THE FOX GENEALOGY

INCLUDING THE METHERD, BENNER AND LEITER DESCENDANTS GIVING BIOGRAPHIES OF THE FIRST AND SECOND GENERATIONS WITH SKETCHES OF THE THIE THIRD GENERATION

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PREFACE AND EXPLANATORY

After four years of research, and personal inspections of the records of Montgomery and Warren counties, Ohio; of the records of Berks county, Pennsylvania; of the records of Baltimore, Frederick, Washington and Allegheny counties, Maryland, of the records of Jefferson county, West Virginia; information obtained from the several histories of Montgomery and Warren counties, Ohio; and the several histories of Berks county, Pennsylvania, also the Archives of that State; from the publication of names of thirty thousand immigrants; from Scharf's History of Maryland; from certified copies of the military records of Ohio, and from many other publications and from ancient manuscripts; a personal search of twenty-one cemeteries and graveyards, and from personal interviews and correspondence with people who were able to give reliable information. Based on the afore-written authority I compile this work.

I find that John Frederick Fox is the first of our strain of whom there is record in this country, his children constitute the first generation. Beginning with Frederick Fox, he being the first generation, I find that there are seven generations of the name, while in other branches of the descendants I find that eight generations exist.

The writer has, in compiling this work, placed an Arabic figure following the name of each lineal descendant, and a corresponding Roman number following the name of each who have married such lineal descendant. Thus designating the lineal descendants from those who have intermarried. Where Arabic figures follow the names of each of the contracting parties, it indicates that lineal descendants have intermarried. In some cases the contracting parties are of older and younger generations, in such cases their offspring are marked with double figures, indicating the generation derived from each parent.

The capital (D) following a name indicates the person is dead. The capital (M) following a name indicates the person is married. It has been the aim of the writer to give an account of the first, second and third generations, and a sketch of the families in which they married. In some cases

the account is more lengthy than others, from the fact that more information could be obtained

All dates quoted as transpiring in Miami township, Montgomery county, prior to 1830 occurred in Washington township, as the portion of Miami township lying east of the river was deducted from Washington township.

All dates quoted as transpiring in Clear Creek township, Warren county, Ohio, prior to October 17, 1815, occurred in Franklin township, as that portion of Clear Creek township was deducted from Franklin township at the organizing of Clear Creek township.

I have made this research for the purpose of preserving dates and much other information relative to the early ancestors which otherwise would in the course of time become entirely lost.

Trusting that this work will meet the approval and appreciation of the several branches of the descendants.

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SUPPLEMENTAL

This work was compiled from the year 1911 to and including a part of the year 1914. In the latter part of the year 1914 it was offered for publication by advanced subscription, but as the required number of subscribers could not be secured the project was cancelled and the subscriptions were returned.

The writer has not endeavored to give births, marriages or deaths occurring since the year 1914.

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As many of our early ancestors were natives of the several Provinces of Germany, it may be well to give a short account of the early German emigration into the American Colonies.

At different periods, various and diverse motives induced them to abandon their Fatherland. Since 1606 millions have left their homes. Religious persecution and political oppression drove thousands to Pennsylvania, where William Penn himself invited the persecuted of every creed and religious opinion.

From 1682 to 1776 Pennsylvania was the central point of immigration from Germany, France and Switzerland. Penn's liberal views, and the illiberal course of the government of New York toward the Germans, induced many to come to this Province.

In the first period of twenty years, from 1682 to 1702, comparatively few Germans arrived; not above two hundred families. They located principally at Germantown. They were nearly all Plattdeutsch, Low Germans, from Cleves, a Duchy in Westphalia, and arrived in 1683-1685. Leaving their native country at that time, they providentially escaped the desolation of a French war, which in 1689 laid waste the city of Worms, near which town they resided; ravaged the countries for miles around, where the flames went up from every market place, every hamlet, every parish church, every country seat within the devotd provinces. When, in the same year were laid waste, Rohrbach, Laimen, Nussloch, Wissloch, Kirchheim, Bruckhausen, Eppelnheim, Wieblingen, Edingen, Neckerhausen, and Handschuhsheim, in the Duchy of Baden.

In 1708 and 1709 thirty-three thousand, on an invitation of Queen Anne, left their homes in the Rhine country for London, where some twelve or thirteen thousand arrived in the summer of 1708. These were, for some time, in a destitute condition wholly dependent upon the charity of the inhabitants of the English metropolis.

The period from 1702-1727 marks an era in the early German emigration. Between forty and fifty thousand left their native country. The unparalleled ravages and desolations by the troops of Louis XIV, under Turenne, were the stern prelude to bloody persecutions. To escape the dreadful sufferings awaiting the, Germans and others emigrated to the English colonies in America. "There were books and papers dispersed in the Palatinate, with the Queen's picture on the books, and the title page in letters of gold, which, on that account, were called, "THE GOLDEN BOOK,' to encourage the Palatines to come to England, in order to be sent to the Carolinas, or other of Her Majesty's colonies, to be settled there."--Journal of the House of Commons, England, XVI, pages 467, 468.

Of the large number that came to England, in 1708 and 1709, seven thousand, after having suffered great privations, returned, half naked, and in despondency, to their native country. Ten thousand died for want of sustenance, medical attendance, and from other causes. Some perished on ships. The survivers were transported to English colonies in America.

Ten sailing vessels were freighted with upwards of four thousand Germans for New York. They departed December 25, 1709, and after a six months' tedious voyage reached New York June 14, 1710. On the inward passage, and immediately on landing, seventeen hundred died. The survivors were encamped in tents, they had brought with them from England, on Nutting, now Governors island. Here they remained till late in autumn, when about fourteen hundred were removed one hundred miles up the Hudson river, to Livingston Manor. The widowed women, sick men and orphan children remained in New York. The orphans were apprenticed by Governor Hunter, to citizens of New York and of New Jersey.

Those settled on Hudson River were under indenture to serve Queen Anne as grateful subjects, to manufacture tar and raise hemp, in order to repay the expenses of their transportation, and cost of subsistence, to the amount of ten thousand pounds sterling, which had been advanced by parliamentary grant. A supply of naval stores from this arrangement, had been confidently anticipated. The experiment proved a complete failure. There was mismanagement.

The Germans, being unjustly oppressed, became dissatisfied both with their treatment, and with their situation. Governor Hunter resorted to violent measures to secure obedience to his demands. In this, too, he failed. One hundred and fifty families, to escape the certainty of famish-

ing, left, late in the autumn of 1712, for Schoharie Valley, some sixty miles northwest of Livingston Manor. They had no open road, no horses to carry or haul their luggage-this they loaded on rudely constructed sleds-and tugged these themselves, through a three-foot deep snow, which greatly obstructed their progress. Their way was through an unbroken forest, where and when the wind was howling its hibernal dirge through leaf-stripped trees, amid falling snow. It took them three full weeks. Having reached Schoharie, they made improvements upon the lands Queen Anne had granted them. Here they remained about ten years, when, owing to some defect in their titles, they were deprived of both lands and improvements. In the Spring of 1723, thirty-three families removed and settled in Pennsylvania, in Tulpehocken, some fifteen miles west of Reading. A few years afterwards, others followed them. These Germans being well pleased with this location, and the liberal terms of Penn, wrote to their relatives and friends, and advised them, if ever they intended to come to America, not to go to New York, where the government had shown itself so inequitable. This advice had such influence that the Germans who afterwards came to America, constantly avoided New York and always landed at Philadelphia.

The immigration from the European continent steadily increased, so much as to excite attention, and create no small degree of alarm among the "fearful of that day."

In 1717, Governor Keith, observed to the Board--the Governor's council--that great numbers of foreigners from Germany, strangers to our language and constitution, having lately been imported into this Province, daily dispersed themselves immediately after landing, without producing certificates from whence they came or what they are; and, as they seemed to have first landed in Britain, and afterwards to have left without any license from government, or as far as they know, so, in the same manner, they behaved here, without making the least application to him or any of the magistrates. That, as this practice might be of very dangerous consequence, since, by the same method, any number of foreigners, from any nation whatever, enemies as well as friends, might throw themselves upon us.

This observation by Governor Keith, led to the adoption of a measure September 14, 1727, which enforced the following resolution: That the masters of vessels, importing Germans and others from the continent of Europe, shall be examined whether they have leave granted by the Court of Great Britain for the importation of these foreigners, and that a list be taken of all these people; and that a writing be drawn up for them to sign, declaring their allegiance and subjection to the King of Great Britain, and fidelity to the Proprietary of this Province, and that they will demean themselves peaceably toward all His Majesty's subjects, and observe and conform to the laws of England, and of the Government of Pennsylvania.

Lists were taken by masters or captains of vessels, these lists contain the names of all male passengers over sixteen years old, who were made to repeat the Declaration of allegiance, and to subscribe in their own hands, if they could write, if they could not write, the name was written by a clerk, and the qualified person made his mark.

This observation by Governor Keith, has prevented the loss of upwards of thirty thousand names of the German immigrants who landed at Philadelphia, from 1727 to 1776.

About 1728 and 1729, the Germans crossed the Susquehanna, located within the present limits of York and Adams county; and made improvements under discouraging circumstances. Feuds, so common on the borders of states, existed between the people of Pennsylvania and Maryland. In 1763 the two surveyors, Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon, who had been employed to trace the boundry, began their work, though it was completed by other surveyors, and became known as Mason and Dixons' line, which was often quoted during the slavery question.

The tide of emigration was south into Maryland, and into Virginia, and as far as the Carolinas. Prior to 1748 the Shenandoah Valley, in the vicinity of Harrisonburg, Rockingham county, was almost exlusively settled by Germans form Pennsylvania. At that date Rockingham was a part of Augusta county. Shenandoah county was at that date inhabited by many Germans, and was a part of Frederick county, Virginia.

Between 1748 and 1754, twenty-eight hundred Germans came into Maryland, many locating in Frederick county, which at that date was composed of part of Carroll, Howard and Montgomery, lying east of the present Frederick county, and Washington, Allegheny and Garrett, lying to the west. Fredericktown, as it was formerly known, is the county seat; was laid out by Patrick Dulany, in 1745. Frederick county was organized in 1748, and was deducted from Prince George county. It was at the Frederick county Court House that the obnoxious British Stamp Act of 1765 was first repudiated. The names of some of these early settlers of the county have carried through to the present day.

BIOGRAPHY OF FREDERICK FOX

Frederick Fox, 1, was born May 10, 1751, in Hesse-Cassel, Germany, (a former Electorate of Germany, now forming the district of Cassel in the Prussian Province of Hesse-Nassau). He was the son of ¹John Frederick and Christiana Fox, who landed at Philadelphia, Sept. 27, 1752, having come on board the ship Anderson, Hugh Campbell Captain, from Rotterdam, Holland, last from Portsmouth, England. John Frederick Fox purchased on June 2, 1764, a lot in Frederick, Maryland. Having purchased it from Daniel Dulany; probably a relative of Patrick Dulany, who was the founder of Fredericktown, (as it was first called), in 1745.

He purchased on August 23, 1766 and May 12, 1767, two lots in Sharpsburg, Washington county, Maryland. These lots were purchased from Joseph Chaplin, (who was the founder of Sharpsburg), having laid out the town July 9, 1763. This town was designed for the county seat, but was defeated by Hagerstown by one vote. Mr. Fox also purchased on June 2, 1767, two lots from Henry Joel; these were also located in Sharpsburg. John Frederick and Christiana Fox were the parents of five children: Daniel, Frederick, Magdelin, Michael, and Rachel.

Mr. Fox was a skin-dresser by trade and died in 1784; his wife died in 1812, and was buried at Sharpsburg, Maryland probably in the Lutheran cemetery of that town. Frederick Fox, whose name heads this sketch, was united in marriage with Catherine Booker, I, who was born May 1, 1748; died November 1, 1800, aged 52 years, 6 months. She was the daughter of Bartholomew and Margaret Booker, who were of German ancestry, and were the parents of fourteen children: Catherine (Mrs. Frederick Fox), Daniel, Peter, Margaret, Bartholomew, Leah Esther, (Mrs. Daniel Mason), Mathias, Rachel (Mrs. Joseph Wolder), Barbra, Elizabeth (Mrs. Jacob Rablogell), Mary, Solomon, John and Hannah. Bartholomew Booker Sr., owned and transferred land in Frederick county, Maryland, in 1760. At the time of his death he was the owner of 890 acres of land in Bedford county, Pennsylvania, also property in Frederick county, Maryland.

He died in Frederick county in 1791, or 1792. His wife died in 1796. It is probable that their remains and those of their daughter, Mrs. Frederick Fox, were interred in the old Lutheran and Reformed church yard, southwest of Middletown, Maryland. This yard was abandoned and has since been under cultivation. An account of this church yard will be found elsewhere in this work under the heading of Historical.

The Booker name is an old name dating back to 1670 when Richard and Elizabeth Booker transferred land in Baltimore county, Maryland, an account of which is given elsewhere in this work under the heading of the Booker transaction.

 2 April 4, 1787, Bartholomew Booker deeded one hundred and five acres of land to Frederick Fox, in consideration of fifty-five pounds of money, that being about two hundred and sixty-six dollars. This land lays three miles west of Middletown, Maryland, on the north and south of the old Sharpsburg road, and is composed of the following named tracts: "I hope it's well done." "Pegging Awl." "Turkey-foot" and "Mount Pleasant." (The tracts of land in that locality were named). On the tract known as Turkey-foot was built a large two-story tavern of the German style, consisting of nine rooms, with a large hall leading from the front door to the dining room and kitchen. On the left of the hall were the two bar rooms. The shelves are still there as perfect as the day they were built. The little window where the bottles were handed through, is also there. On the right of the hall is a large parlor which was the full width of the house, but has recently been divided into two rooms. In the hall is a wide stairway leading to the second floor, which consists of four rooms. In the center of the hall was a large centerpiece. Under the kitchen is a very large spring of water, which is reached by a door from the road which passes the west end of the house; it is also reached from the east side of the kitchen.

The house is well preserved, the corners are as plumb as the day it was built, the pointing as hard as stone, the wood work is in fair condition. The front door is wide, and is over two inches in thickness. The hinges are of heavy iron, and are the full width of the door, and hook on iron hooks. The lock is of the old large style, and the knob is worn from the twist of many a hand. Under the front door is a heavy stone sill that is worn down to about three inches, from the tread of many feet that have long since passed to the other shore. The stone steps which lead down to the spring are in a similar condition. The walls are all finished with plaster of paris, making a hard finish, although now covered with whitewash. In scraping the walls of the bar rooms a few years ago, the workmen, after taking off several coats of whitewash, came to a hard plaster-paris finish, hard and firm as the day it was put there.

On the walls could be seen, written in red ink, the names of men who lived in those days. Some were defaced by the wall scrapers, but others that could be made out were Waldick, Kepler, Everhart, and Smeltzer. Some were in German. On one side of the room was written, "So many bushels of oats, sold by the land proprietor to one Shirestie, at twenty cents per bushel." The dates 1777, 1778, 1779, 1780 and on to 1805, 1807 and still later on, were found. This old stone structure stands on an elevation 670 feet above sea level, and at that day was surrounded by timber. Why this house was built at this place, at that time, seems to be a mystery, but by an examination of the records pertaining to the old roads, by Judge John C. Castle, (who was born and resides a quarter of a mile west of the old tavern, and has given the writer much valuable information) it has been found that this old Sharpsburg road, (also known as Fox's road) was a traders' pass as early as the State road was laid out, and traveling was very great through to Sharpsburg, and on to the West Virginia mountains.

Thousands of cattle were driven east and would be stopped at this place. This was one of the oldest tavern stands in the surrounding country, and was the stopping place for the traveler and wagoner long before the National pike was built. (The National pike was built between 1804 and 1809). George Washington and suite were among the patrons of this old tavern. On October 7, 1807, Frederick Fox deeded this property to John Ringer, who built back of the tavern a large tannery, and with this and the hotel, did quite a flourishing business. He deeded the farm to Vincent Sanners, who bought more land to the farm, making a tract of one hundred and ninety acres.

It was not run as a tavern after Mr. Sanners bought the property. Mr. Sanners kept the property until 1868, when

he deeded it to Samuel Harshman, who in 1874 deeded the place to Eli Routzahn, who in turn deeded it to John H. Routzahn, the present owner. Mr. Routzahn's son-in-law, Mr. Stanley Young, occupies the old tavern stand. About one mile west of this old tavern near the summit of South Mountain, Major General Reno met death in the battle of South Mountain, Sunday, September 14, 1862. The spot is marked by a large monument which stands at the Frederick and Wasshington county line. Near the monument Frederick Fox also owned a tract of land which was among the tracts, the disposition of which, will be given later.

In this vicinity, and but a short time before General Reno met his fate, the Twelfth and Twenty-third North Carolina Regiments engaged the Twelfth and Twenty-third Ohio Regiments; in the latter regiment future presidents Hayes and McKinley served. After the battle this old tavern was used as a hospital, and many Ohio men were cared for within it. From the Union tablets erected by the battlefield commission on the field of Antietam. "On the morning of September 15, 1862, Sykes' division of the Fifth Corps, the Reserve Artillery and the Ninth Corps came west by Fox's or the old Sharpsburg road."

Between the year 1800, and the year 1807, Frederick Fox was united in marriage with Mrs. Susannah (Schutt) Young, who was born April 19, 1754; died November 13, 1831, aged 77 years, 4 months, 24 days. She was the mother of two known daughters, Mary M. Young and Elizabeth (Young) Brininger, wife of Andrew Brininger. Mrs. Young's former husband, Mr. Young, met a tragic death, being shot while deer hunting. On October 7, 1807, Frederick Fox deeded to Col. Joseph Swearenger, two hundred acres of land, also a tract called "Fredericksburg," containing thirty acres, of which Frederick Fox was the Patentee May 7, 1805, in consideration of \$1,000 good and lawful money.

On the same date he deeded to Henry Ascherman one hundred and ninety-nine acres of land, also nineteen acres being a part of the tract called "Fredericksburg," near George Metherd's land, in consideration of 1311 pounds good and lawful money. The consideration for the taven farm was three hundred pounds lawful money. After these sales he and thirty-two other persons, thirty-one of whom are known, emigrated to Ohio in the early day canvas

covered wagons, coming by the way of Wheeling, West Virginia, and arriving in Franklin, Warren county, in the fall of 1807.

Following are the names of the group, which consisted of seven families: Frederick Fox and wife Susannah, step-daughter Mary M. Young and son Joseph Fox. George Metherd's (son-in-law) family were, George Metherd and wife Christiana and five children: Jacob, Frederick F., George F., Catherine and Elizabeth. Jacob Benner's (son-in-law) family were: Jacob Benner and wife, Mary M. and five children: Mary, Jacob Jr., Samuel, Elizabeth and Daniel. George Fox's (son) family were: George Fox and wife Elizabeth. Daniel B. Fox's (son) family were: Daniel B. Fox and wife, Susannah and two children: Elizabeth and Theresa. John Leiter's (son-in-law) family were: John Leiter and wife, Elizabeth and one child, Henry Leiter. Andrew Brininger's (step-son-inlaw) family were: Andrew Brininger and wife Elizabeth, and two children: Mary H. and Joseph.

On December 28,1807, Frederick Fox purchased from Joseph and Jane Parks, the northwest quarter of Section 15, of Township 2, Range 5, in consideration of \$985. Mr. Parks was the Patentee of this tract. This tract now forms the northwest corner of Clear Creek township, Warren county. The road surveyed by Daniel C. Cooper in 1795, beginning at Cincinnati and ending at the mouth of Mad River, and known as the "Mad River road," passed, or possibly cut slightly into the northwest corner of this tract. The buildings stood not far from the southeast corner of this tract. The house stood north and south, and was built of hewed logs with the openings chinked and daubed, it was not weather-boarded. It consisted of six rooms, the main part consisted of three rooms on the first floor, with the upstairs divided into two rooms, and a kitchen to the east side. The house stood on the west side of the creek, and slightly south of west from the present brick dwelling of Charles Welsh.

There was also a log cabin which stood about due east from the afore described log house, and on the east side of the creek, (an account of which is given in the biography of George Fox). Between this cabin and the road, which is the south boundary of the tract, stood a distillery. North of the buildings Mr. Fox erected a sawmill, which was one

Frederick Fox

of the first in the locality. This mill along with fifteen acres of timber land, Mr. Fox leased to one John Beard in 1810, the lease being for a term, or time, of six years. Mr. Fox resided on this tract until the death of his second wife. In 1808 Frederick Fox purchased the Settlers Right from the administrator for the heirs of Joseph Bigger, deceased, the Right being for 503 acres. This tract being the south half and the northwest quarter of Section 12, of Township 2, Range 5. The Patent was granted to Frederick Fox, assignee of the administrator for the heirs of Joseph Bigger, deceased, September 21, 1819, by James Monroe, President of the United States, and Joseph Meigs, Commissioner of the General Land office. This tract lies in Miami township, Montgomery county, east of the Dayton and Springboro pike. Beginning at the thirteenth district schoolhouse it extends one mile north to the fourth district, abandoned schoolhouse. This tract was divided and formed the George Metherd, Daniel B. Fox, John Leiter, and Jacob Benner farms, an account of which is given in their biographies on other pages.

³This land remained in the name of Frederick Fox for many years before he transferred it to his sone and sons-in-law. (Joseph Bigger was buried on what later became the Benner farm). Mr. fox also held a mortgage on the north-east quarter of Section 18; this tract lies to the west of the Benner tract. The mortgage was for \$1,000 and was given by Jacob Long in 1811; it was later released. Mr. Fox was also the Patentee of the southwest quarter of Section 22, of Township 2, Range 5. The Patent was granted to Frederick Fox, assignee of Joseph Sawyers, August 29, 1812.

This tract he later devised as a home for his son Joseph Fox. On March 4, 1830, Frederick Fox purchased a house and lot in the town of Franklin, Warren county, from Devauld Mong, the consideration being \$500. Said lot was number 99 of the original plat of Franklin, and located at the southwest corner of Second and Back streets. The portion of Back street, south of Second street has since been taken by the canal, and the Big Four railroad company, and about all of lot number 99 is occupied by the railroad company. After the death of his second wife, Mr. Fox made his home with his daughter Elizabeth (Mrs. John Leiter), remaining there until his death February 27, 1837, at the age of 85 years, 9 months, 17 days.

His remains were interred in the old cemetery at Franklin, as had been the remains of his second wife. His grave being about where the Anderson lumber shed now stands, on the southwest corner of Fourth and Anderson streets. In the forepart of the seventies a portion of the cemetery was taken for railroad right-of-way. The remains of Mr. Fox and his second wife were removed to the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard, by a number of his grandsons, among whom were Adam, Alexander and Frederick C. Fox. Frederick Fox is described as being a man of short and rather stout build, and wore his hair in the olden time cue style.

Mr. Fox and his first wife were the parents of seven children: Christiana (Mrs. George Metherd), Rose (Mrs. _ _ Wohlgemuth and Daniel Hottel), Mary Magdalena, (Mrs. Jacob Benner), George, Daniel B., Joseph and Elizabeth (Mrs. John Leiter). During the Revolution, Frederick Fox served as a drummer in Lieutenant Colonel Hay's Company, Tenth Pennsylvania Regiment, from 1777 to 1781. The Tenth Pennsylvania Regiment was organized in the counties bordering the Maryland line, it was commanded by Colonel Richard Humpton, and was engaged in the battle of Brandywine, Germantown and many others. On the records of Zion Lutheran Church, Middletown, Maryland, are recorded that Frederick Fox served as an elder in that congregation from September 6, 1787, to November 7, 1790. Mr. Fox made a number of transactions in Washington county, Maryland. In the year 1778, he purchased a lot in Sharpsburg from John Soufrauk; he also made three other purchases and nine sales, chiefly of lots in Sharpsburg, at various dates from 1778 to 1810. The records at Charlestown, West Virginia, show that Frederick Fox and wife of Warren county, Ohio, deeded to Joseph Velshans a tract of land in Jefferson county, Virginia. this transfer was made September 4, 1811.

From the purport of two letters written to Mr. Fox by his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hottel of near Woodstock, Virginia, and dated 1810 and 1811, Mr. Fox made a visit to his relatives and friends, and also transacted business during these years.

BIOGRAPHY OF GEORGE METTERT OR METHERD

George Mettert or Metherd, II, was born in the Province of Maryland, December 6, 1760; died March 28, 1855, aged 94 years, 3 months, 22 days; buried at the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. He was of German descent. He was united in marriage with Christiana Fox, 2 (daughter of Frederick and Catherine (Booker) Fox), she was born in the Province of Maryland, January 20, 1774; died November 7, 1846, aged 72 years, 9 months, 17 days; buried beside her husband. July 21, 1798, Frederick Fox deeded to George Metherd, part of a tract called "Fredericksburg" containing ten acres of good land, in consideration of five pounds of money. This tract lies in Frederick county, Maryland. George Mettert or Metherd and wife and five children: Jacob, Frederick F., George F., Catherine and Elizabeth, (the daughters were twins), composed the Mettert or Metherd family, which was one of the seven families who emigrated to Ohio in the year 1807. In 1808 they located in the eastern part of Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, on the east third of the south half of Section 12, of Township 2, Range 5. This tract contained 111 acres, and was deeded by Frederick Fox and wife Susannah, to George Metherd, May 26, 1827, in consideration of \$500.

Near the northwest corner of this tract stood the buildings. The house was two story, built of hewed logs and was chinked and daubed, but not weather-boarded. It was about 18 feet wide, by about 38 feet long; it stood ends facing north and south. It was taken down in 1893 and a new house built on the site. Mr. Metherd was a cabinet maker by trade, and the workmanship on the interior of the old house was well executed. He was an expert teamster, and hunting was his favorite pastime. Deer and wild turkeys were in abundance in those early days. After the death of his wife he passed the remainder of his life in the home of his son, George F. Metherd. Mr. Metherd is described as being of tall, muscular build. Mrs. Metherd was of tall and rather slender build. They were the parents of eight children: Jacob, Frederick F., George F., Catherine (Mrs. Daniel Garrison), Elizabeth (Mrs. Frederick Fox), Mary M. (Mrs. Benjamin Emert), Daniel and Jonathan.

George Mettert

The name was spelled Mettert, but has been changed to Metherd by the majority of his descendants. The one son, Fredrick F. Mettert, adhered to the original name, as does all his descendants.

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SKETCH OF JACOB METHERD

Jacob Metherd, 3, was born in Maryland, January 6, 1791, died January 13, 1875; aged 84 years, 7 days; buried in Salem (Indiana) church yard. He was united in marriage, by Charles Hardy, December 26, 1815, with Susanna Akin, III, who was born February 4, 1796; died May 19, 1871, aged 75 years, 3 months, 15 days; buried in the Salem (Indiana) church yard. She was the daughter of James Akin Sr., who settled on the northeast quarter of Section 12, of Township 2, Range 5, in Miami township. Mr. Akin was one of the early settlers, and was the Patentee of this tract, the Patent being granted April 17, 1813, by James Madison, President of the United States, and Edward Tiffin, Commisioner of the General Land office. Jacob Metherd and wife purchased a small tract in Miami township in 1828; they sold the tract in 1833 and moved to Shelby county, Ohio, locating in the vicinity of Fort Loramie; later they moved to Indiana. There were the parents of eleven children.

Frederick Metherd, 4 (M) James Metherd, 4 (M) Jane Metherd, 4 (M) Mary Metherd, 4 (M) Susanna Metherd, 4 (M) Sarah Metherd. 4 (M) Kathrin Metherd, 4 (M) Elizabeth Metherd, 4 (M) Jacob Metherd, 4 (M) Martha Metherd, 4 (M) George Metherd, 4 (M) * * * * Frederick Metherd, 4, (D) Married Mary Reed, IV (D) Eleven children were born Elizabeth Metherd, 5 (M) Eliza Metherd, 5 (M) Susanna Metherd, 5 (D) Martha Metherd, 5 (M) Rachel Metherd, 5 (M)

Ella Metherd, 5 (M) Catherine Metherd, 5 (D) John Metherd. 5 (M) William Metherd, 5 (M) George Metherd, 5 (M) Frederick Metherd, 5 (M) * * * * Enose Stiver, V (D) Married Elizabeth Metherd, 5 * * * * Jonathan Stiver, V (D) Married Eliza Metherd, 5 Seven children were born Mary E. Stiver, 6 (M) Franklin Stiver, 6 (M) Frederick E. Stiver, 6 (M) Clayton Stiver, 6 (M) Chancy Stiver, 6 (D)

Della Stiver, 6 (D) Bertha Stiver, 6 (M) * * * * Samuel Sangwer, VI (D) Married Mary E. Stiver, 6 Two children were born James E. Sangwer, 7 (M) Harvey C. Sangwer, 7 Anderson Snyder, VI Married Mrs. Mary E. Sangwer, 6 One child was born Forest F. Snyder, 7 * * * * James E. Sangwer, 7 Married **Orpha Cooper**, VII Franklin Stiver, 6 Married Ida Becker, VI * * * * Frederick E. Stiver, 6 Married **Clara Berkey**, VI * * * * **Clayton Stiver**, 6 Married Mabel Gero, VII * * * * Chancy Chrisman, VI Married Bertha Stiver, 6 * * * * Annias Bear, V Married Martha Metherd, 5 (D) * * * * Cyrus Fraiser, V Married **Rachel Metherd. 5**

McLaughlin, V Married Ella Metherd, 5 * * * * John Metherd. 5 Married Mary Boomershine. V * * * * William Metherd, 5 Married Eliza Baringer, V * * * * George Metherd, 5 Married Lucinda Stiver, V * * * * **Frederick Metherd**, 5 Married Cansadie Oberley, V * * * * James Metherd, 4 (D) Married Mary Moore, IV (D) * * * * John Chrisman, IV (D) Married Jane Metherd, 4 (D) * * * * John Miller, IV (D) Married Mary Metherd, 4 (D) * * * * William Skillen, IV (D) Married Susanna Metherd, 4 * * * * Lewis Chrisman, IV (D) Married Sarah Metherd, 4 (D) * * * * Jacob Eckert, IV (D) Married Katherin Metherd, 4 (D)

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James Tyler, IV (D) Married Elizabeth Metherd, 4 (D) **** Jacob Metherd, 4 (D) Married Mary Combs, IV

Thomas Hoshaw, IV Married Martha Metherd, 4 (D) **** George Metherd, 4 Married Elma Myers, IV

SKETCH OF FREDERICK F. METTERT

Frederick F. Mettert, 3, was born in Maryland, January 14, 1796; died November 9, 1845; aged 49 years, 9 months, 25 days; buried in the Zion cemetery, five miles north of Eaton, Preble county, Ohio. He was united in marriage January 30, 1817, by the Rev. John C. Dill, with Catherine Gebhart, III, who was born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, April 19, 1799; died September 25, 1874, aged 75 years, 5 months, 6 days; buried in the Zion cemetery. She was the oldest child of a family of four sons and six daughters, and was the daughter of John and Christiana (Gebhart). Gebhart, who were also natives of Berks county, Pennsylvania. They emigrated to Montgomery county, Ohio, in 1805, as did Mrs. Mettert's maternal grandparents, George and Margaret (Lebo) Gebhart; they also being natives of Berks county, Pennsylvania.

John Philip Gebhart, father of George, and great-grandfather of Mrs. Mettert, was an early resident of Tulpehocken township, Berks county. He was a member of the Tulpehocken Lutheran Church as early as 1743. The paternal grandfather of Mrs. Mettert, whose name was John Gebhart, landed at Philadelphia, October 1, 1754, having come on board the ship Phenix, John Spurrier, Captain, from Rotterdam, Holland, last from Cowes, England. Inhabitants from Franconia, the Palatinate, and Zweibrucken.

John Gebhart the first, was a soldier in the Revolution, having served in Captain John Lesher's Company, Berks county Militia. The Company was organized of men from Bethel and Tulpehocken townships. John Gebhart, the second, the father of Mrs. Mettert, was a carpenter by trade, though farming was his main vocation. He was the Patentee of 488 acres of land. The southeast quarter of Section 24, of Township 2, in Range 5. On this tract he settled and the southeast quarter of Section 19, of Township 1, Range 6.

The Patent was granted on this tract September 3, 1824, by President James Monroe, and George Graham, Commissioner of the General Land office. Also the south-east quarter of Section 13, of Township 1, Range 6. The

Patent was granted on this tract November 3, 1819, by President James Monroe, and Josiah Meigs, Commissioner of the General Land office. They were the family of Gebhart's who established the church and burning ground two miles east of (Hole's Station), now Miamisburg, an account of which is given on page 161 of this work. Frederick F. Mettert, whose name opens this sketch, and wife, located on a tract of land in the vicinity of Eaton, Ohio. They were the parents of twelve children.

John Mettert, 4 (M) Samuel G. Mettert, 4 (M) George Mettert, 4 (M) Mary Ann Mettert, 4 (M) Margaret Mettert, 4 (D) David G. Mettert, 4 (M) Martin G. Mettert, 4 (M) William Mettert, 4 (M) Lydia Mettert, 4 (M) Christiana Mettert, 4 (M) Rachel Mettert, 4 (M) Amanda Mettert, 4 (M) * * * * John Mettert, 4 (D) Married Margaret Gebhart, IV (D) Nine children were born George W. Mettert, 5 (M) Jacob Mettert, 5 (M) Nimrod Mettert, 5 (M) Rose Ann Mettert, 5 (M) John Mettert, 5 (M) William Mettert, 5 (M) Peter Mettert, 5 (D) Elizabeth Mettert, 5 (M) Catherine Mettert, 5 (M) * * * * George W. Mettert, 5 Married Sarah Fudge, V (D) Seven children were born Amanda Mettert, 6 (M) Mary Mettert, 6 (M)

William Mettert, 6 (D) Alva b. Mettert, 6 Irvin Mettert. 6 (M) Edith Mettert, 6 (M) Lila Mettert, 6 (D) Second wife. Merilla Small, V Eleven children were born Nimrod Mettert, 6 (D) Jacob Mettert, 6 (M) Rosa Mettert, 6 (M) **Orphia Mettert**, 6 (M) Olive Mettert, 6 (M) **Myrtie Mettert**, 6 George Mettert, 6 Ferdinand Mettert, 6 Frank Mettert. 6 Alfreda Mettert, 6 Ella Mettert, 6 (D) * * * * Ben Carey, VI Married Amanda Mettert, 6 (D) Two children were born **Edward Carey**, 7 Halbe Carey, 7 * * * * Elmer Sales. VI Married Mary Mettert, 6 Three children were born Lena Sales, 7 Frank Sales, 7

Jessie Sales, 7 David Flag, VI Second husband One child was born Charlotte Flag, 7 * * * * **Irvin Mettert**, 6 Married Hattie Lockwood, VI * * * * Mark Hagerty, VI Married **Edith Mettert. 6** Four children were born Harold Hagerty, 7 Moses Hagerty, 7 Margaret Hagerty, 7 **Catherine Hagerty**, 7 * * * * Jacob Mettert, 6 Married Bessie Losson. VI * * * * Herbert Parker, VI Married Rosa Mettert, 6 Four children were born Claud Parker. 7 Ama Parker, 7 **Bessie Parker**, 7 Edie Parker. 7 * * * * James Bettson, VI Married **Orphia Mettert**, 6 One child was born Helen Bettson, 7 * * * * William Whitehead, VI Married Olive Mettert, 6 Two children were born

Wilferd Whitehead, 7 Geraldine Whitehead, 7 * * * * Jacob Mettert, 5 Married Eva Small, V Four children were born Arleen Mettert. 6 **Charles Metter**, 6 **Rav Mettert. 6** Vernie Mettert, 6 * * * * Nimrod Mettert, 5 Married Mary Bowman, V (D) Three children were born John Mettert, 6 Anna Mettert, 6 (D) Mary Mettert, 6 (D) Martin V. Bowman, V Married **Rosann Mettert**, 5 Twelve children were born Samuel Lee Bowman. 6 (M) William N. Bowman, 6 (M) Nimrod B. Bowman, 6 (M) Joseph M. Bowman, 6 (M) Horace L. Bowman, 6 (M) Tillie Bowman, 6 (M) Sarah Bowman, 6 (M) Mary Bowman, 6 (M) Grace B. Bowman, 6 (D) June A. Bowman. 6 (M) Jacob A. Bowman, 6 (M) Myrtie A. Bowman, 6 (D) * * * * Samuel Lee Bowman, 6 Married Rosa Day, VI (D) Five children were born Myrtie Bowman, 7 (M) Ray Bowman, 7

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Guy Bowman, 7 **Glenn Bowman**, 7 **Gladys Bowman**, 7 * * * * **Clifford Foist, VII** Married Myrtie Bowman, 7 Two children were born Elsie Foist, 8 **Gretchen Foist. 8** * * * * William N. Bowman, 6 Married May Redout, VI Six children were born **Odyas Bowman**, 7 Inez Bowman, 7 Annes Bowman, 7 **Charles Bowman**, 7 Carlie Bowman, 7 Earl Bowman, 7 * * * * Nimrod B. Bowman, 6 Married Jane Able, VI One daughter was born Edith Bowman, 7 * * * * Joseph M. Bowman, 6 Married Nancy Howard, VI Six children were born Arther Bowman, 7 (D) Michael Bowman, 7 Katie Bowman, 7 Andrew Bowman, 7 James Bowman, 7 Lucile Bowman, 7 * * * * Horace L. Bowman, 6 Married Fanny Barranger, VI Two children were born

Graham Bowman, 7 George Bowman, 7 * * * * Delmer F. Crumrine, VI Married Tillie Bowman. 6 Four children were born **Orval Crumrine**, 7 Rosa Crumrine, 7 John Crumrine. 7 James Crumrine, 7 * * * * **Riley Sweany**, VI Married Sarah Bowman, 6 Two children were born **Clarence Sweany**, 7 Ameson Sweany, 7 * * * * Frank Fox, VI Married Mary Bowman, 6 Three children were born Lizzie Fox. 7 Pearl Fox. 7 Marie Fox, 7 * * * * John Hickman, VI Married June A. Bowman, 6 Two children were born Mary Hickman, 7 Pearl Hickman, 7 * * * * Jacob A. Bowman, 6 Married Effie Stolford, VI Two children were born Zelma Bowman, 7 Verna Bowman, 7 * * * * John Mettert, 5 (D) Married

Sarah Slone. V Six children were born Minnie Mettert, 6 (M) Ergeon Mettert, 6 (M) Elsworth Mettert, 6 (M) Elmer Mettert, 6 Floid Mettert. 6 Freline Mettert, 6 * * * * **Charles Thomas. VI** Married Minnie Mettert, 6 * * * * **Ergeon Mettert**, 6 Married Iva Willson, VI * * * * **Elsworth Mettert**, 6 Married Hattie Smith, VI * * * * William Mettert, 5 (D) Married Margaret Stanback, V Three children were born Ettie Mettert, 6 (M) Ora Mettert, 6 (M) Anna Winford Mettert, 6 (D) * * * * Henry Sprowl, VI Married Ettie Mettert, 6 Six children were born Dora B. Sprowl, 7 (M) John W. Sprowl, 7 Lottie M.Sprowl, 7 Leroy S. Sprowl, 7 Mabel M. Sprowl, 7 Nellie P. Sprowl, 7 * * * * Henry R. Musselman, VII Married Dora B. Sprowl, 7

Five children were born Oscar Musselman. 8 Genevieve Musselman, 8 Mardella Musselman, 8 Doras Musselman, 8 Henry Musselman, 8 Ora Mettert, 6 Married Lillie Cooper, VI Two children were born Harry Mettert, 7 Walter Mettert, 7 * * * * Ervin Wilmerth, V Married **Elizabeth Mettert**, 5 Two children were born **Charles Wilmerth.** 6 Pearl Wilmerth, 6 * * * * James Brinkerhif. VI Married Pearl Wilmerth, 6 * * * * Peter Judey, V Married **Catherine Mettert**, 5 Seven children were born Orlitie Judey, 6 (D) Ora Judey, 6 (D) Charley Judey, 6 (D) Carlton Judey, 6 (D) Maydie Judey, 6 (D) Orpha Judey, 6 (M) Ollie Judey, 6 (M) * * * * R. L. Banta, VI Married Orpha Judey, 6 (D) One child was born **Chester Banta**, 7 * * * *

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Freder'k Vrendenburg, VI (D) Married Ollie Judey, 6 Two children were born Helen Vrendenburg, 7 Orpha Vrendenburg, 7 (D) Samuel G. Mettert, 4 (D) Married Mary Ann Crane, IV (D) Seven children were born Levi Mettert, 5 (M) Elizabeth Mettert, 5 (M) Peter Mettert, 5 (M) Francis M. Mettert, 5 (D) Saryan A. Mettert, 5 (D) William Mettert, 5 (M) James F. Mettert, 5 (D) Ellen Campbell, IV (D) Second wife no children Mary A. Farver, IV Third wife, four children George W. Mettert, 5 (M) Rosa P. Mettert, 5 (M) James W. Mettert, 5 (D) Elizabeth M. Mettert, 5 (D) * * * * Levi Mettert, 5 (D) Married Matilda Allen, V Eight children were born Henry Mettert, 6 (M) Catherine Mettert, 6 (M) Peter Mettert, 6 (M) Jane Mettert. 6 (M) Adaline Mettert, 6 (D) Angeline Mettert, 6 (M) Frank Mettert, 6 (M) William Mettert, 6 (M) * * * * Henry Mettert, 6 Married Sarah Gustin. VI

Eight children were born Asa Mettert, 7 (D) Carrie Mettert, 7 (M) Nola Mettert, 7 (M) Samuel Mettert, 7 (D) **Eunice Mettert**, 7 Thomas Mettert, 7 Mark Mettert, 7 Herman Mettert, 7 * * * * Ernest Byroad, VII Married Carrie Mettert. 7 Two children were born **Charlie Byroad**, 8 Alta Byroad, 8 **Torrence Rumbaugh, VII** Married Nola Mettert, 7 One child was born Oive Rumbaugh, 8 * * * * William Yarrington, VI Married Catherine Mettert, 6 (D) Nine children were born Nellie Yarrington, 7 (D) Lessie Yarrington, 7 (D) Harlie Yarrington, 7 (M) Wilber Yarrington, 7 Zella Yarrington, 7 (M) John Yarrington, 7 Merl Yarrington, 7 Pearl Yarrington, 7 William Yarrington, 7 * * * * Harlie Yarrington, 7 Married Anna Strine, VII * * * * Floyd Thomas, VII Married

Zella Yarrington, 7 One child was born Catherine Thomas, 8 * * * * Peter Mettert, 6 Married Elizabeth Franklin. VI Nine children were born Nettie Mettert, 7 (D) Susie Mettert, 7 (D) Delma Mettert, 7 (D) Lacy Mettert, 7 (M) Effie Mettert, 7 (M) Bessie Mettert, 7 (M) James Mettert, 7 Beatrice Mettert, 7 (D) Ruth Mettert, 7 (D) * * * * Lacy Mettert, 7 Married Nora Carr, VII * * * * Arthur Keesler, VII Married Effie Mettert. 7 Two children were born **Buddie Kessler**, 8 **Bernice Keesler**, 8 * * * * Frank Benjamin, VII Married **Bessie Mettert**, 7 One child was born Ethel Benjamin, 8 * * * * Wesley Saylor, VI Married Jane Mettert, 6 Seven children were born Lattie Saylor, 7 (D) Leone Saylor, 7 (M) Dessie Saylor, 7 (M) Lewis Saylor, 7 (D)

Floyd Saylor, 7 Mary Saylor, 7 (D) Chester Saylor, 7 Henry Baker, VII Married Leona Saylor, 7 Two children were born Catherine Baker, 8 Henry Baker, 8 * * * * Jesse Brown, VII Married **Dessie Saylor**, 7 James Franklin, VI (D) Married Angeline Mettert, 6 Five children were born **Spencer Franklin**,7 Nellie Franklin, 7 Matilda Franklin. 7 Goldie Franklin, 7 Nettie Franklin, VI George Keesler, VI Second husband, one child Chester Keesler, 7 (D) * * * * Frank Mettert, 6 Married Mattie Keesler. VI Two children were born **Gladys Mettert**, 7 Amanda Mettert, 7 * * * * William Mettert, 6 Married May Sweet, VI (D) No children were born Cora Fatt, VI Second wife, three children Ralph Mettert, 7 (D)

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Wesley Mettert, 7 Kenneth Mettert, 7 * * * * Victor Allen, V Married Elizabeth K. Mettert. 5 Six children were born Catherine Allen, 6 (M) Thomas Allen. 6 (M) David Allen, 6 (M) Samuel Allen, 6 (M) Charles Allen. 6 (D) Frank Allen, 6 (M) * * * * **Charles Spurgeon, VI** Married Catherine Allen, 6 Three children were born Charles Spurgeon, 7 (M) Jesse Spurgeon, 7 John Spurgeon, 7 (M) * * * * **Charles Spurgeon**, 7 Married Edna Owens, VII One child was born Neil Spurgeon, 8 * * * * John Spurgeon, 7 Married Ada Murray, VII One child was born Wayne Spurgeon, 8 Thomas Allen, 6 Married Lucy Miller, VI * * * * David Allen, 6 Married Mary Murphy, VI Two children were born

Ruby Allen, 7 Helen Allen, 7 * * * * Samuel Allen. 6 Married Clara Hood. VI * * * * Frank Allen, 6 Married Lottie Markley, VI Two children were born Georgie Allen, 7 **Clarence Allen**, 7 * * * * Peter Mettert, 5 Married Paulina Bartholomew, V Four children were born Permelie Mettert, 6 (M) Toy. A Mettert, 6 (M) Florence A. Mettert, 6 (D) William H. Mettert, 6 (M) * * * * Elsworth Edgar, VI Married Permelie Mettert. 6 Six children were born Carl Edgar, 7 (D) Ray Edgar, 7 (M) Vern Edgar, 7 Lloyd Edgar, 7 Lee Edgar, 7 (D) Wayne Edgar, 7 * * * Ray Edgar, 7 Married Tracy Wonderly, VII * * * * **Charles Greenewalt, VI** Married Toy A. Mettert, 6 * * * *

William H. Mettert, 6 Married Maude Getrost, VI Two children were born Kenneth Mettert, 7 **Beatrice Mettert**. 7 * * * : William Mettert, 5 Married Elizabeth Killion. V Three children were born ElizabethA. Mettert, 6 (M) Amanda Mettert. 6 (M) Sylvester H. Mettert, 6 (M) * * * * **Charles Snyder, VI** Married Elizabeth A. Mettert, 6 Three children were born Nellie A. Synder, 7 Glen G. Synder, 7 Jess R. Synder, 7 * * * * Isaac Ruppert, 7 Married Amanda Mettert, 6 Four children were born Bessie F. Ruppert, 7 Hester S. Ruppert, 7 Ethel M. Ruppert, 7 William S. Ruppert, 7 * * * * Sylvester H. Mettert, 6 Married Della Hook. VI Three children were born Olive D. Mettert, 7 Guy S. Mettert, 7 Inez L. Mettert, 7 * * * * George W. Mettert, 5 Married Edna G. Saylor, V

Four children were born Floyd H. Mettert, 6 Lurline E. Mettert, 6 Russell G. Mettert, 6 George V. Mettert,6 Coe Applegate, V Married Rosa P. Mettert, 5 One child was born Maurice Applegate, 6 George Mettert, 4 (D) Married Elizabeth Fouts, IV (D) Thirteen children were born Levi Mettert, 5 (D) Mary Ann Mettert, 5 (D) John Martin Mettert, 5 (D) William R. Mettert, 5 (D) Michael F. Mettert, 5 (M) Katie Mettert, 5 (M) Solomon Mettert, 5 (M) Amanda Mettert, 5(M) Martha Mettert, 5 (M) George M. Mettert, 5 (M) Elizabeth E. Mettert, 5 (M) David Mettert, 5 (M) Clara Mettert, 5 (M) * * * * Michael F. Mettert, 5 Married Pline Earpener, V One child was born Hattie Mettert, 6 (M) * * * * Earl Conley, VI Married Hattie Mettert, 6 One child was born Girllen Conley, 7 * * * *

Allen Roller, V (D) Married Katie Mettert, 5 (D) One child was born William Roller. 6 * * * * William Roller, 6 Married Alice Barton, VI One child was born Helen Roller, 7 * * * * Solomon Mettert, 6 Married Rilda Crage, V Two children were born Allen Mettert, 6 Adam Mettert, 6 * * * * Elvin Oler. V Amanda Mettert, 5 Three children were born Walie Oler, 6 Panel Oler, 6 Clyde Oler, 6 (M) * * * * Clyde Oler, 6 Married Essa Taylor, VI One child was born Wolie Bess Oler. 7 * * * * Ed. Stanton, V Married Martha Mettert. 5 (D) Two children were born Jenny Stanton, 6 (M) Harvey Stanton, 6 (M) , **** Arthel Dennis, VI Married Jenny Stanton, 6 One child was born

Esther May Dennis, 7 * * * * Harvey Stanton, 6 Married Belle Cup, VI One child was born **Clabron Stanton**, 7 * * * * George M. Mettert, 5 Married Letha Crage, V Four children were born Fanny Mettert, 6 (D) Vergel Mettert, 6 (D) Herlbel Mettert, 6 Katie Mettert. 6 (M) * * * * Herby Howard, VI Married Katie Mettert. 6 Two children were born Labal Howard, 7 Verrina Howard, 7 * * * * John Retz, V Married **Elizabeth Ellen Mettert**, 5 One child was born Lvda Belle Retz, 6 * * * * David Mettert. 5 Married Emma Mills. V One child was born Willie Mills, 6 (M) * * * * Willie Mills, 6 Married **Ethel Jenkins**, VI Two children were born **Ernest Mettert**, 7 **Baby Mettert**, 7 * * * *

Wayne Welson, V (D) Married Clara Mettert, 5 One child was born Wayne Welson, 6 (M) * * * * Arthel Brooks, V Married Mrs. Clara Mettert Welson 5 Three children were born **Donald Brooks**, 6 Vergel Brooks, 6 Mabel Brooks, 6 * * * * Wayne Welson, 6 Married Emma Gregg, VI One child was born Margaret Welson. 7 * * * * John Kisling, IV (D) Married Mary Ann Mettert, 4 (D) Eight children were born Annetta Kisling, 5 (M) Perry Kisling, 5 (M) Henry Kisling, 5 (M) John B. Kisling, 5 (M) Mary C. Kisling, 5 (M) **Oliver Kisling**, 5 Allen Kisling, 5 (M) Ella Kisling, 5 * * * Mose Kisling, V Married Annetta Kisling, 5 (D) One daughter was born Mary Kisling, 6 (M) * * * * William D. Horn, VI Married Mary Kisling, 6 Three children were born

Eva Horn, 7 Carl Horn, 7 Albert Horn, 7 * * * * Perry Kisling, 5 (D) Married Ermina Kisling, V Five children were born Mand Mary Kisling, 6 (M) Harry Clifford Kisling, 6 (M) Dr. Percy J. Kisling, 6 (M) William A. Kisling, 6 (M) Emmet C. Kisling, 6 (M) * * * * **Ernest Gore, VI** Married Mand Mary Kisling, 6 Two children were born Beth Ione Gore. 7 Keith Gore, 7 * * * * Harry Clifford Kisling, 6 Married Emma L. Rosier, VI (D) One child was born **Russell Harry Kisling**, 7 * * * * Dr. Percy John Kisling, 6 Married Florence Marshall, VI * * * * William Allen Kisling, 6 Married Gertrude Lydia Rhodes, VI One child was born **Opal Marie Kisling**, 7 * * * * Emmett C. Kisling, 6 Married Janie Forde, VI One child was born Forde Emmett Kisling, 7

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Henry Kisling, 5 Married Rachel Trone, V (D) Five children were born Lester Willis Kisling, 6 John Henry Kisling, 6 (M) Anna Flo Kisling, 6 (M) Dave Kisling, 6 Ernest Kisling, 6 Mae Hanson, V. second wife * * * * John Henry Kisling, 6 Married Etta Gowin, VI * * * * Ersin Gowin. VI Married Anna Flo Kisling, 6 * * * * John B. Kisling, 5 Married Margaret Minshull, V Seven children were born Mary Ellen Kisling, 6 (M) Arthur Lewis Kisling, 6 Henry C. Kisling, 6 (M) Blanche M. Kisling, 6 (D) Lottie May Kisling, 6 Lillie Eve Kisling, 6 (M) Emily Kisling, 6 * * * * Jonathan S. Dunca, VI Married Mary Ellen Kisling, 6 Two children were born Ella Marie Duncan, 7 **Glenn Sylvester Ducan**, 7 * * * * Henry C. Kisling, 6 Married Verne Craven, VI Two children were born

Dale Kisling, 7 Mildred Kisling, 7 * * * * Fred Belz, VI Married Lillie Eve Kisling, 6 One child was born **Donald George Belz**, 7 * * * * Robert H. Dore, V (D) Married Mary Catherine Kisling, 5 Albert Boory, V Married Mrs. Mary C. Dore, 5 **** Allen Kisling, 5 Married Emma Tucker. V Two children were born Roy Kisling, 6 Earl Kisling, 6 * * * Roy Kisling, 6 Married Ollen Hancock, VI One child was born Thelma Kisling, 7 * * * * David G. Mettert, 4 (D) Married Elizabeth Banfill, IV (D) Four children were born Julia Mettert, 5 (D) Armina C. Mettert, 5 (M) Samuel M. Mettert, 5 (M) Hannah Alice Mettert, 5 (M) * * * * Peter W. Brown, V Married Armina C. Mettert, 5 Three children were born Iva Leora Brown, 6 (D)

Elena Alice Brown, 6 (M) Earle Mettert Brown, 6 (M) * * * * Elmer C. Hileman, VI Married Elena Alice Brown, 6 Two children were born Melvin Lloyd Hileman, 7 Lester Everett Hileman, 7 * * * * Earle Mettert Brown, 6 Married Jessie Edith Stevens. VI Four children were born Fay Lorena Brown, 7 (D) **Doris Angeline Brown**, 7 **Ranson Wise Brown**, 7 Frederick B. Brown, 7 * * * * Samuel Martin Mettert, 5 Married Sarah A. Friend, V Three children were born Merille Mettert, 6 (D) Minnie Alice Mettert, 6 (M) Melvelle Mettert, 6 * * * * Harry T. Jacoby, VI Married Minnie Alice Mettert, 6 Three children were born Florence Mettert Jacoby, 7 Emma Mettert Jacoby, 7 Levvis Samuel Jacoby, 7 * * * * Emile Doriot, V Married Hannah Alice Mettert, 5 Two children were born Harry G. Doriot, 6 (M) Ranson A. Doriot, 6 (M) * * * * Harry G. Doriot, 6

Married **Delpha Rouch**, VI * * * * Ranson A. Doriot, 6 Married Blanche Barnhill. VI One child was born **Robert Doriot.** 7 * * * * Martin G. Mettert, 4 (D) Married Melvina Tyler, IV (D) Nine children were born Harry C. Mettert, 5 (M) Frederick M. Mettert, 5 (D) Etta Mettert, 5 (M) Allie O. Mettert, 5 (M) Eldora Mettert, 5 (M) Lewis F. Mettert. 5 Clara Mettert, 5 Oraspa Mettert, 5 (M) Bertha Mettert, 5 (M) * * * * Harry C. Mettert, 5 (D) Married Rebecca Agnier, V Four children were born Edith O. Mettert. 6 Anna Bell Mettert, 6 **Orval Mettert**, 6 **Raymond Mettert**, 6 * * * * John H. O'Neil, V Married Etta Mettert. 5 Two children were born Clarence O'Neil, 6 Blanche Marie O'Neil, 6 * * * * Hiram Reed, V Married Allie O. Mettert, 5 * * * *

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Charles T. Wolford, V Married **Eldora Mettert**, 5 * * * * Hiram Jackson Perry, V Married **Oraspa Mettert**, 5 Three children were born Ella Perry, 6 Ethel Perry, 6 Viola Perry, 6 * * * Hanford C. Huffman. V Married Bertha Mettert, 5 Three children were born **Opal A. Huffman**, 6 Gladys A. Huffman, 6 Howard C. Huffman, 6 * * * William Mettert, 4 Married Polly Rex, IV (D) Three children were born Amanda C. Mettert, 5 (M) Frank mettert, 5 Anna Mettet, 5 (M) * * * * Hiram J. Young, V Married Amanda C. Mettert. 5 Two children were born Luella E. Young, 6 (M) Roy A. Young, 6 (M) * * * * Fred D. Webster, VI (D) Married Luella E. Young, 6 * * * * Roy A. Young, 6 Married Bertha J. Stackhouse, VI * * * *

Charles R. Headley, V Married Anna Mettert, 5 Eight children were born William Headley, 6 (D) Walter Headley, 6 (D) Charles Owen Headley, 6 Estella Headley, 6 Alta Headley, 6 Delta Headley, 6 Garnet Headley, 6 Gladys Headley, 6 * * * * Jacob N. Stiver, IV Married Lydia Mettert, 4 Four children were born Amanda Stiver, 5 (M) Samuel J. Stiver, 5 (M) John C. Stiver, 5 (M) Florence E. Stiver, 5 (M) * * * * George Zimmer, V Married Amanda Stiver. 5 (D) Three children were born Frank Zimmer, 6 (M) Clara Zimmer, 6 (M) John Zimmer, 6 * * * * Frank Zimmer. 6 Married Maggie Moore, VI One child was born **Clifford Zimmer.** 7 * * * * John Moore, VI Married Clara Zimmer, 6 Three children were born Frank Moore. 7 Florence Moore, 7 (M) Martin Moore. 7

Samuel James, VII Married Florence Moore, 7 * * * * Samuel J. Stiver, 5 Married Lucretia Phillips, V (D) Four children were born Florence L. Stiver, 6 (M) Luther C. Stiver. 6 (M) Nolia M. Stiver, 6 (M) Frederick R. Stiver, 6 (M) * * * * Henry Weicker, VI Married Florence L. Stiver. 6 Two children were born **Dollie Weicker**, 7 Monald Weicker, 7 * * * * Luther C. Stiver, 6 Married Eluda B. Applegate, VI Three children were born Glenna Stiver. 7 Harold Stiver, 7 Wendel Stiver, 7 * * * * **Clyde Palmer**, VI Married Nolia M. Stiver. 6 * * * * Frederick R. Stiver, 6 Married Ida Knapp, VI One child was born Gordon Stiver, 7 (D) * * * * John C. Stiver, 5 Married Emma Streeter, V (D) One child was born Nellie Stiver. 6

Second wife Julia Rumbaugh, V One child was born **Donald Stiver**, 6 * * * * Ely Harris, VI Married Nellie Stiver. 6 * * * * William Burrier, V Married Florence E. Stiver, 5 Two children were born Bessie Burrier, 6 (M) Hazel Burrier, 6 * * * * Bert Shaffer, VI Married **Bessie Burrier.** 6 One child was born **Roy Shaffer**, 7 * * * * Francis M. Clawson, IV (D) Married Christiana Mettert, 4 Five children were born Henry F. Clawson, 5 Mary C. Clawson, 5 (M) Sarah A. Clawson, 5 (M) Eliza B. Clawson, 5 (M) Laura Clawson, 5 * * * * Emerson L. Davis, V Married Mary C. Clawson, 5 One child was born Bessie O. Davis, 6 * * * * Adin H. Schell, V Married Sarah Amanda Clawson, 5 Two children were born Ada E. Schell. 6

Lawrence D. Schell, 6 * * * * Ezra M. Creager, V Married Eliza B. Clawson, 5 Four children were born Edward L. Creager, 6 Carl C. Creager, 6 John E. Creager, 6 Abel L. Creager, 6 * * * * Josiah Clawson, IV (D) Married Rachel Mettert, 4 (D) Three children were born John F. Clawson, 5 Florence Clawson, 5

Emma Clawson, 5 **** Joseph F. Werts, IV Married Amanda Mettert, 4 Two children were born John C. Werts, 5 (M) Delora O. Werts, 5 (M) **** John C. Werts, 5 (M) **** Frank R. Fisher, V (D) Married Delora O. Werts, 5

SKETCH OF GEORGE F. METHERD, 3

George F. Metherd, 3, was born in the state of Maryland, March 20, 1798; died April 2, 1852, aged 60 years, 12 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. George F. Metherd was united in marriage with Elizabeth Garrison, III, October 11, 1821, in Madison township, Butler county, Ohio, by Squire Martin. Elizabeth Garrison was born in the Red Stone country, Pennsylvania, June 29, 1806; died December 8, 1887, aged 81 years, 6 months, 19 days; buried beside her husband.

She was the daughter of Jonathan Garrison, who was a native of Pennsylvania, and was of German descent. He followed the occupation of farming, came to Ohio at an early day, and reared a family of twenty seven children by three wives. George F. Metherd located on a tract of land in Washington township, Montgomery county, Ohio, on the road commonly known as Yankee street. They were the parents of nine children.

John F. Metherd, 4 (M) Christiana Metherd. 4 (M) Jonathan Metherd, 4 (M) Elizabeth Metherd, 4 (M) George G. Metherd, 4 (M) Martin G. Metherd, 4 (M) Benjamin Metherd, 4 (M) Mary Ann Metherd, 4 (M) Michael Metherd, 4 (M) * * * * John F. Metherd, 4 (D) Married Lyda Benham, IV (D) Three children were born Elizabeth A. Metherd, 5 (M) Abigail Metherd, 5 (D) **Charles Metherd. 5** * * * * Abraham Brown, V Married Elizabeth Ann Metherd, 5

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Martin Woolery, IV (D) Married Christiana Metherd, 4 (D) Nine children were born George Woolery, 5 (D) Susan Woolery, 5 (D) Elizabeth Woolery, 5 (M) Isaac Woolery, 5 (D) Mary Woolery, 5 Sarah Woolery, 5 (D) David Woolery, 5 (M) Michael Woolery, 5 (M) Martin Woolery, 5 (D) * * * * Otho Lindsey, V Married Elizabeth Woolery, 5 * * * * David Woolery, 5 Married Lizzie J. Ruberts, V

One child was born Milton D. Woolery, 6 * * * * Michael Woolery, 5 Married Cora E. Benjamin, V * * * Jonathan Metherd, 4 (D) Married Elizabeth Winebiena. IV (D) Ten children were born George J. Metherd, 5 (M) Daniel B. Metherd, 5 (M) John W. Metherd, 5 (M) William B. Metherd, 5 (M) Sarah Ann Metherd. 5 (D) Mary E. Metherd, 5 (D) Jacob O. Metherd, 5 (M) David V. Metherd. 5 (M) Joseph H. Metherd, 5 (M) Charles W. Metherd, 5 (M) George J. Metherd, 5 (D) Married Elizabeth Gniblit. V * * * * Daniel B. Metherd, 5 Married Wilhelmina Wolbrandt, V Five children were born Johann Otto Metherd. 6 Daniel Nelson Metherd, 6 Paul Archibald Metherd, 6 Warren Oliver Metherd, 6 Lillie Irene Metherd. 6 * * * * John W. Metherd, 5 Married Marie Ann Heil, V Two children were born **Everett Lloyd Metherd, 6** Frederick R. Metherd, 6 * * * *

William B. Metherd, 5 Married Annie C. Lawson, V (D) Three children were born Sarah Alice Metherd. 6 Liddy May Metherd, 6 (D) Wilhelmina Metherd, 6 Second wife Ollia Grace Cowell, V * * * * Jacob O. Metherd, 5 Married Alice Shafer, V * * * * David V. Metherd, 5 Married Hattie Hinson, V Two children were born Arthur D. Metherd. 6 Elvin H. Metherd, 6 * * * * Joseph H. Metherd, 5 Married Luella Burns, V Five children were born Sarah Elizabeth Metherd, 6 Gertrude Viola Metherd, 6 Jesse Earl Metherd, 6 **Dorothy Harriet Metherd**, 6 Joseph Clayton Metherd, 6 * * * * Charles W. Metherd, 5 Married Hattie Anderson, V (D) Two children were born Clara Edna Metherd, 6 Oscar Metherd, 6 (D) Second wife Sarah Ann Lagenby, V * * * * Isaac Hannahs, IV (D) Married Elizabeth Metherd. 4 (D)

Eleven children were born Elizabeth C. Hannahs, 5 (M) Mary J. Hannahs, 5 (M) James B. Hannahs, 5 (D) George H. Hannahs, 5 (M) Sarah Hannahs, 5 (M) Isaac Hannahs, 5 (M) Noah K. Hannahs, 5 (D) John W. Hannahs, 5 (D) Susie Hannahs, 5 (M) Joseph M. Hannahs, 5 (M) Barbara Ellen Hannahs, 5 (D) * * * * Frank Daughters, V Married Elizabeth C. Hannahs, 5 (D) Seven children were born Laura Daughters, 6 (M) Cora Daughters, 6 (M) Charles Daughters, 6 (M) Josie Daughters, 6 William Daughters, 6 (M) Jenny Daughters, 6 Leon Daughters, 6 **** Edward Campbell, VI Married Laura Daughters, 6 * * * * **Rufus Pope, VI** Married **Cora Daughters**, 6 Two children were born Lawrence Pope, 7 Jennett Pope, 7 * * * * **Charles Daughters**, 6 Married Pearl Watkins, VI One child was born Franklin Clark Watkins, 7 * * * * William Daughters, 6

Married Lula Weeks, VI * * * * Henry P. Treon, V (D) Married Mary J. Hannahs, 5 (D) George H. Hannahs, 5 Married Ida E. Libecap, V Five children were born Grace E. Hannahs, 6 Ada L. Hannahs. 6 Myrtle L. Hannahs, 6 Isaac Wilber Hannahs, 6 Everett A. Hannahs. 6 Christopher Mock, V Married Sarah Hannahs. 5 Three children were born Edna Mock, 6 (M) Harry Mock, 6 Allie Mock, 6 * * * * George Long, VI Married Edna Mock. 6 One child was born **Everett Long**, 7 * * * * Isaac Hannahs, 5 (D) Married Rosa Berger, V One child was born Charles B. Hannahs, 6 (D) * * * * Edward Pine, V Married Susie Hannahs, 5 Three children were born Lula Frances Pine, 6 (D)

Della V. Pine, 6 (M) Elbert Pine, 6 (D) * * * * **Byron Himes, VI** Married Della V. Pine, 6 * * * * George G. Metherd, 4 (D) Married Mary Gebhart, IV Three children were born Peter Metherd, 5 (D) George W. Metherd, 5 (D) William Metherd, 5 (D) * * * * Martin G. Metherd, 4 (D) Married Mary C. Martins, IV (D) Eight children were born John Frank Metherd, 5 (M) Adaline Metherd, 5 (M) Belle Metherd. 5 (M) Levina Metherd, 5 (D) Abner Metherd, 5 (D) Mary Metherd, 5 (M) Isaac Metherd, 5 (M) Rena Metherd, 5 (M) Second wife Nettie Metherd, 4 Six children were born Maggie Metherd, 5 (M) Sarepta Metherd, 5 (M) Edward Metherd, 5 (M) Martin Metherd. 5 Elizabeth Metherd, 5 (M) **Charles Metherd**, 5 * * * * John Frank Metherd, 5 Married Mary Smith, V (D) Two children were born Charles Metherd, 6 Myrtle Metherd, 6 (M)

Second Wife Bell Smith, V (D) Third wife Maggie Smith, V Three children were born Ollie Metherd, 6 (M) Lulu Metherd, 6 (M) John Metherd, 6 * * * * Conn Decker. VI Married Myrtle Metherd, 6 * * * * Charles Ake, VI Married **Ollie Metherd.** 6 Raleigh B. Ake, VI Married Lulu Metherd, 6 * * * * William Orndorf. V Married Adaline Metherd, 5 Five children were born John Orndorf, 6 (M) Walter Orndorf, 6 (D) Amelia Orndorf, 6 (M) William Ordorf, 6 (M) Earl Orndorf, 6 * * * * John Orndorf, 6 Married Nellie Russell, VI Three children were born Bertha Orndorf, 7 Pearlie Orndorf, 7 Henry Orndorf, 7 * * * * George Bocock, VI Married Amelia Orndorf, 6 * * * *

William Orndorf, 6 Married Rosie Perk, VI Three children were born Earl Orndorf. 7 Vernon Orndorf, 7 Eva Orndorf. 7 * * * * Frank Rozell, V Married **Belle Metherd**, 5 Four children were born Sarah Rozell. 6 (M) Ernest Rozell, 6 Ethel Rozell, 6 (M) Nellie Rozell, 6 (M) * * * * David Miller, VI Married Sarah Rozell, 6 * * * * Hugh A. Leis, 6 Married Ethel Rozell, 6 * * * * Ernest E. Leis, 6 Married Nellie Rozell. 6 * * * * William Ennis, V Married Mary Metherd, 5 Four children were born Ernest Ennis. 6 (M) Charles Ennis. 6 (M) Lester Ennis, 6 Mellie Ennis. 6 * * * * **Ernest Ennis**, 6 Married Jessie Saum, VI * * * * **Charles Ennis. 6**

Married Marguerite Cliftan, VI Two children were born Julia Ennis, 7 Edith Ennis. 7 * * * Isaac Metherd, 5 Married Bena Hahn, V Three children were born Della Metherd, 6 (M) Clarence Metherd, 6 (D) Lola Metherd. 6 * * * * Clarence D. Brown, 5 Married **Della Metherd**, 6 Four children were born Lewis M. Brown. 6 & 7 Ada Luella Brown, 6 &7 Ethel May Brown, 6 & 7 Esther Estella Brown. 6 & 7 * * * * Elijah Nossett, V Married Rena Metherd, 5 Six children were born Catherine Nossett, 6 Ada Nossett, 6 Mabel Nossett, 6 Ray Nossett, 6 Leona Nossett, 6 (D) **Orval Nossett**, 6 * * * * Rolla Malott. V Married Maggie Metherd, 5 Three children were born Ralph Malott, 6 **Roy** Malott, 6 Isaac Malott, 6 * * * * **Edward Metherd. 5**

Married Lizzie Phillips, V One child was born Harl Metherd, 6 * * * * Henry Kissinger, V Married Serepta Metherd, 5 One child was born Frederick Kissinger. 6 * * * * **Charles Blackferd**, V Married Elizabeth Metherd, 5 * * * * Benjamin Metherd, 4 (D) Married Sarah Sheavely, IV One child was born Benjamin F. Metherd, 5 (M) * * * * Benjamin F. Metherd, 5 Married Elizabeth Morgan, V Four children were born Verna Bell Metherd, 6 (D) Grace I. Metherd, 6 (M) Minnie Irene Metherd, 6 Benjamin F. Metherd, 6 (D) * * * * Samuel H. Kitchen, VI Married Grace I. Metherd. 6 Two children were born Grace Elizabeth Kitchen, 7 Virginia L. Kitchen, 7 * * * * Benjamin Bloom, IV Married Mary Ann Metherd, 4 (D) Four children were born Benjamin F. Bloom, 5 (M) Hannah E. Bloom, 5 (M)

Laura B. Bloom, 5 (M) William A. Bloom, 5 (M) * * * * Benjamin F. Bloom, 5 Married Harriet B. Rodabough, V * * * * Albert E. Rodabough, V Married Hannah E. Bloom, 5 Five children were born Harry W. Rodabough, 6 (M) Henry A. Rodabough, 6 (D) Edward F. Rodabough, 6 Bessie F. Rodabough, 6 (M) Ethel B. Rodabough, 6 (M) * * * * Harry W. Rodabough, 6 Married Rosalia Smith, VI Two children were born **Charles Rodabough**, 7 Edward Rodabough, 7 * * * * Ruben D. Jackson, VI Married Bessie F. Rodabough, 6 Three children were born Henry G. Jackson, 7 Mary R. Jackson, 7 Minnie E. Jackson, 7 Dr. F. E. Lee, VI Married Ethel B. Rodabough, 6 Two children were born Eugene Lee, 7 Armon Lee, 7 * * * * George W. Duncan, V Married Laura B. Bloom, 5 Two children were born

Mary C. Duncan, 6 (M) Harley G. Duncan, 6 (M) **Robert Roy Reese, VI** Married Mary C. Duncan, 6 Three children were born **Dorothy Reese**, 7 Helen Reese, 7 Margaret Reese, 7 * * * * Harley G. Duncan, 6 Married Georgia S. Panabaker, VI * * * * William A. Bloom, 5 (D) Married

Cliffie Wise, V (D) One child was born Mabel M. Bloom, 6 (M) * * * * Robert Guy Barber, VI Married Mabel Margaret Bloom, 6 Two children were born **Ruth Roberta Barber**, 7 Robert Wilson Barber, 7 * * * * Michael Metherd, 4 Married Mrs. Sarah (Gebhart) Friday, IV One child was born Harold W. Metherd, 5

SKETCH OF FREDERICK FOX, III

Frederick Fox, III, was born in Pennsylvania, December 10, 1791; died August 20, 1851; aged 59 years, 8 months, 10 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. He was the son of John and Anna Fox. John Fox, Sr., came to America as an officer in what is known as the Hessians, (The Mercenary Auxiliaries hired by Great Britain of the Landgrave of Hesse-Cassel to serve against the American Patriots) whether he was a native of Hesse-Cassel, (which furnished 17,000 or a little better than half of the German Mercenaries used by Britain in the war) or whether he hailed from some of the other German Provinces is unknown. After the surrender of the Hessians, he located in Pennsylvania, later he emigrated to Ohio, locating in Clear Creek township, Warren county, where he purchased from Peter and Elizabeth Kisling, the southeast quarter of Section 15, of Township 2, in Range 5, in consideration of \$340. The transaction occurred June 26, 1813. Peter Kisling was the Patentee of the tract.

John and Anna Fox's children were Frederick, John Jr., Anna (Mrs. James Akin, Jr.), Elizabeth (Mrs. Winthrop Emerson), Samuel and Henry. John Fox Sr., died in 1816, his wife died in 1840. He and his wife, and their daughter Anna (Mrs. James Akin Jr.), were buried in the old cemetery at Franklin, Ohio. At the time that a portion of the cemetery was condemned for railroad right of way, their remains were removed to their present resting place in Woodhill cemetery, Franklin, Ohio. (John Fox Sr. was no relation to Frederick Fox who located on the northwest quarter of Section 15, of Township 2, Range 5 in 1807). Frederick Fox, III was united in marriage with Elizabeth, daughter of George and Christiana (Fox) Metherd, September 30, 1823, by Rev. H. Heincke. Elizabeth Metherd was born in Maryland, April 4, 1800; died January 15, 1854; aged 53 years, 9 months, 11 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. Frederick Fox and wife located on the tract formerly owned by his father, he receiving the tract by the terms of his father's will. They were the parents of two children.

John Frederick Fox, 4 (M) Christiana Fox, 4 (M) * * * * John Frederick Fox, 4 (D) Married Sarah Early, IV (D) Second wife Lydia Early, IV (D) * * * * Jesse B. Heiss. IV (D) Married Christiana Fox, 4 (D) Six children were born Elizabeth F. Heiss, 5 (M) Henry Heiss, 5 (M) John Heiss, 5 (D) Amanda Heiss, 5 (M) Stephen Heiss, 5 (M) Dora Heiss. 5 (M) * * * * Adam Fox, 3 (D) Married Elizabeth F. Heiss, 5 (D) * * * * Henry Heiss, 5 (D) Married Frances Brown, V Two children were born Mary E. Heiss, 6 Christiana Heiss. 6 * * * * William R. Wead, V

Married Amanda Heiss, 5 Seven children were born Ebenezer Wead, 6 Owen Wead, 6 (D) Clara Wead, 6 (M) Ella Wead, 6 (M) Ada Wead, 6 Anna Wead, 6 Sidney Wead, 6 Harry Wylie, VI Married Clara Wead, 6 One child was born Jennett Wylie, 7 * * * * John Phillabaum, VI Married Ella Wead, 6 One child was born Myrtle Phillabaum, 7 * * * * Stephen Heiss, 5 Married Nettie M. Fox, 5 One child was born Rosa M. Heiss, 6 * * * * William Chilton, V Married Dora Heiss. 5

SKETCH OF DANIEL GARRISON, III

Daniel Garrison, III, was born in the Rest Stone country of Pennsylvania, October 22, 1801; died November 1, 1867; aged 66 years, 9 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. He was a son of Jonathan Garrison, who was a native of Pennsylvania, and was of German descent, and followed the occupation of farming; came to Ohio at an early day, and reared a family of twenty-seven children by three wives.

Daniel was a blacksmith by trade, came to Ohio about 1819, and lived in Butler county for about five years, then removing to Montgomery county. He was united in marriage with Catherine, daughter of George and Christiana (Fox) Metherd, November 22, 1825, by the Rev. H. Heincke. Catherine Metherd, 3, was born in Maryland, April 4, 1800; died 1877, aged 77 years; buried beside her husband. Daniel and Catherine Garrison located on a tract of land in Washington township, Montgomery county, Ohio, on the road commonly known as Yankee street, where he followed both farming and blacksmithing. They were the parents of four children.

George Garrison, 4 (M) Jonathan Garrison, 4 (M) Daniel Garrison, 4 (M) Jacob Garrison. 4 (M) * * * * George Garrison, 4 (D) Married Leah Lewis, IV (D) Twelve children were born Catherine A. Garrison, 5 (M) Mary Garrison, 5 Levina Garrison, 5 Sarah Garrison. 5 William Garrison, 5 Daniel Garrison. 5 Ellen Garrison. 5 Eliza Garrison. 5 Jacob Garrison, 5 Samuel Garrison, 5

Albert Garrison. 5 Amelia Garrison, 5 Second wife Elizabeth Bauman. IV One child was born Amanda Garrison, 5 * * * * Edwin Stupp, V, soldier in the Civil War (D) Married Catherine A. Garrison, 5 * * * * Jonathan Garrison, 4 (D) Married Mary Ann Lewis, IV (D) Two children were born Perry Garrison, 5 (D) D. Henry Garrison, 5 (M) * * * *

D. Henry Garrison, 5 Married Luretta Zehring, V Three children were born Burton Z. Garrison, 6 (M) Heber L. Garrison, 6 (M) V. Lee Garrison, 6 * * * * Burton Z. Garrison, 6 Married Edna V. Ressler, VI Two children were born Lloyd R. Garrison, 7 Glenna W. Garrison, 7 * * * * Heber L. Garrison, 6 Married Edith Eichenberry, VI * * * * Daniel Garrison, 4 Married Martha Maze, IV (D) Four children were born Rachel Garrison, 5 (M) Emma Garrison, 5 (M) Albert Garrison, 5 (D) Frank Garrison, 5 (M)

Clyde Barklow, V Married **Rachel Garrison**, 5 Three children were born Cecil Barklow. 6 **Glenn Barklow**, 6 **Evert Barklow**, 6 * * * * Edward J. Bennett, V Married Emma Garrison, 5 (D) * * * * Frank Garrison, 5 Married Edith Weidner, V One child was born Forest Garrison, 4 * * * * Jacob Garrison, 4 Married Amanda Littleton, IV Three children were born Effie Garrison, 5 Margaret Garrison, 5 Howard Garrison, 5 * * * *

SKETCH OF BENJAMIN EMERT, III

Benjamin Emert, III, was born in Pennsylvania, June 23, 1795; died February 22, 1857; aged 61 years, 7 months, 29 days; buried in the Christian church yard, at Oran, Shelby county, Ohio. He was the son of Martin and Catherine (Knoop) Emert, who were of German descent. Martin Emert was a clock and watchmaker by trade; he lived and died in Pennsylvania, and possessed real estate in Berks county of that state. Andrew Emert, the father of Martin, landed at Philadelphia, September 9 1749, came over on board the ship St. Andrew, James Abercrombie, Master, from Rotterdam, Holland, last from Plymouth, England.

Benjamin Emert came to Ohio at an early day, as did his mother and the remainder of her family, locating in Miami township, Montgomery county. Benjamin Emert whose name opens this sketch, was united in marriage January 25, 1831, by the Rev. H. Heincke, with Mary M. Metherd, 3, (daughter of George and Christiana (Fox) Metherd). She was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, April 8, 1808; died February 7, 1882, aged 73 years, 9 months, 29 days; buried in the Christian church yard at Oran, Ohio. They located in Shelby county in the vicinity of Fort Loramie. They were the parents of four children.

Christiana Emert, 4 (D) George M. Emert, 4 (M) Benjamin Emert, 4 (D) Jonathan F. Emert, 4 (M)

George M. Emert, 4, soldier in the Civil War, Company F, Benton Cadets (D) Married Rebecca M. Shaw, IV One child was born

David Emert, 5

Jonathan F. Emert, 4, soldier in the Civil War, Company F, Benton Ca-

dets. Later, Company B, 50th Ohio V. I. Married Elmira Blanchard, IV Five children were born George I. Emert, 5 (M) Eliphalet B. Emert, 5 (M) Martin A. Emert, 5 (M) John A. Emert, 5 Fredrick J. Emert, 5 (D) * * * * George I. Emert, 5 Married Mary L. Brenner, V Three children were born Emma Elmira Emert, 6

Elmer Elias Emert, 6 Harry Lester Emert, 6 **** Eliphalet b. Emert, 5 Married Nina Kuhn, V **** Martin A. Emert, 5 (D) Married Angeline Prince, V Two children were born Wilber Franklin Emert, 6 Martie Alice Emert, 6 **** John A. Emert, 5 Married Ida M. Kiser, V Four children were born Bessie Marie Emert, 6 Ethel Elmira Emert, 6 Roy Benjamin Emert, 6 Nina May Emert, 6

SKETCH OF DANIEL METHERD, 3

Daniel Metherd, 3, was born in Miami township, Montgomery count, Ohio, April 3, 1811; died June 13, 1879; aged 68 years, 2 months, 10 days; buried in Fairview cemetery, near Englewood, Montgomery county, Ohio. He was united in marriage August 30, 1838, by Rev. H. Heincke, with Lydia, daughter of Leonard and Christiana Minnich. Lydia Minnich, III, was born May 19, 1808; died March 4, 1893; aged 84 years, 9 months, 15 days; buried in Fairview cemetery near Englewood, Ohio.

Mrs. Metherd's parents, Leonard Minnich and wife, located on the southwest part of Section 18, of Township 2, Range 5, in Miami township, Montgomery county, where they conducted a country tavern under the sign of the Cross Keys, taking the name from the angling crossing of the Mad River and Miamisburg roads where the tavern was located. Mr. Minnich was a blacksmith by trade, and conducted a blacksmith shop in connection with farming. Daniel Metherd and family lived on the Minnich farm a number of years; later they moved to the northern part of the county. They were the parents of two children.

George Metherd, 4 (M) Catherine Metherd, 4 (M) **** George Metherd, 4 Married Clara Bell Metherd, 5 One son was born Harry Metherd, 5 & 6 (M) **** Harry Metherd, 5 & 6

Married Dessie Jay, V & VI Two children were born Marjel Metherd, 6 & 7 Berlin Metherd, 6 & 7 * * * * Charles McKrosion, IV Married Catherine Metherd, 4 * * * *

SKETCH OF JONATHAN METHERD, 3

Jonathan Metherd, 3, was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, June 15, 1815; died September 21, 1864; aged 49 years, 6 months, 6 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. he was united in marriage with Sydney A. Bruce, III, who was born June 14, 1813; died September 4, 1848; aged 35 years, 3 months, 20 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. She was a member of a family of several children, the names of her parents could not be learned.

Mr. Metherd resided on the Metherd homestead where he was engaged in farming, residing there at the time of his wife's death. They were the parents of three children. Mr. Metherd later engagd in tavern keeping in Miamisburg, Ohio, where he was proprietor of the Madison House, which stood on the corner of Main and Ferry streets. The site of which is now occupied by the residence of the late Hon. Emanuel Shultz.

While engaged in the tavern business, he was united in marriage with Julia Brocker, III, who was born November 17, 1831; died October 28, 1912, aged 80 years, 11 months, 11 days; buried in the Polk Grove cemetery. She was the daughter of Joseph and Hannah (Richley) Brocker, who were both natives of Hanover, Germany; both came to the United States at the age of sixteen years, locating in Cincinnati; later were married and located in Miamisburg, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Metherd were the parents of four children.

Daniel Metherd, 4 (M) Elizabeth J. Metherd, 4 (M) Jonathan P. Metherd, 4 (D) Laura C. Metherd, 4 (M) James Metherd, 4 (M) J. P. metherd, 4 (M) Amanda Metherd, 4 (M) **** Daniel Metherd, 4 (D) Married Mary Key, IV (D) One child was born Clara Belle Metherd, 5 (M) **** George Metherd, 4 Married Clara Belle Metherd, 5 One child was born Harry Metherd, 5 & 6 (M) **** Harry Metherd, 5 & 6 Married Dessie Jay, V & VI Two children were born

Marjel Metherd, 6 & 7 Berlin Metherd, 6 & 7 * * * * Jacob B. Peffly, IV (D) Married Elizabeth J. Metherd, 4 * * * * **Frederick Borcher, IV** Married Laura Cecilia Metherd. 4 Eight children were born Dora Cecilia Borcher, 5 Charles H. Borcher. 5 P. Elmer Borcher, 5 Harry W. Borcher, 5 (M) Ralph M. Borcher, 5 Rubert F. Borcher, 5 Ina G. Borcher, 5 Hazel E. Borcher. 5 * * * * Harry W. Borcher, 5 Married Lena Basore, V One child was born W. Herbert Borcher, 6 * * * *

James Metherd, 4 Married Ella Fry, IV **Eight children were born** Harry L. Metherd, 5 Blanche Metherd, 5 Maud Metherd. 5 Olive J. Metherd, 5 Ray F. Metherd, 5 Russell J. Metherd. 5 Ada M. Metherd, 5 Lewis P. Metherd, 5 * * * * J. P. Metherd, 4 Married Clara M. Eby, IV One child was born Iva Metherd, 5 * * * * Charles Fiddler. IV Married Amanda Metherd. 4 Four children were born Franklin Fiddler, 5 Harry Fiddler, 5 Margaret Fiddler, 5 Grace Fiddler, 5

THE WOHLGEMUTH AND HOTTEL FAMILY

The following is all that can be given relative to the Wohlgemuth and Hottel family. The date of birth of Mrs. Hottel is taken from the record in the Frederick Fox Bible, and the remainder of the information is from letters written by Mrs. Hottel to her father, Frederick Fox. The number of children, by her marriage to Mr. Wohlgemuth, is from the fifth clause of the will of Frederick Fox.

Rose Fox, 2, daughter of Frederick and Catherine (Booker) Fox, was born in the Province of Maryland, September 9, 1775. She was twice married, her first husband's name Wohlgemuth, his Christian name is unknown. By this marriage one son and three daughters were born: Jacob, Catherine, Polly; the other daughter's name is unknown. The daughter Catherine was married to Samuel Gochenauer.

Daniel Hottel, II, was the second husband of Mrs. Rose Wohlgemuth, 2, he died between the years 1811 and 1814, and prior to his death was engaged in the milling business near Woodstock, Shenandoah county, Virginia. he also served as guardian for his four step-children. Mr. and Mrs. Hottel were the parents of four children.

In a letter written by Mrs. Hottel to her father, dated May 6, 1814, (She, in answer to her father says): You also desire to know how many children (my husband Daniel Hottel) and I had. We had four, three are still living, all daughters. (She also says): I cannot really say how much my third (of the estate) will be, inasmuch as we cannot positively tell how much the chattels and personals will amount to after all debts and claims are paid off. In land I have received my third in the river place, and have moved there from the mill.

BIOGRAPHY OF JACOB BENNER, II

Jacob Benner, II, was born in Pennsylvania, July 3, 1765; died July 7, 1852; aged 84 years, 4 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. He was the son of John Christian Benner, who was the father of ten children: John, Christian, jacob, Daniel, Mary (Mrs. Trumber), Caly (Mrs. Criter), Anne (Mrs. Felss), Barbara (Mrs. Cough), Henry and Elizabeth. John Christian Benner landed at Philadelphia, September 23, 1751, having come on board the ship Neptune, James Wier, Captain, from Rotterdam, Holland, last from Cowes, England.

He was a blacksmith by trade, and first resided in Pennsylvania, later in Frederick county, Maryland, where June 3, 1802, he deeded to his son Jacob a tract of land called "Betty's good will." This tract contained ninety acres, the consideration being 550 pounds good and lawful money. He died in Washington county, Maryland, in 1802.

Jacob Benner, whose name opens this sketch, was united in marriage with Mary Magdalena Fox, 2 (daughter of Frederick and Catherine (Booker) Fox). She was born in the State of Maryland, December 17, 1778; died January 16, 1856, aged 77 years, 29 days; buried beside her husband. Jacob Benner and wife and five children: Mary, Jacob, Samuel, Elizabeth and Daniel, composed the Benner family, which was one of the seven families who emigrated to Ohio in the year 1807. In 1808 they located in Miami township, Montgomery county, on the northwest quarter of Section 12, of Township 2, Range 5. This tract lies east of the Dayton and Springboro pike, beginning at the abandoned fourth district schoolhouse it extends one-half mile south to the township road leading east; it contained 170 acres, and was deeded by Frederick Fox and wife Susannah, to Jacob Benner, May 26, 1827, in consideration of \$800.

The road which was surveyed by daniel C. Cooper in 1795, beginning at Cincinnati, and leading to the mouth of Mad River, and known as the "Mad River road," entered the Benner farm near the southwest corner, and bore in a northeasterly direction, leaving this tract at a point along the north boundary, where a part of the original road leads from the Miamisburg and Centerville pike to the David's Church. On the east side of this old road, the Benner cabin stood; on the site of the cabin the Benner tavern was erected in 1813. It was built of hewed logs and weather-boarded, and is in a good state of preservation. The house has been remodeled, and is greatly changed since its days as a tavern.

In the days of the tavern, the front door entered a large hall; to the right was the parlor and sitting room, to the left were the two barrooms; from the east end of the hall the stairway led to the second floor, which was divided into four rooms. To the north end of the main house was a large kitchen, which also served as the dining room; there was also a hall between the kitchen and the barrooms. The west side of the house fronted the road; there was a porch the entire length of the house and kitchen. Mr. Benner was by trade a blacksmith and a distiller. His shop stood about forty feet southwest of the tavern. The distillery stood west of the road about opposite the tavern. The products of the farm were taken to Cincinnati by four-horse teams, that being the nearest market in those days. Samuel and Daniel were generally the teamsters.

Mr. Benner was also a stockholder of the Ohio Manufacturing Company, which was organized in 1819, for the manufacture of woolen, linen and cotten print goods. The machinery was imported from England. There was also a foundry and a machine shop in connection with the woolen, linen and cotten print industry.

The factory was located at Woodburn, Washington township, and was driven by waterpower from a branch of Hole's Creek. The company prospered for a number of years, but was finally driven into bankruptcy by the importation of foreign goods, and the commercial anf financial panic, which affected the country in the latter part of the thirties. Mr. Benner was a heavy stockholder of the company, and through the failure he was the loser of \$10,000. Mr. Benner was also the owner of proprty in Indiana, owning a tract of 160 acres in Wells county, and a tract of 80 acres in Jay county. On account of their advanced age, Mr. and Mrs. Benner ceased active tavern keeping in the forties.

During the active days of the tavern, the militia of the vicinity assembled at the tavern a number of times, for the purpose of mustering. After Mr. Benner's death, by an

agreement of the heirs, John Conley, as executor of the will of Jacob Benner, deeded the tract of 170 acres to Frederick Benner, February 10, 1853, in consideration of \$6,742. Frederick Benner deeded the tract to Emmanuel Shultz, April 18, 1857, in consideration of \$8,500. Mr. Shultz divided the farm, and in 1872 sold the portion on which the buildings stand to Levi J. Kline, who is the present owner. After Mr. Benner's death, his wife passed the remainder of her life in the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Gebhart.

Mr. Benner is described as being a man of tall and rather muscular build. Mrs. Benner was of rather stout and fleshy build. They were the parents of nine children: Mary (Mrs. Samson P. Strader), Jacob, Samuel, Elizabeth (Mrs. Jonathan Gebhart), Daniel, Catherine (Mrs. William Akin), Frederick, Sarah (Mrs. George Fryberger and James Ryan) and David.

SKETCH OF SAMSON P. STRADER, III

Sampson P. Strader, III, was born in Guilford county, North Carolina, July 22, 1796; died October 5, 1876; aged 80 years, 3 months, 13 days; buired in Evergreen cemetery, West Carrollton, Ohio. He was the son of Henry and Mary Strader, and the second child. He came with his parents to Miami township in 1804, locating on the southwest quarter of Section 7, of Township 1, Range 6. Henry Strader was the Patentee of this tract of land, he being the assignee of John Swirt. The Patent was granted July 28, 1813, by James Madison, President of the United States, and Edward Tiffin, Commissioner of the General Land office.

Samson P. Strader was a member of Captain Jacob Ifert's Company, organized in this vicinity, in June 1812. They marched from Dayton to the north and joined Hull's Army. Their final destination was Detroit, where, on August 16, 1812, occurred the disastrous surrender of General William Hull. The soldiers were finally paroled and returned home. In 1817 he was united in marriage with Mary Benner, 3, daughter of Jacob and Mary M. (Fox) Benner. She was born in Maryland, February 27, 1796; died June 27, 1877; aged 81 years, 4 months; buried beside her husband. They located on a tract of land along the Miami River, north of West Carrollton, Ohio. They were the parents of five children.

Siamon P. Strader, 4 (M) William Strader, 4 (M) Samuel Laban Strader, 4 (M) Sarah Strader, 4 (D) Samson P. Strader, 4 (M) **** Siamon P. Strader, 4 (D) Married Liddy Ann Johnson, IV (D) Ten children were born Mary A. Strader, 5 (M) Siamon P. Strader, 5 (D) Peyton D. Strder, 5 (D) Liddy Ann Strader, 5 (D) Malissa Strader, 5 (D) J. Frederick Strader, 5 (M) Lawton D. Strader, 5 (D) Chester J. Strader, 5 (M) Chauncey S. Strader, 5 (M) Howard V. Strader, 5 (M) **** Dr. J. F. Wuist, V (D) Married Mary A. Strader, 5 Four children were born Martin L. Wuist, 6 (D) Darle May Wuist, 6 (D) Dr. J. F. Wuist, 6 (M) Elizabeth D. Wuist, 6 **** Dr. J. F. Wuist, 6 Married Susan Hull, VI * * * * J. Frederick Strader, 5 Married Ida Pippinger, V Five children were born May Strader, 6 (M) Ralph Strader. 6 (M) Ethel Strader, 6 Charles H. Strader, 6 (D) Harvey Strader, 6 , * * * * **Evert Gorman, VI** Married May Strader, 6 One child was born **Dorothy Gorman.** 7 **Ralph Strader**, 6 Married Charlotte Hamilton, VI One child was born Mary B. Hamilton, 7 * * * * Chester J. Strader, 5 Married Mary Kalter, V Three children were born Ward Strader. 6 Arthur Strader, 6 (D) Mary B. Strader, 6 (D) * * * * Chauncey S. Strader, 5 Married Julia Rausch, V Three children were born Esther Strader, 6 Elsie Strader, 6 **Chauncey Strader**, 6 * * * *

Howard V. Strader, 5 (D) Married Nettie Grissell, V William Strader, 4. soldier in the Civil War, Company B, Seventieth Ind. V. I. (D) Married Melissa Ann Kendal, IV (D) Seven children were born Siamon A. Strader, 5 (M) Melissa J. Strader, 5 (M) William S. Strader, 5 (M) **Eveline Strader**, 5 (M) Laura Strader, 5 (M) Lewis O. Strader, 5 (M) Clara Strader, 5 (M) * * * * Siamon A. Strader. 5. soldier in the Civil War, Company A, Seventieth Ind. V. I. (D) Married Anna M. Smith, V Eight children were born Frank Strader. 6 Albert Strader, 6 (M) Clyde Strader, 6 (M) William Strader, 6 Lilly Strader, 6 Cora Strader, 6 Georgie Strader, 6 (D) Addie Strader. 6 (D) Albert Strader. 6 Married Maud Knight, VI Three children were born Carl Strader. 7 **Robert Strader**, 7 Paul L. Strader, 7 * * * * Clyde Strader, 6 Married

Jenny Ebert, VI Two children were born Lavern Strader. 7 Irma Lucile Strader, 7 * * * * Albert Emley, V Married Melissa Josephine Strader, 5 Three children were born Allie Emlev. 6 Nellie Emley, 6 William Emley, 6 (M) * * * * William Emley, 6 Married ____ Denny, VI One child was born **Cleon Emley**, 7 * * * William Samson Strader, 5 Married Barbara Spickler, V Two children were born Llovd Strader, 6 Nina Strader, 6 * * * * Newton Zimmerman, V Married **Eveline Strader**, 5 Three children were born Frank Zimmerman. 6 Nellie Zimmerman, 6 Harry Zimmerman, 6 * * * * Henry Eicher, V Married Laura Strader. 5 Four children were born **Clarence Eicher**, 6 Edward Eicher, 6 Luella Eicher, 6 Walter Eicher, 6 * * * *

Lewis O. Strader, 5 (D) Married Emma Smith, V (D) Five children were born Charles Strader. 6 Alfred Strader. 6 John Strader. 6 Ivan Strader, 6 Nellie Strader, 6 * * * * James Schuder. V Married Clara Strader. 5 Two children were born Lelia Schuder, 6 Gladda Schuder. 6 Samuel Laban Strader, 4 (D) Married Mary Ann Johnson, IV (D) Four children were born George W. Strader, 5, soldier in the Civil War Mary Strader, 5 Samuel Strader, 5 Sarah Strader, 5 * * * * Samson P. Strader, 4 (D) Married Malinda Wyrick, IV (D) Four children were born Samson P. Strader, 5 (M) Malinda B. Strader, 5 (M) William M. Strader, 5 (M) Maranda M. Strader, 5 (M) * * * * Samson P. Strader, 5 (D) Married Sarah E. Emert, V Six children were born Harry E. Strader, 6 Clara Alpharetta Strader, 6 Nora I. Strader, 6 (M)

James H. Strader, 6 Jacob Strader, 6 John Strader, 6 * * * * Ed. Kline, VI Married Nora I. Strader, 6 One child was born Viola Strader. 7 * * * * Philip Wentz, V (D) Married Malinda B. Strader, 5 (D) One child was born Augustus Wentz, 6 (M) * * * * Augustus Wentz, 6 Married Molly Sipe, VI One child was born Carrie Wentz, 7 * * * *

William Monroe Strader, 5 Married Louise Knoblock, V Five children were born Leonard Strader, 6 Clifford C. Strader, 6 Marie Strader, 6 **Cornelius Strader**, 6 Irene Strader. 6 * * * * Frank Schindler, V Married Miranda Minerva Strader, 5 Eight children were born Orville F. Schindler, 6 Goldie V. Schindler, 6 Mary M. Schindler, 6 John L. Schindler. 6 Hazel N. Schindler, 6 Joseph R. Schindler, 6 Howard W. Schindler, 6 Blanche I. Schindler, 6

SKETCH OF JACOB BENNER, 3

Jacob Benner, 3, was born in Maryland, September 16, 1797; died January 26, 1877; aged 79 years, 4 months, 10 days; buried in Hillgrove cemetery, Miamisburg, Ohio. He was a member of Captain Jacob Ifert's Company organizaed in this vicinity, in June, 1812. They marched from Dayton to the north and joined Hull's army. Their final destination was Detroit, where, on August 16, 1812, occurred the disastrous surrender of General William Hull. The soldiers were finally paroled and returned home. He was united in marriage with Mary Gebhart, III, who was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, April 12, 1807; died July 24, 1866; aged 59 years, 3 month, 12 days; buried beside her husband. She was the daughter of Philip and Elizabeth Gebhart. The paternal grandfather of Mrs. Benner, Valentine Gebhart, came with his family from Berks county, Pennsylvania, in 1805, and with his sons, Andrew, Philip and Daniel, settled at Hole's station, now Miamisburg. In 1811 Philip Gebhart purchased a tract of land in Section 36, of Township 2, in Range 5.

On this tract he erected a tavern and conducted business for a number of years; the old building is yet standing but in a dilapidated condition. Lilac Park is a protion of the original tract. On the northwest corner of old Main and Lock streets, stands the original building (with some addition to it, and also has been weather-boarded), in which Zachariah Hole conducted business, this being the first trading post, and was known as Hole's station. Mr. and Mrs. Benner located on a tract of land one mile and a half east of Miamisburg. They were the parents of four children.

Philip Benner, 4 (M) Valentine Benner, 4 (M) Jacob Benner, 4 (M) J. Alfred Benner, 4 (M) **** Philip Benner, 4 (D) Married Amelia Heinke, IV (D) Three children were born Henry Benner, 5 (M) C. Jacob Benner, 5 (M) Edmund H. Benner, 5 (M) **** Henry Benner, 5 Married Amanda M. Groby, V (D) Five children were born Anna A. Benner, 6 (M) David G. Benner, 6 (M) Walter P. Benner, 6 (M) Sarah J. Benner, 6 (M) Edith A. Benner, 6 Second wife Elizabeth A. C. Summers, V One child was born F. Lucile Benner. 6 * * * * Jacob P. Meng, VI (D) Married Anna A. Benner. 6 Four children were born Paul Meng, 7 Ruth A. Meng, 7 Marla S. Meng, 7 Carl Meng, 7 * * * * David G. Benner, 6 Married Ada B. Bloss. VI Five children were born Glenn A. Benner, 7 **Russell H. Benner.** 7 Robert G. Benner, 7 Helen A. Benner, 7 Alice M. Benner. 7 * * * * Walter P. Benner, 6 Married **Daisy Wachter**, VI One child was born Kenneth W. Benner. 7 * * * * Dr. H. S. Lambert, VI Married Sarah J. Benner, 6 One child was born Vera A. Lambert, 7 * * * * C. Jacob Benner, 5 Married Rosa Meinburg, V Seven children were born Arnold P. Benner, 6

June R. Benner. 6 Lawrence J. Benner, 6 William Benner, 6 (D) Paul M. Benner, 6 Parune L. Benner, 6 Burnett B. Benner. 6 Edmund H. Benner. 6 Married Amelia Reedv. V Three children were born Philip Benner, 6 (D) Ruth Benner. 6 Esther Benner, 6 * * * * Valentine Benner, 4 (D) Married Caroline Goudy, IV (D) Thirteen children were born Mary E. Benner, 5 (M) Charles B. Benner, 5 (M) Cornelia Benner. 5 (M) Mason Benner, 5 (M) Candac Lucetta Benner. 5 Edith Ann Benner. 5 (D) Samuel M. Benner, 5 (M) William Benner, 5 (M) Albert Benner, 5 (M) Gracie Benner, 5 (D) **Caroline Benner**, 5 Emeline Benner, 5 (M) Robert Benner, 5 (M) * * * * Joseph Britton, V Married Mary E. Benner, 5 One child was born Marie Britton, 6 (M) * * * * Harry Dingler, VI Married Marie Britton, 6 * * * *

Jacob Benner

Charles B. Benner, 5 (D) Married Catherine Fisher, V Two children were born Leona Benner, 6 (M) Howard Benner. 6 * * * * Harry Dunsmore, VI Married Leona Benner. 6 * * * * John Loech, V (D) Married **Cornelia Benner**, 5 Two children were born Etta Loech. 6 Lula Loech, 6 * * * * Mason Benner. 5 Married Clara Rachsnider. V Three children were born Jenny Benner, 6 Warren Benner, 6 (M) William Benner, 6 * * * * Warren Benner, 6 Married Ethel Henry, VI One child was born Harold Benner. 7 * * * * Samuel M. Benner, 5 Married Ella Conover, V * * * * William Benner, 5 Married Lula Tibbals, V * * * * Albert Benner, 5 Married Elizabeth Gebhart. V

Five children were born Edna Benner. 6 Ethel Benner, 6 **Olive Benner**, 6 Forest Benner, 6 **Robert Benner.** 6 * * * * George Driver, V Married **Emeline Benner. 5** * * * * **Robert Benner**, 5 Married Mamie Lincoln, V * * * * Jacob Benner. 4 Married Lucetta Leis, IV (D) Five children were born Hortense D. Benner, 5 (M) Mavie J. Benner, 5 (M) Blanche A. Benner, 5 (M) Eben R. Benner, 5 (M) Elwood J. Benner, 5 (M) * * * * John Smith, V Married Hortense D. Benner, 5 One child was born Mark Smith, 6 (D) * * * * Arthur H. Weaver, V Married Mavie J. Benner. 5 Two children were born Edgar R. Weaver, 6 Donald D. Weaver, 6 * * * * Jacob S. Waters, V Married Blanche A. Benner, 5 One child was born Ethel Waters. 6

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Eben R. Benner, 5 Married May Irene Coons, V Two children were born Donna M. Benner, 6 John Jacob Benner, 6 **** Elwood J. Benner, 5

Married Carrie McWhinney, V Two children were born Jacob Mason Benner, 6 Mary Lucetta Benner, 6 **** J. Alfred Benner, 4 (D) Married Lilian Hamlin, IV Two children were born Marie Benner, 5 (D) Ralph Benner, 5

SKETCH OF SAMUEL BENNER, 3

Samuel Benner, 3 was born in Maryland, April 21, 1800; died December 19, 1854, aged 54 years, 7 months, 28 days; buried in Mound Hill cemetery, Eaton, Ohio. He was united in marriage July 21, 1827, by John Folkerth, J. P., with Susanna Dunkerly, III, who was born in England, April 23, 1808; died June 15, 1856; aged 48 years, 1 month, 22 days; buried beside her husband. They located on a tract of land near Campbellstown, Preble county, Ohio. They were the parents of seven children.

Samuel Benner, 4 (M) Daniel Benner, 4 (M) Jacob Benner, 4 (M) James Benner, 4 (M) John Benner, 4 (M) Mary A. Benner, 4 (M) David Benner, 4 (M) * * * * Samuel Benner, 4 (D) Married Mary A. Holderman, IV (D) Two children were born Jacob S. Benner, 5 (M) William D. Benner, 5 (M) * * * * Jacob S. Benner, 5 Married Eliza A. Deem, V Two children were born Walter B. Benner, 6 Mary A. Benner, 6 (M) * * * * Marion Stanley, VI Married Mary A. Benner. 6 * * * * William D. Benner, 5 Married Alice J. Barr, V One child was born

Olive Marie Benner. 6 (M) * * * * **Chester Sherer**, VI Married **Olive Marie Benner**, 6 * * * * Daniel Benner, 4 (D) Married Mary A. Rabb, IV One son's name known John Benner, 5 * * * * Jacob Benner, 4 Married Frances Tillson, IV (D) Two children were born Clara Benner, 5 (M) Charles F. Benner, 5 (M) * * * * Edward Hill, V Married Clara Benner. 5 One child was born Fanny Hill, 6 * * * * Charles F. Benner, 5 Married Louise Huddleson, V * * * * James Benner, 4 (D)

Married Margaret Surface, IV Three children were born Elmer E. Benner, 5 (M) Etta Benner, 5 Elda Benner, 5 * * * * Elmer E. Benner, 5 Married Cora Renner. V Two children were born Harry Benner, 6 **Russell Benner**, 6 * * * * John Benner, 4 (D) Married Louise Odell, IV (D) One child was born Mary Benner, 5 (M) Second wife Susan Teas, IV * * * * **Reuben Strader**, V Married Mary Benner, 5 Three children were born Chas Strader, 6 (M) Jessie Strader, 6 (M) Goldie Strader, 6 (M) * * * * **Charles Strader**, 6 Married Miss _____ Roberts, VI

Charles Bope, VI Married Jessie Strader, 6 * * * * Charles Myers, VI Married Goldie Strader, 6 * * * * John P. Wolf, IV (D) Married Mary A. Benner, 4 Three children were born Laura A. Wolf, 5 (M) Elma Wolf, 5 (M) Matilda Wolf, 5 * * * * Alonza Frame, V Married Laura A. Wolf. 5 Two children were born Lawrence Frame, 6 (D) Ella Frame. 6 * * * * James Cail, V Married Elma Wolf, 5 Six children were born Harry Cail, 6 William Cail, 6 Ora Cail, 6 Martin Cail. 6 Walter Cail, 6 Marie Cail, 6 * * * *

SKETCH OF JONATHAN GEBHART, III

Jonathan Gebhart, III, was born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, May 9, 1803; died June 7, 1890; aged 87 years, 28 days; buried in Hill Grove cemetery, Miamisburg, Ohio. He was the third child of a family of four sons and six daughters, and was the son of John and Christiana (Gebhart). Gebhart, who were also natives of Berks county, Pennsylvania. They emigrated to Montgomery county, Ohio, in 1805, as did Jonathan Gebhart's maternal grandparents, George and Margaret (Lebo) Gebhart, they also being natives of Berks county, Pennsylvania.

John Philip Gebhart, father of George and great-grandfather of Jonathan Gebhart, was an early resident of Tulpehocken township, Berks county. He was a member of the Tulpehocken Lutheran Church as early as 1743. The paternal grandfather of Jonathan Gebhart, whose name was John Gebhart, landed at Philadelphia, October 1, 1754, having come on board the ship Penix, John Spurrier, Captain, from Rotterdam, Holland, last from Cowes, England. Inhabitants from Franconia, the Palatinate and Zweibrucken.

John Gebhart, the first, was a soldier in the Revolution, having served in Captain John Lesher's Company, Berks county Militia. The Company was organized of men from Bethel and Tulpehocken townships. John Gebhart, the second, the father of Jonathan Gebhart, was a carpenter by trade, though farming was his main vocation. He was the Patentee of 488 acres of land. The southeast quarter of Section 24, of Township 2, Range5. (On this tract he settled): the southeast quarter of Section 19, of Township 1, Range 6. The Patent was granted on this tract September 3, 1824, by President James Monroe, and George Graham, Commissioner of the General Land office; the southeast quarter of Section 13, of Township 1, Range 6. The Patent was granted on this tract November 3, 1819, by President James Monroe, and Josiah Meigs, Commissioner of the General Land office.

They were the family of Gebharts who established the church and burying ground two miles east of Hole's Station, (now Miamisburg), an account of which is given on page 161 of this work.

Jonathan Gebhart, whose name opens this sketch, was united in marriage April 30, 1826, by the Rev. H. Heinchk, with Elizabeth Benner, 3, daughter of Jacob and Mary M. (Fox) Benner. She was born in Maryland, December 5, 1804; died April 12, 1887; aged 82 years, 4 months, 7 days; buried beside her husband. They located on, and improved a tract of land three miles east of Miamisburg; the tract was conveyed by his father, who was the Pantentee, in 1819. They were the parents of three children.

Mary Ann Gebhart, 4 (M) Elizabeth Gebhart, 4 (M) Aaron B. Gebhart, 4 (M) * * * * John A. Gebhart, IV (D) Married Mary Ann Gebhart, 4 (D) Seven children were born John A. Gebhart, 5 Richard M. Gebhart, 5 (M) Frank E. Gebhart, 5 (M) Augustus E. Gebhart, 5 (M) Arthur A. Gebhart, 5 (M) Clarence E. Gebhart, 5 (M) George Gebhart, 5 (D) * * * * **Richard M. Gebhart, 5** Married Catherine G. Lamme, V * * * * Frank E. Gebhart, 5 Married Emma Pease, V Two children were born Walter P. Gebhart, 6 (M) George G. Gebhart, 6 (M) * * * * Walter P. Gebhart, 6 Married Ella Harshman, VI One child was born Howard Gebhart, 7 * * * *

George G. Gebhart, 6 Married Verna Palmer, VI * * * * Augustus E. Gebhart, 5 (D) Married Clara Colb, V One child was born **Eugene Gebhart**, 6 Arthur A. Gebhart, 5 Married Elizabeth Lesher, V Seven children were born Myrtle Gebhart, 6 (M) Bessie Gebhart, 6 (M) Howard C. Gebhart, 6 (M) Arthur A. Gebhart, 6 (M) Edna May Gebhart, 6 Richard M. Gebhart, 6 Clyde Gebhart, (D) * * * * Clarence W. Newsock, VI Married Myrtle Gebhart, 6 Three children were born Walter Newsock. 7 **Orion Newsock**, 7 Trecca Newsock, 7 * * * * Henry Gebhart, VI Married Bessie Gebhart, 6

One child was born Lelan Gebhart, 7 * * * * Howard C. Gebhart, 6 Married Mary Harriet king, VI Two children were born **Truman Chalmers Gebhart**, 7 Edna Elizabeth Gebhart, 7 * * * * Arthur A. Gebhart, 6 Married **Orpha Kenzie**, VI * * * * Clarence E. Gebhart, 5 Married Eliza Ellen Holderman, V * * * * Daniel C. Fox, 4, soldier in the Civil War, Company D, 131st Ohio, V. I. (D) Married Elizabeth Gebhart, 4 Four children were born Ellis Fox, 5 (D) Harold Fox, 5 (M) Mary E. Fox, 5 (M) Daniel G. Fox, 5 * * * * Harold Fox, 5 Married Caroline R. Urschel. V One child was born

Ellis Fox, 6 * * * * Francis Yetter, V Married Mary E. Fox, 5 Two children were born Howard F. Yetter, 6 (M) Cyrus A. Yetter, 6 (D) Howard F. Yetter. 6 Married Eliza Kisling, VI * * * * Aaron B. Gebhart, 4 (D) Married Sarah Leis, IV (D) Three children were born Zebulon Gehart, 5 (D) Edna M. Gebhart. 5 (M) Harold R. Gebhart, 5 (M) * * * * Charles Welch. V Married Edna M. Gebhart, 5 One child was born Sarah E. Welch, 6 * * * * Harold R. Gebhart, 5 Married Nancy Byers, V One child was born Harriet Gebhart, 6 * * * *

SKETCH OF DANIEL BENNER, 3

Daniel Benner, 3, was born in Maryland, in 1806; died October 15, 1874, buried in the Parks cemetery, Rockcreek township, Carroll county, Indiana. He was united in marriage March 13, 1831, by Abraham Barnett, J. P., with Elizabeth Hiser, III, who was born in 1809; died September 18, 1870; buried in the Park cemetery.

She was the daughter of John and Barbara (Rineberger) Hiser, who located west of Dayton in 1815. M. Hiser purchased a tract of land from William Lindsley, who with Colonel Robert Paterson, were the Patentees in 1810. this tract now forms a part of West Dayton. Shortly after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Benner moved to Carroll county, Indiana, locating on a tract of land where they resided until 1854. Selling this tract they moved to Cass county, Indiana, where he again purchased land, and resided until his death. They were the parents of nine children.

Mary Jane Benner, 4 (D) Sarah Ann Benner, 4 (D) Minerva Benner, 4 (M) Rosanna Benner, 4 (M) Caroline Benner, 4 (D) Daniel Benner, 4 (D) Henry Benner, 4 (M) Samuel Benner, 4 (M) John Benner, 4 (M) * * * * John Shaffer, IV Married Minerva Benner, 4 (D) Three children were born Daniel Rufus Shaffer. 5 (M) John Shaffer, 5 (D) Amanda Jane Shaffer, 5 * * * * **Daniel Rufus Shaffer**, 5 Married Sydney D. Barnsdale, V (D)

Six children were born

Mary Jane Shaffer, 6 (M) Daniel Shaffer, 6 (M) Samuel Shaffer, 6 (M) **Thomas Harley Shaffer**, 6 Flovd Shaffer, 6 Cracillia Nancy shaffer, 6 R. A. Hufford, VI Married Mary Jane Shaffer, 6 One child was born Arthur R. Shaffer, 7 * * * * **Daniel Shaffer**, 6 Married Minnie Storkey, VI Two children were born Harley R. Shaffer, 7 **Ruby Shaffer**, 7 Samuel Shaffer, 6 Married

Daniel Benner

Flossie McDonald, VI Two children were born Mary Shaffer, 7 **Robert Shaffer**, 7 * * * * Oliver H. Porter, IV (D) Married Rosanna Benner, 4 (D) Four children were born William H. Porter. 5 (M) Daniel A. Porter, 5 (M) Kate Mc. Porter, 5 (M) Quincy A. Porter, 5 (M) * * * * William H. Porter, 5 Married Alice E. Knowlton, V * * * * Daniel A. Porter, 5 Married Bertha Bames, V One child was born William Q. Porter, 6 * * * * Daniel J. Mahony, V Married Kate Mc. Porter, 5 One child was born Rosanna Mahony, 6 * * * * Quincy A. Porter, 5 Married Anna Brennen, V Four children were born Thomas Oliver Porter, 6 (D) Daniel M. Porter, 6 Quincy R. Porter. 6 Mary A. Porter, 6 * * * * Henry Benner, 4 Married **Rebecca Sagers**, IV Three children were born

Stella May Benner, 5 (M) Daniel W. Benner, 5 (M) Katie Cracillia Benner, 5 (M) Charles Myers, V Married Stella May Benner, 5 Two children were born Pearl Myers, 6 May Myers, 6 * * * * Daniel W. Benner, 5 Married Lizzie Furrow, V Three children were born Frederick L. Benner, 6 Ray E. Benner, 6 Mabel Ethelyn Benner, 6 * * * * Dennis Seybold, V Married Katie Cracillia Benner. 5 Two children were born Betsy Marie Seybold, 6 (D) Mary Alice Seybold, 6 * * * * Samuel Benner, 4 Married Nancy Barnsdale, IV (D) One child was born Harley Benner, 5 (M) * * * * Harley Benner, 5 Married Minnie Homburg, V Three children were born Helen B. Benner, 6 Nancy A. Benner, 6 Herman S. Benner, 6 * * * * John Benner, 4 Married Mary A. Lesh, IV

Four children were born Cora Benner, 5 (M) Charles Benner, 5 Jesse Benner, 5 (M) Fern Benner, 5 **** Dallas Appleton, V Married

Cora Benner, 5 Three children were born Chloe Appleton, 6 Ethel Appleton, 6 Mary Appleton, 6 **** Jesse Benner, 5 Married Grace Guckien, v Two children were born Paul Benner, 6 Mary Benner, 6

SKETCH OF WILLIAM AKIN, III

William Akin, III, was the son of James Akin Sr., who settled in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, on the northeast quarter of Section 12, of Township 2, Range 5. James Akin Sr. was the Patentee of this tract. The Patent was granted April 17, 1813, by President James Madison, and Edward Tiffin, Commissioner of the General Land office. William Akin was united in marriage with Catherine Benner, 3, (daughter of Jacob and Mary M. (Fox) Benner.

She was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, on the Benner homestead. By the terms of his father's will, William Akin received the Akin homestead in 1828. He and his family residing there until 1836, when they sold the tract to Peter Leis, and moved to Michigan. Jonathan Gebhart and wife visited there in 1865. William Akin and his oldest daughter Sarah, and two sons had died; two sons had gone to California, and one son and the youngest daughter, Mary, remained with their mother. Nothing has been learned of them since that date.

SKETCH OF FREDERICK BENNER, 3

Frederick Benner, 3, was born in the Benner tavern, in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, June 6, 1814; died March 6, 1881; aged 66 years, 9 months; buried in the St. John or (Gebhart) church yard. He was united in marriage August 3, 1843, by Jacob Neibel, J. P., with Ruhamah Caity, who was born September 4, 1819; died January 11, 1882, aged 62 years, 3 months, 27 days; buried beside her husband. She was reared in the home of George and Christiana (Fox) Metherd, being placed in their care by her father after the death of her mother. After their marriage they lived in a small house which was erected for them; it stood on the west side of the old Mad river road, opposite the tavern.

After the death of his father, by an agreement of the heirs, he purchased the Benner homestead. John Conley, (executor of the last will and testament of Jacob Benner), on February 10, 1853, deeded the tract to Frederick Benner, in consideration of \$6,742. Mr. Benner, on April 18, 1857, deeded the tract to Hon. Emanuel Shultz, in consideration of \$8,500. Mr. Benner then purchased the west half of the John Leiter farm and erected the present buildings. Later he sold this tract to Isaac Miller. He then purchased fifty acres of the George Metherd farm. Mr. and Mrs. Benner were the parents of eleven children.

Jane Anne Benner, 4 (D) Malinda Benner, 4 (D) George Vance Benner, 4 (D) Zachariah T. Benner, 4 (M) Lewis H. Benner, 4 (M) William Benner, 4 (M) Lucinda Benner, 4 (M) Frank Benner, 4 (M) Oletta Benner, 4 (M) Ida Belle Benner, 4 (D) ****

Zachariah T. Benner, 4, soldier in Civil War, Company C, 194th Ohio, V. I. (D) Married Leah Reedy, IV (D) Nine children were born Katie Benner, 5 (M) George Benner, 5 (M) Andrew Benner, 5 (M) Cora Benner, 5 (M) Mary Ann Benner, 5 (M) Ola Benner, 5 (M) Frederick Benner, 5 Ida Benner, 5 (M) Josie Benner, 5 (M) John Kaley, V Married Katie Benner. 5 Four children were born Jennie Kaley, 6 Fostor Kaley, 6 Ralph Kaley, 6 William Kaley, 6 George Benne4r, 5 Married Frona Bell, V Five children were born Marie Benner, 6 **Claresie Benner**, 6 Leah Benner. 6 Georgie Benner, 6 Mary Benner, 6 * * * * Andrew Benner, 5 Married Clara Leis. V One child was born **Burnett Benner**, 6 * * * * Howard Bolinger, V Married Cora Benner. 5 Two children were born Margy Bolinger, 6 Ottery Bolinger, 6 * * * * James Horner, V Married Mary Ann Benner, 5 One child was born Marguerite Horner, 6 * * * * William Stickelman, V Married **Ola Benner**. 5 Two children were born Hays Stickelman, 6

Charles Stickelman, 6 * * * * William Watson, V Married Ida Benner. 5 Two children were born Glenna Watson. 6 Lucian Watson, 6 * * * * Josie Benner. 5 Married Mary Rinehart, V * * * * Levi Benner, 4 Married Laura Gilbert. IV Two children were born Della Benner, 5 (M) Pearl Benner, 5 * * * * John Rausch, V Married **Della Benner**, 5 One child was born Harry Rausch, 6 * * * * William Benner, 4 Married Susan Manuel, IV One child was born Clara Benner. 5 * * * * Andrew Cotterman, IV Married Lucinda Benner. 4 Two children were born Howard Cotterman, 5 (M) Frederick W. Cotterman, 5 (M) * * * * Howard Cotterman, 5 Married Eva G. Isler, V

Three children were born Lawrence Cotterman, 6 **Gladys Cotterman**, 6 John A. Cotterman, 6 * * * * Frederick W. Cotterman, 5 Married Clara Eminger, V One child was born Dorothy Cotterman, 6 Frank Benner, 4 Married Fanny Norris, IV (D) One child was born Ella Benner, 5 (M) Second wife

Rebecca Young, IV **** John Nichol, V Married Ella Benner, 5 **** Michael Mayer, IV Married Oletta Benner, 4 Two children were born Arthur B. Mayer, 5 (D) Harry P. Mayer, 5 (M) **** Harry P. Mayer, 5 Married Daisy Rice, V ****

GEORGE FRYBERGER, III

George Fryberger, III, was united in marriage July 7, 1839, by the Rev. H. Heinchke, with Sarah Benner, 3, who was born in the Benner tavern in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio. They were the parents of one child, Maria Fryberger, who died at the age of eighteen years. Mr. Fryberger met a tragic death, being found dead on the street in Dayton, Later James Ryan, III, was united in marriage with Mrs. Sarah Fryberger, 3. Mr. and Mrs. Ryan are buried in Hill Grove cemetery, Miamisburg, Oho. They were the parents of three children: John, Mary and Joshua. The latter is dead.

DAVID BENNER, 3

David Benner, 3, was born in the Benner tavern in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, December 31, 1821; died November 15, 1843; aged 22 years, 10 months, 14 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. It may be well to quote a description of the funeral of that day, as it was given to the writer. In those days the hearse was not in use in this locality, and the method was different in various ways. The coffin was made by the local cabinet-maker, was of cherry lumber, and was varnished; it was narrow at the head and foot and broad across the elbows. The lid was combed, the portion from the head to the elbows being in two pieces, each piece hinged to the remainder of the lid, for the purpose of laying the corpse open to view.

The corpse was hauled by Mr. John Leiter Jr., who was a cousin to Mr. Benner. The old time two-horse wagon, which was provided with a canvas cover for rainy weather was used (the day being very rainy). The minister, the Rev. H. Heincke rode on horseback, and carried an umbrella, as did the four grave diggers, as they were termed in those days, (it being their task to dig and prepare the grave). The relatives and friends rode in their canvas covered wagons. On reaching the church yard the coffin was placed on the old style bier and borne by the grave diggers to the grave, and the burial and burial rites were conducted; then the assemblage entered the church and the general services were conducted.

BIOGRAPHY OF GEORGE FOX, 2

George Fox, 2, was born in the State of Maryland, March 10, 1781; died June 14, 1847; age 66 years, 3 months, 4 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. He was united in marriage with Elizabeth Link, II, who was born Jan. 28, 1784; died March 9, 1872; age 88 years, 1 month, 11 days; buried beside her husband. She was the daughter of Adam and Jane Link, of near Shepherdstown, Jefferson County, Virginia, (now West Virginia).

The first of the name that there is record of, was Jacobus Link, who landed at Philadelphia, August 28, 1733, having come over on board the ship Hope of London, Dan Reid, Master, from Rotterdam, Holland, last from Cowes, England. There also came on board the same ship, one son, John Adam Link, who was under sixteen years. He was probably the grandfather of Mrs. Fox. Adam Link served as an elder of the German Lutheran Church of Shepherdstown, Virginia. On November 17, 1801, the sheriff conveyed a tract to Adam Link and others, as elders of aforesaid church.

George Fox, 2, and wife composed one of the seven families who emigrated to Ohio in the year 1807. They resided in a cabin near his father's home. This cabin stood about 160 yards southwest of the present brick residence of Charles Welch. It stood north and south, and on the east side of the creek, and consisted of four rooms, two on the first, and two on the second floor.

They resided in this house until between 1830 and 1835, when they erected the brick residence. On June 26, 1813, he purchased from Peter and Elizabeth Kisling, the northeast quarter of Section 15, of Township 2, Range 5, in consideration of \$960. (Peter Kisling was the Patentee of this tract). After the death of his father, he purchased his father's tract from the executor of the will of Frederick Fox, (Daniel B. Fox being named executor in the will). The transfer was made January 30, 1839, in consideration of \$9,500. This tract lay west of his former purchase, making a solid tract of 320 acres.

In connection with farming, he and his sons continued to operate the sawmill. In 1859, two years after his death,

his estate was divided. His widow receiving a dower consisting of the buildings and 100 acres of land. The remainder being divided into tracts for the several heirs. His widow and son, Adam, resided in the brick residence until her death. Mr. Fox is described as being of rather medium build and of dark complexion. Mrs. Fox was of rather small build, and bore a medium complexion.

They were the parents of ten children: Adam, Frederick L., Daniel L., Catherine (Mrs. John Fox), George L., John L., Alexander and Susanna Jane. The latter was born in Clear Creek township, Warren county, Ohio, November 17, 1824; died September 9, 1841; aged 16 years, 10 months, 22 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. Elizabeth (Mrs. Peter W. Eagle), Mary L., was born in Clear Creek township, Warren county, Ohio, October 1, 1830; died October 5, 1850; aged 20 years, 4 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard.

SKETCH OF ADAM FOX, 3

Adam Fox, 3, was born in Clear Creek township, Warren county, Ohio, October 1, 1808; died May 1, 1881; aged 72 years, 7 months, buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church-yard. After the death of his father, he and his mother resided in the brick residence, which along with one hundred acres of land had been set off from the George Fox estate as the widow's dower.

After his mother's death he purchased a portion of this tract, he having also received a tract at the time his father's estate was divided. A few years prior to his death, he was united in marriage with Elizabeth F. Heiss, 5, (daughter of Jesse B. and Christiana (Fox) Heiss). She was born in Clear Creek township, Warren county, Ohio, June 1, 1852; died May 1, 1888; aged 35 years, 11 months; buried beside her husband.

SKETCH OF FREDERICK L. FOX, 3

Frederick L. Fox, 3, was born in Clear Creek township, Warren county, Ohio, Frebruary 28, 1810; died November 20, 1851; aged 41 years, 8 months, 22, days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. He was united in marriage March 28, 1833, by Henry Awyer, J. P., with Maria Zehring, III, who was born November 26, 1816; died October 7, 1906; aged 89 years, 10 months, 11 days; buried in the cemetery at Springboro, Ohio. She was the daughter of Henry and Frances (Garst) Zehring, who were of Pennsylvania German descent.

Mr. and Mrs. Fox resided one or two years in the cabin (in which his parents resided prior to the erection of their brick dwelling); they then moved to Preble county, Ohio, residing there about two years, then returned to the cabin where they resided until 1851. They then moved on the tract which was his portion of his father's estate, it being the northwest corner of his father's tract. Mr. and Mrs. Fox were the parents of seven children.

George Fox, 4 (D) Elizabeth Fox, 4 (D) Lavinia Fox, 4 (D) John P. Fox, 4 (D) Samuel Fox, 4 (M) Frances A. Fox, 4 (M) Job H. Fox, 4 (M) * * * * Samuel Fox, 4 Married Elizabeth W. Russell, IV Five children were born Frank M. Fox, 5 (M) Mary S. Fox, 5(M)Myra R. Fox, 5 (M) Orissa J. Fox, 5 (M) Walter S. Fox, 5 (M) * * * * Frank M. Fox, 5 Married Grace Johnson, V

Four children were born Marion Fox, 6 Kenneth Fox. 6 Leonard Fox, 6 Grace J. Fox, 6 , * * * * Rufus H. Taylor, V Married Mary S. Fox, 5 Six children were born Grace E. Taylor, 6 Lawrence Taylor, 6 Nellie Taylor, 6 Murrill Taylor, 6 Jesse Taylor, 6 (D) Lester Taylor, 6 * * * * James K. Wright, V Married Myra R. Fox, 5 (D) Two children were born

Ruth I. Wright, 6 Gladys H. Wright, 6 W. E. Hayner, V Married Orissa J. Fox, 5 Two children were born Verna M. Hayner, 6 Ruby J. Hayner, 6 * * * * Walter S. Fox, 5 Married Agnes Vogle, V Two children were born Dorothy E. Fox, 6 Walter S. Fox, 6 (D) * * * * David L. Brown, IV Married Frances A. Fox, 4 (D) Three children were born Harriet M. Brown, 5 Clarence D. Brown, 5 (M) Florence E. Brown, 5 (M) * * * * Clarence D. Brown, 5 Married Della Metherd, 6 Four children were born Lewis M. Brown, 6 & 7 Ada Luella Brown, 6 & 7 Ethel May Brown, 6 & 7 Esther Estella Brown, 6 & 7 * * * * Daniel Eckhart, V Married Florence E. Brown, 5 Four children were born David Eckhart, 6 Daniel Eckhart, 6 Liddy Eckhart, 6 Elizabeth Eckart, 6 * * * *

Job H. Fox, 4 Married Phoebe A. Brelsford, IV Eleven children were born Harry E. Fox, 5 (M) Laura E. Fox, 5 (M) Anna M. Fox, 5 John Henry Fox, 5 (M) Cora E. Fox, 5 (M) Edwin E. Fox, 5 Ralph E. Fox, 5 Lucy M. Fox, 5(M)Catherine M. Fox, 5 Liddy Z. Fox, 5 Cloyce W. Fox, 5 * * * * Harry E. Fox, 5 Married Rosa Vanderwater, V * * * * Herbert Weidel, V Married Laura E. Fox, 5 Four children were born Harry R. Weidel, 6 Hazel J. Weidel, 6 Irvin H. Weidel, 6 Carl Z. Weidel, 6 * * * * John Henry Fox, 5 Married Belle Montgomery, V One child was born Cloithy H. Fox, 6 Elmer Sheets, V Married Cora E. Fox, 5 * * * * Charles W. Beachler Married Lucy M. Fox, 5 * * * *

SKETCH OF DANIEL L. FOX, 3

Daniel L. Fox, 3, was born in Clear Creek township, Warren county, Ohio, August 17, 1811; died September 8, 1889; aged 78 years, 21 days; buried in the cemetery at Springboro, Ohio. He was united in marriage with Rosannah Christman, III, who was born July 10, 1811; died July 15, 1860; aged 49 years, 5 days; buried beside her husband. She was the daughter of Frederick and Elizabeth Christman. The parents of Frederick, whose names were Paul and Elizabeth Christman, resided in Cumberland, Maryland, and were the parents of nine children: Mathias, Frederick, Paul Jr., Elizabeth (Mrs. George Clice), John, Susannah (Mrs. Daniel B. Fox), Mary M., Hannah (Mrs. Thomas Kimes), and Magdalene (Mrs. Elias Eckhart).

A more detailed account of the Christman family is given in the biography of Daniel B. Fox, on page 101 of this work. Daniel L. Fox and family located in Warren county, Ohio, on a part of that portion of his father's tract, which had at an earlier date belonged to his grandfather, Frederick Fox. Daniel L. and Rosannah Fox were the parents of six children. Later Mr. Fox was united in marriage with Charlotte Coon, III, who was born December 30, 1825; died July 15, 1881; aged 55 years, 6 months, 15 days; buried beside her husband.

Hugh Allen Fox, 4 (M) George F. Fox, 4 (M) Elizabeth C. Fox, 4 (M) Hannah A. Fox, 4 (D) Albert M. Fox, 4 (M) Lewis M. Fox, 4 (M) * * * * Hugh Allen Fox, 4 (D) Married Hannah Jane Barlet, IV Eight children were born Wesley Allen Fox, 5 (M) Charlotte Ellen Fox, 5 (M) Daniel Fox, 5 (D) Clara Bell Fox, 5 (M) Charles A. Fox, 5(D)

Isaac Franklin Fox, 5 (M) Mary Catherine Fox, 5 (M) Effie May Fox, 5 (M) * * * * Wesley Allen Fox, 5 Married Susie Richardson, V Three children were born Wesley Homer Fox, 6 (M) Ernest Myers Fox, 6 Elsie Belle Fox, 6 (M) * * * * Wesley Homer Fox, 6 Married Minnie Brewer, VI * * * *

Charles Gouty, VI Married Elsie Belle Fox, 6 * * * * Alfred H. Allison, V Married Charlotte Ellen Fox, 5 Four children were born Charles Allen Allison, 6 (M) Estella Jane Allison, 6 (M) Wesley Franklin Allison, 6 Orville Allison, 6 * * * * Charles Allen Allison, 6 Married Cora Daisy, V * * * * William Cade, VI Married Estella Jane Allison, 6 One child was born Dorris Cade, 7 * * * * William Henry White, V Married Clara Belle Fox, 5 (D) Three children were born Lelia May White, 6 Lizzie Belle White, 6 Mary White, 6 * * * * Isaac Franklin Fox, 5 Married Nellie Ann Shaw, V * * * * Arlington B. Crevington, V Married Mary Catherine Fox, 5 One child was born Elva Crevington, 6 Second husband Elisha R. Cade, V One child was born

Floyd Cade, 6 * * * * William Ice, V Married Effie May Fox, 5 Once child was born Mabel Edna Ice, 6 Second husband Edward Pickrel, V One child was born Norman Pickrel, 6 * * * * George F. Fox, 4 (D) Married Catherine Web, IV Four children were born John Clement Fox, 5 Clarence Edwin Fox, 5 (M) Noah Woster Fox, 5 Helena Myrtle Fox, 5 (M) * * * * Clarence Edwin Fox, 5 Married Mary Shaffer, V Two children were born Henry W. Fox, 6 (D) Ina May Fox, 6 Second wife Marie C. Hart, V * * * * Daniel P. Quinn, V Married Helena Myrtle Fox, 5 * * * * David D. Lackens, IV (D) Married Elizabeth C. Fox, 4 (D) Four children were born Ernest Lackens, 5 (D) George E. Lackens, 5 (M) Daniel C. Lackens, 5 (M) Samuel F. Lackens, 5 (M) * * * *

George E. Lackens, 5 Married Lula Colebank, V Four children were born Florence M. Lackens, 6 (D) Robert S. Lackens, 6 Clarence L. Lackens, 6 (D) Paul L. Lackens, 6 Daniel C. Lackens, 5 Married Susie Gebhart, V * * * * Samuel F. Lackens, 5 Married Ida Fornshell, V * * * *

Albert M. Fox, 4 Married Mary Wright, IV (D) Second wife Mary Monroe, IV (D) Third wife Ellen Cox, IV * * * * Lewis M. Fox, 4 (D) Married Mary Hagerty, IV Four children were born Lizzie Fox, 5 Pearl Fox, 5 Daniel Fox, 5 Alfred Fox, 5 * * * *

SKETCH OF JOHN FOX JR., III

John Fox Jr., III, was born in Pennsylvania, August 24, 1801; died Novembe 20, 1870; aged 69 years, 2 months, 26 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. He was the son of John and Anna Fox, and was a wheelwright by trade. John Fox Sr., came to America as an officer in what is known as the Hessians. (The Mercenary Auxiliaries hired by Great Britain of the Landgrave of Hesse-Cassel to serve against the American Patriots). Whether he was a native of Hesse-Cassel, which furnished 17,000 or a little better than half of the German Mercenaries used by Britain in the war, or whether he hailed from some of the other German Provinces is unknown.

He located in Pennsylvania, and later emigrated to Ohio, locating in Clear Creek township, Warren county, where he purchased from Peter and Elizabeth Kisling, the southeast quarter of Section 15, of Township 2, range 5, in consideration of \$340. The transaction occurred June 26, 1813. Peter Kisling was the Patentee of the tract.

John and Anna Fox were the parents of six children: Frederick, John Jr., Anna (Mrs. James Akin Jr.), Elizabth (Mrs. Winthrop Emerson), Samuel and Henry. John Fox Sr. died in 1816, his wife died in 1840; he and wife and their daughter, Anna, (Mrs. James Akin Jr.), were buried in the old cemetery at Franklin, Ohio. At the time that portion of the cemetery was condemned for railroad right of way, their remains were removed to their present resting place in Woodhill cemetery, Franklin, Ohio. (John Fox Sr. was no relation to Frederick Fox who located on the northwest quarter of Section 15, of Township 2, Range 5, in 1807). John Fox Jr. was united in marriage with Catherine Fox, 3, (daughter of George and Elizabeth (Link) Fox), who was born in Clear Creek township, Warren county, Ohio, May 6, 1813; died September 19, 1841; aged 28 years, 4 months, 13 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. They located on a tract of land in Clear Creek township, Warren county.

He also owned 124 acres of land in Preble county, Ohio, receiving this tract by the terms of his father's will. They were the parents of two children.

Elizabeth Ann Fox, 4 (M) David M. Fox, 4 (M) * * * * Levi W. Mease, IV (D) Married Elizabeth Ann Fox, 4 (D) * * * * David M. Fox, 4 (D) Married Ann B. Petticrew, IV (D) Five children were born Ida Fox, 5 (M) James F. Fox, 5 (D) Charles Fox, 5(M)William D. Fox, 5 (M) Ralph W. Fox, 5 (M) * * * * Alfred Millard, V (D) Married Ida Fox, 5 Six children were born Clara Millard, 6 (M) Frank Millard, 6 Arthur Millard, 6 Mary Millard, 6 (M) James Millard, 6

Dewey Millard, 6 * * * * Joseph Kalbe, VI Married Clara Millard, 6 * * * * Arthur Kuzzner, VI Married Mary Millard, 6 * * * * Charles Fox, 5 Married Etta Williams, V Two children were born Erral Fox, 6 Roland Fox, 6 * * * * William D. Fox, 5 Married Mary Shultz, V * * * * Ralph Fox, 5 Married Jane Johnson, V One child was born Ethel Fox, 6

SKETCH OF GEORGE L. FOX, 3

George L. Fox, 3, was born in Clear Creek township, Warren county, Ohio, September 12, 1816; died April 17, 1893; aged 76 years, 7 months, 5 days; buried in the cemetery at Springboro, Ohio. He was united in marriage December 27, 1842, by D. P. Rosenmiller, with Susannah Manning, III, who was born March 3, 1824; died August 27, 1900; aged 76 years, 5 months, 24 days; buried beside her husband. She was the daughter of William and Christiana Manning, who were located about four miles east of Dayton, Ohio, and were the parents of four sons and six daughters. Mr. and Mrs. Fox located on the northeast corner of his father's tract, receiving a number of acres as his portion of his father's estate. They were the parents of nine children.

David Fox, 4 (D) George W. Fox, 4 (M) J. William Fox, 4 (M) Mary E. Fox, 4 (M) Wesley S. Fox, 4 Charles E. Fox, 4 (M) Adam S. fox, 4 Effie J. Fox, 4 (D) Perry Fox, 4 George W. Fox, 4 Married Marguary Ann Hays, IV Two children were born George W. Fox, 5(M)Winnie Fox, 5 (M) * * * * George W. Fox, 5 Married Malice Thomas, V Once child was born Carl Fox, 6 * * * * Clarence Harper, V Married Winnie Fox, 5

One child was born Elmer Harper, 6 * * * * J. William Fox, 4 Married Martha Brelsford, IV Four children were born George F. Fox, 5 (D) Nettie M. Fox, 5 (M) Ora E. Fox, 5 (M) Flora G. Fox, 5 (M) * * * * Stephen A. Heiss, 5 Married Nettie M. Fox, 5 One child was born Rosa M. Heiss, 6 * * * * Ora E. Fox, 5 Married Daisy Green, V One child was born William Fox, 6 * * * * Walter McClentic, V Married

Flora G. Fox, 5 One child was born Laura M. McClentic, 6 * * * * Andrew Filbert, IV Married Mary E. Fox, 4 Three children were born Florence Filbert, 5 (D) Anna Filbert, 5 (M) Walter Filbert, 5 Oscar Johns, V Married Anna Filbert, 5 * * * * Charles E. Fox, 4 Married Ella Chinn, IV Five children were born Emma Fox, 5 (M) Amos R. Fox, 5 (M) Herbert E. Fox, 5 (M) Lizzie M. Fox, 5

Maggie M. Fox, 5 (M) * * * * William Robinson, V Married Emma Fox, 5 (D) One child was born Amos Robinson, 6 * * * * Amos R. Fox, 5 Married Ella Humbert, V Two children were born Luella Fox, 6 Bessie Fox, 6 * * * * Herbert E. Fox, 5 Married Clara Ankeney, V One child was born James Fox, 6 Calvin Ankeney, V Married Maggie M. Fox, 5

SKETCH OF JOHN L. FOX, 3

John L. Fox, 3, was born in Clear Creek township, Warren county, Ohio, October 18, 1818; died January 6, 1899; aged 80 years, 2 months, 28 days; buried in the Hopewell cemetery, Indiana. He was united in marriage November 11, 1845, by Rev. George Long, with Susannah Hilligas, III, who died August 11, 1894; buried in the Hopewell cemetery, Indiana. She was the daughter of Michael and Anna (Weikel) Hilligas, the former being a native of Germany and the latter a native of Pennsylvania.

Michael Hilligas and family emigrated to Ohio at an early day, locating on the northwest quarter of Section 7, of Township 1, Range 6. He was a tanner by trade and conducted a tannery on his farm. John L. Fox and wife, located on a tract of land in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio. Selling this tract in 1857, they moved to Indiana, locating in Vermillion couty of that state. They were the parents of seven children.

Anna Elizabeth Fox, 4 (M) Mary Susannah Fox, 4 (M) Catherine F. Fox, 4 (M) Martha Jane Fox, 4 (D) John Adam Fox, 4 (M) Margaret Persilla Fox, 4 (M) Daniel Alexander Fox, 4 (M) * * * * Philander Goff, IV Married Anna Elizabeth Fox, 4 Seven children were born Flora Bell Goff, 5 (M) Lewis Daniel Goff, 5 (M) John B. Goff, 5 (M) Lillie May Goff, 5 (M) Stillman Goff, 5 (M) Eva Goff, 5 Bertha Elizabeth Goff, 5 * * * * William McKee Reynolds, V Married

Flora Bell Goff, 5 Four children were born Marie Reynolds, 6 Wilma Reynolds, 6 McKee Reynolds, 6 Raymond Reynolds, 6 * * * * Lewis Daniel Goff, 5 Married Meda Liddle, V One child was born Lewis Goff, 6 * * * * John B. Goff, 5 Married Emma Tolbert, V One child was born Lee Ottis Goff, 6 (D) * * * * Forest Leclair, V Married Lillie May Goff, 5

Stillman Goff, 5 Married Edith Jones, V Two children were born Early Goff, 6 Kease Goff, 6 Joseph Josiah Burnett, IV Married Mary Susannah Fox, 4 * * * * John Kiley Wilenmeyer, IV Married Catherine Florence Fox, 4 * * * * John Adam Fox, 4 Married Eliza Jane Jacobs, IV (D) Six children were born Lewis Edward Fox, 5 (M) Mary Edith Fox, 5 (M) Albert Leroy Fox, 5 Susie Bell Fox, 5(D)John Berard Fox, 5 (D) Bertha Ellen Fox, 5 (D) Second wife Mary Ella Asher, IV * * * * Lewis Edward Fox, 5 Married Emma Chifton, V * * * * Smith Randolph, V Married Mary Edith Fox, 5 One child was born Harley Randolph, 6 * * * * John H. Ricketts, IV Married Margaret Persilla Fox, 4 Seven children were born Catherine F. Ricketts, 5 (M)

Lillian Belle Ricketts, 5 (M) Susannah J. Ricketts, 5 (M) Jacob Harve Ricketts, 5 (M) Charles Ricketts, 5 (M) Walter Edward Ricketts, 5 Flossie Anna Ricketts, 5 George W. Upton, V Married Catherine F. Ricketts, 5 Six children were born Zula V. Upton, 6 Verdy E. Upton, 6 William H. Upton, 6 George W. Upton, 6 Margaret P. Upton, 6 Bernier Upton, 6 * * * * Lewis V. Bellah, V Married Lillian Belle Ricketts, 5 Three children were born Luther D. Bellah, 6 John R. Bellah, 6 Raymond Bellah, 6 * * * * Frank P. Brown, V Married Susannah Jane Ricketts, 5 Two children were born Lafay Brown, 6 Una Brown, 6 * * * : Jacob Harve Ricketts, 5 Married Ethel Miller, V (D) One child was born Walter E. Ricketts, 6 * * * * Charles Ricketts, 5 Married Mabel Porter, V (D) One child was born

John L. Fox

Pauline Ricketts, 6 **** Daniel Alexander Fox, 4 Married Elizabeth Ricketts, I V Five children were born Kenneth B. Fox, 5 (M) Ernest D. Fox, 5 (M) William E. Fox, 5 (M) Ethel B. Fox, 5 Ruby D. Fox, 5 **** Kenneth B. Fox, 5 Married Virga Butcher, V One child was born Mildred Elizabeth Fox, 6 **** Ernest D. Fox, 5 Married Lela Jackson, V Two children were born Claud Fox, 6 Kenneth Fox, 6 **** William E. Fox, 5 Married Margaret Clem, V One child was born Reva Fox, 6

SKETCH OF ALEXANDER FOX, 3

Alexander Fox, 3, was born in Clear Creek township, Warren county, Ohio, September 21, 1820; died September 15, 1900; aged 79 years, 11 months, 24 days; buried in Hill Grove cemetery, Miamisburg, Ohio. He was united in marriage April 9, 1845, by Rev. H. Heincke, with Anna Eagle, III, who was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, April 9, 1845; died December 25, 1891; aged 66 years, 8 months, 16 days; buried beside her husband. She was the daughter of Peter and Mary (Whitesell) Eagle. The former being a native of Staunton, Virginia, and the latter of Guilford Court House, North Carolina. Mrs. Fox was the second child of a family of two sons and three daughters.

Peter Eagle, paternal grandfather of Mrs. Fox, was a native of Pennsylvania. He married Miss Anna Hanger, residing for a time in Augusta county, Virginia, where several of their children were born. In 1809, with his family, he settled in Miami township two miles east of Miamisburg, on the northest quarter of Section 19, of Township 1, Range 6. The Patent was granted May 20, 1825, by John Q. Adams, President of the United States, and George Graham, Commissioner of the General Land office, to the heirs of Peter Eagle, deceased, assignees of Peter Bouta.

The maternal grandparents of Mrs. Fox, Tobias and Mary (Gift) Whitesell, of North Carolina, settled in Miami township, two miles east of Miamisburg, in 1806, on the northwest quarter of Section 13 of Township 1, Range 6,. The Patent was granted to Tobias Whitesell, August 28, 1813, by James Madison, President of the United States, and Edward Tiffin, Commissioner of the General land office. Mr. and Mrs. Fox located on a tract of land in Miami township. They were the parents of six children.

Peter Fox, 4 (M) Mary Fox, 4 (M) George A. Fox, 4 (D) Adam E. Fox, 4 (M) Elizabeth Fox, 4 (M) Lyda Ann Fox, 4 (M) Peter Fox, 4 (D) Married Eliza Reed, IV Three children were born Nettie Fox, 5 Mary Fox, 5 Viola Fox, 5 * * * * George Brown, IV Married Mary Fox, 4 Seven children were born Anna Amanda Brown, 5 (M) Flora E. Brown, 5 (M) John A. Brown, 5 (M) William A. Brown, 5 (M) Ada Belle Brown, 5 (M) Ray G. Brown, 5 (M) Mary Edith Brown, 5 * * * * Milton Lahman, V Married Anna Amanda Brown, 5 Four children were born William Laham, 6 George B. Laham, 6 Hazel Lahman, 6 John R. Lahman, 6 * * * * Irvin C. Smith, V Married Flora E. Brown, 5 Two children were born Mary A. Smith, 6 Leonard B. Smith, 6 * * * * John A. Brown, 5 Married Ellen Null, V * * * * William A. Brown, 5 Married Bessie Griest, V Three children were born Orville Brown, 6 Vernon Brown, 6 Emma Brown, 6 * * * * Carl Gregg, V

Married Ada Belle Brown, 5 (D) Two children were born Ethel Gregg, 6 Ernest Gregg, 6 Ray G. Brown, 5 Married Casy Brehm, V * * * * Adam E. Fox, 4 Married Mary Arobell Gebhart, IV Five children were born Walter R. Fox, 5 Ohmer H. Fox, 5 Thomas G. Fox, 5 Heber H. Fox, 5 Miles C. Fox, 5 * * * * John I. Rabold, IV (D) Married Elizabeth Fox, 4 Four children were born Walter Rabold, 5 (M) Hallie Rabold, 5 (M) Forrest Rabold, 5 (M) Bessie L. Rabold, 5 Second Husband William Rabold, IV * * * * Walter Rabold, 5 Married Mand Forrest, V Three children were born Forrest Rabold, 6 Margaret Rabold, 6 Dorothy Rabold, 6 * * * * Hallie Rabold, 5 Married Eva Loy, V Ťwo children were born

Ormal Rabold, 6 Myrtle Rabold, 6 **** Forrest Rabold, 5 Married Minnie Wilson, V One child was born Mildred Rabold, 6 **** J. Frank Rabold, IV Married Lyda Ann Fox, 4 (D) Two children were born J. A. Rabold, 5 (M) Cordie M. Rabold, 5 (M) J. A. Rabold, 5 Married Roena Sellers, V Three children were born Raymond Rabold, 6 Glenna Rabold, 6 Mabel Rabold, 6 **** John H. Urschel, V Married Cordie M. Rabold, 5 Four children were born Esther Urschel, 6 Helen Urschel, 6 Edgar Urschel, 6 Clarence Urschel, 6

SKETCH OF PETER W. EAGLE, III

Peter W. Eagle, III, was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, November 15, 1832; died December 5, 1907; aged 75 years, 20 days; buried in Hill Grove cemetery, Miamisburg, Ohio. He was the son of Peter and Mary (Whitesell) Eagle, the former being a native of Staunton, Virginia, and the latter of Guilford Court House, North Carolina. Peter W. Eagle was the fourth child of a family of two sons and three daughters. Peter Eagle paternal grandfather of Peter W., was a native of Pennsylvania. He married Miss Anna Hanger, residing for a time in Augusta county, Virginia, where several of his children were born.

In 1809 with his family he settled in Miami township, two miles east of Miamisburg, on the northeast quarter of Section 19, of Township 1, Range 6. The Patent was granted May 20, 1825, by John Q. Adams, President of the United States, and George Graham, Commissioner fo the General Land office to the heirs of Peter Eagle, deceased, assignees of Peter Bouta. The maternal grandparents of Peter W. Eagle, Tobias and Mary (Gift) Whitesell, of North Carolina, settled two miles east of Miamisburg, in 1806, on the northwest quarter of Section 13, of Township 1, Range 6. The Patent was granted to Tobias Whitesell, August 28, 1813, by James Madison, President of the United States, and Edward Tiffin, Commissioner of the General Land Office.

Peter W. Eagle was united in marriage November 16, 1854, by the Rev. David Winters, with Elizabeth L. Fox, 3, (daughter of George and Elizabeth (Link) Fox), who was born in Clear Creek township, Warren county, Ohio, October 1, 1830; died October 23, 1868; aged 38 years, 22 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. Peter W. Eagle and wife located in Miami township, residing there until his wife's death. In later years he married Miss Katie Stanton, of Liverpool, England. In 1861, he enlisted in Company D, Fourth Regiment Ohio Volunteer Cavalry.

BIOGRAPHY OF DANIEL B. FOX, 2

Daniel B. Fox, 2, was born in Frederick county, Maryland, June 6, 1783; died April 30, 1865; aged 81 years, 10 months, 24 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. He was united in marriage January 15, 1804, with Susannah Christman, II, who was born in *Maryland, January 23, 1782; died November 5, 1840; aged 58 years, 6 months, 12 days; buried beside her husband. She was the daughter of Paul and Elizabeth Christman, who were the parents of nine children: Mathias, Frederick, Paul Jr., Elizabeth (Mrs. George Clice), John, Susannah (Mrs. Daniel B. Fox), Mary M., Hannah (Mrs. Thomas Kimes), and Magdalene (Mrs. Elias Eckhart). Paul and Elizabeth Christman purchased property of Thomas Beall, May 1, 1795, this property being situated in Cumberland, Maryland, and being lots number 221 and 222, lying on the west side of Wills Creek and fronting on Mechanic street.

This property lies but a short distance north of the site of Fort Cumberland, (the site of the old Fort is now occupied by Emanuels Episcopal Church, a residence and a part of the court house grounds). Frederick and Elizabeth Christman, parents of Paul, were property owners in Frederick county, Maryland. William Willson, of Baltimore county, having on August 17, 1762, deeded to Frederick Christman a tract of land known as "Long Meadow" containing fifty acres. This tract lies south of east from the Fox tavern.

This tract was later deeded by Frederick and Elizabeth Christman to Peter Crowl, the consideration for same to be made in currency of Pennsylvania, indicating that they expected to locate in that state. The first of the Christman name on record was Daniel Christman, who was probably the father of Frederick Christman. Daniel Christman landed at Philadelphia, September 5, 1730, having come over on board the ship Alexander and Ann, William Clymer, Master, from Rotterdam, Holland, last from Cowes, England.

Daniel Christman owned land in Worcester township, Philadelphia county, Pennsylvania. His name appears among the four hundred and sixty-five names of German, Dutch and French inhabitants of Philadelphia county, who owned land, and paid quit-rents prior to 1734. Of the nine children of Paul and Elizabeth Christman, of Cumberland, Maryland, Frederick Christman and family, Thomas Kimes and family and Elias Eckhart and family, emigrated to Ohio after 1814, as at that date they were residents of Allegheny county, Maryland; except Elias Eckhart, who was a resident of Bedford county, Pennsylvania.

Paul Christman Jr. enlisted in the War of 1812 and all trace of him was lost, his name last appears on the court records at Cumberland under date of 1812.

Daniel B. Fox, whose name heads this sketch, and wife Susannah and two children: Elizabeth and Theresa, composed one of the seven families who emigrated to Ohio in the year 1807. In 1808 they located in Miami township, Montgomery county, on the middle third of the south half of Section 12, of Township 2, Range 5. This tract contained 114 acres, it has since been divided, the west half, on which the buildings stood, is now owned by Irvin C. Smith. It was deeded by Frederick Fox and wife Susannah to Daniel B. Fox, November 21, 1823, in consideration of \$570.

Near the west line of this tract stood the buildings, the corncrib being the only one of the original buildings standing. To the west of the crib, and about due south of the large cottonwood tree, stood the cabin. The cabin was later replaced by a frame house, which stood about fifty feet northwest of the cottonwood tree. This house fronted the south, the main part consisted of four rooms, two down and two upstairs, with a kitchen and porch to the north side. In later years the kitchen was raised to two story, making a six room house. It was finished in what was called a rough cast, the outside being lathed and plastered and coated with pebbles. In later years it was weather-boarded. It stood until 1906, when it was taken down, after a new house had been erected on another site.

On September 4, 1847, Daniel B. Fox was united in marriage with his second wife, who was a widow, Mrs. Matilda (Clevenger) Gump, II, who was born May 1, 1801; died November 25, 1852; aged 51 years, 6 months, 24 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) chuch yard. They resided on the farm until 1849. Selling the farm he purchased property in Miamisburg, from Michael Cassady and John F. Plate. This property being lots number 91, 92, 110 and 111, and lying north of Ferry street, between Main and First streets.

On the last two numbered lots which front on Main street (now occupied by the residence of the late Hon. Emanuel Shultz), stood a tavern known as the Madison House. This he rented to a man named Connley. There was also a dwelling on these lots in which they resided several years. On account of his wife's health they moved into the home of his son, Frederick C. Fox, where they remained until death.

Mr. Fox is described as being a man some under six feet, of rather strong build, and of dark complexion. His first wife was of tall build, the second wife was of stout heavy build. Mr. Fox and his first wife were the parents of ten children: Elizabeth (Mrs. William Phillips and John Wesley Samsel), Theresa (Mrs. Andrew King), Frederick C., Susannah (Mrs. Jacob Mason), Catherine (Mrs. James Boyd), Mahala (Mrs. William Reed), Christiana Ann (Mrs. William S. Henderickson), Malinda (Mrs. Pearson Etris), Mary M. (Mrs. Daniel Brininger), and Daniel C.

SKETCH OF WILLIAM PHILLIPS, III, AND JOHN WESLEY SAMSEL, III

WILLIAM PHILLIPS, III, was united in marriage with Elizabeth Fox, 3, (daughter of Daniel B. and Susannah (Christman) Fox) who was born in Berkeley county, Virginia, December 14, 1804; died November 28, 1867; aged 62 years, 11 months, 14 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. Mr. and Mrs. Phillips resided in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio. Three sons and one daughter were born to them.

John Wesley Samsel, III, was united in marriage with Mrs. Elizabeth (Fox) Phillips, 3. John Wesley Samsel came to Ohio from Maryland. He was the son of John W. and Catherine Samsel who came to Ohio from Pennsylvania. John Wesley and Elizabeth Samsel resided in Piqua, Miami county, Ohio. One son and three daughters were born to them.

George M. Phillips, 4 (M) Susan Phillips, 4 (M) William F. Phillips, 4 (M) Samuel Phillips, 4, enlisted in the Civil War. His fate is unknown, the last communication to his relatives stated that the future look gloomy (D) Mary Jane Samsel, 4 (M) Daniel Warren Samsel, 4 (M) Martha M. Samsel, 4 (M) Patima Ellen Samsel, 4 (M) * * * * George M. Phillips, 4 (D) Married Jennie Parsons, IV (D) Three children were born Charles Phillips, 5 (D) Jesse P. Phillips, 5 (D) Horace Phillips, 5 (D) * * * *

Geo. W. McMacken, IV (D) Married Susan Phillips, 4 (D) Six children were born Samuel McMacken, 5 (D) William McMacken, 5 (D) Alexander McMacken, 5 (M) Elizabeth McMacken, 5 (D) Rebecca A. McMacken, 5 (D) George E. McMacken, 5 (M) * * * * Alexander McMacken, 5 Married Cecelia Ussermann, V One child was born Florence E. McMacken, 6 * * * * George E. McMacken, 5 Married Stella Dey, V (D) One child was born Wilma McMacken, 6 Second wife

Mrs. Charlotte Murray, V * * * * William F. Phillips, 4 (D) Married Letice Brown, IV (D) Five children were born Albert M. Phillips, 5 (D) Peter B. Phillips, 5 (D) Edward Phillips, 5 (D) John Phillips, 5 (M) Alpheus T. Phillips, 5 (M) Second wife Lydia Davis, IV Eight children were born Elizabeth Jane Phillips, 5 Ella Phillips, 5 (D) Jesse B. Phillips, 5 (M) William F. Phillips, 5 (M) Alice Phillips, 5 (M) Charles E. Phillips, 5 (D) Josephine Phillips, 5 (M) C. Elmer Phillips, 5 (M) * * * * John Phillips, 5 Married Mary Smock, V Six children were born Charles Phillips, 6 (M) Ada Phillips, 6 Forest Phillips, 6 Herbert Phillips, 6 Claude Phillips, 6 Howard Phillips, 6 * * * * Charles Phillips, 6 Married Rachel Bowser, VI Two children were born Greta Phillips, 7 Burnis Phillips, 7 * * * * Alpheus Phillips, 5 Married

Eliza A. Heeter, V Three children were born Charles Irvin Phillips, 6 (D) Mary Luella Phillips, 6 (M) Etta May Phillips, 6 (M) Charles Izor, VI Married Mary Luella Phillips, 6 * * * * Otis Leatherman, VI Married Etta May Phillips, 6 Two children were born Hazel L. Leatherman, 7 (D) Cletus E. Leatherman, 7 (D) * * * * William F. Phillips, 5 (D) Married Sina Lucas, V * * * * Jesse B. Phillips, 5 Married Cordie Bover, V * * * * Ernest McLean, V Married Alice Phillips, 5 One child was born Robert K. McLean, 6 * * * Harry Hedges, V Married Josephine Phillips, 5 One child was born Paul Hedges, 6 * * * * C. Elmer Phillips, 5 Married Florence Goudy, V Two children were born Kenneth B. Phillips, 6 Kathleen M. Phillips, 6

George Brookman, IV (D) Married Mary Jane Samsel, 4 (D) Two children were born George Brookman, 5 (M) Samuel Brookman, 5 * * * * George Brookman, 5 Married Wife's name not given Six children were born John H. Brookman, 6 George W. Brookman, 6 Lilly Brookman, 6 Rosa B. Brookman, 6 (D) Charles L. Brookman, 6 Archie L. Brookman, 6 * * * * Daniel Warren Samsel, 4, soldier in Civil War, Company D, 46th Ind. V. I. Married Rachel Ann Farr, IV * * * * Hank Metz, IV, soldier in the Civil War (D) Married Martha Malinda Samsel, 4 One child was born Anna Metz, 5 (M) * * * * David Blim, IV (D) Married Mrs. Martha M. Metz, 4 (D) Four children were born Henry Blim, 5 Christ Blim, 5

Ralph Blim, 5 (D) Ellen Blim, 5 * * * * Walter Barber, V Married Anna Metz, 5 (D) One child was born Mary Barber, 6 * * * * William Lee, IV Married Patima Ellen Samsel, 4 (D) Three children were born Elizabeth B. Lee, 5 (M) Martha C. Lee, 5 (M) James L. Lee, 5 (D) * * * * Charles H. Shultz, V Married Elizabeth B. Lee, 5 One child was born Rueta C. Shultz, 6 * * * * Morris McCullough, V Married Martha C. Lee, 5 One child was born Irene B. McCullough, 6 * * * * Paul Elliott, V Married Mrs. Martha McCullough, 5 Three children were born Martha E. Elliott, 6 Helen A. Elliott, 6 William Lee Elliott, 6

SKETCH OF ANDREW KING, III

Andrew King, III, was born in 1804; died September, 1852; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. He was the son of William and Mary (Kief) King, who emigrated to Ohio at an early day; they formerly resided in the vicinity of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. May 2, 1837, he was united in marriage by Jacob Neibel, justice of the peace, with Theresa Fox, 3, (daughter of Daniel B. and Susannah (Christman) Fox), who was born in Frederick county, Maryland, November 20, 1806; died April 5, 1890; aged 83 years, 4 months, 5 days; buried in Ferncliff cemetery, Springfield, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. King first resided in Miami township, Montgomery county; later they located in Washington township. Mrs. King was the survivor of the group of thirty-three emigrants who came to Ohio in 1807. Mr. and Mrs. King were the parents of six children.

Olieve King, 4 (M) Daniel W. King, 4 (M) William King, 4 (D) James M. King, 4 (D) Mary King, 4 (M) Christiana Ann King, 4 (M) John A. King, 4 (M) Daniel W. King, 4, soldier in the Civil War, 51st, Indiana, V. I. Married Anna B. Packer, IV (D) One child was born Ella L. King, 5 (M) * * * Jacob Edgar Gram, V Married Ella L. King, 5 Two children were born Elsie M. Gram, 6 Anna Catherine Gram, 6 * * * * Ralph Walker, VI

Married Elsie M. Gram, 6 One child was born Elizabeth Walker, 7 * * * * George Stansel, IV (D) Married Mary King, 4 Five children were born John Stansel, 5 (D) Eva Stansel, 5 (M) Lizzie Stansel, 5 (M) Daniel Stansel, 5 (D) Clara Stansel, 5 (D) * * * * Theodore Fink, V Married Eva Stansel, 5 (D) * * * * Robert Schofield, V Married Lizzie Stansel, 5 (D) One child was born William Schofield, 6

Hugh Webster, IV, soldier in the Civil War Married Christiana Ann King, 4 (D) Three children were born William A. Webster, 5 (M) Eliza Theresa Webster, 5 (M) Hugh E. Webster, 5 (\dot{M}) William A. Webster, 5, soldier in the Spanish American War Married Nellie Powel, V Three children were born Hugh Powel Webster, 6 Charles Edward Webster, 6 Margaret Ann Webster, 6 * * * * Charles E. Saxton, V Married Eliza Theresa Webster, 5 (D) Five children were born Christiana E. Saxton, 6 Theresa W. Saxton, 6 Laura E. Saxton, 6

Edwin W. Saxton, 6 Jennette E. Saxton, 6 * * * * Hugh Edward Webster, 5 Married Ethel Baker, V One child was born James W. Webster, 6 * * * * John A. King, 4 Married Susan Stonebreaker, IV Four children were born Walter E. King, 5 (D) Hettie B. King, 5 (M) Harry E. King, 5 Grace King, 5 Leonard Dibble, V Married Hettie B. King, 5 Four children were born Margery Dibble, 6 John Dibble, 6 Arthur Dibble, 6 Grace Ellen Dibble, 6

SKETCH OF FREDERICK C. FOX, 3

Frederick C. Fox, 3, was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, February 26, 1809; died April 30, 1887; aged 78 years, 2 months, 4 days; buried in Hill Grove cemetery, Miamisburg, Ohio. He was united in marriage August 19, 1829, by the Rev. H. Heincke, with Hannah (Coffman) Roberts, III, widow of John Roberts, a native of Kentucky, to whom she was married in 1821; he died in 1827. She was born in Rockingham county, Virginia, September 13, 1803; died December 28, 1890; aged 87 years, 3 months, 15 days; buried beside her last husband. She was the daughter of John and Rachel (Shoemaker) Coffman, who were the parents of eight daughters and two sons, Hannah being the second child.

John Coffman and family emigrated from Rockingham county, Virginia, to Lebanon, Warren county, Ohio, in 1819. On October 12, 1819, he purchased 399 acres of land lying in Sections 5 and 6, of Township 1, Range 6, east. He purchased this tract from William Lindsley, of Kentucky, who, with Col. Robert Patterson were the original Patentees in 1810. On this tract Mr. Coffman erected modern buildings of those early days. The old brick dwelling, which was the last of the buildings, was destroyed by fire some years past. This tract lies south of the old Dayton and Eaton State road, and is now a part of western Dayton, National avenue being the north line, and the west line of McCabe's Park being the west boundary.

On May 11, 1825, John Coffman also purchased at public sale 320 acres of land, this tract lies ten miles south of Dayton, it being the south half of Section 11, of Township 2, Range 5. Frederick C. Fox and wife, located on a part of the last described tract; he erected the present brick dwelling in 1838 and the barn in 1844. They were the parents of seven children.

Daniel C. Fox, 4 (M) Frederick C. Fox, 4 (M) Susan Fox, 4 (M) Hannah Fox, 4 (D) Catherine Fox, 4 (M) Caroline Fox, 4 (M) Delila Fox, 4 (M) **** Daniel C. Fox, 4, soldier in Civil War, Company D, 131st Ohio, V. I. (D) Married Elizabeth Gebhart, 4 Four children were born Ellis Fox, 5(D)Harold Fox, 5 (M) Mary E. Fox, 5(M)Daniel G. Fox, 5 * * * * Harold Fox, 5 Married Caroline R. Urschel, V One child was born Ellis Fox, 6 * * * * Francis Yetter, V Married Mary E. Fox, 5 Two children were born Howard F. Yetter, 6 (M) Cyrus A. Yetter, 6 (D) * * * * Howard F. Yetter, 6 Married Eliza Kisling, VI * * * Frederick C. Fox, 4 (D) Married Elizabeth Brelsford, IV (D) Seven children were born Jennie R. Fox, 5 (M) W. Scott Fox, 5 (M)Viola B. Fox, 5 (M) Hannah Kate Fox, 5 (D) Minnie A. Fox, 5(M)Lizzie M. Fox, 5 (M) Fred E. Fox, 5 (M) * * * * Michael J. Foley, V (D) Married Jennie R. Fox, 5 * * * * W. Scott Fox, 5 Married Theckle Dornbush, V

Five children were born Mabel Fox, 6 (M) Theckle Fox, 6 (M) Henry F. Fox, 6 (M) Elizabeth Fox, 6 (M) W. Scott Fox, 6 * * * William Mahan, VI Married Mabel Fox. 6 Four children were born Olive Mahan, 7 Lucile Mahan, 7 Howard Mahan, 7 Charlotte Mahan, 7 * * * * W. A. Pflum, VI Married Theckle D. Fox, 6 (D) Two children were born W. Scott Pflum, 7 (D) Lillian Louise Pflum, 7 * * * * Henry F. Fox, 6 Married V. Kramer, VI Two children were born J. W. Fox, 7 Robert Henry Fox, 7 * * * * Carl Potterf, VI Married Elizabeth Fox, 6 * * * * George W. Metz, V Married Viola B. Fox, 5 Two children were born James G. Metz, 6 (D) George F. Metz, 6 * * * * Frederick Cameron, V (D) Married

Minnie A. Fox, 5 Two children were born Donald F. Cameron, 6 (M) Nellie R. Cameron, 6 * * * * Donald F. Cameron, 6 (D) Married Merla McCongiana, VI Three children were born Flovd E. Cameron, 7 Dorothy Cameron, 7 Virginia Cameron, 7 * * * * William W. Ward, V Married Lizzie M. Fox, 5 Three children were born Margaret R. Ward, 6 (D) Wilfred W. Ward, 6 (D) Mildred H. Ward, 6 (M) * * * * Joseph Beaks, VI Married Mildred H. Ward, 6 One child was born Dorothy Beaks, 7 Fred E. Fox, 5 Married Lily Drauy, V Two children were born Viola L. Fox, 6 Frederick E. Fox, 6 * * * * Daniel Weidner, IV, Captain in the Civil War (D) Married Susan Fox, 4(D)Nine children were born Franklin Weidner, 5 (D) Callie Weidner, 5 (D) Charlie Weidner, 5 (D) Ada Weidner, 5 (D)

Ida Weidner, 5 (M) Emma Weidner, 5 (M) James Weidner, 5 (M) Maggie Weidner, 5 (M) Rowena Weidner, 5 (D) * * * * Howard P. Early, V Married Ida Weidner, 5 * * * * Elmer Joslin, V (D) Married Emma Weidner, 5 * * * * Harry Austin, V Married Mrs. Emma Joslin, 5 * * * * James Weidner, 5 Married Ella Miltenberger, V * * * * William Joslin, V Married Maggie Weidner, 5 Two children were born Maud Joslin, 6 Frederick Joslin, 6 B. F. Petticrew, IV, soldier in the Civil War (D) Married Catherine Fox, 4 (D) Seven children were born Arminnie Petticrew, 5 (D) Sheridan Petticrew, 5 (D) James Petticrew, 5 (D) Irvin Petticrew, 5 (D) Minnie Petticrew, 5 Addie Petticrew, 5 Allie Petticrew, 5 (D) * * * * Enoch Stansel, IV

Married Caroline Fox, 4 Five children were born Sylvester Stansel, 5 Laura Stansel, 5 (M) Hugh Stansel, 5 (D) Ida Stansel, 5 (M) William Stansel, 5 * * * * Randal Robins, V Married Laura Stansel, 5 One child was born Nettie Robins, 6 (M) * * * * A. J. Burman, VI Married Nettie Robins, 6 One child was born Howard Burman, 7 * * * * Vern Sentman, V Married Ida Stansel, 5 * * * * F. M. Groby, IV (D) Married Delila Fox, 4 Two children were born Lola A. Groby, 5 (M) Newton J. Groby, 5 (M) Okey McCabe, IV

Married Mrs. Delila Groby, 4 (D) Two children were born Svlveen McCabe, 5 (D) Pearl McCabe, 5 (M) * * * * Jason Kinder, V Married Lola A. Groby, 5 (D) Five children were born Walter G. Kinder, 6 Wilber J. Kinder, 6 Mabel A. Kinder, 6 Clifford M. Kinder, 6 Louise Kinder, 6 * * * * Newton J. Groby, 5 Married Cora Mane, V Two children were born Hazel L. Groby, 6 (M) Lucile D. Groby, 6 * * * * Harvey Yount, VI Married Hazel L. Groby, 6 * * * * Vern Pfestner, V Married Pearl McCabe, 5 Two children were born Newton J. Pfestner, 6 Delila L. Pfestner, 6

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SKETCH OF JACOB MASON, III

Jacob Mason, III, was born in Washington township, Montgomery county, Ohio, June 6, 1806; died July 19, 1891; aged 85 years, 1 month, 13 days; buried in the cemetery at Centerville, Ohio. He was the son of Richard and Frances Mason, the latter was of German descent. Richard and Frances Mason were the parents of twelve children.

They located in Washington township prior to 1806. Richard Mason was the Patentee of one section and one-half of land, in two tracts. The first Patent was granted for the east half of Section 7, of Township 1, Range 6, July 13, 1813, by James Madison, President of the United States, and Edward Tiffin, Commissioner of the General Land office. The second Patent was granted for the whole of Section 1, of Township 1, Range 6, April 24, 1818, by James Monroe, President of the United States, and Josiah Meigs, Commissioner of the General Land office.

These tracts of land lie north of the Miamisburg and Centerville pike, beginning at the McEwen (or White) schoolhouse, and extending west one mile and one-half, to the west line of William Benner's land, thence one mile north. Jacob Mason was united in marriage August 19, 1829, by Rev. H. Heincke, with Susannah Fox, 3, (daughter of Daniel B. and Susannah (Christman) Fox) who was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, April 6, 1811; died October 1, 1899; aged 88 years, 5 months, 25 days; buried in the cemetery at Centerville, Ohio.

Jacob Mason and wife located on a tract of land, it being a portion of the tract owned by his father. They resided here until 1835, then moved to Shelby county, Ohio, residing in that county until 1856, then returned to Montgomery county, and later located in Washington township. Mr. Mason besides the occupation of farming, was also a carpenter and miller. They were the parents of eight children.

Lewis V. Mason, 4 (M) Martha S. Mason, 4 (M) Frances A. Mason, 4 (M) Mary E. Mason, 4 (M) Mahala J. Mason, 4 (M) Catherine M. Mason, 4 (M) Sarah A. Mason, 4 (M) Daniel C. Mason, 4 (M) * * * * Lewis V. Mason, 4 (D)

Married Mrs. Sarah M. (Shaulis) Troutman, IV Nine children were born Jacob G. Mason, 5 Sarah E. Mason, 5 (M) Lewis R. Mason, 5 (M) Ida M. Mason, 5 (M) Myrtle A. Mason, 5 (M) Lucian C. Mason, 5 (M) Estella X. Mason, 5 Lyle V. Mason, 5 Lois M. Mason, 5 * * * * Glenn Leaders, V Married Sarah E. Mason, 5 Two children were born Marion R. Leaders, 6 John E. Leaders, 6 * * * * Lewis R. Mason, 5 Married Artelia B. Farrar, V One child was born Richard N. Mason, 6 * * * * Leon E. Perdue, V Married Ida M. Mason, 5 One child was born Bernice M. Perdue, 6 * * * * Everett L. Ulrich, V Married Myrtle A. Mason, 5 Three children were born Jessie E. Ulrich, 6 (D) Herbert R. Ulrich, 6 Dorothy M. Ulrich, 6 (D) * * * * Lician C. Mason, 5 Married

Ruth M. Comer, V * * * * William Vangundy, IV, soldier in the Civil War (D) Married Martha S. Mason, 4 * * * : Elias Sturm, IV (D) Married Frances A. Mason, 4 (D) Five children were born Jennie Sturm, 5 (M) John M. Sturm, 5 (M) Jacob M. Sturm, 5 Josephine Sturm, 5 (M) Alice Sturm, 5 (M) Jesse Barger, V (D) Married Iennie Sturm, 5 Three children were born Esta Barger, 6 (M) Lulu Barger, 6 (M) Ethel Barger, 6 Omer McArthur, VI Married Esta Barger, 6 Fred Neilsen, VI Married Lulu Barger, 6 * * * * John M. Sturm, 5 Married Mollie McClara, V (D) Two children were born Ada Sturm, 6 Clarence Sturm, 6 Second wife Minnie Pike, V One child was born Blanche Sturm, 6

Ed. Kelly, V Married Josephine Sturm, 5 Five children were born W. O. Kelly, 6 (M) W. H. Kelly, 6 Grace Kelly, 6 Millard Kelly, 6 Angeline Kelly, 6 (D) * * * * W.O. Kelly, 6 Married Fave Reeder, VI One child was born Caroline Kelly, 7 * * * * Stephen M. Jenkins, V Married Alice Sturm, 5 Two children were born Byron Jenkins, 6 Carrie Jenkins, 6 (M) * * * * Walter Pence, VI Married Carrie Jenkins, 6 One child was born Herbert Pence, 7 * * * * Richard Gabril, IV, soldier in the Civil War (D) Married Mary E. Mason, 4 (D) One son was born Milton W. Gabril, 5 (D) * * * * John H. Leiter, 4 (D) Married Mahala J. Mason, 4 Eight children were born Ida M. Leiter, 5 (D) John M. Leiter, 5 (M) Susannah Leiter, 5 (M)

Alvador Leiter, 5 Mary E. Leiter, 5 (M) Walter S. Leiter, 5 (M) George M. D. Leiter, 5 Lewis V. Leiter, 5 * * * * John M. Leiter, 5 Married Elizabeth C. Bell, V (D) Three children were born John H. Leiter, 6 Mary B. Leiter, 6 Jennie M. Leiter, 6 * * * * John M. Dryden, V Married Susannah Leiter, 5 * * * * G. A. Cramer, V Married Mary E. Leiter, 5 One child was born Claude R. Cramer, 6 * * * * Walter S. Leiter, 5 Married Edna M. Rost, 6 Two children were born Boyd W. Leiter, 6 & 7 Catherine M. Leiter, 6 & 7 * * * : Henry Comstock, IV, soldier in the Civil War (D) Married Catherine M. Mason, 4 (D) * * * * John Cotterman, IV Married Sarah A. Mason, 4 Three children were born Catherine Cotterman, 5 (M) Susan E. Cotterman, 5 (D) Mary G. Cotterman, 5 (M)

George T. Reeder, V Married Catherine L. Cotterman, 5 Seven children were born Ralph Reeder, 6 Bessie Reeder, 6 Earl Reeder, 6 Ruth Reeder, 6 Cora Reeder, 6 Eva Reeder, 6

Ethel Reeder, 6 **** Charles Writze, V (D) Married Mary G. Cotterman, 5 One son was born Clyde Writze, 6 Second husband Frank B. Stokes, V ****

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SKETCH OF JAMES BOYD, III

James Boyd, III, was born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, September 23, 1817; died August 1868; buried in Crown Hill cemetery, Indianapolis, Ind. He was united in marriage August 5, 1846, by the Rev. David Winters, with Catherine Fox, 3, (daughter of Daniel B. and Susannah (Christman) Fox), who was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, August 13, 1813; died March 27, 1884; aged 70 years, 7 months; 14 days; buried in the cemetery at Monroe, Butler county, Ohio.

After their marriage they resided in Springboro, Warren county, Ohio, remaining in that town several years, then they moved to West Liberty, Logan county, Ohio, where he engaged in the grocery business, and also held the office of justice of peace. Prior to the Civil War they moved to Indianapolis, Indiana, where he again engaged in the grocery business, combined with a meat market. After his death his widow returned to Ohio, making her home with her sister, Mrs. William S. Hendrickson.

SKETCH OF WILLIAM M. REED, III

William M. Reed, III, was born in Maysville, Kentucky, August 7, 1816; died July 7, 1893; aged 76 years, 11 months; buried in the cemetery at Remington, Indiana. He was the son of Theophilus and Elizabeth (Moor) Reed. The former was born in Connecticut, and was a soldier in the War of 1812; the latter was born in Moorsville, New York. She was the daughter of Benjamin Moor, who was a son of Sir Thomas Moor, a shipbuilder of Scotland.

William M. Reed was united in marriage February 27, 1840, by Jacob Niebel, J. P., with Mahala Fox, 3, (daughter of Daniel B. and Susannah (Christman) Fox), who was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, April 24, 1816; died June 5, 1897; aged 81 years, 1 month, 11 days; buried beside her husband. They resided in Warren county, Ohio, until near the beginning of the Civil War, then moved to Indiana, later locating in Jasper county of that state. They were the parents of five children.

Daniel W. Reed, 4 (M) Nathan Joshua Reed, 4 (M) Joshua Reed, 4 (D) Alonzo Fox Reed, 4 (D) William Wesley Reed, 4 (M) * * * * Daniel W. Reed, 4, soldier in the Civil War, Company F, 72nd Indiana, V. I. Married Mary Jane Schoonover, IV Six children were born Cora Bell Reed, 5 (M) Lenora Dell Reed, 5 (M) Dessie May Reed, 5 Laura Ellen Reed, 5 (M) Nathen Jesse Reed, 5 William Alonzo Reed, 5 (M) Charles W. Davis, V

Married Cora Bell Reed, 5 Two children were born Lenora Gretchen Davis, 6 Herman Webster Davis, 6 * * * * F. L. Krauel, V Married Lenora Dell Reed, 5 * * * * John Harris, V Married Laura Ellen Reed, 5 Three children were born Helen Bernice Harris, 6 Reed Harris, 6 Vera Pauline Harris, 6 * * * * William Alonzo Reed, 5 Married

Ella Osborn, V One child was born Mary Edith Reed, 6 **** Nathan Joshua Reed, 4, soldier in the Civil War, Company F., 72nd Indiana, V. I. Married Maud Lally, IV One child was born Norman, J. Reed, 5 *** William Wesley Reed, 4 Married Ellen Coon, IV Two children were born Maud Reed, 5 (M) Nathen Jonathan Reed, 5 **** Frank Yates, V Married Maud Reed, 5 One child was born Mildred Yates, 6

SKETCH OF WILLIAM S. HENDRICKSON, III

William S. Hendrickson, III, was born in Summerset county, New Jersey, May 22, 1817; died January 20, 1892; aged 74 years, 7 months, 28 days; buried in the cemetery at Monroe, Butler county, Ohio. He was the son of Gideon and Elizabeth (Williamson) Hendrickson, who were both natives of New Jersey, the parentage of the former was of English descent, the parentage of the latter descended of old Holland or "Low Dutch." William S. Hendrickson came from his native state to Ohio, arriving at Monroe, Butler county, in May 1839, where his brother was living.

On his arrival he had one dollar in his pocket. He worked in that vicinity until the following fall, when he hired to James Maxwell, of near Centerville, Ohio, continuing with that gentleman until his marriage. On March 17, 1841, he was united in marriage by the Rev. George Long, with Christiana Ann Fox, 3 (daughter of Daniel B. and Susannah (Christman) Fox), who was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, April 26, 1818; died March 7, 1900; aged 81 years, 10 months, 11 days; buried beside her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Hendrickson first resided in Montgomery county, Ohio, later in Warren county, Ohio, where they purchased a tract of land south of Blue Ball, locating on this tract in March 1854. They were the parents of two children.

W. P. Hendrickson, 4 (M)
Malinda Hendrickson, 4 (M)

William P. Hendrickson, 4
Married
Adda Carr, IV
Six children were born
Effie M. Hendrickson, 5 (M)
Carr W. Hendrickson, 5 (M)
Ralph F. Hendrickson, 5 (D)
Lucile A. Hendrickson, 5
Harry Fox Hendrickson, 5

Huber E. Hendrickson, 5 **** James Baird, V Married Effie M. Hendrickson, 5 Three children were born Elmer J. Baird, 6 Joseph W. Baird, 6 Raymond Baird, 6 **** Carr W. Hendrickson, 5

Married

Mabel Hinckle, V One child was born Charles W. Hendrickson, 6 * * * *

Louis C. Zecker, IV Married Malinda Hendrickson, 4 Four children were born William H. Zecker, 5 (D) Ernest Zecker, 5 Hester Zecker, 5 Anna Zecker, 5

SKETCH OF PEARSON ETRIS, III

Pearson Etris, III, was born in Monmouth county, New Jersey, January 18, 1812; died September 11, 1889; aged 77 years, 7 months, 23 days; buried in Green Lawn cemetery, near Brownsburg, Indiana. He was the son of George and Mary (Morton) Etris, who were both natives of New Jersey, the former was of French extraction, the name was originally, La-E'Tris, but by a number of changes it is now pronounced Et'ris; the Morton's were of Irish extraction. Pearson Etris came to Ohio in 1845.

He was united in marriage July 31, 1849, by the Rev. George Long, with Malinda Fox, 3 (daughter of Daniel B. and Susannah (Christman) Fox), who was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, June 15, 1820; died April 4, 1903; aged 87 years, 9 months, 19 days; buried beside her husband. Mr. and Mrs. Etris were located on a tract of land in Warren county, Ohio, until March 1, 1876, when they moved with their family to Indiana, locating in Hendricks county of that state. They were the parents of two children.

Daniel P. Etris, 4 (M) Hester J. Etris, 4 (D) * * * * Daniel P. Etris, 4 Married Lizzie F. Shannon, IV (D) Five children were born Pearson W. Etris, 5 (M) Daniel C. Etris, 5 (M) M. Mabel Etris, 5 (M) Thomas V. Etris, 5 (D) S. Bert Etris, 5 * * * * Pearson W. Etris, 5 Married Maggie Egginsberger, V

One child was born Vance L. Etris, 6 **** Daniel C. Etris, 5 Married Cora Medsker, V One child was born Charles L. Etris, 6 **** Oliver Lowder, V Married M. Mabel Etris, 5 One child was born Gladys Lowder, 6

SKETCH OF DANIEL BRININGER, III

Daniel Brininger, III, was born in Warren county, Ohio, July 15, 1818; died January 25, 1892; aged 73 years, 6 months, 8 days; buried in Wood Hill cemetery, Franklin, Ohio. He was one of a family of four sons and five daughters, and was the son of Andrew and Elizabeth (Young) Brininger, who with their two older children were one of the seven pioneer families which composed the thirty-three persons who emigrated from Maryland to Ohio in the year 1807. Barnhart Brininger, father of Andrew, landed at Philadelphia, October 10, 1749, being among the list of 143 males from Wirtemberg, Durlach, and Zweibrucken.

Andrew Brininger and family settled on the north half of Section 5, of Township 2, Range 4. he being the Patentee, the Patent being granted June 5, 1809, by President James Madison. On this tract Mr. Brininger conducted a tavern of the early day type.

The Brininger family graveyard is on this tract; in this yard a number of their relatives are buried. It is located two miles south of Franklin, and following is a partial list of the names of those who are buried there: Andrew Brininger, born March 6, 1769; died February 8, 1856; aged 86 years, 11 months, 2 days; Elizabeth (Young) Brininger, born February 23, 1783; died February 15, 1841; aged 57 years, 11 months, 22 days; Mary H. Brininger, born November 17, 1799; died October 14, 1882; aged 82 years, 10 months 27 days; Joseph Brininger, born August 5, 1806; died February 21, 1871; aged 64 years, 6 months, 16 days; he was the keeper of an old type country store, and never married; Jacob Brininger, was born in Warren county, Ohio, November 15, 1820; died July 22, 1823; aged 2 years, 7 months, 7 days. This child was the first death within the family circle of the seven pioneer families. Mary Magdalena Young, born September 26, 1780; died December 16, 1832; aged 52 years, 2 months, 20 days. She was a sister to Mrs. Brininger and also a step-daughter of Frederick Fox. She was the Patentee of the south half of Section 5, of Township 2, Range 4. The Patent was granted July 12, 1813, by President James Madison.

Daniel Brininger (whose name opens this sketch), was united in marriage September 26, 1844, by the Rev. George Long, with Mary Magdalena Fox, 3, (daughter of Daniel B. and Susannah (Christman) Fox), who was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, July 6, 1822; died June 21, 1893; aged 70 years, 11 months, 15 days; buried beside her husband. Daniel Brininger and wife located on a tract which was a portion of his father's estate. In later years they resided in Franklin, Ohio.

SKETCH OF DANIEL C. FOX, 3

Daniel C. Fox, 3, was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, April 11, 1824; died May 18, 1902; aged 78 years, 1 month, 7 days; buried in Hill Grove cemetery, Miamisburg, Ohio. He was united in marriage May 6, 1847, by the Rev. David Winters, with Margaret Jane Snyder, III, who was born in Montgomery county, Ohio, April 17, 1829; died November 7, 1902; aged 73 years, 6 months, 20 days; buried beside her husband.

She was the second child of a family of four sons and four daughters, and was the daughter of Martin and Lavina (Thompson) Snyder. Martin Snyder was born near Baltimore, Maryland. Mrs. Snyder was born in Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, and was the daughter of Thomas and Malinda Thompson, who resided and died in Carlisle, Pennsylvania. Martin Snyder and Lavina Thompson were married by a minister of Carlisle, Pennsylvania, in 1827; they emigrated to Dayton, Ohio, the same year, as did two brothers, Peter and Adam Snyder.

Martin Snyder was a distiller by trade, he distilled on Mad River and knew every family in Dayton in 1830. In later years he purchased a tract of land in Miami Township where they resided a number of years. After selling this tract they moved to Butler county, Ohio. Daniel C. Fox and family resided in Montgomery county, Ohio, for a number of years, then moved to Greene county, Ohio. Later they returned to Montgomery county residing in this county at the time of their death. They were the parents of fifteen children.

Daniel Fox, 4 (D) Susan Jane Fox, 4 (D) Malinda Lavina Fox, 4 (D) Martin F. Fox, 4 (M) Lizzie Fox, 4 (D) Mary Ellen Fox, 4 (M) Nancy C. Fox, 4 (M) William P. Fox, 4, (M) Hannah Fox, 4 (D) Eveline Fox, 4 (M) Myra Fox, 4 (M) Alfaretta Fox, 4 (M) Clara Fox, 4 (M) May Fox, 4 (M) Daniel G. Fox, 4 (M) **** Martin F. Fox, 4 Married

Ida Pritchard, IV Five children were born Lewis Fox, 5 (M) Howard Fox, 5 Nellie Fox, 5 William Fox, 5(M)Goldie Fox, 5 * * * * Lewis Fox, 5 Married Alpha Gebhart, V Four children were born Gilda Fox. 6 Curts Fox, 6 Dortha Fox, 6 Edward Fox, 6 * * * * William Fox, 5 Married Matta Delapane, V Three children were born Lois Fox, 6 George Fox, 6 Richard Fox, 6 * * * * Emanuel Copsey, IV Married Mary Ellen Fox, 4 Two children were born Albert Copsey, 5 (D) Elsie Copsey, 5 (M) Ben Hawk, V Married Elsie Copsey, 5 Isaiah W. Sims, IV Married Nancy C. Fox, 4 Three children were born Arthur Sims, 5 (D) Mildred Sims, 5 (M) Clifford Sims, 5

Clarence Eagle, V Married Mildred Sims, 5 * * * * William P. Fox, 4 (D) Married Lyda Morgan, IV Lowel Copsey, IV (D) Married Eveline Fox, 4 (D) Four children were born Jesse Copsey, 5 Ralph Copsey, 5 (D) Blanche Copsey, 5 Herman Copsey, 5 * * * : Samuel Bope, IV Married Myra Fox, 4 Two children were born Gliden F. Bope, 5 (M) Alfred Bope, 5 * * * * Gliden F. Bope, 5 Married Jennie Paul, V * * * : Frank Shepard, IV Married Alfaretta Fox, 4 One child was born Mildred Shepard, 5 * * * * Harley A. Eagle, IV Married Clara Fox, 4 Three children were born Harold Eagle, 5 Ethel M. Eagle, 5 Edward M. Eagle, 5 * * * *

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William H. Ware, IV Married May Fox, 4 One child was born Thelma Ware, 5 Daniel G. Fox, 4 Married Florence Humphrey, IV One child was born Roy Fox, 5

BIOGRAPHY OF JOSEPH FOX, 2

Joseph Fox, 2, was born in Frederick county, Maryland, April 12, 1785; died April 1, 1860; aged 74 years, 11 months, 19 days; buried in the Unger family graveyard. He was one of the thirty-three persons who emigrated from Maryland to Ohio in the year 1807, being at that time a single man. Later he was united in marriage with Elizabeth Unger, II, who was born in Frederick county, Maryland, June 12, 1785; died October 8, 1855; aged 70 years, 3 months, 26 days; buried in the Unger family graveyard. She was the daughter of Michael and Maria Unger, who located in Miami township at an early day, locating south of Miamisburg, south of the great Mound, the farm being now owned by Henry Benner.

On this farm is the Unger family graveyard, in which members of the family are buried, the tombstones of Mrs. Fox's parents bear the following inscriptions: Michael Unger, born August 7, 1747; died September 11, 1830; aged 83 years, 1 month, 4 days; Maria Unger, born March 13, 1757; died July 31, 1847; aged 90 years, 4 months, 18 days.

The grandfather of Mrs. Fox whose name was Michael Unger, landed at Philadelphia, September 15, 1748, having come over on board the ship Judith, James Tait, Captain, from Rotterdam, Holland, last from Cowes, England.

Mr. and Mrs. Fox first resided in a cabin which stood near the Mad River road, and near the northwest corner of his father's tract. While residing at this place their two older children were born, and they resided at this place when he entered the War of 1812. During his service in the army, his family were with his wife's parents. He enlisted May 23, 1812, as a private in Captain John Sharp's Company of Lewis Cass' Third Regiment of the First Army of Ohio Militia, of the War of 1812. Serving in the northern campaigns against the British and Indians, and continuing in the army on frontier duty after the close of the war, making about five years of army life, after which he returned home to stay.

Locating on the tract which his father purchased from the government in 1812, it being the southwest quarter of

Joseph Fox

Section 22, of Township 2, Range 5. By the terms of the will of Frederick Fox, this tract was devised as a home for his son, Joseph Fox, and wife, and after their death it went to their children. He resided here at the time of his wife's death; after her death, he resided for a time with his son-in-law, William Brown, who lived on the farm at the time of Mr. Fox's death. Mr. Fox died while residing with his youngest daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Allison, who were residing on the Unger farm at that time. He made his home with them for about three years prior to his death.

Mr. Fox is described as being a man of about medium build, and of dark complexion. Mrs. Fox was of rather large build. They were the parents of eight children: Mary (Mrs. Mathias Wolf), Catherine (Mrs. Sidney Clensy), Frederick, Elizabeth (Mrs. William Diltz), Rose Ann (Mrs. William Brown), Sarah (Mrs. Jacob Emrick), Magdalena (Mrs. Daniel Michael), and Christiana (Mrs. Jesse Allison).

MATHIAS WOLF, III

Mathias Wolf, III, was united in marriage October 29, 1829, by G. Row, justice of the peace, with Mary Fox, 3, (daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Unger) Fox), who was born in Clear Creek township, Warren county, Ohio, March 21, 1810. After their marriage Mr. Wolf leased a number of acres of land from his wife's grandfather, Frederick Fox, it being a portion of the Joseph Fox homestead. Later Mr. and Mrs. Wolf moved to Indiana, in the vicinity of Union City. While residing in this vicinity Mrs. Wolf died. Nothing could be ascertained as to their descendants.

SIDNEY CLENSY, III

Sidney Clensy, III, was united in marriage with Catherine Fox, 3, (daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Unger) Fox) who was born in Clear Creek township, Warren county, Ohio, July 10, 1811; died 1884; buried in the Sunbury cemetery, near Germantown, Ohio. Sidney Clensy died about 1878, and is also buried there. Mr. and Mrs. Clensy resided in the vicinity of Germantown, Ohio. They were the parents of eight children.

Joseph Clensy, 4, soldier in the Civil War, Company H, 35th Ohio, V. I. (D) Christiana Clensy, 4 (M) Rose Ann Clensy, 4 (M) Martha Clensy, 4 (M) Frederick Clensy, 4 (M) John Clensy, 4 (M) James Clensy, 4 (M) Henry Clensy, 4 (M) Frederick Harp, IV (D) Married Christiana Clensy, 4 (D) Nine children were born Anna M. Harp, 5 (D) John Harp, 5 Mary Catherine Harp, 5 (M) Martha Harp, 5 Wesley Harp, 5 (D) David Harp, 5 Charles Harp, 5 Perry Harp, 5 Hattie Harp, 5 (D) * * * * William Rost, V (D) Married Mary Catherine Harp, 5 (D) Nine children were born Philip Rost, 6 (D) Stephen Rost, 6

Anna Rost, 6 Ernest Rost. 6 Edna M. Rost, 6 (M) William Rost, 6 Bertha Rost, 6 (D) Fannie Rost, 6 Grover Rost, 6 * * * * Walter S. Leiter, 5 Married Edna M. Rost, 6 Two children were born Boyd W. Leiter, 6 & 7 Catherine M. Leiter, 6 & 7 * * * * John Wolf, IV (D) Married Rose Ann Clensy, 4, (D) One son was born William Wolf, 5 (D) Mrs. Rose Ann Wolf's second husband was Elihu Lambert, IV * * * * Jacob Stevick, IV (D) Married Martha Clensy, 4 (D) Three children were born Hiram S. Stevick, 5 (M) Daniel W. Stevick, 5 (M) Mary C. Stevick, 5 (M)

Hiram S. Stevick, 5 Married Sarah Keppler, V Daniel W. Stevick, 5 Married Mary Ann Wagner, V Two children were born Alva E. Stevick, 6 (M) Elwood Earl Stevick, 6 (M) * * * * Alva E. Stevick, 6 Married Etta Aikman, VI Two children were born Paul R. Stevick, 7 Eugene W. Stevick, 7 * * * * Elwood Earl Stevick, 6 Married Pearl Timmons, VI * * * * Jacob Mathias, V Married Mary C. Stevick, 5 Seven children were born Frederick Mathias, 6 Charles Mathias, 6 Myrtle Mathias, 6 Susan Mathias, 6 Charlotte Mathias, 6 Maud Mathias, 6 Wilber Mathias, 6 * * * * Frederick Clensy, 4 Married Sarah Stine, IV Five children were born Thaddeus Clensy, 5 Dora Clensy, 5 Winfield S. Clensy, 5 Jesse Clensy, 5 Grace Clensy, 5

John Clensy, 4, soldier in the Civil War, Company H, 35th Ohio, V. I., Transferred to Company C, 18th Ohio, V. I. (D) Married Mary Kissinger, IV (D) One child was born Lula Clensy, 5 Second wife Catherine Stiver. IV Five children were born Esther Clensy, 5 Pearl Clensy, 5 Della Clensy, 5 Bertha Clensy, 5 William J. Clensy, 5 * * * * James Clensy, 4 Married Sarah Honnel, IV (D) Four children were born Howard Clensy, 5 Dora Clensy, 5 Jesse Clensy, 5 James Clensy, 5 Second wife Amanda Miller, IV * * * * Henry Clensy, 4 Married Amanda A. Sharritts, IV Four children were born Marion A. Clensy, 5 (M) Mary A. Clensy, 5 William H. Clensy, 5 Harriet A. Clensy, 5 * * * * Marion A. Clensy, 5 Married Amanda A. Kissinger, V * * * *

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FREDERICK FOX, 3 AND WILLIAM DILTZ, III

Frederick Fox, 3, was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, January 1, 1816. He was united in marriage with Jane Diltz, III. They moved to Indiana, locating in the vicinity of South Bend. He met an early death, being killed by a runaway team. He left no descendants.

William Diltz, III, was united in marriage September 29, 1839, by Philip Keller, justice of the peace, with Elizabeth Fox, 3, (daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Unger) Fox) who was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, March 29, 1818. They also moved to the vicinity of South Bend, Indiana. Nothing could be ascertained as to their descendants.

WILLIAM BROWN, III

William Brown, III, was united in marriage February 11, 1841, by Philip Keller, justice of the peace, with Rose Ann Fox, 3, (daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Unger) Fox) who was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, September 26, 1819; died June 15, 1857; aged 37 years, 8 months, 19 days; buried in the Unger graveyard. Mr. and Mrs. Brown resided on the Joseph Fox tract, and were the parents of five children.

Frederick Brown, 4, enlisted in the Union Army during the Civil War. Never heard of since. William Brown, 4 (D) Henry Brown, 4 (M) Catherine E. Brown, 4 (M) James Brown, 4 (M) * * * * Henry Brown, 4 Married Emeline Gray, IV * * * * Thomas C. Belt, IV Married Catherine E. Brown, 4 (D) Three children were born Walter A. Belt, 5 (M) Edna Endora Belt, 5 (M) Alice Marie Belt, 5 (D) * * * *

Walter A. Belt, 5 Married Mary C. Woodman, V Two children were born Alma Aurelia Belt, 6 Lawrence Raymond Belt, 6 * * * * Orien W. Kerschner, V Married Edna Endora Belt, 5 (D) One child was born Hazel Marie Kerschner, 6 * * * * James Brown, 4 Married Francis Simpson, IV (D) Second wife Mary D. Miller, IV (D) One child was born Catherine Brown, 5 (D) * * * *

JACOB EMRICK, III AND DANIEL MICHAEL, III

Jacob Emrick, III, was united in marriage October 29, 1846, by the Rev. H. Heincke, with Sarah Fox, 3, (daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Unger) Fox) who was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, August 11, 1821. They also moved to the vicinity of South Bend, Indiana. Nothing could be ascertained as to their descendants.

Daniel Michael, III, was united in marriage March 14, 1847, by the Rev. H. Heincke, with Magdalena Fox, 3, (daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Unger) Fox) who was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio. They also moved to the vicinity of South Bend, Indiana. Nothing could be ascertained as to their descendants.

JESSE ALLISON, III

Jesse Allison, III, was born May 19, 1825; died February 20, 1899; aged 73 years, 9 months, 1 day; buried in the cemetery at Germantown, Ohio. He was the son of James and Jane Allison, the former being of Irish descent. He was united in marriage December 30, 1847, by R. N. Brown, justice of the peace, with Christiana Fox, 3, (daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Unger) Fox) who was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, November 18, 1828; died March 29, 1912; aged 83 years, 4 months, 11 days; buried beside her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Allison first resided south of Franklin, Ohio, and later in Dayton, then on the Unger farm, then purchasing property in Franklin, and later in Carlisle, where they resided at the time of Mr. Allison's death. Mrs. Allison and son, James, continued to reside there until about 1908, when they purchased property in Franklin, where they resided at the time of her death. She was the survivor of the third generation. Mr. and Mrs. Allison were the parents of four children.

Elizabeth J. Allison, 4 (M) John F. Allison, 4 (M) James Albert Allison, 4 Sarah C. Allison, 4 (M) * * * * Jacob Wolf, IV Married Elizabeth Jane Allison, 4 Three children were born Christiana Wolf, 5 (M) Clara Wolf, 5 William Wolf, 5 * * * * Joseph Barnes, V Married Christiana Wolf, 5 One child was born Mabel Barnes, 6 * * * * John Frederick Allison, 4 Married

Elizabeth Kitson, IV (D) Three children were born Charlotte Allison, 5 Wilber Allison, 5 (D) James Francis Allison, 5 (M) * * * * James Francis Allison, V Married Olive D. Ingham, V * * * * Charles Swartzel, IV Married Sarah Catherine Allison, 4 Four children were born Walter Swartzel, 5 (D) Pearl Swartzel, 5 (M) Edwin Swartzel, 5 (D) Ethel Swartzel, 5 (M) * * * * Charles Whitesell, V

Married

Pearl Swartzel, 5 Two children were born Pauline Whitesell, 6 Wayne Whitesell, 6 Harry Eckerd, V Married Ethel Swartzel, 5

BIOGRAPHY OF JOHN LEITER, II

John Leiter, II, was born in Frederick county, Maryland, in the year 1779; died September 16, 1825; aged 46 years; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. He was the son of Henry and Catherine (Stahley) Leiter, who were early settlers of the Middletown Valley, and were the parents of nine children: John, Jacob, Henry, Joseph, Peter, Elizabeth, Mary, Barbara and Hannah. All the daughters died unmarried.

Henry Leiter was a blacksmith by trade, and bought land in small tracts until he owned a farm of 160 acres. This farm was kept in the Leiter name until 1912, when it was sold by John H. Leiter, who is a grandson of Henry and Catherine (Stahley) Leiter, being 78 years old and unable to continue farming, he decided to dispose of the farm and retire. This tract of land lies about three miles west of Middletown, Frederick county, Maryland, near the National pike. The remains of Henry and Catherine (Stahley) Leiter, lie buried in the German Reformed cemetery, Middletown, Maryland. The tombstones bear the following dates:

In memory of Henry Leiter, who departed this life September 2, 1823; aged 69 years, 6 months, 9 days. In memory of Catherine Leiter, who departed this life September 1, 1823; aged 66 years, 28 days.

The father of Henry Leiter, whose name was John Wolfgang Leiter, landed at Philadelphia, September 24, 1753. Having come on board the ship Peggy, James Abercrombie, Commander, from Rotterdam, Holland, last from Plymouth, England.

John Leiter, whose name opens this sketch, was united in marriage December 7, 1805, with Elizabeth Fox, 2, (daughter of Frederick and Catherine (Booker) Fox) who was born in Frederick county, Maryland, September 27, 1788; died March 14, 1854; aged 65 years, 5 months, 17 days; buried beside her husband. John Leiter and wife and son Henry, composed one of the seven families who emigrated to Ohio in the year 1807.

In 1808 they settled on the west third of the south half of Section 12, of Township 2, Range 5. This tract contained 114 acres and has since been divided into two 57

acre tracts and is owned by Walter J. Miller and Isaac Miller. It was deeded by Frederick Fox and wife Susannah to John Leiter, November 21, 1823, in consideration of \$570. Near the northeast corner of this tract the buildings stood. The house was built of hewed logs and was weather-boarded, and stood until 1911, when it was taken down and a new house built on the site.

John Leiter's early death was the first of the thirty-one known pioneers. Mr. Leiter is described as being a man of stout build and of dark complexion. Mrs. Leiter was of slightly heavy build, and was also dark complected. They were the parents of nine children: Henry, John, Frederick, Elizabeth (Mrs. Emanuel B. Gebhart), Catherine (Mrs. John Eagle and John Leis), Christiana (Mrs. John M. Lesher), Mary Ann (Mrs. Samuel Eckhart), Daniel and George.

SKETCH OF HENRY LEITER, 3

Henry Leiter, 3, was born in Maryland, November 14, 1806; died September 29, 1859; aged 52 years, 10 months, 15 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. He was united in marriage December 22, 1831, by the Rev. H. Heincke, with Anna Gebhart, III, who was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio. In the sixties, Mrs. Leiter and her children moved to Missouri, locating in Pettis county, four miles south of Sedalia, in the Flat Creek vicinity.

Her remains were interred in the Addkins cemetery of that locality. She was the daughter of Emanuel and Elizabeth (Larose) Gebhart, the former being a native of Virginia, and the latter a native of North Carolina. Emanuel Gebhart, (father of Mrs. Leiter) came to Ohio at an early day. He, along with Jacob Kercher, Doctors Peter and John Treon, in 1818, laid off the first lots, and named the town Miamisburg. He was also one of the first justices of the peace of Miami township.

The maternal grandfather of Mrs. Leiter, the Rev. Jacob Larose, is said to have been the first German Reformed minister in Montgomery county. He was a soldier in the Revolution, and was the only pensioner from Miami township, quoted on the pension roll in 1840. His remains rest in Hill Grove cemetery, Miamisburg, Ohio. Henry Leiter located on a tract of land lying south of, and adjoining the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. They were the parents of nine children.

John B. Leiter, 4 (M) Rebecca S. Leiter, 4 (D) Emanuel G. Leiter, 4 (M) Henry G. Leiter, 4 (D) William A. Leiter, 4 (D) William A. Leiter, 4 (M) Elizabeth E. Leiter, 4 (M) Albert J. Leiter, 4 (M) Noah K. Leiter, 4 (M) **** John B. Leiter, 4 (D) Married

Phoebe Holley, IV (D)

Six children were born Phoebe Ann Leiter, 5 (M) Henry Leiter, 5 (D) Laura Leiter, 5 Ellen Leiter, 5 John H. Leiter, 5 Sherwood Leiter, 5 **** John Berk, V Married Phoebe Ann Leiter, 5 **** Emanuel G. Leiter, 4

Married Rosina Eck, IV Nine children were born William H. Leiter, 5 (M) Clement E. Leiter, 5 Earl L. Leiter, 5 (M) Clarence O. Leiter, 5 (M) Milton M. Leiter, 5 (M) Harry E. Leiter, 5 (M) Leroy V. Leiter, 5 (M) Jennie M. Leiter, 5 (D) Clara R. Leiter, 5 (M) * * * * William H. Leiter, 5 Married Hannah C. Lutz, V Two children were born Alton Ellis Leiter, 6 (D) Roger Merill Leiter, 6 * * * * Earl L. Leiter, 5 Married Anna Shilt, V * * * * Clarence O. Leiter, 5 Married Josie Wright, V Five children were born Thelma Leiter, 6 Dorothy Leiter, 6 Charles Leiter, 6 Lucile Leiter, 6 Margaret Leiter, 6 * * * * Milton M. Leiter, 5 Married Myrtle Coblentz, V One child was born Alden Leiter, 6 * * * * Harry E. Leiter, 5 Married Susie Weaver, V

Three children were born Russell Lowell Leiter, 6 Helen Leiter, 6 Glenna Leiter, 6 * * * * Leroy V. Leiter, 5 Married Martha Sensenbaugh, V Two children were born Treva Leiter, 6 Vera Leiter, 6 Orville Wehrle, V Married Clara R. Leiter, 5 Two children were born Richard Anderson Wehrle, 6 Hugh Leiter Wehrle, 6 * * * * Lewis C. Leiter, 4 Married Anna Mathews, IV Four children were born Clyde Leiter, 5 (M) Cleo Leiter, 5 (M) Nina Leiter, 5 (M) Slone L. Leiter, 5 * * * * Clyde Leiter, 5 Married Mary Bullock, V One child was born Marjorie Leiter, 6 * * * * Ed. Kent, V Married Cleo Leiter, 5 One child was born Dorothy Kent, 6 Fred Doudy, V Married Nina Leiter, 5

Two children were born John Doudy, 6 Harold Doudy, 6 Michael Yankee, IV (D) Married Elizabeth E. Leiter, 4 Three children were born Norman L. Yankee, 5 Earl J. Yankee, 5 Claude M. Yankee, 5 (M) * * * * Claude M. Yankee, 5 Married Bertha M. Dill, V * * * * Albert J. Leiter, 4 Married Isabel Adkins, IV Five children were born Cora Leiter, 5 (M) Estella Leiter, 5 Henry Leiter, 5 Ellen Leiter, 5 Alonzo Leiter, 5 * * * * Benjamin Moury, V Married Cora Leiter, 5

One child was born Alonzo Moury, 6 * * * * Noah K. Leiter, 4 Married Mattie Cross, IV (D) Four children were born Ernest Leiter, 5 Lolly E. Leiter, 5 (M) Victor Leiter, 5 (M) Charles Leiter, 5 Second wife Tena Bross, IV Five children were born Clarence Leiter, 5 Raymond Leiter, 5 Ira Leiter, 5 Elsie Leiter, 5 Claude Leiter, 5 * * * * Lolly E. Leiter, 5 Married Edna Stevens, V One child was born Noah C. Leiter, 6 * * * * Victor Leiter, 5 Married Amanda Yankee, V

SKETCH OF JOHN LEITER, 3

John Leiter, 3, was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, October 9, 1809; died February 1, 1872; aged 62 years, 3 months, 27 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. He was united in marriage February 12, 1834, by the Rev. H. Heincke, with Susan Crider, III, who was born August 31, 1816; died June 23, 1886; aged 69 years, 9 months, 22 days; buried beside her husband. Mrs. Leiter's parents emigrated from Lebanon county, Pennsylvania, to Ohio at an early day, and were the parents of three known children: David, Susan and Sarah.

They resided for a time, about two and one-half miles east of Miamisburg. It was while residing at that place that their daughter Sarah met with the accident by having her clothing ignited, and received burns which caused her death. Mr. and Mrs. Leiter resided on the Leiter homestead for a number of years. They were the parents of nine children.

John H. Leiter, 4 (M) David Leiter, 4 (M) Jacob Leiter, 4 (M) Mary Jane Leiter, 4 (D) George M. D. Leiter, 4 (M) Elizabeth C. Leiter, 4 (M) Samuel Leiter, 4 (M) Franklin P. Leiter, 4 (M) Lucinda E. Leiter, 4 (D) * * * * John H. Leiter, 4 (D) Married Mahala J. Mason, 4 Eight children were born Ida M. Leiter, 5 (D) John M. Leiter, 5 (M) Susannah Leiter, 5 (M) Alvador Leiter, 5 Mary E. Leiter, 5 (M) Walter S. Leiter, 5 (M) George M. D. Leiter, 5 Lewis V. Leiter, 5

John M. Leiter, 5 Married Elizabeth C. Bell, V (D) Three children were born John H. Leiter, 6 Mary B. Leiter, 6 Jennie M. Leiter, 6 * * * * John M. Dryden, V Married Susannah Leiter, 5 * * * * G. A. Cramer, V Married Mary E. Leiter, 5 One child was born Claude R. Cramer, 6 * * * * Walter S. Leiter, 5 Married Edna M. Rost, 6 Two children were born

John Leiter

Boyd W. Leiter, 6 & 7 Catherine M. Leiter, 6 & 7 David Leiter, 4, soldier in the Civil War, Company D, 184th Ohio, V. I. (D) Married Elizabeth Kerschner, IV (D) Eight children were born John A. Leiter, 5 (M) Samantha A. Leiter, 5 (M) William H. Leiter, 5 A. Frank Leiter, 5 (M) George W. Leiter, 5 (M) Elizabeth C. Leiter, 5 (M) Daisy D. Leiter, 5 (M) Florence M. Leiter, 5 * * * * John A. Leiter, 5 Married Nettie L. Billmever, V Four children were born Louanna E. Leiter, 6 (M) William E. Leiter, 6 (M) Charles R. Leiter, 6 Earl L. Leiter, 6 * * * * William Lannigan, VI Married Louanna E. Leiter, 6 Two children were born Louise N. Lannigan, 7 William J. Lannigan, 7 * * * * William E. Leiter, 6 Married Irene Craft, VI * * * * J. F. Eagle, V Married Samantha A. Leiter, 5 One child was born Curtiss F. Eagle, 6

A. Frank Leiter, 5 Married Clara Mix, V Six children were born Myrtle V. Leiter, 6 Gladys N. Leiter, 6 Vernon M. Leiter, 6 Marie E. Leiter, 6 Ruth M. Leiter, 6 Victor Leiter, 6 * * * * George W. Leiter, 5 Married Anna M. Brinkers, V Two children were born Viola D. Leiter, 6 Robert S. Leiter, 6 * * * * William Rumbold, V Married Elizabeth C. Leiter, 5 Three children were born Lester D. Rumbold, 6 Ellen D. Rumbold, 6 Richard W. Rumbold, 6 * * * * William Hughey, V Married Daisy D. Leiter, 5 One child was born Grace V. Hughey, 6 Jacob Leiter, 4, soldier in the Civil War, 2nd Ohio Heavy Artillery (D) Married Mary C. Black, IV Two children were born Jesse A. Leiter, 5 (D) Mary E. Leiter, 5 (M) * * * * Elijah E. Brownell, V Married

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Mary E. Leiter, 5 * * * * George M. D. Leiter, 4 (D) Married Catherine Roof, IV Three children were born John A. Leiter, 5 (M) Lucinda C. Leiter, 5 (M) George M. Leiter, 5 (M) * * * * John A. Leiter, 5 Married Nettie I. Booher, V Four children were born Arty E. Leiter, 6 (D) Albert E. Leiter, 6 Daisy M. Leiter, 6 (D) Charles W. Leiter, 6 * * * * C. E. Finley, V Married Lucinda C. Leiter, 5 Four children were born Elmer Finley, 6 (D) Jesse L. Finley, 6 Evert Finley, 6 Orval Finley, 6 * * * 5 George M. Leiter, 5 Married Hattie B. Grubs, V * * * * John A. Hagan, IV Married Elizabeth C. Leiter, 4 Two children were born W. E. Hagan, 5 (M) John F. Hagan, 5 (M) W. E. Hagan, 5 Married

Lilly Bell, V Three children were born Helen E. Hagan, 6 Bessie Hagan, 6 Shirley Hagan, 6 John F. Hagan, 5 Married Ida M. Parsons, V Two children were born Pearl Hagan, 6 Harold Hagan, 6 Samuel Leiter, 4 (D) Married Elizabeth Wilken, IV One child was born Bertha May Leiter, 5 * * * * Franklin P. Leiter, 4 Married Catherine Holman, IV Five children were born Clara S. Leiter, 5 (M) Minnie R. Leiter, 5 (M) Etta Leiter, 5 (M) William H. Leiter, 5 Albert R. Leiter, 5 * * * * Eugene Mullen V Married Clara S. Leiter, 5 One child was born Elmer F. Mullen, 6 * * * * Frank Rimer, V Married Minnie R. Leiter, 5 * * * * Burton Weber, V Married Etta Leiter, 5 (D)

SKETCH OF FREDERICK LEITER, 3

Frederick Leiter, 3, was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, March 22, 1813; died October 14, 1838; aged 25 years, 6 months, 22 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. He was united in February 11, 1836, by the Rev. H. Heincke, with Mary Gebhart, III, who was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, October 7, 1815; died January 5, 1877; aged 61 years, 2 months, 28 days; buried at Beulah, Crawford county, Kansas. She was the daughter of Emanuel and Elizabeth (Larose) Gebhart, the former being a native of Virginia, and the latter a native of North Carolina.

Emanuel Gebhart (father of Mrs. Leiter) came to Ohio at an early day. He along with Jacob Kercher and Doctors Peter and John Treon, in 1818, laid out the first lots and named the town Miamisburg. He was also one of the first justices of the peace of Miami township. The maternal grandfather of Mrs. Leiter, Rev. Jacob Larose, is said to have been the first German Reformed minister in Montgomery county.

He was a soldier in the Revolution, and was the only pensioner from Miami township, quoted on the pension roll in 1840. His remains rest in Hill Grove cemetery, Miamisburg, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Leiter located south of Miamisburg. They were the parents of two children. Mrs. Leiter was later united in marriage with William S. Houk; they moved to Missouri in the sixties, locating in Pettis county south of Sedalia.

Emanuel L. Leiter, 4 (M) Elizabeth Leiter, 4 (M) **** Emanuel L. Leiter, 4 Married Malissa A. More, IV Four children were born George Leiter, 5 Lewis Leiter, 5 Sadie Leiter, 5 Leroy Leiter, 5 **** John A. Leis, IV Married Elizabeth Leiter, 4 Eleven children were born Irvin G. W. Leis, 5 (M) Clement E. Leis, 5 (D) Peter F. Leis, 5 (M) Eva A. Leis, 5 (M) Cora B. Leis, 5 (M) Elva A. Leis, 5 (M) Clara E. Leis, 5 (M) Early J. H. Leis, 5 (M) Noah A. Leis, 5 (M) Bessie C. Leis, 5 (M) * * * * Irvin G. W. Leis, 5 Married Phoebe M. Slaughman, V (D) Four children were born Hugh A. Leis, 6 (M) Ernest E. Leis, 6 (M) Charles H. Leis, 6 (M) Perlie L. Leis, 6 Second wife Bell Green, V Two children were born Catherine E. Leis, 6 Raymond Leis, 6 Hugh A. Leis, 6 Married Ethel Rozell, 6 Three children were born Norman Leis, 7 Howard J. Leis, 7 Kenna Q. Leis, 7 * * * * Ernest E. Leis, 6 Married Nellie Rozell, 6 One child was born Laura Leis, 7 * * * * Charles H. Leis, 6 Married Hazel Denton, VI * * * * Peter F. Leis, 5 Married Mrs. Rosa (Berger) Hannah, V Two children were born Ohmer Leis, 6 Homer Leis, 6

Abraham N. George, V Married Amelia E. Leis, 5 Five children were born Lula M. George, 6 (M) Susie B. George, 6 Bessie George, 6 Chester George, 6 Lester George, 6 * * * * Joseph Ebrite, VI Married Lula M. George, 6 * * * * Charles Myers, V Married Cora B. Leis, 5 One child was born Walter D. Myers, 6 * * * * Charles Carey, V Married Elva M. Leis, 5 * * * * Amber M. Myers, V Married Clara E. Leis, 5 One child was born Chester Myers, 6 * * * * Early J. H. Leis, 5 Married Maude E. Smith. V Four children were born Mabel Leis, 6 Florence Leis, 6 Ambert J. Leis, 6 Arthur Leis, 6 * * * * Noah A. Leis, 5 Married Edith M. Beck, V Four children were born Mildred V. Leis, 6 Mahlon E. Leis, 6 Margaret E. Leis, 6 Ralph C. Leis, 6 Martin Albertus Pontius, V Married Bessie C. Leis, 5 One child was born Herman A. Pontius, 6

SKETCH OF EMANUEL B. GEBHART, III

Emanuel B. Gebhart, III, was born in Lebanon county, Pennsylvania, March 25, 1814; died July 24, 1895; aged 81 years, 3 months, 29 days; buried at Salina, Kansas. He was the son of John and Mary Barbara Gebhart, who were both natives of Lebanon county, Pennsylvania and were the parents of five children. They came to Ohio at an early day, locating in Miami township, Montgomery county.

He was united in marriage April 3, 1836, by the Rev. H. Heincke, with Elizabeth Leiter, 3, (daughter of John and Elizabeth (Fox) Leiter) who was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, April 9, 1815; died March 19, 1885; aged 69 years, 11 months, 10 days; buried at Salina, Kansas. They located on a tract of land in Miami township, residing there until 1883, when they sold this tract and moved to Saline county, Kansas. They were the parents of eight children.

Jacob L. Gebhart, 4 (M) John L. Gebhart, 4 (M) Mary A. Gebhart, 4 (M) Elizabeth Gebhart, 4 (M) Perry L. Gebhart, 4 (M) Lucetta Gebhart, 4 (M) Elmyra Gebhart, 4 (M) James E. Gebhart, 4 (M) * * * * Jacob L. Gebhart, 4 (D) Married Julia Gebhart, IV (D) Six children were born Clara S. Gebhart, 5 (M) Maggie Gebhart, 5 George Gebhart, 5 Newton Gebhart, 5 (M) John Gebhart, 5 (M) Bessie Gebhart, 5 (M) * * * * Dr. Jos. E. Miller, V Married

Clara S. Gebhart, 5 Four children were born Neva Miller. 6 Marguerite Miller, 6 Joe Miller, 6 Julia Miller. 6 * * * * Newton Gebhart, 5 Married Emma Kraft, V Two children were born Leslie Gebhart. 6 Clarin Gebhart, 6 * * * * John Gebhart. 5 Married Ada Stimmel, V Three children were born Edith Gebhart. 6 **Edwin Gebhart 6** Florence Gebhart, 6 * * * *

Cyrus E. White, V Married Bessie Gebhart, 5 Two children were born Loren White. 6 Dorothy White, 6 John L. Gebhart, 4 (D) Married Malinda Weldy, IV (D) Two children were born Emma Gebhart, 5 (M) Harold Gebhart, 5 (M) * * * * Loren Hamilton, V Married Emma Gebhart, 5 (D) * * * * Harold Gebhart. 5 Married Dell Baily, V Jacob Gottschall, IV Married Mary A. Gebhart, 4 Ten children were born Joseph A. Gottschall, 5 John W. Gottschall, 5 (M) Howard Gottschall, 5 (M) Herbert L. Gottschall, 5 (M) Grace E. Gottschall, 5 (D) Estie Gottschall, 5 (M) Clarence Gottschall, 5 (D) Clark Gottschall, 5 (D) Lola B. Gottschall, 5 (M) Verna Gottschall, 5 (M) * * * * John W. Gottschall, 5 Married Mary Pfeifer, V Three children were born Clarence R. Gottschall, 6 Joseph F. Gottschall, 6

Harold J. Gottschall, 6 * * * * Howard Gottschall, 5 Married Nora Keith. V Two children were born Lester Gottschall. 6 Faith Gottschall. 6 * * * * Herbert L. Gottschall. 5 Married Lottie Harins, V * * * * Walter K. Peck, V Married Estie Gottschall. 5 Four children were born **Ernest Peck**, 6 Lee Peck. 6 **Ruby Peck**, 6 Marion Peck, 6 * * * * E. W. Hockensmith, V Married Lola B. Gottschall. 5 One child was born Herbert Hockensmith. 6 * * * * Clyde Kinsbury, V Married Verna Gottschall. 5 One child was born Lewis Kinsbury, 6 * * * * Lewis H. Zehring, IV Married Elizabeth Gebhart, 4 Two children were born Laura Zehring, 5 (M) Blanche Zehring, 5 * * * * Oliver L. Dosch, V Married

Laura Zehring, 5 Two children were born Laura Z. Dosch, 6 (D) Lewis Z. Dosch, 6 * * * * Perry L. Gebhart, 4 Married Eliza M. Macey, IV Two children were born Florence Gebhart. 5 **Raymond Gebhart**, 5 * * * * John Mayer, IV Married Lucetta Gebhart, 4 Seven children were born Charles Walter Mayer, 5 (M) William E. Mayer, 5 Clarence W. Mayer, 5 (D) Nettie May Mayer, 5 (M) Mayme E. Mayer, 5 John G. Mayer, 5 Florence E. Mayer, 5 * * * * **Charles Walter Mayer**, 5 Married Jennie May Striker, V Two children were born Mary E. Mayer, 6

Verna M. Mayer, 6 * * * * James K. Bowen, V Married Nettie May Mayer, 5 Adolph Kline, IV Married Elmyra Gebhart, 4 Four children were born Charles A. Kline, 5 Raymond E. Kline, 5 Arthur Kline, 5 (M) William E. Kline, 5 (M) * * * * Arthur Kline. 5 Married Luetta Long, V * * * William E. Kline, 5 Married Florence Bartlett. V * * * * James E. Gebhart, 4 Married Florence Boggs, IV Two children were born **Roboson Gebhart**, 5 Carl Gebhart, 5

SKETCH OF JOHN EAGLE, III AND JOHN LEIS, III

John Eagle, III, was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, December 30, 1811; died June 27, 1844; aged 32 years, 5 months, 27 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. He was the son of Peter and Mary (Hanger) Eagle. Peter Eagle was a native of Pennsylvania, and was the father of six sons and four daughters. He resided for a time in Augusta county, Virginia, where several of their children were born. In 1809, with his family, he settled in Miami township, two miles east of Miamisburg, or the northeast quarter of Section 19, of Township 1, Range 6. The Patent was granted May 20, 1825, by John Q. Adams, President of the United States, and George Graham, Commissioner of the General Land office, to the heirs of Peter Eagle, deceased, assignees of Peter Bouta.

John Eagle was united in marriage March 21, 1839, by the Rev. H. Heincke, with Catherine Leiter, 3, (daughter of John and Elizabeth (Fox) Leiter) who was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, October 5, 1817; died February 24, 1854; aged 36 years, 4 months, 19 days; buried in the Slifer church yard in Jackson township, Montgomery county, Ohio. John Eagle and wife located on a tract of land in Miami township, residing there at the time of his death. They wre the parents of one son.

October 16, 1851, Mrs. Catherine (Leiter) Eagle, 3, was united in marriage by the Rev. H. Heincke, with John Leis, III, who was born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, January 25, 1810; died May 19, 1897; aged 87 years, 3 months, 21 days; buried in the Slifer church yard. He was the son of Peter and Mary (Kalbach) Leis, and was one of a family of three sons and six daughters. Peter Leis was of German descent, and emigrated from Berks county, Pennsylvania, to Ohio in 1836, locating three and onehalf miles east of Miamisburg, where he purchased 160 acres of land from William and Catherine (Benner) Akin. John Leis and wife located on a tract of land in Jackson township, Montgomery county. They were the parents of one daughter.

William J. Eagle, 4 (M) Sophia Leis, 4 (M) * * * * William J. Eagle, 4 Married Mary Ellen Shade, IV Three children were born Elizabeth M. Eagle, 5 (D) John William Eagle, 5 Franklin Marion Eagle, 5 * * * * John H. Weaver, IV Married Sophia Leis, 4 Seven children were born Mary E. Weaver, 5 (M) Serepta A. C. Weaver, 5 (M) Elsie V. Weaver, 5 (M) John W. Weaver, 5 (M) Ordella S. Weaver, 5 (M) Edward M. Weaver, 5 (M) Ruth L. Weaver, 5 * * * * William Rexroad, V Married Mary E. Weaver, Four children were born Marie L. Rexroad. 6 Ethel M. Rexroad, 6 Mary C. Rexroad, 6 Elsie Bernice Rexroad, 6 * * * *

William Coven, V Married Serepta A. C. Weaver, 5 Three children were born Ernest R. Coven. 6 Esther A. Coven, 6 Pearl Coven. 6 * * * * Lee Russel, V Married Elsie V.Weaver, 5 One child was born Forest D. Russell. 6 (D) * * * * John W. Weaver, 5 Married Jennie Swartzel, V * * * * Harvey N. Dechant, V Married Ordella S. Weaver, 5 One child was born **Raymond E. Dechant, 6** * * * * Edward M. Weaver, 5 Married Bertha Gaver, V Three children were born Mabel Weaver, 6 Forest Weaver, 6 Lester Weaver, 6 * * * *

SKETCH OF JOHN M. LESHER, III

John M. Lesher, III, was born December 24, 1813; died January 1, 1858; aged 44 years, 7 days; buried in the Zion church yard, four miles south of Dayton, Ohio. He was the son of Jacob and Christiana Lesher, who located in 1823, near where the Zion churches are located. He was united in marriage September 17, 1840, by the Rev. H. Heincke, with Christiana Leiter, 3 (daughter of John and Elizabeth (Fox) Leiter) who was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, June 25, 1819; died February 27, 1897; aged 77 years, 8 months, 2 days; buried beside her husband. Mr. and Mrs. Lesher located on a tract of land in Miami township, southwest of the Zion churches.

(The genealogy of their descendents is incomplete.)

Sarah Jane Lesher, 4 (M) Mary Lesher, 4 (M) John D. Lesher, 4 (D) William H. Lesher, 4 (M) Joseph W. Lesher, 4 (D) **** Harry Swadner, IV Married Sarah Jane Lesher, 4 Three children were born Henry Swadner, 5 Oliver Swadner, 5 Robert Swadner, 5 * * * * Johnson Snyder, IV Married Mary Lesher, 4 * * * * William H. Lesher, 4 (D) Married Diana Moyer, IV (D) Two children were born Mary Luella Lesher, 5 Cora Alice Lesher, 5 * * * *

SKETCH OF SAMUEL ECKHART, III

Samuel Eckhart, III, was born in Pennsylvania, June 1, 1819; died April 8, 1904; aged 84 years, 10 months, 7 days; buried at the National Military Home, Montgomery county, Ohio. He was the son of Elias and Magdalene (Christman) Eckhart. Elias Eckhart was of German descent, and was a butcher by trade. The maternal grandparents of Mr. Eckhart, Paul and Elizabeth Christman, resided in Cumberland, Maryland, and were the parents of nine children: Mathias, Frederick, Paul Jr., Elizabeth (Mrs. George Clice), John, Susannah (Mrs. Daniel B. Fox), Mary M., Hannah (Mrs. Thomas Kimes), and Magdalene (Mrs. Elias Eckhart). (A more detailed account of the Christman family is given in the Biography of Daniel B. Fox, on page 101 of this work).

Samuel Eckhart, whose name opens this sketch, was a blacksmith by trade, and conducted business west of Dayton, Ohio. He was a soldier in the Civil War, in Company C, 66th, Ohio, V. I. He was united in marriage with Mary Ann Leiter, 3, (daughter of John and Elizabeth (Fox) Leiter), who was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, December 4, 1821; died July 9, 1908; aged 86 years, 7 months, 5 days; buried in Woodland cemetery, Dayton, Ohio. They were the parents of twelve children.

Francis W. Eckhart, 4 soldier in the Civil War. Company I, 63rd Ohio, V. I. (D) Henry V. Eckhart, 4 (M) Lucretia Eckhart, 4 (M) Jane E. Eckhart, 4 (M) Sophia Eckhart, 4 (M) Henrietta Eckhart, 4 (D) Samuel L. Eckhart, 4 (M) Arobell Eckhart, 4 (D) Laura A. Eckhart, 4 (M) Almetia U. Eckhart, 4 (M) George W. Eckhart, 4, soldier in the Spanish American War (D) Clara B. Eckhart, 4 (M)

Henry V. Eckhart, 4, soldier in the Civil War, Company H, 54th Ohio, V. I. Married Ella Stauffer. IV Six children were born William Eckhart, 5 Harry Eckhart, 5 (M) Harvey Eckhart, 5 (M) Walter Eckhart, 5 (D) **Oscar Eckhart**. 5 Grover Eckhart, 5 Harry Eckhart, 5 Married Lula Shaffer, V Four children were born

Robert Eckhart, 6 Careen Eckhart, 6 **Richard Eckhart**, 6 Henry Eckhart, 6 * * * * Harvey Eckhart, 5 Married Maine Heilman. V One child was born Elsworth Eckhart. 6 * * * * Abner Penny, IV Married Lucretia Eckhart, 4 Five children were born Hiram Penny, 5 Myrtle Penny, 5 (D) Lula Penny, 5 (M) Arthur Penny, 5 **Charles Penny**, 5 * * * * Fred Cook. V Married Lula Penny, 6 **** Samuel Heck, IV Married Jane Elizabeth Eckhart, 4 Four children were born Iva Heck, 5 Myrtle Heck, 5 **Daisy Heck**, 5 Charles Heck, 5 * * * * John Gauvey, IV (D) Married Sophia Eckhart, 4 Four children were born Cordie I. Gauvey, 5 (M) Charles T. Gauvey, 5 (M) Howard G. Gauvey, 5 (M) William Gauvey, 5 * * * *

Samuel Blosser, V Married Cordie I. Gauvey, 5 Five children were born Fleeta Blosser. 6 Eva Blosser, 6 (D) John Blosser. 6 Marie C. Blosser, 6 **Richard Blosser**, 6 * * * * Charles T. Gauvey, 5 Married Effie Wolf. V Three children were born Margaret Gauvey, 6 Elizabeth Gauvey, 6 **Charles Gauvey**, 6 * * * * Howard G. Gauvey, 5, soldier in the Spanish American War. Married Anna Bailey, V * * * Samuel Eckhart, 4 Married Catherine Shank. IV Seven children were born Samuel W. Eckhart, 5 Mamie Eckhart, 5 (M) Ruth Ann Eckhart, 5, (M) Elsie A. Eckhart, 5 George L. Eckhart, 5 Edna E. Eckhart, 5 Willard L. Eckhart, 5 * * * * Minar Ennis, V Married Mamie Eckhart, 5 * * * * Charles McCormick, V Married **Ruth Ann Eckhart. 5**

Two children were born Mildred M. McCormick, 6 Thelma McCormick, 6 * * * * Joseph Meehan, IV Married Laura A. Eckhart, 4 Five children were born Mary Meehan, 5 Treaca Meehan, 5 Hester Meehan, 5 Margaret Meehan, 5 Josephine Meehan, 5 **** Ernest E. Bradley, IV Married Almetia U. Eckhart, 4 **** William F. Pape, IV Married Clara B. Eckhart, 4 One child was born Robert L. Pape, 5

SKETCH OF DANIEL LEITER, 3

Daniel Leiter, 3, was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, May 19, 1824; died 1863, buried in Hill Grove cemetery, Miamisburg, Ohio. He was united in marriage January 15, 1844, by the Rev. George Long, with Lucinda Clevenger, III, who was born in Clear Creek township, Warren county, Ohio, in the year 1824; died 1906; buried beside her husband. She was one of a family of ten children and was the daughter of Jonathan and Sarah (Venard) Clevenger; he a native of Pennsylvania, and she, probably, of Warren county, Ohio.

The grandfather of Mrs. Leiter, Zachariah Clevenger, was a native of New Jersey; thence became a resident of Pennsylvania; thence removed to Kentucky, and lived a short time, when about the year 1800, he became a settler of clear Creek township, Warren county, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Leiter located on a tract of land in Miami township, Montgomery county. No children were born. Mrs. Leiter later became the wife of Wesley McCabe.

SKETCH OF GEORGE LEITER, 3

George Leiter, 3, was born in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, May 27, 1826; died March 23, 1885; aged 28 years, 9 months, 26 days; buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard. He was united in marriage January 4, 1849, by the Rev. George Long, with Mary Ann Snyder, III, who was born in Montgomery county, Ohio, June 22, 1831. She later became the wife of a Mr. Brewer, (The date of her death, and place of burial could not be ascertained). She was the third child of a family of four sons and four daughters, and was the daughter of Martin and Lavina (Thompson) Snyder.

Martin Snyder ws born near Baltimore, Maryland, his wife was born in Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, and was the daughter of Thomas and Malinda Thompson, who resided and died in Carlisle, Pennsylvania. Martin Snyder and Lavina Thompson were married by a minister of Carlisle, Pennsylvania, in 1827. They emigrated to Dayton, Ohio, the same year, as did two brothers, Peter and Adam Snyder.

Martin Snyder was a distiller by trade, and distilled on Mad River, and knew every family in Dayton in 1830. In later years he purchased a tract of land in Miami township, where they resided a number of years. After selling this tract they moved to Butler county, Ohio. George Leiter, whose name opens this sketch, and wife resided in Miami township, Montgomery county, and were the parents of four chidren.

John Martin Leiter, 4 (M) Levina Jane Leiter, 4 (M) George H. Leiter, 4 (M) Joseph Andrew Leiter, 4 (M) **** John Martin Leiter, 4 Married Margaret Ketz, IV (D) Two children were born Rufus Albertus Leiter, 5 (M) Otho Clark Leiter, 5 (M) Second wife Clara May Quigg, IV (D) One child was born Alice Louise Leiter, 5 **** Rufus Albertus Leiter, 5 Married Christabel Rose Sobey, V Two children were born John Arthur Leiter, 6 Ruth Gifford Leiter, 6

Otho Clark Leiter, 5

Married Beulah Henrietta Ford, V * * * * Hieronymus Hoffman, IV Married Levina Jane Leiter, 4 Two children were born W. Howard Hoffman, 5 (D) Florence Hoffman, 5 (D) * * * * George H. Leiter, 4 (D) Married Mary Ann Weikle, IV Three children were born Ida May Leiter, 5 (M) Lewis M. Leiter, 5 (M) Maggie Viola Leiter, 5 (M) * * * * Abner Scott. V Married Ida May Leiter, 5 One child was born Merl Scott, 6

Lewis M. Leiter, 5 Married Nanie P. Dudgeon, V One child was born Samuel E. Leiter. 6 * * * * Floyd S. McGinnis, V Married Maggie Viola Leiter, 5 Three children were born Ruth A. McGinnis, 6 Robert W. McGinnis, 6 Elwood E. McGinnis, 6 * * * * Joseph Andrew Leiter, 4 Married Ella Gorden, IV Three children were bon Wilma Leiter, 5 Virginia Leiter, 5 Joseph A. Leiter, 5 * * * *

THE GEBHART CHURCH AND SCHOOL HOUSE AND OTHER SCHOOL HOUSES

Many of the Fox's, Metherd's, Benner's, and Leiter's are buried in the St. John (or Gebhart) church yard, and some of the family of Gebhart's who established the place of worship, and schooling, married Fox descendants. Therefore it may be well to give an account of the early day place of worship, and the several places of early schooling of the locality.

The Gebhart's settled in Miami township in 1805, and shortly after erected a log schoolhouse which stood north of the graveyard. It was one of the first two schools in Miami township, the other schoolhouse being at Alexandersville. At the Gebhart school, both German and English were taught. Some of the scholars came a distance of two and three miles. Simon Huit (whose father resided north of Hole's Station, now Miamisburg) came to this school. Samson P. Strader came to this school; his father owned and lived on the farm now owned by Isaac Apple. The Eagle's and Whitesell's and Gebhart's were numbered among the scholars of this place of learning. Services were probably held in this old log schoolhouse before a church was built. The first church stood on the crest of the hill, about where Jacob Eagle, Adam Fox, and Henry P. Treon, and others are buried. It was a frame structure, and was finished in rough cast. The Rev. Andrew Simon, and Rev John C. Dill being the first ministers, the former a traveling Lutheran missionary for western Pennsylvania and Ohio, from 1808 to 1813. It was originally Lutheran, but was made a joint church in 1816, when George Gebhart and wife, Elizabeth, deeded a tract of about two acres for church purposes to Peter Eagle and Henry Strader, trustees of the Society of John's Meeting House, where the Lutherans and Presbyterians of said trustees have equal right and title.

The first burial that there is record of, was Catherine Baum, born 1762; died 1806. The Baum family settled on the hill between Miamisburg and West Carrollton. Martin Baum being the patentee of a tract of land in that locality. The Baum's and Geroge Gebhart, (the conveyor of the church land), were related through marriage to the Cramer family.

On the southwest corner of the Jacob Benner farm, one mile and a half east of the St. John (or Gebhart) Church, about where the frame house now stands which is owned by Mr. Weaver, stood the Benner schoolhouse. Among the teachers who taught there were Andrew Small, who was a soldier in the Revolution, and a pioneer schoolmaster of the Miami Valley and Able Morrow, who taught there in the year 1819.

This school was established and the Gebhart school was abandoned. The Benner school was later abandoned and the seat of learning was moved one mile west, or half a mile east of the St. John (or Gebhart) Church. This was also a log schoolhouse, which was later replaced by a brick building, which has since been remodeled and is now the residence of Mr. Jacob Baker. Among the teachers of this school were, Dr. Robert P. Mitchell, Miss Elizabeth Larose, David Eagle, John Griffith, John Keiser, Abraham Russell and Frederick C. Fox Jr.

HISTORICAL

The first Lutherans in Maryland, of whom there is record, were the Swedes, who settled in what is now Cecil county, in 1645, and there built the first Lutheran church in the state, in 1649. In 1660 there were nearly three hundred Lutheran families in that locality. Allen says, "that in 1660 the population above the Bohemia river was Lutheran. Subsequently, Augustine Herman and others came from New York and settled below the Bohemia river; they too, were Lutherans." Doctor Clark says that "Augustine Herman was a remarkable man." Born in Prague, he was educated as an engineer, and came from Holland to New Amsterdam with the Dutch. Peter Stuyvesant sent him south to help settle a boundary dispute. He arrived in Maryland in 1660 and was so pleased with the country that he determined to remain there.

In 1662, Lord Baltimore contracted with him to make a new map of Maryland, for which he gave him a large tract of land below the Bohemia river, which Herman named "Bohemia Manor." At that time the opinion prevailed that the mountains passing through the western part of Maryland were the central division of this continent, and were full of minerals. In his report to Lord Baltimore, Herman says, "Certain it is, that there is great store of minerals at the other side of these mountains, and the same treasures may, in process of time, be afforded on this side, when occupied, which is recommended to posterity to remember."

Mention is made in the early records of the state that "In 1648 pig iron was worth 12 pounds per ton, enabling those engaged in its manufacture to earn high wages." While Herman was surveying the Province of Maryland for his new map, he also investigated the mineral resources of the country he traversed, and in after years frequent trips were made to these mountains in search of minerals, over the route of which mention is made of a road from the "Susquehanna river to the Monocacy river." In June, 1710, four thousand Palatines landed in New York in one day. Doctor Wolf says, "These Palatines were the first Lutherans whom religious persecution drove to these shores." Some of these emigrants set out for Philadelphia and Baltimore, and it was these Palatines and a few Swedes, who in 1710, came over this "Susquehanna and Monocacy road" (by way of Baltimore, and not Lancaster and York as many suppose) and settled from the "Glades, (Woodsboro) to the Conocochague" Williamsport).

The first settlement made in Middletown Valley was north of where Myersville now stands, and was called "Jerusalem," and it was here that the first Lutheran church in Middletown Valley was built, about 1720. From 1727 to 1750, thousands of Palatines emigrated to America, and landed at Philadelphia. About 1735 many of these came by way of Lancaster and York, Pennsylvania, into Maryland, and settled in the vicinity of Middletown. Congregations of Lutherans and German Reformed were organized at once, and in 1752 these denominations built a Union church, two miles southwest of Middletown, on land bought by Philip Kefauver for that purpose.

This church was used during the French and Indian War as a fort, or rendezvous, for local troops. On March 20, 1771, Conrad Crone deeded to Valentine Moter, Philip Judy, and Samuel Bossert (Buzzard) a lot of ground in Middletown, on which to erect a Lutheran church of the "Augustine Confession." Work was immediately begun and late the same year it was completed, when the Union church southwest of Middletown was abandoned by the Lutherans. (Though it was continued for some years by the Reformed congregation which also erected a church in Middletown).

The Lutheran church erected in Middletown in 1771, was built of logs; and had a tower, bell and pipe organ. In 1815 this church was torn down, and another erected on the same site. This church was built of brick, and had a steeple. This building was used until 1859, when it became too small for the needs of the congregation, and was torn down, when additional ground was purchased, and the present church erected.

After the battles of South Mountain, and Antietam, in 1862, the government took possession of the present church building, and used it for a hospital for several months. While it was thus occupied, most of the old records of the church were lost, many of which were valuable. During the summer of 1899, the present building was repaired and refurnished, and a new pipe organ installed.

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From the founding of the congregation to 1826, the services of the church were conducted in German. After that date German and English were used alternately for several yars, and in 1834 the use of German was abandoned. The last German and the first English pulpit Bibles used by the congregation, are still preserved.

The writer having searched what remains of the old records of this historic church, has found that Frederick Fox was a member, he having served as an elder from September 6, 1787, to November 7, 1790. I also find the names of children of Daniel Booker, who was a brother-in-law to Mr. Fox, indicating that the Bookers were also Lutherans. The loss of the early records of this church has probably taken away information as to our early ancestors, which can otherwise never be obtained.

The writer made a search of the Lutheran cemetery which lies to the rear of the church, for the purpose of locating the burial place of Catherine (Booker) Fox, and also her parents, Bartholomew and Margaret Booker, but finds that no burials date back to the dates of their deaths, therefore I am led to the belief that they were buried in the cemetery of the Union church southwest of Middletown, after the place of worship was transferred to the town.

The tract of land on which the Union church stood contained one half acre of ground and was never sold. Some of the remains wre removed by relatives, and during the lapse of time the land has been appropriated to farming use without any legal authority.

THE BOOKER TRANSACTION

There has been a traditional report in circulation, at various times, that there was a large tract of land owned by a Mr. Booker, who leased the tract, though it never was clearly quoted to whom the tract was leased. The traditional story was, that the Mr. Booker was a brother-in-law to Frederick Fox the tavern keeper, that he was a bachelor, that the tract of land lay in Baltimore county, near Baltimore, and had since become a part of that city.

The writer while searching the records at various places in the east for the benefit of this work, also investigated the Baltimore county records, relative to the Booker transaction. The only transaction under the name of Booker occurred in 1670, (which was many years before Mr. Fox, or his brothers-in-law were born) and was simply that Elizabeth Booker, widow and Richard Booker, gent, deeded 500 acres of land lying near Elk river in Baltimore county, to Rowland Williams, a planter, for 200 acres of land lying in New Kent county, Virginia, and also other valuable considerations in hand.

The 500 acre tract lies in what is now Cecil county, which was deducted from Baltimore county, and now is the northeast corner county of Maryland, and is a level country. New Kent county lies in what is known as the wilderness, east of Richmond, and is a swampy and poor country.

It is probable that there was dissatisfaction on the part of some of the Bookers as to this transaction, or there might have been rights granted under a misrepresentation, and in the course of time it became misunderstood to have been leased. Following is a transcript of the indenture:

"This Indenture made this thirtieth day of January in the year of our Lord Christ one Thousand six hundred and Seventy. Between Elizabeth Booker widow and Richard Booker Gent of the one part and Rowland Williams planter of the other part witnesseth that the said Elizabeth and Richard Booker for and in consideration of two hundred acres of land lying in New Kent county in Virginia, already conveyed by the said Rowland Williams unto the said Richard Booker his heirs and asignees and for diverse other good causes and valuable considerations them the said Elizabeth and Richard Booker hereunto moving have granted bargained sold aliened Infeafed and confirmed and by these presents doe grant bargain Sell alien Infeaff and confirme unto the said Rowland Williams his heirs and assignees forever all that Tract or parcel of Land lying in Elk River on the east side of the said River in a Creek called Bohemia Back Creek and on the north side of the said Creek beginning at the first branch of the said Creek called St. Thomas Branch at a marked Oake standing on the poynt on the West side of the said Branch running from said Oake down the Creek West and by North for breadth two hundred and fifty perches to a marked Chestnut Oake standing on ye point on the West side of the said branch running from the said Oake down the Creek West and by North for breadth two hundred and fifty perches to a marked Chestnut Oake standing off the West side of a small Cove on a stony point respecting a marshy point to the south at the mouth of Bohemia Back Creek bounded on the said Oake by a lyne drawn North-East Three hundred and Twenty perches from ye North-East by a lyne drawn South and by East Two hundred and fifty perches from the South and by East line by a line drawn South-West to the first marked Oake on St. Thomas Branch the said Tract or parcel of Land containing five hundred acres of Land according to survey made by Mr. George Goldsmith Anno Domini 1664 and all the estate right title and interest of them the said Elizabeth and Richard Booker out of in and unto ye premises and every part thereof To have and To hold the said Tract of Land and all the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto ye said Rowland Williams his heirs and assignees forever to the sole only and absolute proper use and behoofe unto ye said Rowland Williams his heirs and assignees forever to the sole only and absolute proper use and behoofe of him the said Rowland Williams his heirs and assignees forever and the said Richard Booker and his heirs ye said Tract of five hundred acres of Land and all other ye premisses hereby bargained and sold with their appurtenances unto ye said Rowland Williams his heirs and assignees forever against him the said Richard Booker and his heirs and against the said Elizabeth Booker and all and every other person and persons whomsoever claiming or which shall or may claim in by from or under him her them or any of them shall and will warrant and forever

defend by these presents and this Indenture further witnesseth that the said Elizabeth and Richard Booker doe and have constituted or Ordained* Augustine Herman Gent to be their true and Lawful attorney to acknowledge this present Indenture of bargain and Sale in ye Court held for Baltimore County and to do all things necessary in the premisses for the confirming of the said Tract of Land unto ye said Rowland Williams his heirs and assignees forever hereby ratyfying and confirming whomsoever the said attorney shall legally do or cause to be done in the premisses as if they the said Elizabeth and Richard Booker were personally present in witness whereof the parties above named have hereunto Enterchangeably sett their hands and seals the day and year above written.

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presence of usthe mark ofJohn PerkinsSam Holwaye*See Historical Page 163.

APPENDIX NO. 1

The Records of the port of Philadelphia, show that John Frederick Fox landed at the port, which was the principal landing place of the German emigration from 1682 to 1776.

History shows that many of the German emigrants emigrated south, and that from 1748 to 1754, twenty-eight hundred Germans located in Maryland.

Mrs. Christiana (Fox) Allison who was the surviving great-granddaughter of John Frederick Fox, stated to the writer during an interview about two years prior to her death, that "the old man Fox's name was John Frederick."

APPENDIX NO. 2

It will be noted by the reader that April 4, 1787, Bartholomew Booker deeded a tract of one hundred and five acres of land to Frederick Fox, in consideration of fifty-five pounds of money, equal to two hundred and sixty-six dollars. The dates that were found on the wall of the old tavern indicate that the building was erected prior to 1777. The consideration of two hundred and sixty-six dollars may have been considered the value of the land. It is probable that Mr. Fox built the tavern about or before the beginning of the Revolutionary War, and that the land was deeded long after.

Such was the case between Frederick Fox and his son Daniel B. Fox, and sons-inlaw, George Metherd, Jacob Benner, and John Leiter. The land in Miami township, Montgomery county, Ohio, on which they located in 1808, remained in the name of Frederick Fox until 1823 and 1827, although they had built and made improvements on the land. It is probable that the case was identical between Frederick Fox and his fatherin-law.

APPENDIX NO. 3

It is recorded in the Daniel B. Fox family Bible, that his wife Susannah (Christman) Fox, was born in Cumberland county, Maryland. There is no county in Maryland of

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that name. The records of Allegheny county show that the parents of Susannah (Christman) Fox, Paul and Elizabeth Christman, purchased property in the town of Cumberland in 1795. It is probable that they resided in that town prior to the date that they purchased property, and that she was born in that town, and that the record was intended for Cumberland City.

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