiment at Hatcher's Run, Va., and entered upon active service, and participated in all the movements of the command until the surrender of General Lee's army, at Appomattox, Va. Mustered out of service, June 23, 1865, at Washington, D. C., by general order of the War Department.

He returned to Newport, where he took up the profession of teaching in the public schools, which profession he still pursues. He has been engaged as principal of schools at Duncannon, Marysville, and Newport, Pa., for several years in each place; returning again to Newport to assume control of the schools. In 1887,

being elected principal of the schools of Avon, Fulton county, Illinois, he moved, with his family, there, where they still reside. Had issue, (surname Campbell:)

- i. John-Melvin, b. October 2, 1864; d. October 15, 1865.
- ii. Maude-Ella, b. November 10, 1868.
- iii. Myrrha-Kate, b. October 12, 1878.

CIII. E. Winfield Scott Parthemore,⁵ (Nancy,⁴ [Ebersole,] Susan,³ [Bretz,] John,² Ludwig,¹) b. July 25, 1852, in Highspire, Pa. Resides in Harrisburg, Pa., and engaged in the general fire insurance and real estate business; m., June 20, 1878, by J. J. Glossbrenner, Senior Bishop of the church of the United Brethren in Christ, Clara Sarah Early;* b. April 27, 1856, in North Annville township, Lebanon county, Pa., on the banks of the Quitapahila; daughter of Daniel Seth Early and Amanda A. Mark; she was baptized, November 24, 1866, by Rev. I. L. Kephart. They had issue, (surname Parthemore:)

i. D.-S.-Early, b. March 8, 1879; bap., August 6, 1879, by Bishop J. J. Glossbrenner.

^{*}Mrs. Parthmore's father was the son of William Early, (b. March 5, 1782; d. December 12, 1863,) and Christina Hershey, (b. September 11, 1784; d. September 28, 1868,) and grandson of John Early, b. July 31, 1757; d. December, 1811,) and Margaret Deininger, and great-grandson of John Early, (Johannes Oherle,) (b. January 9, 1724; d. September 19, 1796,) and Regina Sichele. Mr. Early landed at Philadelphia August 24, 1750. Mrs. Parthemore's mother was the daughter of George Mark, (b. November 6, 1790; d. December 26, 1868,) and Christina Runkle, (b. October 3, 1794; d. June 14, 1866,) and grand daughter of Adam Mark and Margaret Miller, (b. 1759; d. August 29, 1850,) and great-granddaughter of William Killian Mark, who landed at Philadelphia, Pa., May 29, 1735.

- ii. Leon-Leroy, b. June 25, 1880; bap., February 21, 1882, by Bishop J. J. Glossbrenner; d. February 6, 1882.
- iii. Warren-Ebersole, b. May 25, 1883; bap., April 13, 1884, by Rev. D. W. Profitt, of the U. B. church.
- iv. Miriam-Independence, b. July 4, 1885; bap. August 2, 1885, by Bishop J. J. Glossbrenner.
- v. Philip-Mark, b. January 5, 1888; bap., March 25, 1889, by Rev. I. Baltzell, of the U. B. church.