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ISAAC RICHE, at present engaged in farming in Shamokin township, Northumberland county, was born in that township May 17, 1844, and belongs to a family which has been identified with this county for over a century. The family is of German origin. Mr. Riche's great-grandfather came to this country from Germany before the Revolutionary war and settled in Berks county, Pa., where he lived and died.

Moses Riche (or Richie), son of the emigrant, was born in Berks county May 14, 1773, and moved thence to Northumberland county, settling near what is now known as Seven Points, in Rockefeller township, in which section he was a pioneer. The Indians were still numerous in these parts when he located there. He died upon his farm (then included in Shamokin township) June 25, 1851, and he and his wife Rebecca are buried at the Summit church in Shamokin township. She was born July 30, 1781, and died Oct. 12, 1876. Among their children were: Miles, who died in Indiana; Henry, who died in Fishing Creek, Columbia Co., Pa.; Isaac; Rebecca, wife of Abner Tharp; and Elizabeth, wife of William Morris.

Isaac Riche, son of Moses Riche, was born in 1812 in Rockefeller township, and died Sept. 27, 1900. His occupation was farming, and in time he was able to buy the Thomas Tharp farm, a tract of fifty acres, to which he added by various purchases. He attended market at Shamokin, where he became well known, and was a substantial and respected citizen of his day. By his first wife, whose maiden name was Tharp, Mr. Riche had two children, Moses and Mary E., both of whom are deceased. His second marriage was to Anna Hummel, who was born in 1801, daughter of Frederick Hummel, and died Jan. 19, 1884, aged eighty-three years. She was the mother of three children: Samuel, who lives in Shamokin township; Henry, living at Tharptown; and Isaac.

Isaac Riche, son of Isaac Riche, grew up in his native township, and when a young man learned the business of powder making, at which he became an expert, following same for a number of years. His last employment in that line was at the Trevorton Mills. In 1908 he returned to farming, the occupation of his youth, and has since been engaged in that work, owning part of the old home-stead in Shamokin township, whereon he makes his home. He has been quite successful, being industrious and progressive, ready to adopt up-to-date methods and appliances to facilitate his work, and directing his energies intelligently and effectively.

Mr. Riche married Lucy C. Groves, daughter of Joseph Groves, and they are the parents of the following children: Joseph W. is mentioned below; Laura married Rufus Savage; Lillie married Leslie Wolverton:

children: Hatton A., justice of the peace, of Snyderstown, Pa.; Clara H., wife of G. A. Startzel; and William H. For his third wife he married Harriet Ammerman. William H. Pensyl was born 3 larch 1, 1862, at

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Elysburg, Northumberland county, where he received his education in the public schools. During his early life he assisted his father upon the farm. In 1881 he first came to Mount Carmel, where he learned the trade of painter, at which he was employed, in different places, for several years, in 1886 becoming a permanent resident of the borough. He established himself in business, selling paints, wall paper and stationery, and doing painting and paper hanging, continuing thus for many years; he is now devoting himself entirely to papering and painting. Mr. Pensyl has made a substantial position for himself and he is a director of the Guarantee Trust & Safe Deposit Company and President of the Anthracite Building & Loan Association of Mount Carmel.

On Jan. 2, 1890, Mr. Pensyl married Mary A. Morey, daughter of Julius Morey, of Jefferson county, Pa., but later of Mount Carmel. They have one daughter, Hazel, who is a graduate of the Mount Carmel high school.

Mr. Pensyl has shown considerable interest and useful activity in the affairs of the borough, and from 1900 to 1903 he was a member of the council, of which body he was president one year. On March 1, 1909, he was honored with election to the office of chief burgess. The confidence his fellow citizens have shown in him is the reward of his disinterested efforts for the improvement of the borough, especially his work regarding the streets. He had made an admirable official. Mr. Pensyl is a Republican in political sentiment. Sociably he holds membership in the Sons of Veterans, P.O.S. of A. and I.O.O.F.

SHIPMAN. The Shipman family, which is numerous and creditably represented in Northumberland county, has been resident there for considerably more than a century, and has had representatives in this country from the earliest Colonial days. In the Old World it is of ancient record. The ancestor of these Shipmans was of Norman descent and was knighted by Henry III. of England in 1253 and given the following coat of arms: Gules, on a bend argent betwixt six estoiles, or, three pellets. Crest: A Leopard, sejant, spotted sa., resting his dexter paw on a ship's rudder. Motto: "Non sibi sed orbi." The family seat was at Sarrington, in Nottinghamshire. In 1635 Edward Shipman, a refugee from religious persecution, came to America in company with Hugh Peters, John Davenport, Theodore Fenwick and others, and settled at Saybrook, Conn. From him one American branch of the family is descended.

The following is taken from a family history in the possession of Judge Shipman, of Belvidere, N. J.: "William Shipman's father was one of the first settlers of Morristown, N.J., assisting in the erection of the first house built there. He and three of his brothers served with credit during the Revolutionary war, and another relative died aboard the old 'Jersey' prison ship in Wallabout Bay. Jacob Shipman, brother of William, was one of the first settlers near Fisher's Ferry, Northumberland Co., Pa., where he bought a large tract of land and where he lived to a good old age. David Shipman (son of Jacob), born Feb. 26, 1809, bought the homestead near Fisher's Ferry and divided it with his brother Sylvanus, making two good-sized farms. John L. Shipman, son of David, who served with credit in the late Rebellion, is living in his native State and county."

Harmon Shipman, the progenitor of the Northumberland county Shipmans, was born in Germany in 1717 and emigrated to this country about 1740. He settled in what is now Harmony township, Warren Co., N.

J., at a place known as Uniontown, where he purchased 200 acres of land which he cleared, continuing to reside there until his death, March 8, 1805. He was the early settler at Morristown, N. J., referred to in the foregoing paragraph. He is buried at the Straw Church (St. James). Prior to the Revolutionary war he erected a stone house 28 by 30 feet. He was twice married, his first wife coming to America with him. She was the mother of five children: William, born June 9, 1756; Nicholas, born in 1758, who died in 1827; John; Christian; and a daughter that died young. By his second wife, whose maiden name was Howe, he had six children: Jacob, born May 8, 1766, who died Feb. 24, 1848 (his wife Rachel, born in 1770, died in 1828); Harmon, born April 28, 1775, who died March 24, 1854 (his wife Susanna, born May 21, 1787, died June 10, 1861, and their daughter Rebecca, born in 1827, died in 1847); David; Abram, born April 8, 1773, who was married Feb. 1, 1800, to Mary Eckman; Elizabeth; and Mary.

During the Revolutionary war Harmon Shipman aided the Revolutionists in many ways, contributing of his own time and means and sending four of his sons, William, Nicholas, John and Christian, into the service. At the close of the war this patriotic family was so impoverished that the older sons, with their families, moved to newer settlements, William and Nicholas coming to Pennsylvania and settling in Lower Augusta township, Northumberland county, in the spring of 1794. In 1802 the brothers Christian and Jacob settled in the same vicinity.

Jacob Shipman on coming from New Jersey settled on the farm in Lower Augusta township where Morris Snyder now lives, followed farming, and there died. He owned considerable land, his possessions including the farms now owned by Morris Snyder, Silas Snyder and Nicholas Renn. He was a Presbyterian in religious belief and is buried at the Presbyterian Church along the mountain, as is one of his two wives. By his first wife, whose maiden name was Minnier, he had sons Jacob and Abra-

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ham. His second wife, whose maiden name was Bird, was the mother of six children: David; John; James; Sylvanus; Betzy, who married Samuel Wynn; and Polly, who married Isaac Updegrove and (second) John Ebright. Of these, Sylvanus Shipman died Dec. 9, 1887, aged seventy-three years, one month, eight days; his wife Harriet A. died Aug. 12, 1846, aged twenty-seven years, six months; his wife Rebecca died Oct. 30, 1902, aged seventy-five years, eight months, five days.

David Shipman, son of Jacob and grandson of Harmon, born Feb. 26, 1809, died March 17, 1897. From the time of his marriage until his death he lived at the place in Lower Augusta township where his daughter Lydia, widow of Silas R. Snyder, now lives. He was a farmer by occupation. His wife Eliza (Hintershot), daughter of John Hintershot born in September, 1812, died Feb. 9, 1877, aged sixty-four years, four months, nineteen days. Mr. and Mrs. Shipman are buried in the Fisher's Ferry cemetery. They had the following children: Matilda married Joseph Porter; John Landis lives in Shamokin; Corrinda died at the age of fifty-eight unmarried; Lydia is the widow of Silas R. Snyder; Hiram A. is a resident of Carthage Mo.; Harriet E. married Dr. H. K. Myers, who died in 1900, aged fifty-nine years, six days; Isaac E. resides in Kansas.

William Shipman, son of Harmon, was a native of New Jersey, born in Harmony township June 9, 1756, and died Jan. 23, 1841, in Lower Augusta township, Northumberland county, where he settled in 1794. He is buried at the Mountain Presbyterian Church in that township. As previously mentioned, he served in the Revolutionary war. On coming to Northumberland county with his brother Nicholas, in the spring of 1794, he purchased 150 acres of land, where he made his home, and subsequently made additional purchases until he owned a large acreage. Soon after the

close of the Revolution he married Catherine Campbell, of Sussex county, N.J., and they had children as follows: John, Jacob, William, Abram, Johannah, Lizzie, Sara and Lydia.

John Shipman, son of William, was born Oct. 13, 1783, in Sussex county, N.J., and accompanied his parents to Lower Augusta township, Northumberland county, where he was engaged in farming to the end of his days, dying April 8, 1850. He married Mary McKinney, who was born Jan. 25, 1786, daughter of Abraham and Abigail McKinney and granddaughter of William McKinney, a native of Ireland, born Aug. 20, 1723, who died Oct. 24, 1777; his wife, Hannah, born Sept. 9, 1780, died March 18, 1765; they lived in Warren county, N. J. Mrs. Shipman died March 10, 1851. She was the mother of eleven children, born as follows: Abraham, March 10, 1810 (died Aug. 8, 1878); Sarah, Sept. 14, 1811 (died Nov. 2, 1883); Isaac, Aug. 5, 1813 (died April 1, 1836, by accident in the prime of life and health); Jacob, Jan. 1, 1816 (died Oct. 3, 1890; his son Luther died Feb. 5, 1891, aged thirty-eight years, five months, twenty days); Abigail, Oct. 17, 1817 (died March 23, 1880); William C., Oct. 31, 1819; Rachel E., Dec. 13, 1821 (died Oct. 22, 1824); James M., Jan. 25, 1824 (died Oct. 24, 1824); John, Dec. 25, 1825 (died Sept. 5, 1887); Samuel H., Nov. 30, 1828 (died April 15, 1864; his wife Catharine died July 9, 1905, aged seventy-nine years, one month, nine days); Peter, Aug. 11, 1833.

Abraham Shipman, eldest son of John and Mary (McKinney) Shipman, was born March 10, 1810, in Lower Augusta township, where he passed all his life, dying Aug. 8, 1878, on the old farm home-stead. He received only such advantages as the common schools of the day afforded, but he was a man of keen and intelligent mind, and he became well educated by following the bent of his own inclinations. He studied civil engineering under David Andrews and learned surveying, which he followed from March, 1836, throughout his active years, serving several years as county surveyor. In addition to farming he carried on milling, building what is known as the Shipman mill, a large gristmill in Lower Augusta (now Rockefeller) township, and in connection with his work as surveyor he did considerable conveyancing. He served as associate judge under Judge Jordan for a period of ten years, being first elected in 1861 and reelected in 1866; and subsequently was justice of the peace in Lower Augusta township for several years. In politics he was an ardent Democrat and one of the local party leaders, for a long time the recognized leader in this county. He was also active in his earlier years in local military matters, serving as a member of the Jackson Rifles from 1829 to 1836. He was a large, athletic man, of fine appearance, and his presence added much to gatherings of that kind.

On Feb. 14, 1837, Mr. Shipman married Elizabeth Yoxtheimer, who died April 8, 1892. Their union was blessed with eleven children, all born in Lower Augusta township, ten of whom reached maturity: (1) Lemuel, born Dec. 15, 1838, is mentioned below. (2) Matilda, born Aug. 19, 1840, was married Aug. 12, 1859, to John Bloom, of Lower Augusta township, now a successful farmer of Rockefeller township. (3) Mark, born April 24, 1842, died in June, 1870. He enlisted in the Union army soon after the opening of the Civil war and remained in active service until its close, being stationed most of the time at Key West, Fla. (4) Saul is mentioned below. (5) Ruth, born Aug. 6, 1845, married Oct. 31, 1867, Joseph Class, Jr., a farmer of Rockefeller township. (6) Ann, born Nov. 25, 1847, died June 5, 1908. On Nov. 15, 1866, she married Anthony S. Speece who is engaged in the powder business at Speeceville, Dauphin Co., Pa. (7) Rebecca J., born Dec. 27,

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1850, married Franklin Mayberry. (8) Silas, born April 30, 1858, died Aug. 14, 1858. (9) Ira is mentioned below. (10) Walter, born Aug. 3,

1856, was a lawyer by profession and had long been justice of the peace at Sunbury, where he resided. He married April 30, 1878, Josephine M. Coldren, and they had three children, Lida M., Carrie O. and James F. (11) Jefferson, born Feb. 24, 1859, is a successful attorney at Mount Carmel, Pennsylvania.

Lemuel Shipman, son of Abraham, born Dec. 15, 1838, received his education in the public schools and at the New Berlin Academy. In his early life he worked for his father on the farm and in the saw and grist mill, and also taught school for a number of years. On Oct. 30, 1862, he enlisted in Company D (Capt. Edwin A. Evans), 3d Pennsylvania Volunteer Artillery, 152d Pennsylvania Regiment. He entered the service as first sergeant, was promoted to second lieutenant of his company May 16, 1864 and served as such to the close of the war. While officer of the day at Fortress Monroe he had charge of a distinguished prisoner, Jeff. Davis, the president of the Confederacy. Upon his return from the army he was engaged in business as a merchant until elected register of wills, recorder of deeds and clerk of the Orphans' court, in 1873, serving as such from 1874 to 1880, and also filled other positions of trust and honor while a resident of Northumberland county. He was in the railroad contracting business for seven years, in 1887 removing to Lewisburg, Union county, where he became prominent in business circles. He was prominent in building up a nail mill, steam car axle forge and furniture factory (the latter being the Lewisburg Furniture Works); and in 1889 removed to West Virginia, where he engaged in the lumbering business. He is now a resident of Meridian, Miss., engaged in the manufacture of lumber and other enterprises.

On Sept. 27, 1860, Mr. Shipman married Maria Bloom, who was born Aug. 16, 1842, daughter of William Bloom, and they had a family of six children, viz.: William A. is mentioned below; D. Webster, born March 1, 1863, a practicing attorney, has been district attorney of Northumberland county; Edwin H. born Oct. 30, 1867, is employed by the Shamokin Street Railway Company; Lizzie, born Aug. 10, 1889, died Aug. 19, 1871; Charles C., born, Oct. 2, 1872, died Dec. 11, 1874; Augusta, born March 19, 1874, married S. C. Yocum, who is superintendent of schools of Coal township, Northumberland county.

WILLIAM A. SHIPMAN, now engaged in the undertaking business at No. 701 Market street, Sunbury, Northumberland county, was born Sept. 11 1861, in Rockefeller township, this county. He began his education there in the local schools and was ten years old when he came with his parents to Sunbury, where he attended the high school. Later he became a student at Bucknell College, from which he was graduated in 1886, and in the spring of 1887 he opened a furniture store at Selinsgrove, Snyder Co., Pa., where he was located until the spring of 1889, since when he has been established at Sunbury. He has made a specialty of undertaking, in which line he is a leader in this section, receiving his full share of the local patronage. His personal and business standing has been won by upright methods, able management and fair treatment of his customers.

On Oct. 10, 1888, Mr. Shipman married Annie E. Snyder, daughter of Thomas Snyder, of Sunbury, and they have a family of five children: Myrtle E., Russel C., Harley N., William A., Jr., and Helen.

Mr. Shipman is a prominent member of the Baptist church, which he has served many years as superintendent of the Sunday school, as well as in other capacities. Fraternally he belongs to Maclay Lodge, No. 632, F. & A.M., the Modern Woodmen and the Sons of Veterans.

SAUL SHIPMAN, son of Abraham, was born in Lower Augusta (now Rockefeller) township Jan. 4, 1844.

Reared to labor on the farm, and in the saw and grist mills, with the limited educational advantages of a country school, in August, 1862, the darkest days of the Rebellion, he entered the Union army as a

volunteer for nine months service, in the old 5th Corps, participating in the campaigns of Antietam, Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville. After his discharge, at the end of his term of service, being in too delicate health for hard labor, he took a preparatory collegiate course in Freeburg Academy, but his limited means prevented him from going further. In 1864 he began his pedagogical career by taking charge of a public school in his own district.

In 1869 he was elected superintendent of schools of his native county, and reelected in 1872, serving six years in all. In this position he made a very efficient officer. Characterized as a hard worker he followed up what he undertook with an energy and perseverance worthy of imitation. Punctual in all his appointments, he allowed nothing to interrupt the fulfillment of his engagements. By his thorough course he greatly elevated the grade of the schools of the county.

In the summer of 1870 he conducted a local normal school at Shamokin - the first movement of the kind in this section of the country and a most gratifying success. He has the reputation of having been the most efficient examining officer that ever filled the position of school superintendent of this county; also, the credit of having held the best series of institutes ever held in the county. The annual reports prepared by him as superintendent of schools are concise, pithy, suggestive

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and outspoken documents and form a valuable contribution to the county school literature. An independent thinker, he is positive in his opinion and actions, conscientious in the discharge of duties, just and unyielding in what he believes to be right.

He is a member of the G.A.R., has served as secretary of church and joint councils; secretary of his own lodge, and representative to the grand lodge, I.O.O.F.; is secretary-treasurer of Plum Creek Cemetery Company (incorporated), of which he was the organizer, and is now serving his nineteenth year, by annual election, as secretary of a local mutual fire insurance company, incorporated. He resides in Rockefeller township, and is engaged in agricultural and horticultural pursuits, his work in these occupations being excellent object lessons, and his advice and suggestions eagerly sought by the most progressive people engaged in the same pursuits.

Mr. Shipman married July 13, 1869, Lucinda Fasold, who was born Sept. 20, 1847. They had nine children, eight sons and one daughter, all still living, seven of whom were teachers in the public schools; only one has remained in that work, the second being a supervising principal in the Philadelphia schools. The record of this family is as follows: (1) Warren Lee graduated from the Millersville normal school, supplementing this course with a special course at Valparaiso, Ind., and also graduated from the Dickinson Law School, Carlisle, Pa.; he now resides in Arkansas, engaged in farming and stock raising. (2) Gordon Bryant, a graduate of Millersville State normal school, supplemented his work there by an extended course, and is now a public school principal in Philadelphia. (3) Cullen Frazer, a graduate of Bucknell University, and Hon. S. P. Wolverton's last law student, is now a practicing attorney at Sunbury. (4) Ivan Vernon, a graduate of the Pennsylvania Dental College, Philadelphia, is now practicing dentistry at Sunbury. (5) Melville M. is a carrier in the mail service from the Philadelphia post office. (6) Truman G. is in the government service, in the United States weather bureau. (7) Grover C. served his apprenticeship as a patternmaker at Baldwin's, Philadelphia, and is now engaged as a skilled workman at his trade, in Danville. (8) Catherine E., the only daughter, married Charles W. Gearhart, and resides at Sunbury. (9) Don Benito is now a junior student in the Sunbury high school.

IRA SHIPMAN, son of Abraham, was born in Lower Augusta (now Rockefeller) township, this county, May 17, 1854. It is a coincidence that the year of his birth was the year the office of county superintendent of schools, in which he served efficiently for six years, was established. He received his early education in the country schools near his birthplace, attended also at New Bloomfield, Perry county, and was later a student at the Freeburg Academy and the Shippensburg normal school. He began to teach at the age of seventeen and found his principal work in that profession to the end of his days. The first four years he was engaged in his native township, after which he was chosen a teacher for Sunbury, in which borough he followed his profession, as teacher, principal and superintendent, for nearly thirty years. There is hardly any one educator whose influence on the schools of the borough has been so strong or so lasting. In 1893 he was chosen county superintendent of schools, and held that office until 1899, after which, until his death, he was borough superintendent. At a meeting of the board of education held May 2, 1905, his term of office was extended for a period of three years, he being elected without opposition and at an increased salary. Had he lived, he would have entered upon the duties of principal of the Herndon (Northumberland county) schools, to which position he had been chosen, and which opened the day before his death. Such is a brief statement of the various capacities in which his services were given. Of his work, none who knew him had anything but words of praise. During his incumbency as superintendent the country schools were especially benefited, being graded and brought to a high state of efficiency, and he was equally zealous in his work at Sunbury. Indefatigable in his own efforts, he expected the same degree of industry and enthusiasm from all the teachers cooperating with him, but he was appreciative and just, winning their loyalty and support as well as their best exertions. He died Aug. 31, 1909, at the age of fifty-five years, mourned by all who knew him. The following explains itself:

"WHEREAS: Since the last meeting of the Northumberland County Teachers' Institute, God, in His allwise providence, has seen fit to remove, by death, from the ranks of our profession, Prof. Ira Shipman of the borough of Sunbury,

"WHEREAS: By the death of Prof. Shipman, the County has lost an educator who, by persistent effort, indefatigable work and intelligent application, placed himself at the head of the schools of the County and of the borough of Sunbury, and,

"WHEREAS: By the death of Prof. Shipman we have lost a sincere friend, a wise counselor, and a splendid leader in the positions which he so ably filled, a self-made man, attentive to his duties, a real help to the teachers, a model school man, and, as Dr. Schaeffer puts it, 'One of the three great County Superintendents of the State'- the graded course of study, monthly reviews, final examinations, and the granting of diplomas, stand out as monuments of his work:

"Therefore: Be it resolved that we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family" in its

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affliction, and commend it to Him who doeth all things well. * * *

"Be it further resolved: That these resolutions be recorded on the minutes of the Northumberland County Teachers' Institute, and that copies of the same be sent to the bereaved families." The document bears the signatures of the seven members of the Memorial committee.

It was not alone in the schools that Mr. Shipman served his community well. When a young man he studied surveying with his father, spending his holidays at the work, and in 1882 was appointed county surveyor to succeed E. M. Purdy, who had resigned, filling the position

until the next election, in 1883. He also gained considerable knowledge of civil engineering under his father, and after his father's death became custodian of the notes of many important surveys. He attained a high reputation as a civil engineer, and served the borough of Sunbury in that capacity for five years, during which time the first section of street paving was laid there, under his supervision. He filled this position while teaching, resigning it in 1893, when elected county superintendent of schools. He was for a time borough regulator, and served Rockefeller township as justice of the peace.

Mr. Shipman's life was in every respect an example of unselfish devotion to the ideals he cherished, and the strength of character he displayed in carrying out his plans, especially in his educational work, is referred to with pride by all who knew him. Thoughtfulness marked all his actions, even to the last. Realizing a few days before his death that the end was near, he made complete arrangements for his funeral and interment, sparing his family and friends as many of the sad duties as possible. He passed away at his home on Catawissa avenue and was laid to rest in Pomfret Manor cemetery. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church from early life to the end of his days, but as the First Presbyterian church of Sunbury was undergoing repairs at the time of his decease the funeral services were held in the First Baptist church. Fraternally Mr. Shipman held membership in Lodge No. 267, B.P.O. Elks, the Sovereign Patriotic Knights, the I.O.O.F., the P.O.S. of A. and the Royal Arcanum.

On April 27, 1876, Mr. Shipman married Theresa Miller, daughter of Solomon and Caroline (Kline) Miller, who lived in Lower Augusta (now Rockefeller) township, where Mr. Miller was the owner of a large farm, which he cultivated. Three children were born to this union, Herbert M. (deceased), Ralph and Waldo. Upon the death of his father Mr. Shipman purchased the old family homestead where he had spent his early life, remodeled the dwelling, and there made his home for eight or ten years.

RALPH SHIPMAN, son of Ira, was born Aug. 13, 1879. He received a common school education in Sunbury and attended the Bloomsburg State Normal School at Bloomsburg, Pa. Later he served an apprenticeship to the trade of machinist. In December, 1908, his father became connected with the Shipman Instrument Company, which manufactures speed indicators for use on automobiles and railroads, and Ralph Shipman became secretary and treasurer of the concern after the death of his father. This company produced the first successful speed indicator built on the escapement principle, recording the speed in miles per hour, trip and season distances, and trip and season running hours. Mr. Shipman is an enterprising young business man, and a citizen of promising value to the community. He is a member of Lodge No. 267, B.P.O. Elks, of the Royal Arcanum and of the Modern Woodmen of America. In 1907 he married Della Daniels, and they have had one son, Waldo.

WALDO SHIPMAN, son of Ira, was born Feb. 2, 1882, in Lower Augusta township, graduated from the Sunbury high school in 1901, and subsequently attended the Pratt Institute, at Brooklyn, N. Y., taking the electrical course, and graduating in 1905. Meantime he had been in the employ of the Westinghouse Company, extensive manufacturers of electrical supplies, and after his graduation he engaged in the electrical contracting business at Lewistown, Pa., for two years. He then began as a salesman for the Elliott Lewis Electric Company of Philadelphia, his territory being northeastern Pennsylvania and the lower end of New York State. His thorough familiarity with the products he handles makes his services particularly efficient. He is a member of Lodge No. 663, B.P.O.E., of Lewistown; of Sunbury Council Royal Arcanum; and of Lewistown Lodge, No. 203, F. & A.M., Caldwell Consistory, of Bloomsburg, and Irem Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S., of Wilkes-Barre. He also

belongs to U.C.T. Council, No. 350, of Williamsport, Pa. On March 21, 1906, Mr. Shipman married Sarah Maud Kauffman. They have no children.

WALTER SHIPMAN, lawyer and justice of the peace, late of Sunbury, was for many years one of the prominent residents of that borough, well known in his earlier years as a public school teacher and later as a successful member of the legal profession.

Mr. Shipman was born Aug. 3, 1856, in Lower Augusta township, this county son of Abraham and Elizabeth (Yoxtheimer) Shipman. In his early life he attended the Freeburg Academy, later becoming a student at the Millersville State Normal school, after which he was engaged as educator for fifteen years, in the public schools of Sunbury, where he won especial reputation for thoroughness and skill as a disciplinarian. During

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the latter part of this period he studied law under George B. Reimensnyder, Esq., of Sunbury, was admitted to the bar in 1885, and made a decided success as a legal practitioner. He had an extensive practice, handling many important cases not only in the lower courts but also in the Supreme court, and had an especially large practice in the Orphans court of the county. His standing among the members of his profession may be judged from the fact that he served for over ten years as member of the examining committee of the county bar, giving his services without compensation. He filled a number of public positions, for the most part in the line of his chosen work, being borough solicitor two years (at the time his brother Ira Shipman was borough regulator), holding this office under two Republican chief burgesses - Peter Bowen and Jacob Renn - though he himself was a Democrat. In 1893 he was elected justice of the peace on the Democratic ticket, by a majority of 283, and in 1898 was reelected by a majority of 1,100, continuing to serve until his death, at which time he was filling his fourth term. In 1901 he was a candidate for the Democratic nomination for president judge, and received flattering indorsement, carrying every ward in his own city, though he did not receive the nomination. The Shipmans generally have been prominent in public affairs and politics, and he proved no exception to the rule, gaining and maintaining honorable standing in the life of the community.

Mr. Shipman died July 21, 1911, at his home in Sunbury, after about a year's illness and suffering, during which he underwent three fruitless operations. The simple but impressive funeral services, held at the house, were conducted by Rev. Robert O'Boyle, assisted by Rev. Richard Gass, of Elysburg, and Rev. Walter W. C. Pugh, of Sunbury, and were largely attended. The members of the Northumberland County Bar Association and other organizations to which Mr. Shipman belonged attended in a body. The interment at Pomfret Manor cemetery was private, though the ritual of the B.P.O. Elks, of which he was a prominent member, was observed. The acting pallbearers, nephews of Mr. Shipman, were Dr. H. W. Gass, Dr. I. V. Shipman, Ralph Shipman, D. W. Shipman, Esq., Frazer Shipman, Esq., and R. Ira Gass. The honorary pallbearers were Hon. C. R. Savidge, Hon. Voris Auten; Hon. C. B. Witmer, Harry S. Knight, H. W. Cummings and John V. Leshner.

Mr. Shipman was one of the most prominent members of Lodge No. 267, B.P.O. Elks, a past exalted ruler of that body, and represented the lodge at the convention held in Salt Lake City in 1902. He was also a member of Washington Camp No. 194, P.O.S. of A., Lance and Shield Conclave and the Royal Arcanum.

Mr. Shipman married Claudine Fasold, daughter of Solomon W and Maranda (Kimble) Fasold, the former of whom, a farmer of Rockefeller township, died July 16, 1905. Mrs. Shipman survives, as do also the

three children of Mr. Shipman by a former union: Lida Maude, now Mrs. William Gaskins, of Sunbury; Carrie Glen, now Mrs. Charles D. Keefer, of Sunbury; and James Fay, a graduate of the Dickinson Law School, who was admitted to practice in Northumberland county but is now a practicing attorney at Moundsville, West Virginia.

Joseph Shipman was a farmer in what is now Lower Augusta township, owning a farm which was later the property of his son John B., who sold it to one James H. Smith. Joseph Shipman is buried at the Mountain Presbyterian Church. He married Mary, daughter of John Bergstresser, and nine children were born to this union, viz.: Elizabeth married Matthew DeWitt; John B. is mentioned below; Phoebe married William P. Koontz, who died May 23, 1854, aged twenty-five years, eleven months, and she subsequently married George McCarthy; Nicholas lives in Ohio; Lot, who was a school teacher, later interested in a grain elevator, died April 1, 1904, in Ohio, aged seventy years, five months, ten days, and is buried in the West; Jemima married John Ditty and died Aug. 2, 1904, aged sixty-one years, ten days (she is buried at Shamokin, Pa.); Adaline, who was the wife of Robert Feaster, died May 12, 1891, aged forty-five years, five months, eleven days, and is buried at the Baptist Church at Augusta; Catharine died July 26, 1836, aged eight years, fourteen days; Joseph married Harriet Read, and died Oct. 20, 1845, aged forty-two years, one month, eight days.

JOHN B. SHIPMAN was a native of Lower Augusta township, born March 23, 1830, and died July 18, 1906, on his farm near Vera Cruz (Malta post office), in Lower Mahanoy township. He was a lifelong farmer, a substantial and respected citizen, one who held the good will and esteem of all who knew him. Reared in his native township, he afterward owned his father's farm there, selling it to James H. Smith before he settled in Lower Mahanoy, in 1884. He had a farm of 144 acres in the latter township (formerly owned by John Underkoffler), and there passed the remainder of his days. It was the old original David Underkoffler homestead and was settled by a Witmer; the house is a pebble-dashed log structure and one of the landmarks of that section.

In 1883 Mr. Shipman married Emma J. DeWitt, daughter of Paul and Abigail (Shipman) DeWitt, of Lower Augusta township, and the following year, as above mentioned, they moved to the farm in Lower Mahanoy township where Mr. Shipman followed farming until his death. As they were English-speaking people they had some difficulty at first in their social intercourse with their German neighbors. Two children were born

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to Mr. and Mrs. Shipman: Carrie Abigail, who died in infancy, and Franklin Clyde. The son farms the homestead place, where he and his mother continue to make their home, and he is an industrious and respected young man, intelligent and up-to-date in his agricultural methods, which have been attended with excellent results. He received his early education in the local schools and later attended summer normal school at Georgetown.

Mr. Shipman was a Presbyterian in religious connection and is buried at the Mountain Presbyterian Church.