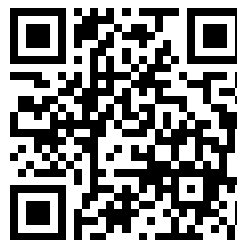
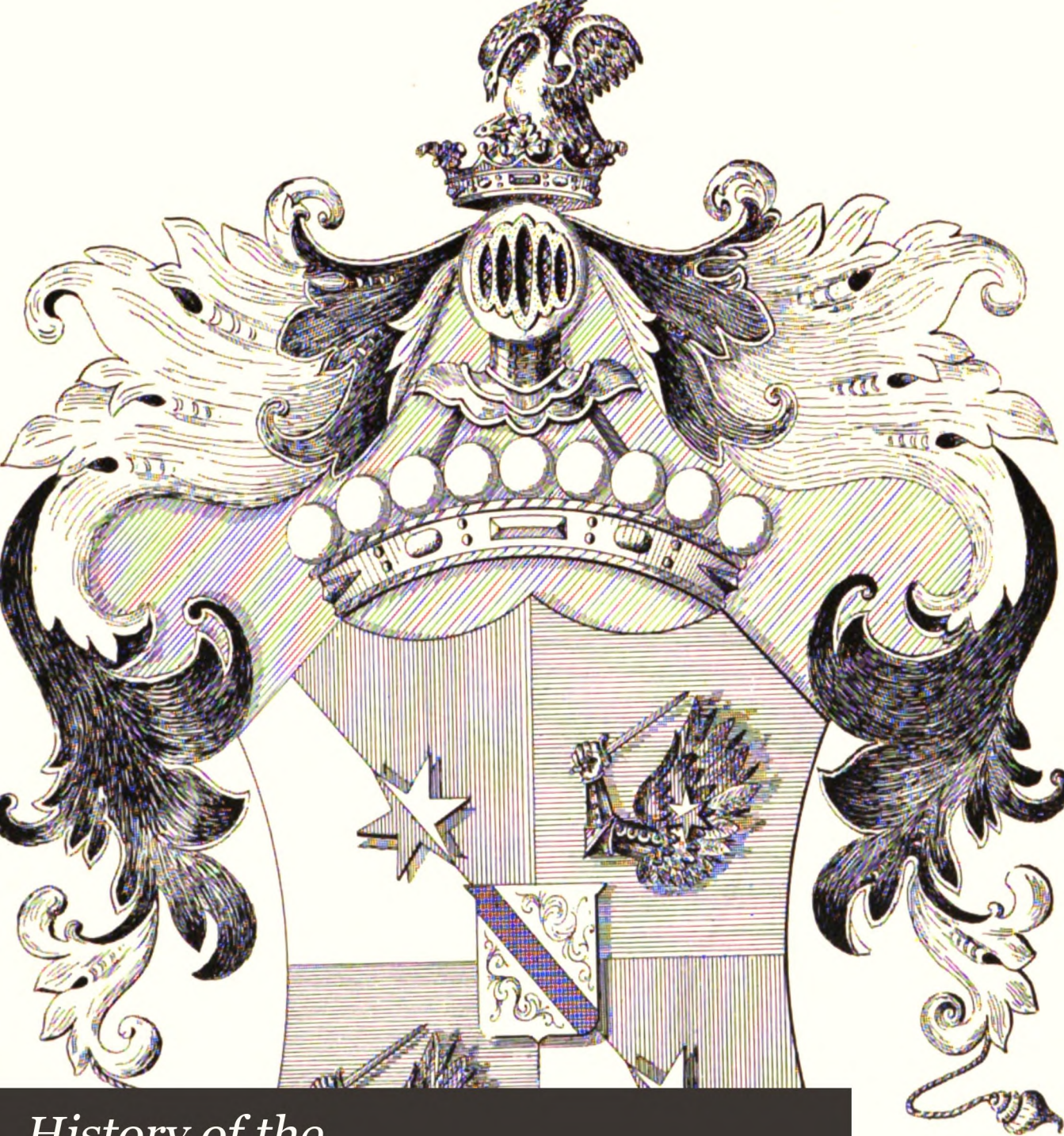

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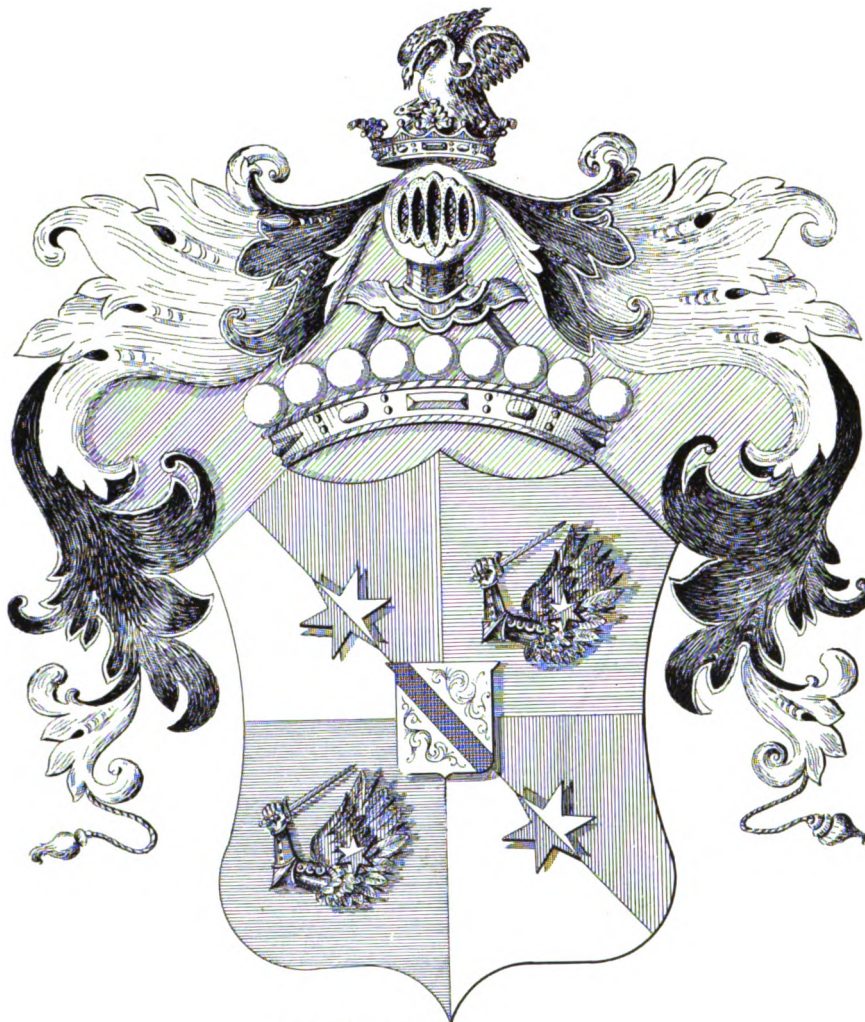
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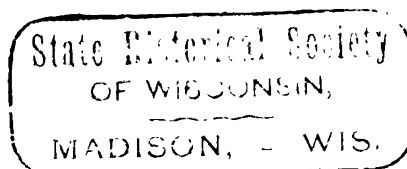
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PREFACE.

After nearly four years of preparatory work this book is sent out to subscribers. Some, perhaps, have become a little impatient on account of delay and unfulfilled announcements at different times. If any blame for the non-appearance of the work at an earlier day is to be laid at the door of the genealogist he will endeavor to submit with meekness to an accusation which may be just. He is quite sure that with financial resources sufficient to enable one to give it undivided attention, also to visit correspondents who failed to reply, a work of this kind might be produced in one-third of the time. There have been vexatious delays on account of tardy correspondents. As this is a general failing with mankind it was not unexpected. Many were very prompt and always willing to furnish all the information they could. In some instances letter after letter was sent to the same persons, to which no response was returned, even when they contained a stamped and addressed envelope for reply. For this reason some should not be surprised if they are not as extensively noticed in this book as they think they should be. A very few refused to have anything to do with the work. A portion of this inconsiderable minority were probably affected with the erroneous impression that it was a money-making scheme. Such do not know that the actual cost of the book is more than nine dollars per copy.

On the other side, which is that of the great majority, the editor has received many words of commendation and encouragement, for which he here returns sincere thanks. He also wishes to express his gratitude to those who so generously aided financially. Among these are mentioned Chauncey Kilmer, of New York City ; J. M. Kilmer, Binghamton, N. Y. ; F. M. Kilmer, Boston, Mass. ; S. Andral Kilmer, M. D., Sanitaria Springs, N. Y. ; Geo. W. Kilmer, Towanda, Pa. ; Kilmer Manufacturing Company, Newburgh, N. Y. ; Washington Kilmer,

M. D., Orlando, Florida. Mentioning these only may seem unfair to some for the reason that two hundred dollars from one person would not represent any more good-will than two dollars from another in less fortunate circumstances. This is true, but without the aid of these mentioned it seems reasonable to say that this book would not have appeared. The work is also indebted to F. B. Kilmer, of New Brunswick, New Jersey, for valuable *data* secured at his personal expense.

In the circumstances it is a good thing that the book could not be issued when circular number four announced it would be. The delay has afforded opportunity for corrections and the grouping of some hitherto scattered lines. At best the work is imperfect and would be if double the time should be used. With this in view the pages have a wide margin for notations which any may desire to make.

The records for search have been very meagre. Bread-getting was paramount to genealogy in the early days of our ancestry, besides, their education, generally, was limited. Even with the best educated old English people, genealogy generally runs back into the fabulous or other forms of darkness. Queen Victoria traces her lineage back to Cerdic, King of the West-Saxons, said to have been the fifteenth in descent from Odin, whom tradition places about one hundred years before the Christian era, but the names of the fifteen are missing. For completeness in genealogical line we have to look in the Scriptures, where we find the genealogy of Christ as son of man given from Abraham down in Matthew, and as Son of God from Christ back to Adam in Luke. This marvelous record is without a parallel.

For our complete genealogy we will have to wait until the Resurrection, when all the tribes of earth will be gathered to their appointed place under their accredited standards and leaders.

Many are living now in Germany and Holland of whom we here know very little. The compiler was surprised to find the great number now living in this country. He is glad that it has not been necessary to search any prison records. Though none have gained great prominence as the world counts, it is his prayer that a great number may gain eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

INTRODUCTION.

Philip Kelmer and his family were probably the first bearing this name to place their feet on American soil. Their native place was Hesse-Cassel Germany, and they formed part of an army of men, women and children who were refugees from the German Palatinate, and arrived in this country in 1710.

It seems necessary to make at least some brief reference to the privations, sufferings and discouragements of this people in their flight from persecution and their early days here.

In September, 1688, Louis XIV. of France began the invasion of the German Palatinate, which he desolated with fire and sword. This invasion, together with his revocation of the Edict of Nantes, nearly three years previous, alarmed the Protestant inhabitants of the Palatinate, causing them to flee from their homes and seek refuge in Holland and England. The edict had been in force eighty-seven years and had given to the Huguenots left in France some liberties, but with these revoked the alarmed Palatines, fearing the same persecutions suffered by their Protestant neighbors would also be inflicted on them, quickly decided on a general exodus. The number of this mixed multitude cannot be estimated. It is on record that forty thousand of them were at one time encamped in the vicinity of London, and collections were taken for their relief in the Protestant churches of England. The English government thought it Christian duty to render still further aid to these suffering people so suddenly swept over on her domain. The plan was to colonize on her possessions on the American continent. It was foreseen that the emigrants must have some provision for their maintenance on their arrival as well as the furnishment of transportation.

English officers on this side had sent information to the home government that there were extensive pine forests in the province of New York along the Hudson river which might be utilized in the production of tar, resin, pitch and turpentine for

the royal navy. At this time England was purchasing these supplies from Sweden, Norway and Russia, and it was considered wise policy to make provision for this important industry on her own territory.

For their transportation Queen Anne fitted an expensive fleet of ten ships, which set sail from Portsmouth on Christmas day, 1709. The voyage was long and tedious ; some of the vessels reached New York in June following, and the last one did not arrive until the latter part of July. Much sickness on board had greatly reduced their number. They were landed on Governor's Island, and committed to the care and inspection of the governor of New York, Robert Hunter, who encamped them in tents and divided them into companies, over each of which a captain was placed, thus being under a kind of military rule, and evidently not regarded as free citizens.

Governor Hunter proceeded at once to carry out the plan of the English government and bought of Robert Livingston six thousand acres of land about one hundred and ten miles above the port of New York, on the east side of the Hudson. The tract was principally rocks and white pine trees. Upon this many Palatines located for the business of tar making. They scattered about in large groups of families and built their huts in villages. Their settlement where Germantown now is was called "The Camp," and was the home of Peter Kelmer. A house then was a pit dug in the ground, six or seven feet deep, shaped like a cellar. This was cased around with timber, and usually lined with the bark of trees, to prevent earth-caving. Plank was used for floors and ceiling. The roof was made of spars, covered with green sod or bark. This was the style of architecture for perhaps twenty years, when they began to build of stone.

The tar making business was not successful. The white pine did not furnish suitable material for the naval stores. Before the second year at the tar-camp was passed, they began to be in great need of provision and clothing. The five pounds in money they were to receive in advance, from the English government, they did not get—nor any portion. They were prom-

ised clothes, utensils, and tools belonging to husbandry as soon as settled here, but of these it appears they received but a very small quantity. These things were sent over with them, and the non-distribution greatly reflects on the provincial officers. The subsequent treatment of these destitute people by the governor tends to confirm this suspicion. Without their consent he took many of their children and bound them to the inhabitants of the province until twenty-one, depriving the parents, as cited from their complaint, of their comfort and company; also the privilege of educating them, as well as the assistance they might reasonably expect to receive from them in a short time. In this second year of their occupancy of the manor of Livingston, orders came to detail three hundred able-bodied men to serve in the expedition against Canada, which they cheerfully obeyed. On their return their arms were taken from them, although by her majesty's express orders they should have kept them. Also, during this time of service they did not receive any wages, though the money was especially furnished, and the troops placed on the establishment of the New York province.

No one can tell all the hardships of these people in their early days of settlement here. We know they were severe. In the winter of 1712 and '13, we note much suffering as recorded in their grievances in documentary history, especially with the weaker portion, the women and children; and in their pitiful destitution, without necessary food or clothing, they were obliged to seek relief from the Indians, by whom they were kindly received. Fifty families left camp and traveled through an unbroken wilderness over the Catskills to the Schoharie river, in the hope of better prospects. The wrongs and persecutions which these Palatines, who went to Schoharie, suffered from the hands of the officers of the province, seem to equal in severity the worst in history. They were hunted, robbed, dispossessed, and thrown into prison. We have not space to follow this out into detail, and besides, the fact that Philip Kelmer and family were not among the early Schoharie Palatines would make it somewhat irrelevant. Suffice it to say that the

thoughtful reader of history will discover that the galling yoke of English oppression was placed on the necks of her subjects before the odious stamp acts. The spirit of independence uttered its feeble cry from these Palatines, and which, growing stronger with the years as they were able to establish themselves in more independent positions, became active in the valiant soldiery of their grand-children in 1776.

It will at least be charitable to say that the English government could not at that time be held as responsible for the acts of its subordinates, as it would be in these days of ocean cable and rapid transit.

The production of naval stores, promising by their representations adequate returns, was a disastrous experiment and cost the treasury of England a large sum of money.

Philip Kelmer remained on the manor with the sixty-three families, who received from the government the Patent of 1725 for six thousand acres of land. This document was for more than one hundred years among the archives of the Lutheran church at Germantown, but as it was in demand in the courts proving titles, it has been carelessly allowed to drift into the hands of some lawyer, no one knows exactly where. It should be returned to its proper place and put in safe keeping with the other ancient records of this church. In the summer of 1896 these valuable books were found on the top of a cupboard in an ice cream saloon. Therein is recorded, with hundreds of others, the marriages and baptisms of Philip Kelmer's children, grand-children and great-grand-children.

In Documentary History of New York Philip Kelmer's family, according to the descriptive numeration of that period, is thus described: "Two men, two lads from nine to fifteen, one boy from eight and under, one woman, and two maids, from nine to fifteen." The two men were probably Philip, the father, and the oldest son, named George. The two boys from nine to fifteen, Simon and John. The boy from eight and under, Abraham. The woman, his wife, and one of the two girls, Elizabeth.

As nearly as can be determined from the church records,

which are the oldest, most authentic, and indeed about all we have for our guidance, George, oldest son of Philip, married Anna Margaret Falkenburg. His children were: Johannes, baptized October 7, 1725; Wilhelmus, baptized May 18, 1741; Maria, May 12, 1743; and Anna Margaret, August 30, 1747.

Simon, son of Philip, married Elizabeth Fonk. His children were: Elizabeth, baptized 1731; Simon, May 27, 1740; Adam, November 28, 1742; and George.

✓ Johannes, son of Philip, married Anna Becker. His children were: Elizabeth, baptized 1732; Johannes, August 27, 1739; Wilhelmus, May, 1746; George, 1748; Catharine, August 13, 1749; Gertrude, December, 1751.

Elizabeth, daughter of Philip, married Nicholas Phickel. One child, Nicholas, baptized 1732, was found on the record.

Abraham, son of Philip, married Anna Eva Link. His children were: Nicholas, baptized December, 1741; Emerich, June, 1742; Elizabeth, February 5, 1744; Catharine, March 2, 1745; Adam, 1748; Wilhelmus, June 17, 1752.

It will be seen that the editor in his plan of the book does not strictly follow the chart. This refers principally to the center. He does not claim that his chart is absolutely correct from center to circumference. We cannot call back our great-grandfathers to prove or disprove. If they had done as much according to their facilities as we have done they would receive our thanks, as we hope to receive the thanks of our descendants. The chart will have to stand as it is until some one discovers documents to correct, or supply the missing links.

We have nothing concerning Philip Kelmer but his name as one of the Palatines and the number in his family. From the old church records we have been able to gather in groups some of his immediate descendants, as given in this introduction and placed on the chart.

From Documentary History of New York and church records we learn something about Johannes, supposed to be his son, and from nine to fifteen years old when they arrived at the camp. His name is recorded, Johannes Külmer, among those characterized as sober and industrious and willing to remain on the Manor

after the failure of the "tarr" industry. He was nominated to the governor in 1724 by the surveyor general as one of four to whom was to be granted the six thousand acres of land in trust for the benefit of the sixty-three families remaining on Manor. The nomination was confirmed by order of the governor and council and Letters Patent granted, as here before noted, and comprising what is now Germantown, New York. Was an elder in the "Church of the Sanctity," now Reformed Church of Germantown, where his name appears frequently in his official capacity. Our inferences concerning his relation to Philip Kelmer, the Palatine, are supposed to be correct, yet we leave him out of our history as the progenitor of generations in order to make the entire plan of the book uniform, and start the generations with a head known to be correct by those now living.

Descendants of George and Simon, supposed sons of Philip Kelmer, the Palatine, so far cannot be traced, and our history begins with Johannes (m. Elizabeth Mickle), son of Johannes, (m. Anna Becker), son of Philip; followed by Wilhelmus (m. Gertrude Pulver), son of Johannes (m. Anna Becker), son of Philip; and the descendants of Abraham supposed to be the youngest son of Philip Kelmer.

JOHANNES KÜLMER.

Name in English John Kilmer. He was baptized at East Camp (now Germantown, N. Y.), August 27, 1739. Married Elizabeth Mickle. Was trustee and deacon about 1792 in the German Reformed Church at East Camp. Moved to Cobleskill, Schoharie county, N. Y., in 1799 and died in 1823. His farm at Howe's Cave, same county, has never passed out of the ownership of the Kilmers.

FIRST GENERATION.

Children of Johannes³, [Johannes², Philip¹].

GEORGE. Baptized January 9, 1765. Married Saloma Barner.

CATHARINE. Baptized August 21, 1768.

JOHN I. Married Anna Sipperly.

ELIZABETH. Baptized 1779.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of George⁴ [Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹].

ELIZABETH. Born 1786.

JOHN. Born 1790.

JEREMIAH. Born October 7, 1795, in Cobleskill, Schoharie county, N. Y. On reaching his majority he married Christina Barner and soon after removed to Otsego county, where he remained twenty-two years. In 1840 he moved his family to Sheshequin, Bradford county, Pa., where he purchased a farm on Union Hill, back of "Breakneck Narrows." On this tract of then unbroken soil, with a family of twelve children, he commenced the struggle for maintenance and won by becoming a successful farmer; his wife sharing bravely with the varying vicissitudes of life, and helped much towards success.

Mr. Kilmer became a professed Christian while living in Otsego, and soon after joined the Methodist Church, in which he was honored with the offices of steward, class-leader and trustee. When there was no church building his home was often

the preaching-place and under his hospitable roof the minister was always welcome. He never considered himself poor for what he did for God and His cause. Died November 19, 1884, reaching nearly the age of ninety.

CHRISTINA. Born 1796.

WILLIAM. Born 1798.

CATHARINE. Born 1800.

NANCY. Born 1803. Married David I. Barner.

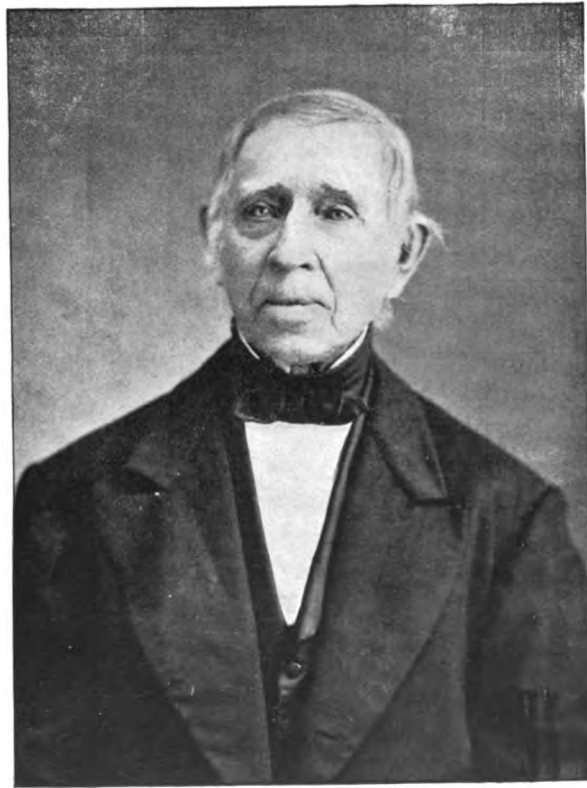
JOSHUA. Born 1806, in Barnerville, Schoharie county, N. Y. Married Margaret Dings. In April, 1840, he moved to Durell, Bradford county, Pa., where he had previously purchased fifty acres of land. Afterward he bought a farm in Rome, Pa., where he resided about fourteen years. By industry he accumulated considerable property. Was kind-hearted, obliging and accounted an excellent citizen. Member of the Methodist church for sixty-five years. Died November 20, 1883.

DAVID. Born 1809. Enlisted in Chicago, Ills., in the spring of 1862, in Company G, 127th Illinois Volunteers. Was discharged in March, 1863, at Memphis, Tenn., by reason of physical disability brought on in the army service, Died March 29th, 1863, three days after returning home.

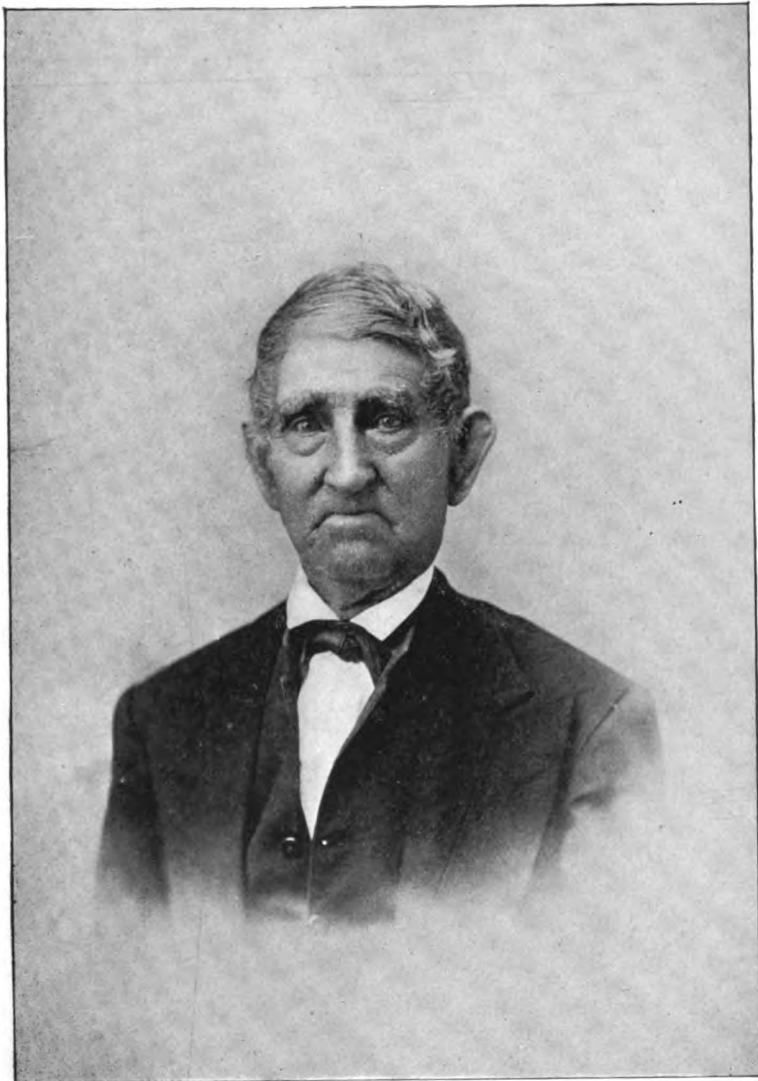
Children of John I.⁴ [Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹].

PETER. Born July 13, 1788. Died January 27, 1820.

JONAS. Born 1795. For many years was a resident of Barnerville, Schoharie county, N. Y., where he owned a saw mill, clover mill and grist mill. Afterward moved to Schoharie, where he built a steam saw mill, engaging extensively in the lumber business. Was one of the trustees of the Schoharie Academy, a member of the Lutheran church in which he held the office of deacon for seventy-five years, and was always prominent in church matters. His rigid religious convictions had their natural effect on his life and character, manifesting strictly temperance principles, and tenacious for the right. Was in everything systematic and left an impress on the people



JONAS KILMER.



JOHN KILMER.



ELIZABETH KILMER MYER, AT AGE OF 81.

with whom he associated worthy of example. He gave all his children, ten in number, an academic education. Died September 10, 1889.

JOHN. Born in Germantown, Columbia county, September 22, 1798. Married Catharine Shaver. By some of his relatives he was known as John, Jr., but not rightly so-called, as we have it stated on what is considered good authority that there was not an I in his name. His first business was shoemaking, and afterward became owner of a tannery and brewery. Disposing of these he commenced farming, in which he was successful. He was noted among his acquaintances for precision in language and for his methodical system of work. The tidyness of his buildings and farm was often a subject of remark with his neighbors. Died August 25, 1886.

DANIEL. Born January 27, 1800. Was a well-informed man, much above the average farmer of his time. In politics was an ardent Whig and Republican, and was elected Supervisor by fifty-six majority in a Democratic town in 1851. A member of the Lutheran Church. Died May 4th, 1859.

THOMAS. Graduated at Union College, in 1828 and was afterward a Divinity student in Hartwick seminary. Was licensed in the Lutheran Church in 1830 and ordained the following year. He had charge of a church in Williamsburg, Upper Canada, and afterward the joint charges of Fredericksburg and Ernesttown, Upper Canada. He resigned about 1834. Died in Canada, leaving a widow and two children. After diligent search we failed to find any descendants.

ELIZABETH. Born March 10, 1792, at Clarmont, Columbia county, N. Y. February 7, 1819, she married Tjerck Myer at Cobleskill, N. Y. Was a member of the Dutch Reformed church. Died December 17, 1876.

MARIAH.

CHRISTINA. Born in Cobleskill, N. Y., 1804. In 1831 married John H. Worth. For many years she was an honored member of the Lutheran Church at Central Bridge. Died August 19, 1889.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of John⁵, [George⁴, Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹.]

ROBERT H. Born December 22, 1829. July 15, 1849 married Delilah Moore, Farmer. Has been justice of peace and postmaster. Church connection with "Church of God."

Children of Jeremiah⁵, [George⁴, Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹.]

EVE ANN. Born June 28, 1818. Married Silas H. Shores. Died November 10, 1877.

CATHARINE. Born January 25, 1820. Married Benjamin Brink April 14, 1841. March 9, 1846 married J. B. Gillette.

JOSIAH. Born December 6, 1821. Died July 29, 1885.

VIENNA. Born December 28, 1823. Married D. T. Gillette, May 3, 1846. Church connection Methodist Episcopal.

SALOMA J. Born April 27, 1825. Married William B. Horton February 19, 1851. Was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Died April 30, 1883.

ELIZABETH MARIA. Born March 30, 1828. About 1850 married Marvin Lovelace. At the age of twelve united with the M. E. church, and died in the reconciliation of the Christian's hope.

JEREMIAH JR. Born April 25, 1831. Occupation farmer. Church connection, Methodist Episcopal. Postmaster eighteen years. July 3, 1853, married Aurilla Lent.

LEWIS H. Born in Worcester, Otsego county, N. Y., January 16, 1834. When he was six years old his father removed to Sheshequin, Bradford county, Pa. Was school director nine years in Sheshequin. March 21, 1860, married Emily Culver of Sheshequin.

JONAS A. Born July 31, 1836 in Charlotte township, Otsego county, N. Y. During our war with the South he enlisted in the volunteer army but was rejected. When the rebels invaded Pennsylvania soil he could endure it no longer and enlisted in the state militia. Was a resident for many years in Sheshequin township, Pa. At this writing is clerk in the store-room

for Lehigh Valley R. R. at Buffalo. Residence 93 Pulaski St. Is a member of the Congregational Church. March 27, 1858, married Elizabeth Barner.

JOHN W. Born in Sheshequin July 9, 1843. Was a student at Susquehanna Collegiate Institute, and later graduated at Eastman's Business College at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. A teacher nine terms. At the age of twenty-two he married Eunice E. Towner, only daughter of Elijah Towner of Rome, Bradford county, Pa. The first five years of their married life was at his father's home, where he worked on the farm.

In 1872 he embarked in the mercantile trade in Rome, Pa., and in 1876 moved to Canton, Bradford county, Pa., continuing there in the same trade until 1882, when failing health and reverses made it necessary to close business. He moved to Waverly, N. Y., where he now resides and is occupied the most of the time as commercial traveler. In politics he is an ardent Republican and in the towns where he has lived has been honored with offices of justice of the peace, constable, councilman, and president of the board of inspectors. Is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which he is honored with official position.

Children of William⁵, George⁴, Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹.

DAVID. Married Cordelia Jennings.

JEREMIAH. Born in Schoharie county, N. Y., February 24, 1829. November 14, 1852 married Mary E. Clark. Business, farmer and blacksmith. September 9, 1862, enlisted in the Sixth Michigan Cavalry. Mustered out of service November 14, 1865, at Leavenworth, Kansas. Residence, Charlotte, Eaton county, Michigan.

GEORGE. Married Hannah M. Rifenberg in Worcester, Otsego county, N. Y.

NELSON. Died unmarried.

ELMIRA. Born in Worcester, Otsego county, N. Y., October 6, 1820. When very young her parents moved to Pennsylvania,

and she went to live with her uncle, David I. Barner, in Cobleskill. In March, 1838, married Amander Shattuck, a carpenter.

CATHARINE. Born March 4, 1827. January 14, 1848, married Richard Benjamin.

SALOMA. Married John Hancock.

ANN. Married Ephraim Kelch.

Children of Joshua⁵ [George⁴, Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹], and Margaret Dings.

MYRON W. Born July 28, 1827.

CHRISTINA M. Born July 5, 1829.

CATHARINE. Born April 6, 1831. Married J. F. Simons.

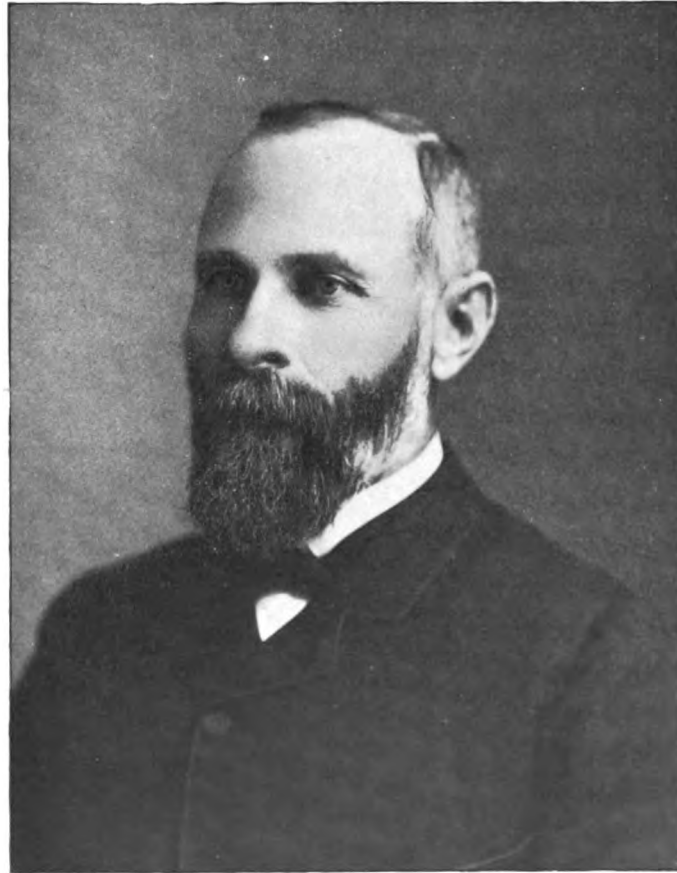
LOVINA. Born August 8, 1833. Married Charles H. Turner.

SALINA B. Born April 20, 1836. Married Josiah Kilmer.

JULIA A. Born July 8, 1839. Married P. D. Vanness.

GEORGE W. Born February 2, 1842, in Asylum, Bradford County, Pa.

His boyhood days were passed on his father's farm in Macedonia (same county), and in the public schools of the district. Afterward he attended the Susquehanna Collegeiate Institute for nearly two years; or until the trumpet of war called him from the halls of learning to the camp and battle-field. His grandfather George served his country with credit in the second war for American Independence, and the grandson true to patriotic lineage was naturally stirred by the spirit of patriotism and love of the old Flag. He enlisted in Company I, 6th Pennsylvania Reserves, and went to Harrisburg, where he became unable by sickness to perform military service, was discharged from the hospital and returned home. At this time he was young, just past nineteen years. One year thereafter, during the formation of the "Bradford Regiment," known in service as the 141st Pennsylvania Volunteers, he again offered his services to his country. It is noteworthy that we find in referring to a history of this regiment, that he declined a commission that was offered, because he considered himself too young to accept a commissioned office. This decision, in con-



Truly Thine
Geo. H. Kilmer

tradistinction to the general trend of human ambition, speaks for itself without comment. He did, however, accept the next office to a commissioned office, and went out as First Sergeant of Company C. The 141st Pennsylvania Volunteers was known as one of the best fighting regiments in the war, participating in long and bloody series of battles, from Fredericksburg until the surrender of General Lee, among which were Chancellorsville, Wilderness, Spottsylvania C. H., Cold Harbor and Morris Farm. At Chancellorsville their loss was fifty per cent of the men engaged and at Gettysburg seventy-six per cent, and there was but one regiment, it is said, in the service where the loss was a greater per cent of the fighting men than this. On the 3rd of May, 1863, Sergeant Kilmer was promoted to First Lieutenant, for faithful and meritorious service, and at that time the youngest commissioned officer in the regiment. In the battles of the Wilderness, he received a wound in his right leg, but remained with his company in active service. His valor won for him another promotion, and on the 4th of July, 1864, he was made Captain of Company C. At the battle of Morris Farm, November 27, 1864, he was severely wounded in the head, was captured by the enemy and taken to Libby Prison. His captors, took his hat, coat, boots, and his six months' pay (over \$1,000 in bright crisp greenbacks), just drawn. It is not the place here to speak of the horrors of the Southern Prison Pens. The sufferings of the captives were intense and beyond description. Fortunately a surgeon, who was his companion in captivity, dressed his wound and saved a life, which otherwise would have been another sacrifice to the horrible hospitality of the Rebels. February 18, 1865, he was paroled and sent to Annapolis, where he remained for a short time, then received a leave of absence for thirty days and came home. He returned to his regiment at the expiration of the time and remained with it until mustered out of service on the 28th day of May, 1865. After returning home he engaged in farming, and buying and selling cattle. In the fall of 1875 he was elected to the office of County Commissioner, proving an efficient and popular officer. It is not too much to say, that he is one of Bradford's most

popular citizens and has frequently had conferred upon him by his townspeople offices of trust and responsibility, which he has always filled with remarkable fidelity. He is now President of the County Farmers' Alliance and Secretary of the Executive Board of the Pennsylvania State Farmers' Alliance and Industrial Union, and has been Steward in the M. E. Church for twenty-five years. His prominent characteristic is to carry on all things undertaken with persistent energy and unremitting activity. His home property consists of a well cultivated farm, new handsome residence and outbuildings, which together have cost him about \$13,000.

This brief sketch of Mr. Kilmer's life would be incomplete without mentioning his *noble* wife, who is his valuable assistant and adviser. October 11, 1865, he married Helen A. Noble, whose acquaintance began at the Collegiate Institute, where she was a student and teacher. She afterward attended Mt. Holyoke Seminary.

ALBERTINA L. Born June 25, 1845. Married James H. Green.

Children of Joshua⁶ and Charlotte M. Simons.

MARGARET. Born November 27, 1870. Married Robert Rice.

JAMES D. Born November 24, 1872. March 3, 1895, married Bessie Frink.

MARY. Married J. Woodburn.

JOHN D. Born Feb. 8, 1877. May 18, 1896, married Eva Cass.

JENNIE.

Children of David⁶, George⁴, Johannes³, Johannes³, Philip¹.

WILLIAM MORGAN. Born in Bradford county, Pa., December 25, 1850. September 16, 1876, married Robenia S. Richardson. Business, attorney-at-law. Has held offices of deputy sheriff, township clerk, city recorder and city attorney. Is a member of Knights of Pythias, and his church connection is Methodist Episcopal. Was in the 127th Illinois Volunteers, in company with his father, but too young for enlistment.

GEORGE D. Born July, 1857. Never married. Residence, Brockport, N. Y.

SALOMA. Born December 22, 1863. Married Leroy Marshall, June 9th, 1869. They met a sad affliction by the death of Flossie, their youngest child, April 26, 1894, then eight years of age. The manner of death made it still sadder. The following regarding the accident is from a newspaper notice: "Flossie left home at eight o'clock on Thursday morning to go to her school, about one mile distant. Somewhere between eight and nine o'clock, a boy stopped at the house of Mr. Arnold, who lives in sight of the school house, and told him that as he was driving by, he saw what looked to be a child hanging from one of the windows. Mr. Arnold hastened to the spot and there found little Flossie Marshall hanging outside the building, her head just within, face downward and the window sash upon the back of her neck. He speedily removed the child from her terrible position, but help had come too late—she was dead. A board, one end upon the ground, the other resting against the building beneath the window, gave rise to the supposition that the child had slipped as she was endeavoring to gain admittance to the school-room through the open window, which by some means had fallen at the fateful moment and with such dreadful result.

Children of Peter⁵ [John I.⁴, Johannes³, Johannes³, Philip¹.]

HARVEY. Married Miss Holden, of Cold Spring, N. Y. Supposed to have a son, J. H., living. Place unknown.

PETER. Born May 24, 1820. His second marriage was with Helen M. December 31, 1850. He died in 1863.

Children of Jonas⁵ [John I.⁴, Johannes³, Johannes³, Philip¹.]

ANN ELIZA. Born at Barnerville, Schoharie county, N. Y., October 7, 1816. October 7, 1840, married Peter Foland. Mr.

Foland was in the hotel business, a member of the society of Odd Fellows, and alderman in the city of Albany in 1868. Mrs. Foland is a member of the Lutheran Church and resides with her daughter, Mrs. Ida H. Terrell, her only surviving child, in New York City.

LAVINA. Born May 26, 1821. Married Perry G. Brown. Mr. Brown is dead. Her present residence is Alberque, New Mexico.

CATHARINE. Born October 2, 1823. Married William Pearl, of Oneonta, N. Y.

MARTIN LUTHER. Born at Cobleskill, Schoharie county, N. Y., January 18, 1826. November 14, 1855, married Christina Houck Ten Eyck. His church connection is Lutheran. Residence, Albany, N. Y.

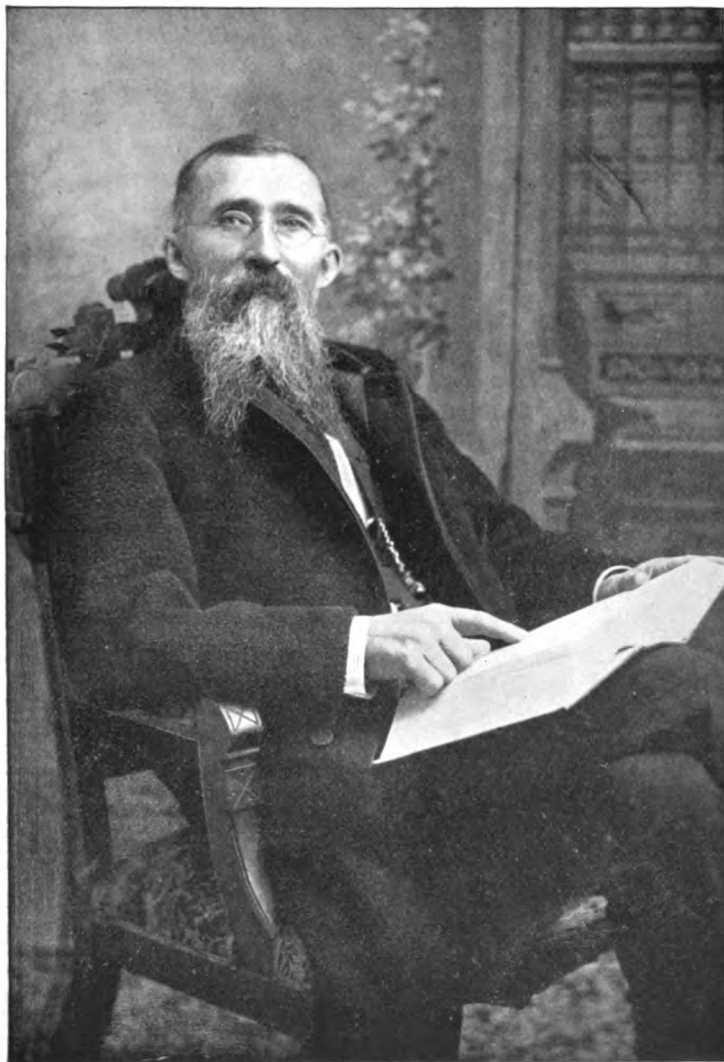
CHRISTINA. Born May 28, 1828. Married Addison Barker, November 7, 1850. Residence, Camanche, Iowa.

DIANA. Born October 13, 1830. Married Jacob Houck, November 13, 1856. Residence, Central Bridge, N. Y.

REBECCA. Born at Barnerville, Schoharie county, N. Y. April 13, 1833. August 14, 1854, married Jacob N. Hager, who was in the hotel business a number of years. Mrs. Hager's church connection is Lutheran, and residence, Albany, N. Y.

EMILINE. Born October 6, 1835, in Cobleskill, N. Y., April 10, 1883, married Theodore Wood, a farmer. No children. Her church connection is Methodist Episcopal. Residence, Hobart, Delaware county, N. Y.

WASHINGTON, M. D. Born in Schoharie County, New York, April 5, 1838. He received his primary education in the common schools of his native town. His collegiate education was obtained at the Schoharie Academy, a school of wide reputation for a school of its class in that day. He received a full course of lectures at the Albany Medical College, graduating therefrom in 1860. On leaving the college, as a further means of perfecting himself in his profession, he accepted the position of resident physician of the City Infirmary of Albany, which institution then contained twelve hundred inmates and embraced the insane asylum, hospital and alms-



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house. In 1861, when the call was made for volunteer physicians, Dr. Kilmer went to Alexandria, Va., where he took charge of the Grace Church Hospital, and remained there three years. The last year of the war he was surgeon of the Sixteenth West Virginia Volunteers, located within the fortifications at Washington City. At the close of the war he remained in Washington and continued in the practice of his profession for three years, at the end of that time going to Ironton, Ohio, where he remained five years, in large and successful practice. On account of a general breaking down in physical ability, superinduced by his arduous professional labors, he decided in 1873, after having been given up for dead by several of his medical brethren, to make a journey on foot to Florida. He set out scarcely able to walk, but gathered strength as he proceeded, and a complete restoration to health, after tramping one thousand four hundred and fifty-three miles. During this time he was correspondent for the *Cincinnati Commercial* and contributed a number of interesting articles to that paper. He located in Altamont, Orange County, Florida, which name he gave to the locality. In October, 1864, he married Florence Davy, of Ironton, Ohio, who is a lineal descendant of Sir Humphrey Davy, the celebrated English chemist. During the doctor's residence in Orange county he has taken an active interest in all public questions, particularly in school matters. He has been chairman of the board of public instruction for eight years and has more than once championed the cause of good morals and religion in connection with the schools. In the fall of 1887, when the yellow fever was declared epidemic at Tampa, and a call was made by the physicians there for help, Dr. Kilmer volunteered his services, went down and gave the citizens of that place four weeks of unremitting labor, at the end of which time he became a victim of the disease and barely escaped death. When he returned home his fellow citizens presented him with a handsome gold watch, which bears this inscription: "Presented to Dr. W. Kilmer by the citizens of Orlando in appreciation of his services in the yellow fever epidemic at Tampa, November 24, 1887." The doctor still resides at Orlando, Florida,

is interested in orange culture, and in active practice professionally, in which his skill is ununiversally recognized. For the past five years he has been surgeon of the Florida Central and Peninsular Railroad, the largest railway system in the state.

ANNA MARGARET. Born April 2, 1849. October 17, 1867, married Stephen Badgley. Church connection, Lutheran. Residence, Schoharie, N. Y.

Children of John⁵, [John I.⁴, Johannes³, Johannes . Philip¹.]

MARIAH. Married John Baumus.

ALMIRA. Married Jacob Wetzel.

CHARITY. Married John Underhill.

EMMA. Married P. P. Schenk.

Children of Daniel⁵ [John I.⁴, Johannes³, Johannes³, Philip¹.]

AUGUSTUS. Born August 29, 1822. February 18, 1840, married Christine E. Rickard. November 3, 1848, married Viana Barner. With his sons, he established the well known Kilmer Manufacturing Company, for the manufacture of bale ties and wire fencing, at Newburg, N. Y. Reference to this can be found in the back part of the book.

MARGARET.

JOSIAH.

DANIEL A. Born in Cobleskill, N. Y., December 11, 1832. In 1852 married Catharine Grum. He is an industrious farmer at Howe's Cave, N. Y., owning the excellent farm and buildings, where he has resided more than thirty years.

THOMAS J., M. D. Born Nov 22, 1833, at Cobleskill, N. Y. December 25, 1852, married Elmira Palmatier. Is a practicing physician at Schoharie, N. Y. A member of the Masonic order, and church connection, Methodist Episcopal.

ANDREW G. Born in Cobleskill, N. Y., January 5, 1836. He attended the district school, where he was known as a

faithful scholar and afterward his father, encouraged by his close application to his studies, sent him to the Schoharie Academy, where he was under the special instruction of Prof. Geo. W. Briggs, its Principal.

At the age of 15 he taught a district school of 80 scholars, in which work he continued successfully for two years, and then resumed his studies, first at the Warnerville Seminary and afterward at the Perry Academy. Within a short time after entering the latter school he became a teacher in it and thus served in the double capacity of student and teacher until he had completed the full course of instruction, when he returned to his home and married Libbie Young, only daughter of David D. Young, in 1856.

He was known as a worthy, energetic young man, an enterprising citizen and a consistent member of the Lutheran Church, with which denomination his family has always been identified.

At the earnest solicitation of Prof. Briggs he became assistant Principal of the Schoharie Academy in 1867, and when Prof. Briggs terminated his connection with the Academy and became President of the Delaware Literary Institute at Franklin, N. Y., Prof. Külmér was urged to remain as Principal of the Academy. The offer, however, he declined, and accepted the position of Vice-President of the Franklin Institute, which position he filled for four years, giving universal satisfaction.

In 1872 he became Principal of the graded school at Cobleskill and through his efforts the school was reorganized under the state Union Free School Act. The school was highly prosperous while under his charge, drawing a large patronage from the surrounding country. During the last year of his administration it numbered 93 non-resident students on its registry.

The village of Bainbridge, which had just erected a fine brick academy building, extended to him an invitation to become their Principal, which he accepted, remaining at the head of their school for three years.

After this he organized an academy at Schenevus, N. Y., where his efforts also met with a flattering success.

It will be seen that Prof. Kilmer's career as a teacher has been an important one, and that while he took high rank as an instructor, his ability as an organizer was especially marked and fully recognized by the various Boards of Education, by whom his services were secured. The several academies over which he presided as Principal were under the supervision of the Board of Regents of the state, and by them were specially complimented for their thorough and systematic course of instruction.

Prof. Kilmer carries many pleasant recollections of his work as a teacher, and the memory of many of his former pupils who have risen to positions of prominence in various professions, brings to him the encouragement and satisfaction of a useful and successful work.

In 1883 he gave up his life work as teacher and went to Binghamton, N. Y., and entered the business office of his brothers, Dr. Kilmer & Co., with whom he is still connected, being engaged at present at the Sanitarium owned by Dr. S. Andral Kilmer at Sanitaria Springs, N. Y., in the capacity of Assistant Superintendent.

S. ANDRAL, M. D. Born in the town of Cobleskill, Schoharie county, N. Y., December 19, 1840. He recalls even now in the multitude of his professional duties, with pleasant memories, the old log school house in Cobleskill where he first attended a district school. When he left these log walls he entered the halls of the Schoharie Academy, and afterward the Warnerville and Richmondville Seminaries. These he finished when he had reached the age of eighteen and entered the office of Dr. Scott, a prominent Allopathic physician in Schoharie county. Then, wishing to get outside the lines of the one-school idea, he studied with Dr. Downing, who has been called the successful pioneer of Homeopathy in the Schoharie region of New York State. Dr. Kilmer commenced the practice of medicine as a county physician at Barnerville, Schoharie county, N. Y. Although he aspired to rise in his profession, he found this to be too much up-hill work and abandoned his rides after about one and a half years' service. Following out the idea of a broad acquaintance with medicine and surgery he studied Eclectic and



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Botanic practice with Dr. Patrick of Wisconsin. But all these appeared to be but a beginning for he has documents that he attended the preliminary and regular course of the Bellevue Hospital and Medical College in New York City, where he had an opportunity for instruction at the Eye and Ear Infirmary on Blackwell's Island and other hospitals. A special practical course at the Philadelphia Lying-in-Charity Hospital, where instructions are given in practical Obstetrics and Diseases of Women ; at the Central Dispensary of Chicago, devoted to the same purpose ; at the Philadelphia School of Operative Surgery, under the special instruction of the noted physician, Dr. D. Hayes Agnew. Not only these, but there hangs in his office the diploma of the Bennett Medical College of Chicago.

After a successful tour of medical lectures and practice in the West, Dr. Kilmer settled in Binghamton, buying and building a residence on the plot where the extensive Kilmer Medicine Works are now located. He was first employed in visiting surrounding cities on advertised days, in which practice he was so famous and successful that he was soon enabled to commence the erection of his Laboratory buildings for the preparation of his remedies, which became necessary to supply the ever increasing demand.

From this modest, but well defined beginning, has grown up the present enormous business. The prominent success of the sale of Dr. Kilmer's remedies has been sustained by their growing reputation and merit. The verdict of the druggists throughout the country, is that these preparations have the largest sale of any proprietary remedies on the market.

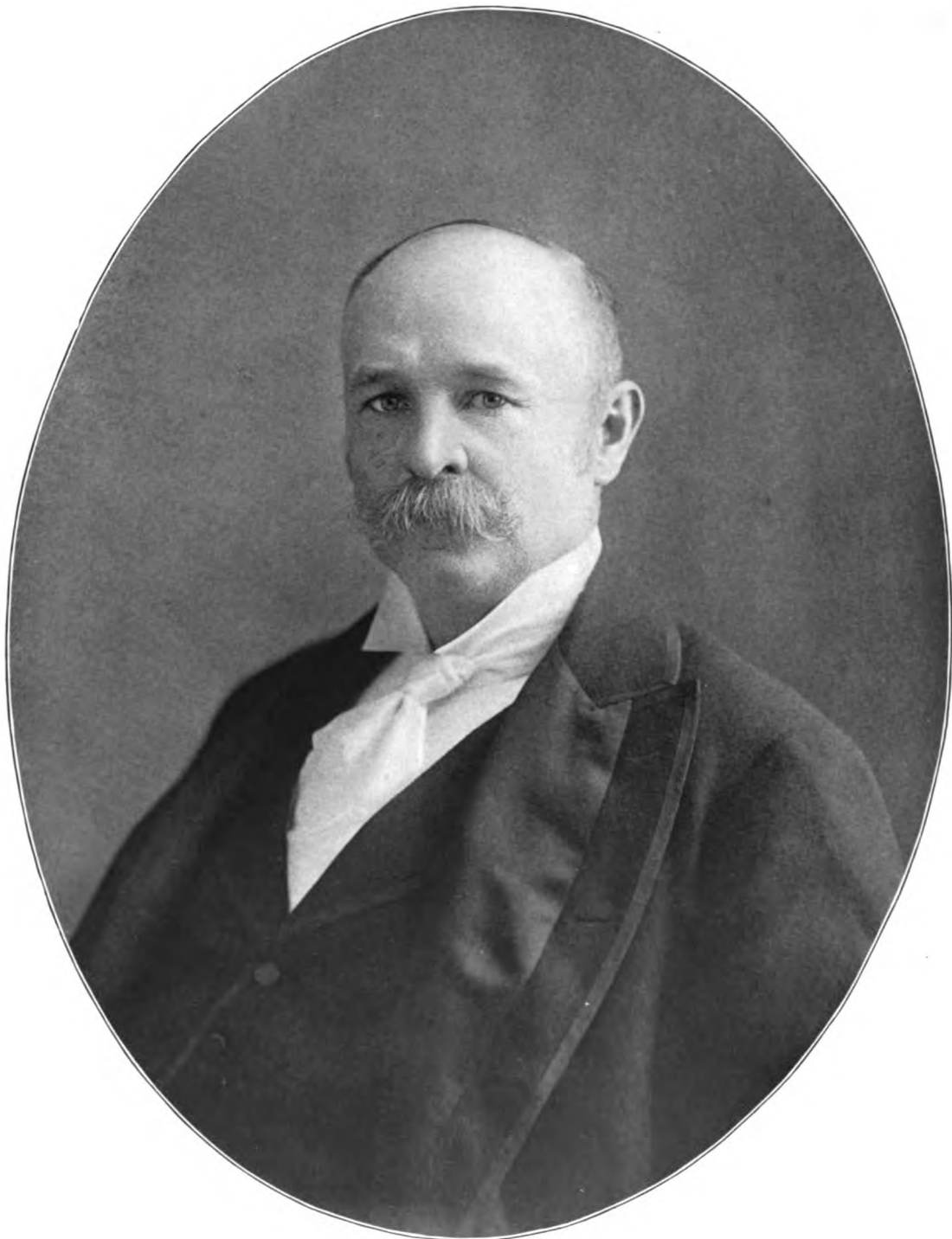
During these years of increasing professional services far and wide, and astonishing growth of business, Dr. Kilmer was seeking somewhere in the United States some place most peculiarly favored by Nature for a Health Home and Hygienic Institute for suffering humanity. During this search he discovered the wonderful properties of the sulpho-phosphate spring in a place then called Osborne Hollow, ten miles northeast of the city of Binghamton, N. Y. Here he built, at an expense of \$100,000, the New Sanitarium and Hydrotherapium. It is

located in a gently mountainous region in the Blue Hill Tunnel Range, 2,000 feet above the sea level. Outside is a well arranged system of natural parks. The present buildings contain every modern convenience, including electric lights and bells, steam heaters, and elevators. Besides the principal waters of the sulphophosphate spring, there are ten others, which include the Blue Lithia, Red Iron, Black Magnetic, and Ferro-Manganese. All kinds of baths are in use summer and winter, including Sulphur, Turkish, Russian, and Electric. The marvelously beneficial results of the waters are supplemented by the skill of a physician who has treated more than half a million patients. If this article shall appear like an advertisement to any, it becomes such unavoidably, and the writer may say, unintentionally, in describing the life work of a successful member of the Kilmer Family.

CHAUNCEY C.

JONAS M. Born in Cobleskill, New York, April 11, 1843. At the age of twenty-two he went to New York City, where he remained thirteen years in the mercantile business. During this time he was connected as salesman with the large and well known houses of H. B. Claflin, E. S. Jaffrey and Company, and Cochrane, McLane and Company. In 1878 he went to Binghamton, New York, and engaged in the Medical Dispensary of his brother, Dr. S. Andral Kilmer. In 1881 he became an equal partner with his brother, and thus being more closely identified with the establishment, made plans for the increase of the business and gradually enlarged it from the comparatively small area of a few counties in the State to all parts of the United States and in South America and West Indies. In 1892 he bought the half interest of his brother, Dr. S. Andral Kilmer, and is now sole owner of all trade marks, copyrights, and the entire business of the manufacture of proprietary medicines. The buildings are on the corner of Chenango and Virgil streets, covering nearly one-fourth of a city square, with branch offices in New York, Chicago, Rio De Janeiro, U. S. of Brazil, S. A., and Kingston, Jamaica, West Indies.

An enterprise that has reached the extent and success that



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this has in a little more than a dozen years, seems to be proof of the merit of the remedies offered to the public, and of the able and energetic management of the business.

December 18, 1868, he married Julia E. Sharpe, daughter of Peter G. Sharpe of Sharon Springs, N. Y.

Mr. Kilmer is Police Commissioner, a member, with his wife, of the North Presbyterian Church, and a trustee in the same society. His first church connection was with the Talmage Tabernacle, in Brooklyn.

AURELIA. Married Palmatier.

ADELIA. Married David I. Bouck.

Children of Elizabeth⁵, [John I.⁴, Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹] and Tjerck Myer.

Christina Myer. Born November 28, 1824, in the town of Saugerties, N. Y., where she now resides. May 9, 1843, she married John Potenburg Styles.

Children of Mariah⁵ [John I.⁴, Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹] and Jacob Zimmer.

Elmira Zimmer.

Children of Christina⁵ [John I.⁴, Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹] and John H. Worth.

Mary Worth. Born June 24, 1832.

Martha Worth. Born May 22, 1835. Married B. F. Courter.

Harvey Worth. Born December 25, 1836.

Herman Worth. Born May 10, 1839.

Elizabeth Worth. Born October 6, 1845.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Children of Robert H.⁶ [John⁶, George⁴, Johannes³, Johannes³, Philip¹.]

JOHN. Born July 22, 1850.

CHARLES. Born March 31, 1852.

HENRY R. Born April 27, 1854.

NANCY. Born November 20, 1863.

WILLIAM. Born February 19, 1866.

ESTHER. Born March 31, 1869.

Children of Eve Ann⁶ [Jeremiah⁶, George⁴, Johannes³, Johannes³, Philip¹] and Silas H. Shores.

James Austin Shores. Born August 9, 1842. Enlisted in the 7th Kentucky Cavalry. Accidentally shot and killed at Nashville, Tenn., October 31, 1864.

Jeremiah M. Shores. Born February 11, 1845. Enlisted in Capt. Geo. W. Kilmer's company, 141st Pennsylvania Volunteers. He was severely wounded in the Battle of the Wilderness in July, 1864, and died a few days after.

Orpha D. Shores. Born September 24, 1846. Married David Coleman. Resides, Liberty Cornes, Bradford County, Pa.

Ethlin Shores. Born March 31, 1849. June 29, 1884, married John F. Sargent. Resides, Wetona, Pa.

Ulysses Grant Shores. Born April 4, 1865. Is a contractor and builder at Crestor, Union county, Iowa.

Children of Catharine⁶ [Jeremiah⁶, George⁴, Johannes³, Johannes³, Philip¹] and Benjamin Brink.

Helen Brink. Born February 8, 1842. Married A. B. Rider.

Children of Catharine⁶, and J. B. Gillette.

Addison R. Gillette. Born May 4, 1847.

Emiline C. Gillette. Born May 25, 1849. Now Mrs. Reed Ferguson, of Hornbrook, Pa.

Estella Gillette. Born October 31, 1850. Married Rev. H. C. McDermott, of M. E. Church. Now at Norwich, N. Y.

Winfield La Monte Gillette. Born July 16, 1855. Attorney-at-law, Allentown, Pa.

Nancy C. Gillette. Born December 23, 1857. Married D. E. Sawtelle.

Laura D. Gillette. Born October 10, 1867. Married George Blackman. Residence, Towanda, Pa.

Children of Vienna⁶ [Jeremiah⁶, George⁴, Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹] and D. T. Gillette.

Mary Ida Gillette was born May 24, 1847.

Martha Christina Gillette was born August 8, 1848.

Pearn Wilber Gillette was born November 5, 1855.

Allen Day Gillette was born December 15, 1859.

Children of Saloma J.⁶ [Jeremiah⁶, George⁴, Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹] and William B. Horton.

Miles E. Horton. Born in Sheshequin, Pa., November 18, 1851. At the age of fifteen he came in possession of his father's farm, taking nearly the whole responsibility on his young shoulders. By diligent study at home and kind attention of his mother he gained a fair common school education. In 1872 married Mary A. Webb, daughter of Andrew Webb. Has been diligent and prosperous. Held various town offices and ran for sheriff in 1893 on the Democratic ticket. Resides in Towanda, Pa.

Rowenna Hortence Horton. Born in Sheshequin, Pa., October 23, 1855. January, 1871, married Theodore G. Smith. Mr. Smith is a tidy and prosperous farmer. They are both devoted Methodists, and the new church at Black, Pa., situated near their home, was built largely through their enterprise.

Children of Elizabeth M. ⁶ [Jeremiah⁵, George⁴, Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹.] and Marvin Lovelace.

Ida Lovelace married Lewis Griffeth, a farmer. Four children. Has lived in Nebraska seventeen years and reports "hard times" for the past three years. Now at De Witt, Saline county, Neb.

Willis D. Lovelace. Wife and two children. Residence, Oscar, Mo.

Children of Jeremiah, Jr. ⁶ [Jeremiah⁵, George⁴, Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹.]

FRANCIS E. Born September 19, 1854. Residence, Towanda, Pa.

CLARA E. Born February 14, 1859.

HENRY C. Born September 15, 1864.

FRED H. Born December 30, 1871.

Children of Lewis H. ⁶, [Jeremian⁵, etc.]

M. BELLE. Born August 24, 1862. Has just finished a post-graduate course in the New York City Training School for Nurses.

MANNING L. Born March 18, 1865. Married Eliza May Gore, daughter of Major W. H. H. Gore. Holds an important position on the electric railway in Buffalo.

CHRISTINE J. Born July 26, 1867.

Children of Jonas A. ⁶ [Jeremiah⁵, etc.]

EUGENE A. Born April 27, 1862. Tin worker for Lehigh Valley R. R. at Sayre, Pa. January 29, 1887, married Katie Poxon of Staffordshire, England.

GRACE. Born June 17, 1866. December 22, 1886, married Walter Neillay Congdon. Residence, Towanda, Pa.

CHARLES E. Born February 10, 1869.

MARY E. Born August 22, 1871. January 27, 1893 married Harry Granger, a farmer at North Towanda, Pa.

Children of John W. * [Jeremiah^s, etc.]

CLARENCE H. Born March 6, 1869. A trusted employe of the Lehigh Valley Railroad. Is married and lives at Waverly, N. Y.

WALTER J. Born January 21, 1879. Died February 15, 1897, in the eighteenth year of his age. His death was sudden, wholly unexpected, and a very sad blow to the family. The cause, according to the verdict of the coroner's jury, was consolidation of the left lung. He was exceptionally dutiful and industrious, a member of the Methodist Church, and deservedly popular with his young associates.

Children of Jeremiah * [William^s, George^s, Johannes^s, Johannes^s, Philip¹.]

ADALINE. Born February 22, 1854, Married Harvey Cline.

FRANKLIN P. Born January 24, 1856. March 17, 1878, married Laura E. Kilmer, daughter of Robert H. Kilmer. Business, farmer and stock raiser.

LOUISA. Born January 11, 1859.

CYRUS. Born March 14, 1862. Married Mary Blanchard.

BURTON. Born November 8, 1866.

JOHN. Born March 22, 1869.

Children of George^s, [William^s, George^s, Johannes^s, Johannes^s, Philip¹.]

JOSEPH. Born September 24, 1835.

MARTHA. Born April 20, 1839.

MARY. Born July 2, 1842.

PETER. Born April 6, 1847.

MYRON W. Born May 15, 1852.

Children of Elmira^s, [William^s, George^s, Johannes^s, Johannes^s, Philip¹] and Amander Shattuck.

Sallie M. Shattuck was born March 23, 1839. February 12, 1857, married Thomas Gorley. Residence, Harpersfield, N. Y.

Mary Ann Shattuck was born September 22, 1845. Married Amos Breasley. Residence, Caledonia, Michigan.

Lorenzo Shattuck was born May 8, 1848. Residence, Caledonia, Michigan.

Harvey Shattuck was born May 30, 1850. May 8, 1877, married Susan Jones. Business, carpenter, and resides at Norwich, N. Y. Church connection, Methodist Episcopal.

Raymond Shattuck was born December 25, 1852. Residence, Deposit, N. Y.

Frances Shattuck was born November 5, 1855. February 19, 1877, married Willis H. Cook, merchant. Mr. Cook died January 4, 1887. August 2, 1893, she married Seth M. Flint, merchant, at Worcester, N. Y.

Children of Catharine⁶, [William⁶, George⁴, Johannes³, etc.], and Richard Benjamin.

Ophelia Ann Benjamin. Married Isaac Bechtel.

Mary Alice Benjamin. Married Joseph Bechtel.

Emma J. Benjamin.

Esther Benjamin. Married Fred H. Gale.

Dilman B. Benjamin.

Richard A. Benjamin.

Victoria Benjamin. Married Frank Damouth.

Children of Ann⁶, [William⁶, George⁴, Johannes³, etc.] and Ephriam Kelch.

Mary Ida Kelch was born January 14, 1856. In 1874 married James Smith, a farmer.

George Kelch. Married Florence Hooker.

Children of Myron W.⁶, [Joshua⁶, George⁴, Johannes³, Johannes³, Philip¹.]

GEORGE B.

DANIEL W.

HATTIE L.



**HARVEY SHATTUCK,
SON OF ELMIRA KILMER, AND FAMILY.**

Children of Catharine⁶ [Joshua⁵, George⁴, etc.] and J. F. Simons.

Maria Simons. Married J. C. Trumbull.

James Simons.

Charles Simons.

Emma Simons. Married William Friesbe.

William Simons.

Adelbert Simons,

Grant Simons.

Children of George W.⁶ [Joshua⁵, George⁴, Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹.]

J. NOBLE. Born April 22, 1868. In 1889 he went to Philadelphia, where he was conductor on a cable car for two years and gave the best of satisfaction. This speaks well for a country boy and is proof that he is more than an ordinary young man. He preferred farming, however, and returned home. September 18, 1890, he married Tillie DeLong and occupies a farm previously occupied by his father.

JESSIE MARION. Born March 18, 1880.

Children of William Morgan⁶, [David⁵, George⁴, etc.]

JESSIE. Born 1879.

MILO. Born 1881.

ALBERT. Born 1884.

MABEL. Born 1886.

FLORENCE. Born 1893.

Children of Saloma⁶ [David⁵, George⁴, etc.] and Leroy Marshall.

Salina Hortense Marshall was born August 29, 1870.

Bennie Forest Marshall was born September 3, 1872.

Flossie Marshall was born May 15, 1886. Died April 27, 1894. For the manner of her death see sketch of her mother.

Children of Peter B.⁶, [Peter⁵, John⁴, Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹.]

MARIA JANE. Married Martin L. Grant. Residence, One-onto. N. Y.

ELIZA ANN. Married George Lawyer. Residence, Janesville, Wis.

JEREMIAH. Residence, Camanche, Ia.

ELLA C. Married Alonzo Richtmeyer.

IDA E.

Children of Ann Eliza⁶ [Jonas⁵, John I.⁴, Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹] and Peter Foland.

Worthington Foland was born October 13, 1842. Died May 2, 1886. Did not marry.

Nancy Foland was born October 18, 1844. Died October 18, 1845.

Menzo Foland was born May 4, 1846. Died September 13, 1848.

Ida Harriet Foland was born June 8, 1850. August 18, 1870, married Holland A. Terrell. Mr. Terrell died October 8, 1894. Residence of Mrs. Terrell, 235 West 135th Street, New York City.

Children of Martin L.⁶, [Jonas⁵, John I.⁴, etc.]

MARTIN TEN EYCK. Born September 2, 1856. Nov. 24, 1880, married Anna Rockwell, only child of Capt. E. J. Rockwell. Both are members of M. E. Church. Has agency for the sale of pianos and organs. At present is both town and police constable at Esperance, N. Y.

ANNA CATHARINE. Born July 9, 1862. March 27, 1887, married George Dennis Hiltz, a representative of the Standard Oil Company. Residence, 45 Jay St, Albany. Church connection, Baptist.

INA MAY. Born May 19, 1866.

Children of Diana⁶ [Jonas⁵, John I.⁴, etc.] and Jacob H. Houck.

MINNIE C. Houck was born January 27, 1858. Married Will Freemyer. Binghamton, N. Y.

Margaret Houck was born December, 1859. Married J. C. Morehouse. Englewood, Ills.

Mary Houck was born September 27, 1863. At home at Central Bridge, N. Y.

Children of Rebecca⁶ [Jonas⁵, John I.⁴, etc.] and Jacob N. Hager.

John J. Hager.

Anna V. Hager.

Blanche Hager.

Kolin D.

Children of Washington⁶ [Jonas⁵, John I.⁴, etc.]

ALICE. Born March 27, 1866.

MAY. Born January 11, 1870.

Children of Anna Margaret⁶, [Jonas⁵, John I.⁴] and Stephen Badgley.

Mary Badgley was born March 1, 1870. July 23, 1890, married V. Snyder, a commercial traveler.

Henry Cleo Badgley was born June 23, 1876.

William Badgley was born July, 1884.

Addison Badgley was born January 13, 1879. Died December 2, 1885.

Children of Augustus⁶ [Daniel⁵, John I.⁴, Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹] and Christine E. Rickard.

RANSOM. Born December 14, 1843. July 4, 1871 married Emma Eckerson.

MARTIN L. Born March 3, 1845. February 28, 1884, married Laura Sheeley.

MARY E. Born February 26, 1846. September 22, 1867, married David Rickard.

Children of Augustus⁶ and Vianna Barner.

IRVING A. Born in Cobleskill, N. Y., June 8, 1850. March 23, 1893, he met a sudden and distressing death by swallowing carbolic acid by mistake. At the time of his death he was Vice-President and general mechanical engineer of the Kilmer Manufacturing Company. Without any disparagement to any of his brothers in their several executive and mechanical abilities, Irving had been called the inventive mind of the well-known Kilmer industry. It is said that he betrayed his mechanical genius at the early age of four years, when he dissected the household clock, and put it together again so that it kept time as well as before. During his brief and active life he conceived a number of inventions which were patented. Among these were three fasteners for bale ties known as Figure Eight, Adjustable and Arrowhead. He also devised machines for the manufacture of these inventions and also for barbed wire. February 15, 1876, married Mary Rifenberg. She died in 1887. His second wife, Emma Greatsinger of Newburg, N. Y., survives him.

ARTHUR M. Born July 10, 1851. February 15, 1876 married Kate Rockerfellow. He died July 4, 1880.

THALAS S. Born November 17, 1854. March 26, 1880, married Martha Quackenbush.

LUELLA. Born September 22, 1856. January 1, 1880, married Edward Davis.

MELVIN D. Born July 29, 1858. Married Mary F. Hoag. He is a thirty-second degree Mason.

ELMER E. Born May 4, 1860, in Schoharie county, N. Y. The subjoined sketch was prepared by one of his New York friends.

He has been engaged in the manufacture of wire since boyhood, and has a natural aptitude for inventions. In 1884 Mr. Kilmer located in Chicago and subsequently formed the Kilmer Bale Tie Company, which has a capital stock of \$100,000, in which Company he is one of the largest stockholders. This Company has its offices at 21 Quincy Street in the City of Chicago, and its extensive factories are at Joliet, Illinois, a distance



IRVING A. KILMER.



ELMER E. KILMER.

GLEE.
GLADYS.

ANNA KILMER, M. D.

of about 40 miles from Chicago. It also has a branch at Cortland, N. Y., and to Mr. Kilmer's indomitable push and energy is due the great success which has marked this Company from the start. Mr. Kilmer is and has been since its inception, the President of the Company. The directors, appreciating his conservatism and unerring judgment wisely leave the entire direction of the Company to him, content with drawing their dividends.

He may justly point with pride to the fact that his Company has no liabilities. Besides the manufacture of Bale Ties of various kinds, his Company has recently entered into the field in the manufacture of Wire Fencing of different styles, and the reception which their fencing has received in the market has been most gratifying to all interested. The factories are a perfect bee hive of industry and an inspection of them is very interesting.

Personally Mr. Kilmer is a gentleman of culture and while he is devoted to his family, he is also very fond of society, enjoying having his friends spend the evenings at his handsome home at 5735 Indiana Avenue, Chicago. This house was erected by Mr. Kilmer in the year 1893 and is architecturally a fine structure. In the rear are commodious stables. Mr. Kilmer is fond of horses and drives a good one.

June 4th, 1885, he married Miss Ella Myers, a native of Schoharie County, N. Y., a lady of estimable character, but of frail constitution. She died about five years after their marriage.

January 19th, 1891, Mr. Kilmer married Anna Elkins, M. D., then a practicing physician and resident of Brooklyn, N. Y., who is a daughter of Horatio B. Elkins, D. D., a clergyman of the Methodist Episcopal Church. His wife is a very talented lady, she is a graduate of the New York Medical College and Hospital for Women. She is deeply read in medical practice and makes a specialty of diseases of women and children. Success has marked her course to such an extent that she has a large clientele and her patients are lavish in their praise of her skill, among whom can be numbered the writer of this sketch. She has never lost a child whom she has treated.

The union of Mr. and Dr. Kilmer has been a most happy one, for they are in every sense companions.

RETTA LENORA. Born August 4, 1864. Married W. Johnston McKay, October 22, 1895.

WILLIAM A. Born August 16, 1866. June 30, 1893, married Angeline Parsons.

LE MAI. Born September 22, 1870.

Children of Daniel A.⁶, [Daniel⁶, John I.⁴, Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹.]

EARNEST A. Born August 7, 1856.

ORVILLE. Born June 2, 1859.

MILLIE. Born September 22, 1868.

ANNA M. Born January 11, 1870. Married Parmer Slingerland, October 10, 1895. He is a general merchant at Howe's Cave, N. Y., and has been assistant postmaster there for the past six years. Mrs. Slingerland is a musician and gives lesson on the violin.

Children of Thomas J.⁶ [Daniel⁶, John I.⁴, etc.]

HERBERT A. Born October 3, 1853.

JOSIAH. Born December 8, 1856.

IRA P. Born December 26, 1861.

JULIA S. Born December 27, 1872.

Children of Andrew G.⁶ [Daniel⁶, John I.⁴, Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹.]

Archie C., was born at Barnerville, N. Y., May 20, 1857. After receiving the usual preparatory training, he attended the Schoharie Academy and finished his education by taking a four years course at the Delaware Literary Institute at Franklin, N. Y.

In 1872 his father was chosen Principal of the Union Free School and Academy at Cobleskill, N. Y., and Archie accepted a clerkship in a dry goods store, which he held until 1875, when



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he secured a position with the First National Bank of Cobleskill, with which institution he is still connected.

He was married in 1878 to Alice Fox, and to them two daughters were born, Annie and Bessie; the youngest, Bessie, died in June, 1887, and a double affliction came in the autumn of the same year in the death of his wife.

In 1884 he was elected Clerk of the Board of Village Trustees of Cobleskill, which office he held for eight years when he was chosen Treasurer of the Village, and also of the High School and Academy.

Children of Sylvester A.⁶ [Daniel⁵, John I.⁴, Johannes³, etc.] and Hattie E. Wetsel. The mother died December 23, 1889.

ULYSES DANIEL. Born February 12, 1875. Is associate superintendent of the Sanitarium at Sanitaria Springs, N. Y.

EDITH MARIE. Born May 23, 1879. Is librarian of the Sanitarium at Sanitaria Springs, N. Y.

BESSIE MAY. Born June 10, 1885.

HATTIE MARGUERITE. Born September 24, 1888.

Children of Jonas M.⁶ [Daniel⁵, John I.⁴, Johannes³, etc.]

WILLIS SHARPE. Was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., October 18, 1869. In connection with his business as partner with his father in the firm of Dr. Kilmer and Company, manufacturing Chemists, he is proprietor of the Newspaper Advertising Agency which has offices in the company's buildings, with a branch at 14 Tribune Building, New York City. His business zeal is a manifest qualification for success.

October 9, 1895, in New York City, he married Miss Beatrice Richardson, only daughter of A. Frank Richardson.

FIFTH GENERATION.

Children of Ransom⁷, [Augustus⁶, Daniel⁵, John I.⁴, Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹.]

WELLINGTON. Born October 14, 1872.

NELLIE. Born December 21, 1874.

FRANK. Born September 15, 1879.

Child Martin L.¹, [Augustus⁶, Daniel⁶, etc.]

ADALI LE MAI. Born November 30, 1884.

Children of Irving A.¹, [Augustus⁶, Daniel⁶, etc.]

FOSTER M. Born July 2, 1877.

ARTHUR E. Born May 7, 1881.

VIANA GRACE. Born Jan. 6, 1887.

WALTER A. Born August 19, 1892.

Children of Thalass S.¹, [Augustus⁶, Daniel⁶, etc.]

JESSIE. Born December 28, 1881.

CLIFFORD. Born July 1, 1887.

HELEN A. Born August 12, 1889.

MAUD V. Born February 12, 1893.

Children of Melvin D.¹, [Augustus⁶, Daniel⁶, etc.]

AUGUSTUS M. Born October 15, 1887.

MELVIN D. Born April 9, 1892.

Children Elmer E.¹, [Augustus⁶, Daniel⁶, etc.,] and Ella Myers.

GLEE ELLSWORTH. Born November 11, 1888. Of Elmer E. and Annie Elkins.

GLADYS. Born October 13, 1892.

DOROTHY. Born January 25, 1896.

Child of William A.¹, [Augustus⁶, Daniel⁶, etc.]

BEULAH. Born May 15, 1893.

Children of Archie C.¹, [Andrew G.⁶, Daniel⁶, etc.]

ANNIE⁸, [Archie C.¹, Andrew G.⁶, Daniel⁶, John I.⁴, Johannes³, Johannes², Philip¹. [Born in Hesse-Cassel, Germany, about 1670.] Born in Cobleskill, N. Y., September 11, 1880.

BESSIE LOUISE. Born November 7, 1883. Died June 10, 1887.



DOROTHY KILMER.

WILHELMUS KÜLMER.

Baptized at East Camp (now Germantown, N. Y.) in 1746. From tradition and records a few items pertaining to his personal history have been gathered, and though very meagre, are interesting to his living descendants.

Fortunately his grandson, Charles, rescued a note book used by his grandfather and found by him among the descendants of Wilhelmus, in Pennsylvania. It is made of white-birch bark, and is now in possession of Frederic B., son of Charles. The memoranda it contains is written in good German for that time, indicating that the owner possessed more than the average education, and contains some family record, and business transactions.

It seems evident that Wilhelmus was a prosperous farmer, a slave holder, and highly esteemed in his community.

October 27, 1767, he married Gertrude Pulver. The original record reads, Wilhelmus Kulmer mit Gertian Pulver. Some of his descendants now living in Pennsylvania say that he served in the Revolutionary War. In the last years of his life he lived in Carlisle, Schoharie county, N. Y.

FIRST GENERATION.

MARIA. Baptized August 21, 1768. Married Dr. Horn.

WILLIAM. Baptized February 7th, 1775. Left New York state and settled in Pennsylvania, near Dundaff, Susquehanna county, and for some reason his name was changed to Coleman. One version of his descendants concerning this change, is, that the Welch people, who had a colony in his neighborhood, could not well pronounce Kulmer and called it Kulman, which easily became Kolman and afterward Coleman. This, it must be admitted, was carelessness, through which family names have been easily corrupted. The editor remembers that in some places where his father's family resided we were often called Kilmore, and sometimes Gilmore. It does not require much backbone to hold on to the correct name. Another version of the change in William's name is the tradition, that he left New

York for some trifling offense, and desired that the people there should be ignorant of his location.

ELIZABETH. Baptized May 4, 1777. Never married.

GERTRUDE. Baptized, 1781. Married Philip Clum. It is said that she accompanied the family of Robert R. Livingston, minister-plenipotentiary to France, about 1801-3, as companion and chaperon to Livingston's daughters.

PETER. Baptized September 2, 1785. The year of his birth is not known. In those days children were generally baptized a few months after birth. Occasionally one, two or three years might intervene where circumstances prevented. This statement is made here as especially fitting in his case, which can also be applied in a general way to others, where one might be particular about exact year of birth.

He married Mary Pulver evidently at early marriageable age. The greater portion of his life, lived at Copake, N. Y., and was a simple German farmer of the Palatine type.

His education was necessarily limited. Tradition tells us that he was a faithful student of the German Bible, and the possessor of books of German poetry. Was an attendant of the "Vedder Church" (Dutch Reformed), where his children were baptized.

✓ JEREMIAH. Baptized April 20, 1788. Married Susanah T. Kinyon. Died about the middle of the year 1820, in consequence of injuries received by a falling tree. His widow married Thomas P. Clum, son of Jeremiah's sister, Gertrude.

PHILIP. Baptized April 18, 1790. The earliest known record places him at home, in the town of Carlisle, Schoharie county, N. Y. About 1818 he married Catharine Barner. In 1839 he sold his farm in Schoharie county and moved with his family to Greenfield, Lackawanna county, Pa. Here he purchased a farm, which is now owned and occupied by his grandson, Norman L.

ELSGEN. Baptized 1792. The only record of this child is in the birch-bark book. Traditionary information says she died young.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of Maria⁴, [Wilhelmus³, Johannes², Philip¹.]
and Dr. Horn.

Johannes Horn. Baptized 1787.

Philip Horn. Baptized 1790.

Their descendents are now living near Carbondale, Pa.

Children of William,⁴ [Wilhelmus³, Jeremiah², Philip¹.]
Mariah Coleman. Born 1796. Married John Nicholas Fel-
lows. Died June 1862. Member of the Congregational
Church.

John W. Coleman. Born February 9, 1800. Died August
23, 1870

Alexander Coleman.

Daniel Coleman.

Philip Coleman.

Garrett Coleman. Born June 5, 1803. January 14, 1830,
married Eleanor Decker. October 8, 1840, married Jerusha
Wells. He died September 24, 1868.

Ezra Coleman. Born October 19, 1816. Married Mary
Baker, December 21, 1842. His wife died in 1872 and he in
1892.

Jeremiah Coleman. Married Diana Chamberlain.

Hannah Coleman. Born May 5, 1809. Married Gideon Rob-
inson, December 14, 1826. Church connection, Baptist. Mr.
Robinson was a farmer and mechanic. Died 1865. Mrs. Rob-
inson died in 1882.

Jane Coleman. Married Nelson Decker.

Elizabeth Coleman was born January 31, 1823. January 6, 1846,
married Ezra Finn, a contractor and builder in Scranton, Pa.

Children of Gertrude⁴, [Wilhelmus³, Johannes², Philip¹.]
and Philip Clum.

Thomas P. Clum. Married widow of his uncle Jeremiah.

William Clum.

Philip Clum.

Curranson Clum. Married Thomas Lasher.

Ellen Clum. Married Wolf.

Caroline Clum.

Children of Peter⁴, [Wilhelmus³, Johannes³, Philip¹.]

HARRIET. Born April 25, 1797. On her tombstone at Copake is this inscription: "Harriet, daughter of Peter and Mary Kilmore, died March 21, 1816, aged 18 years, 10 months and 26 days.

ALEXANDER. Born 1805. Died 1845. (Unmarried.)

WILLIAM H. Born 1807. Died 1850. (Unmarried.)

HARRIET. Married Taylor. (Frequently in those days a child was named after one who had died.)

CHARLES. Born in Copake, Columbia county, N. Y., September 6, 1812. His boyhood days were passed upon what has always been known as the "Kilmer Place," Livingston Manor.

In his boyhood home candles were considered a luxury and not to be wasted on such an unimportant thing as an education, but he was persevering and gathered pine knots for a light by which to work out sums in Daball's Arithmetic and sentences in Murray's Grammar.

When eighteen years of age, he left home with his effects tied in a bundle swung across his shoulders, for Ore Hill, Litchfield County, Connecticut, to work in the ore mines. In 1836 he married Angelina Hubbard, who, it is said, possessed a sweet disposition and an excellent Christian character. She died about a year after the marriage. (Buried in Town Hill Cemetery.) January 4th, 1836, he married Mary Ann Langdon, a daughter of Samuel Langdon and Mary Evarts. Samuel Langdon was the son of John Langdon, locally famous as "Quaker John." [See History Col. County Evarts and Eusign, 1878. Hughes American Ancestry, Columbia County, 1887.]

When a young man he was quite robust and athletic, and it is related that a storekeeper bantered him with the offer of a barrel of flour if he could carry it home on his back. He picked it up and went off whistling, not stopping until inside his door. In those days money was not a plentiful medium of exchange and he often carried home his wages in the form of a bushel of



CHARLES KILMER. MARY ANN LANGDON KILMER.

corn or some other commodity on his back. About 1845, in the Maxon Place, foot of Bird Mountain, he quarried lime stone and run a colliery, in company with Henry Bird, for supplying the iron works in the vicinity. In 1849 he moved to Mt. Washington, Connecticut. After about a year's stay he moved to Chapinsville, Conn., and was yardmaster for the Landon Iron Furnace, thence to Ore Hill, to engage in mining iron ore. While here, for a time he sold books for the then famous house of J. C. Derby, New York. In 1855 sold his place at Ore Hill and removed to Plymouth, Chenango County, New York, making the journey with his family by horse and wagon. At Plymouth he maintained a colliery for supplying the Norwich Iron Company with charcoal. In 1857 he removed to Kirkwood, Broome County New York. While here he resided for a time in a log cabin. Went to Binghamton in 1858 for the laudable purpose of giving his sons an opportunity of obtaining an education. About 1870 he purchased a stove and tin store, in which enterprise he continued until disease and failing strength, coupled with the illness of his wife, (who for seven years was a sufferer from paralysis), necessitated retirement from business activities

Though limited in early life in educational advantages, he acquired and retained a remarkable knowledge, particularly of the scriptures and ancient and modern history. He possessed a decisive character, was a devout member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, being at one time a "licensed exhorter" in that body. In politics he was a Whig, afterwards a Republican, and a firm supporter of the war for the Union. In his later years he espoused the cause of Prohibition and cast the first ballot for that party in Broome County, writing the ballot with his own hands, and in the returns proved the only one cast in the county for this ticket. During his life he was greatly interested in the Kilmer genealogy, and left notes which have been of great service in the compilation of this work.

Died at the residence of his son Frederick B. at New Brunswick, New Jersey, February 12, 1886. Buried in Glenwood Cemetery at Binghamton, N. Y.

CATHARINE. Born November 9, 1814, at Copake, N. Y.

She never married and made her home with her sister Maria. Employed as tailoress she earned a living and saved a considerable amount of money for those days. Sincere in Christian faith and remembered for her good deeds. Died September 20, 1877.

MARIA. Born August 9, 1817. February 21, 1847, married Frederick Barnett. A few years after Mr. Barnett was killed by the caving in of an iron ore mine at Ore Hill, Ct. Mrs. Barnett was very industrious and frugal. The editor holds this aunt and Catharine above in very grateful remembrance on account of legacies left by them which greatly assisted in liquidating debts contracted during his preparation for the ministry. Mrs. Barnett died March 19, 1884.

Children of Jeremiah⁴, [Wilhelmus³, etc.]

WILLIAM. Born in Schoharie county, N. Y., January 12, 1816. Married Lucinda Larkin in 1836. Moved to Pennsylvania in 1840, and from there to Illinois in 1858. His wife died in 1861. In 1866 he married Sarah Spearbeck who died in 1894. He died in 1887. An honorable, upright citizen and loved by all who knew him.

JEREMIAH. Was born the 13th of January or February 1821, in Schoharie county, N. Y., a few months after the death of his father who died from injuries received from a falling tree as previously noted. Married Catharine Maria Vrooman (adopted daughter of ——— Becker of Schoharie county) in 1842, by "Dominie" Watson. In 1845 or '46 they went to Greenfield, Lackawanna county, Pa., where they finished their days. Mrs. Kilmer died in 1887, and Mr. Kilmer in 1888. Both are buried in the Vail Cemetery, about six miles west of the city of Carbondale. His life occupation was farming.

✓ EMMA. Married Benjamin Pond of Schoharie county, and died in Fredonia, N. Y., in 1879. Her nephew E. J. Kilmer, of Corpus Christi, Texas, speaks of her as the most generous and kind hearted woman he ever knew.

Children of Philip⁴, [Wilhelmus³, etc.]

PETER L. Born 1819. Married Rachael E. Nash in 1855.

GEORGE P. Did not marry.

SARAH A. Married George Pierce.

LORAINÉ. Married Hiram Jackson.

NORMAN. Born in Schoharie county, N. Y., June 6, 1826. Married Rosena Pierce, July 4, 1848. Farmer. Church connection, Baptist. Residence, South Clinton, Pa.

ALMON. Born in Carlisle, Schoharie county, November 17, 1828. Went to Pennsylvania with his parents when he was eleven years old and has scarcely been out of his resident county since. Was a class-leader in the Methodist Episcopal Church for a number of years and has lived a commendable Christian life. Farmer. Never married.

JANE E. Married John A. Felts. Died about 1890.

WILLIAM E. Born in Carlisle, Schoharie county, N. Y., April 24, 1834. In Church connection, Methodist Episcopal and has been a class leader. Follows farming principally. Said to be a good carpenter, rather ingenious, with good ideas of machinery. In manner quiet, scarcely speaking except when spoken to. Never married.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of Maria Coleman⁶, and John Nicholas Fellows.

Ann Isabella Fellows. Born 1825.

Albert Nelson Fellows. Born 1827.

Ezra Fellows. Born 1829.

John William Fellows. Born 1836.

Children of John W. Coleman,⁶ [William⁴, Wilhelmus,³ Johanna², Philip¹.]

Maria Coleman was born October 30, 1822.

Henry Coleman was born September 7, 1824. Married Mary B. Miller, January 31, 1854. Post Master at West Lenox, Pa. Member of the Loomis Lake Free Baptist Church.

Catharine Coleman was born September 13, 1827.

Ruth Coleman was born August 29, 1831. Married William

O. Miller, January 31, 1854. Member of the Providence Presbyterian Church of Scranton, Pa.

Benton Coleman was born September 28, 1836. Married Dora A. Capwell October 19, 1870. Is a farmer near Factoryville, Pa. Family is connected with the Free Christian Church of Scranton.

Alexander Coleman was born October 31, 1839.

Children of Alexander Coleman⁵, [William⁴, Wilhemus³, etc.]

Alanson Coleman.

Harriet Coleman.

Hannah Coleman.

William Coleman.

Children of Daniel Coleman⁵, [William⁴, Wilhelmus³, etc.]

Sarah Jane Coleman.

Mariah Coleman.

Ira Coleman.

Children of Garrett Coleman⁵, [William⁴, Wilhelmus³, etc.] and Eleanor Decker.

Martha Ann Coleman. Born May, 1833.

Nelson Coleman was born January 13, 1835. About 1860 married A. J. Brownell. Is a retired blacksmith. Has held offices of town councilor, constable, collector and school director. Was drafted in 1861. His brother James W. served in the army in his place.

Children of Garrett Coleman⁵ and Jerusha Wells.

Amy Diantha Coleman was born near Dundaff, Pa., August 17, 1841. Married George Griffin December 26, 1861. He now holds the position of superintendent of the D. & H. Marvin Mines. She is a member of the Providence Presbyterian Church.

James Wells Coleman was born September 25, 1843, in Clifford, Pa. April 18, 1866, married Henrietta Whittaker.

September 25, 1875, married Anna Jay Greenawalt. Has been an engineer on the D. L. and W. R. R. thirty-one years. Owns his residence at No. 40 Doubleday street, Binghamton, N. Y.

Children of Ezra Coleman⁵ [William⁴, Wilhelmus³, etc.]

William Edgar Coleman was born November 6, 1843. Married Harriet J. Arnold November 14, 1871. Is a farmer living in Clifford, Susquehanna County, Pa.

Emiline Elizabeth Coleman was born August 27, 1845. Married Gilbert G. Wells, a merchant at Elkdale, Susquehanna County, Pa., September 26, 1878.

Mary Lamittia Coleman was born September 14, 1847. Married John H. Moon April 20, 1869. Died September 3, 1871.

Le Grande D. Coleman was born October 1, 1850. Has a wholesale lumber yard in Scranton, Pa. Married Miss Sila Eva Davis March 29, 1873. Says he is not connected with any church if we use that term in its limited sense, yet takes Christ for his example and is an obedient student of His Word.

Martha Jane Coleman was born May 20, 1853. Married Oscar W. Bagley September 1, 1870. Died September 15, 1882.

Ella S. Coleman was born June 14, 1856. Unmarried. Lives with her sister at Elkdale, Pa.

Children of Hannah Coleman⁴, [William⁴, Wilhelmus³ etc.] and Gideon Robinson.

Mary Robinson was born June 8, 1828. Married Noble P. Trowbridge, December 5, 1850. Mr. Trowbridge is a farmer at Lyons, N. Y. Church connection, Methodist Episcopal.

Helen Robinson was born March 11, 1830. Married Levi D. Smith, November 26, 1857. Mr. Smith is a farmer at Sodus, N. Y. Church connection, Methodist Episcopal.

Eliza Jane Robinson was born October 12, 1833. Married Alonzo Lewis, October 15, 1857. Mr. Lewis is a farmer at Newark, N. Y. Church connection, Methodist Episcopal.

Elizabeth Robinson was born February 25, 1832. Married Alfred Dunn, November 24, 1859. Mr. Dunn was a farmer at

Lyons, N. Y. Died 1886. Mrs. Dunn resides at Lyons. Church connection, Methodist Episcopal.

William Coleman Robinson was born November 4, 1836. Married Mary E. Adams, September 11, 1862. Mrs. Robinson died in 1866. In 1870 Mr. Robinson married Celia Elphick. He is a lumber dealer and manufacturer and builder at Lyons, N. Y. In Masonry he is up to Commandery, or Sir Knights, and a member of the Royal Templars of Temperance. Church connection, Methodist Episcopal.

Sally Ann Robinson was born November 18, 1838. Married Walter A. Hopkins, May 17, 1871, a baker at Lyons, N. Y. Her Church connection is Baptist.

Robert Henry Robinson was born June 29, 1846. Married Ella Puffer, May 13, 1867, and Carrie Simpson in 1882. He was a mechanic. Died 1884. Church connection, Methodist Episcopal.

Children of Elizabeth Coleman⁶, [William⁴, Wilhelmus³, etc.] and Ezra Finn.

Marion W. Finn was born December 7, 1846. Married Jennie Burdick February 21, 1871.

Jane C. Finn was born May 2, 1850.

Sydney H. Finn was born December 5, 1854. Married Ida A. Stevens October 23, 1885.

George W. Finn was born November 5, 1857. Married Carrie M. Clark September 9, 1885.

Hannah E. Finn was born June 2, 1860. Married October 2, 1895, Orlando B. Partridge, attorney-at-law.

Ezra Finn & Sons are doing an extensive business in Scranton as contractors and builders, and dealers in lumber, coal and real estate.

Children of Charles⁶, [Peter⁴, Wilhelmus³, Johannes², Philip¹.]

OLIVER AMERMAN. Born in Salisbury, Ct., November 20, 1838. Named after Rev. Oliver Amerman the officiating clergyman at the marriage ceremony of his parents.

At the age of twelve he was attending the district school in winter and in summer hauling iron-ore from Ore Hill, in Salisbury, to the blast furnaces in the vicinity. We mention incidentally that it was this Salisbury ore that supplied the furnace, or "forge" as it was then called, of Ethan Allen, (of Ticonderoga fame), at Furnace Village, Ct., which he built there and said to be the first blast furnace built in the state. Also that the ships *Constellation* and *Old Ironsides*, and the *Battery* in New York were armed with Salisbury cannon.

At the age of twenty he became a resident of Binghamton, N. Y., where he attended the Academy, and afterwards the Susquehanna Seminary, in summers, and taught school in the surrounding districts in winters.

In April 1861, when Southern hatred sent shot and shell at Fort Sumpter, and President Lincoln called for 75,000 men, he responded without delay. May be the apparition of Ethan Allen along the historic iron-ore transportation roads in Salisbury, or the far-away echo of Salisbury cannon, here manifested its fruit.

He enlisted in Company D., 27th N. Y. Volunteer Infantry as private, was promoted to corporal the November following, and in May following to first seargeant. He participated in all the battles of his regiment. This included Bull Run, West Point, Mechanicsville, Gaines Hill, Savage Station, White Oak Swamp, Malvern Hill, Crampton Pass, Antietam and Fredericksburg.

The record of this gallant regiment in which he served was not surpassed by any other. In the language of their corps commander, "They won for themselves a reputation in the Army of the Potomac and have nobly earned the gratitude of the Republic. You did your duty and did it to the satisfaction of your commander. When the histories of the regiments shall be made up, there will be no prouder record than your own."

May 15, 1863, he was mustered out of service with his regiment on account of expiration of term of service. In August, 1864, re-enlisted as private in the 1st Regiment of Veteran Cavalry N. Y. Volunteers. Was commissioned second lieutenant in this regiment September 12, 1864. Served with his regiment on

detached service in the Kanawha Valley, W. Va., until their discharge on account of close of the war.

July 6, 1865, he married Ellen M. Hotchkiss, eldest daughter of Wm. D. Hotchkiss, then a resident of Binghamton. O. A., as he is familiarly known by his friends, was connected with the clerical force in the Binghamton post-office twenty-two years. Was deputy postmaster two years. Was superintendent of the North Presbyterian Sunday School in 1875 and afterward for a number of years the teacher of a large Bible class, from forty to fifty in number. Elected a deacon in the North Presbyterian Church in 1878, and ruling elder in 1892. His home is a comfortable and commodious residence, which he built at 35 Munsell street in the northern part of the city. At the present time he is accountant in the Long Island State Hospital.

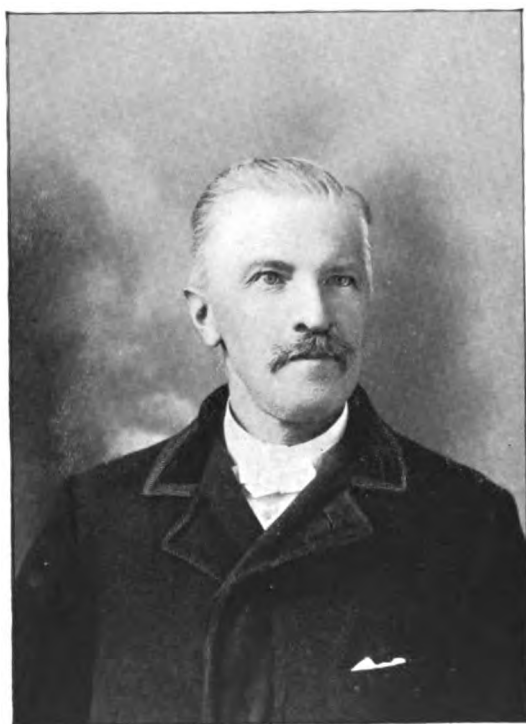
MARTHA LORAIN. Born August 12, 1841. Died May 23, 1842. She was the only girl born in the family, and the four brothers, of which the editor was one, were deprived of the blessing of a sister in the household. Her mother always kept among her treasures a lock of her baby's hair, and was fond of little girls for her little one's sake. Just before the mother died (in 1881) she cried out, "She is there! My baby is there!"

CHARLES H. Born at the "Maxon Place" in the town of Salisbury, Ct., August 16, 1843. His common school education closed in the Pine Street School in Binghamton, N. Y., in the winter of 1858 and '59. In March following his father apprenticed him to learn the tinner's trade with Pratt, Booth & Lee in Binghamton. The War of Rebellion two years thereafter caused a depression in their business and manufacturing was suspended.

In the summer of 1862 he desired to enlist in the volunteer army, but the parents thought the two sons already in were enough, and acceding to their entreaties he remained at home.

Worked at his trade in different places until the winter of 1863 and '64, when he attended the select school taught by Prof. D. C. Vosbury in Binghamton.

August 26, 1864, he enlisted in Company M, First Regt. of Veteran Cavalry, N. Y. Volunteers, and served in the West Virginia Department of General Sheridan's command until the



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close of the war. His regiment was on detached service in the Kanawha Valley and a portion of the time he was clerk of the military prison at Charleston, W. Va, also of the general court-martial.

In the fall of 1865 he became a student in the Delaware Literary Institute at Franklin, N. Y. When through there he returned to the employ of Pratt & Booth. Was called from the bench to take charge of the select school for young men taught by Prof. O. B. Bruce, who was appointed superintendent of the Binghamton schools. In the Spring of 1867 he returned to Franklin, N. Y., to work in the tin department of Douglas & Stilson's hardware store. Was called from the bench to take the position of instructor of elocution in the Institute, which duty he performed in the afternoon portion of each school day until Principal Jones resigned in the summer of 1868. During the time he continued studies in the classics. June 13, 1867, married Mary Elizabeth Sawtelle at Binghamton, N. Y., in the First Presbyterian Church; Rev. G. N. Boardman, D. D., officiating, assisted by Rev. W. H. Sawtelle, brother of the bride.

Returned to Binghamton. Worked at his trade at different places.

In the Winter of 1872 was working at the bench in his father's establishment in the Crosby Block on Hawley street, in Binghamton. Was called from the bench to associate in the management of the *Binghamton Daily Times*, just started by Major D. E. Cronin.

In 1875 became successor of his father's business in Binghamton, which he continued until the Fall of 1880, when he went to Great Bend, Pa. to work at the bench for W. T. Estabrook & Co.

On Sunday, July 16, 1882, was called to enter the highest calling on earth, that of the ministry of the Gospel of our Lord and Savior. His first sermon was preached in the Presbyterian Church in Athens, Pa., where the Rev. W. H. Sawtelle was pastor, on Sunday, January 14, 1883. For four months following he supplied the Presbyterian Church at Hallstead, Pa., during the illness and absence of the pastor. In

April of the same year he made application to be placed under the care of the Presbytery of Lackawanna, and after examination was granted a special license, and a course of theological study was arranged under Rev. Charles S. Dunning of Kingston, Pa. For six months following he worked at the bench, recited regularly in theology to the entire satisfaction of his instructor, and supplied the pulpit of the Presbyterian Church at Silver Lake, Pa. This was fourteen miles distant from his home and reached by horse and wagon conveyance.

March 1st, 1884, was called to the pastorate of the Congregational Church in Maine, Broome county, N. Y., and was ordained to the Gospel ministry by a Council held in Maine June 30. This body was composed of Rev. Thomas K. Beecher, Rev. Edward Taylor, D. D., of Binghamton, Rev. Dr. Bullock of Owego, Rev. J. White of Berkshire, and Rev. A. D. Stowell of Newark Valley, all of the Susquehanna Congregational Association; and the Revds. John McVey, D. D., of Binghamton, W. H. Sawtelle of Athens, Pa., together with lay delegates from different churches.

While at Maine he supplied for a time the Presbyterian Church at East Maine, which he abandoned after a time for a shorter ride to the Congregational Church at Union Center.

In the Fall of 1888 he was called to the Congregational Church at Richford, N. Y.

In October, 1889, he received a call from the Presbyterian Church in Canton, Pa. The people of Richford offered every inducement in their power for him to remain, but he went to Canton, where he remained until the summer of 1893. In the same season of this year settled over the joint charges of Breesport and Sullivanville, N. Y., where he remains up to the present writing.

One of the arduous and at the same time interesting labors of his life has been the compilation of the History of the Kilmer Family in America, continuing four years. Is one of the paid contributors of a religious journal published in New York City.

A member of the Chautauqua society of the Hall in the Grove; also of the American Academy of Political and Social

Science at Philadelphia, and an associate member of the Victoria Institute, or Philosophical Society of Great Britain.

GEORGE L. Born in Salisbury, Ct., September 11, 1845. Residence, New York City. Wife, Emma T. Born, Whittemore at Bethlehem, Pa.

FREDERICK BARNETT. Born December 11, 1851, in Chapinville, Salisbury township, Connecticut. The following sketch was sent by his son Andy. If some think it over-faithful, it is certainly unique in the line of biographies and is inserted nearly as written. In the early spring of 1857 his father's family became residents of Kirkwood, N. Y., and there in a school house on the farm of his uncle David M. Langdon, he began his school days. As the Kirkwood farm did not exactly flow with milk and honey, it was necessary for him very early in life to take upon himself the task of self support as far as education and clothing were concerned. The Public School System was then in its infancy, and was not even a good infant. He attended largely the private schools. To meet these expenses, he worked every vacation driving cows, piling up bricks, carrying water to the gangs of laborers, pulling weeds on the then Binghamton Asylum farm (the family having in the fall of 1858 removed to Binghamton, N. Y.), doing errands for stores, etc. During one vacation, he was telegraph boy, then "devil" at different times for the Binghamton Republican and Binghamton Democrat, another vacation he was cash boy for Hirschman Bros. During his last common school days, (his money having run out) he left school to work in his brother's shoe factory. When he had money enough to meet his expenses, he went back to school in time to catch up and get promoted with his class in Wyoming Seminary. He still holds a receipt marked "Received payment in work." At this institution, he worked in the fields, rang bells, swept rooms and washed windows.

Early in life he determined to become a druggist, and the necessary pharmaceutical and chemical education was obtained in the same way. His first experience was at fourteen years of age in Maybury and Cleeve's drug store in Binghamton. He worked for the best men he could find at low wages, to get the

privilege of being tutored, and the use of their text books. While working he took special courses in the New York College of Pharmacy and gave satisfaction to his preceptors. He was a drug clerk in Binghamton until 1870, when he went to Plymouth, Pa., to clerk in the drug store of D. K. Spry. He left Plymouth in 1871 for Schuylkill Haven and bought a drug store in company with W. R. Shuman. The venture was not successful and the stock was removed to Sunbury, Pa. He passed through the panic of 1873 with no greater vicissitudes than a somewhat monotonous diet of mashed potatoes, and in 1876 removed to Morristown where he clerked in Dr. Becker's drug store. While there he founded the Union Mission, which has since become an active church.

Dr. H. R. Baldwin of New Brunswick, hearing of his ability, made a personal trip to Morristown and offered him the Opera House drug store. On August 4th, 1879, Mr. Kilmer bought this store, having no capital but his experience. He speedily brought this store up from a nonentity to one well known and famed, all over the state. In 1887 he served an acceptable term as President of the New Jersey State Pharmaceutical Association. In 1888, he became interested in the business of Johnson and Johnson, Manufacturing Chemists, and in 1890 sold the Opera House drug store, and became their chemist.

During his connection with this corporation, his labors have aided them in acquiring a large business and an international reputation. Their business is in part the manufacture of Wound Dressings for Surgeons. In this work Mr. Kilmer has aided them in keeping not only abreast but in advance of Surgical Science. It is no exaggeration to say that his courage of leading his colleagues to adopt advanced methods has indirectly benefitted millions of wounded people. In the investigation of drugs belonging to the work in which he is engaged, he has devoted much time in research, and upon several lines has become an acknowledged authority. In such investigations, Mr. Kilmer has made several trips to the West India Islands. It is a peculiar feature of the business and profession in which he is engaged for both rival manufacturers and other authorities to attack any new statement or conclusion.

Mr. Kilmer, though a quiet, peaceful man, has shown himself upon such occasions to be a fighter of no mean order. His scientific conclusions have never been successfully assailed, but have been frequently confirmed and acknowledged by the highest authorities, until the name of his house is recognized as the foremost manufacturers in their line in the world.

To those who know the Kilmer ancestry, the result is not surprising. The old German spirit that will not give in is just the same, fighting the inroads of religious and political persecution in the Rhine Valley, fighting the inroads of provincial oppression in Columbia county or fighting for an education with a broom down in the picturesque Valley of Wyoming.

The scientific acumen of Mr. Kilmer has been recognized in many directions. On invitation he has contributed articles on the lines of Pharmaceutical Chemistry to the foremost scientific journals of the day.

He is a member of the New Jersey Microscopical Society ; member of the Philoclean Society of Rutgers College ; member of the American Civil Service Association ; ex-President of the American Pharmaceutical Association ; member of the Society of Chemical Industry of England ; member of the New Jersey Historical Society ; member of the Institute of Jamaica ; member of the Jamaica Agricultural Society ; member of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy ; member of the American Association for the advancement of Science. He is a chemist to the Brunswick Pharmacal Company and chemist to the New Brunswick Board of Health ; charter member of the New Brunswick Board of Trade and Director of the Brunswick Pharmacal Company ; Past Master Workman A. O. O. W.

His habit of scientific thought unfits him for light topics. If the conversation has no practical bearing, he becomes abstracted at once. In his religious life, he is firm in his beliefs, but undemonstrative. He follows the Great Philosopher as near as he can, but is devoted more to the philanthropical side of religion rather than the emotional. For many years he has been a vestryman of Christ Episcopal Church of New Brunswick, and this church has seen him active as Sunday School Superintendent, founder of a Mission, President of Christ Church Club,

etc. In personal appearance, Mr. Kilmer is above middle height, blue eyes, light hair and sandy moustache and beard. He is a strict abstainer from liquor, but uses tobacco. Clean personally, he is careless about his clothes. After he has once bought a suit, he forgets all about it. He does not know how old the suit is or how young it is, whether it should be worn at his factory or at church. He never seems to become fairly acquainted with a suit until he has made it a suit of many colors, by dipping it in acids and chemical mixtures of various degrees of strength.

December 25th, 1871, he married Annie E. Kilburn (see the history and antiquities of the name and family of Kilburn in its varied archeography—Dume and Reck, New Haven, 1856), the only daughter of Andy and Ellen L. Kilburn, which has been a happy union.

Probably his happiest hours are spent in his study. Book by book, he has built up a library and he knows every tome in it. After the day's business is over, it is his custom to go immediately to his library. His reading is confined almost wholly to science. He reads something light occasionally for relaxation, but it is a question if he enjoys it. His library is his home. Should his portrait ever be painted, there would be the place to catch him in his most pleasant mood—seated, under the lamp-light, among his silent, but familiar friends.

Child of Maria⁵ [Peter⁴, etc.]

Mary A. Barnett. Born November 10, 1847. Graduate of Hudson River Institute at Claverack, N. Y. Died April 25, 1878.

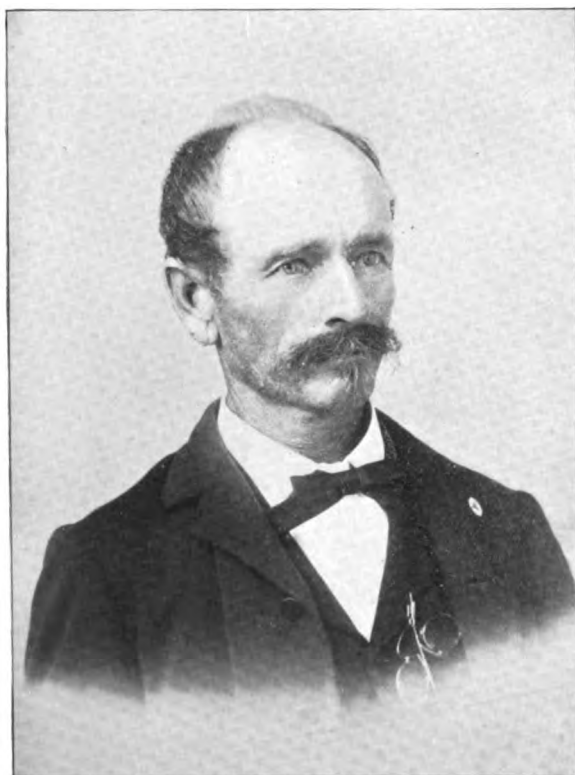
Children of William⁶, [Jeremiah⁴, Wilhelmus³, Johannes³, Philip¹] and Lucinda Larkin.

HENRY W. Born August 25, 1837 in Schoharie County, N. Y. Residence, Burdick, Porter County, Indiana.

LUCY GROVNER. Born in 1840 in Carlisle, Schoharie coun-



MRS. MARY E. KILMER LEWIS.



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ty, N. Y. January 2, 1863, married Charles H. McHenry. Her church connection is Methodist Episcopal and residence Cambridge, Illinois.

JEREMIAH C. Born May 6, 1842, in Luzerne county, Pa. Residence, Brooklyn, Iowa.

EMMA. Born September, 1844, in Luzerne county, Pa. Married ——— Miller. Residence, St. Kearney, Nebraska.

MARY E. Born September 12, 1846, in Luzerne county, Pa. September 18, 1863, married Richard N. Luesley. June 4, 1893, married D. S. Lewis, cabinetmaker.

PHILIP J. Born June 5, 1851, in Luzerne county, Pa. November 19, 1873, married Eliza C. Sleggle. Is a planter, a mason and odd-fellow and a Presbyterian, therefore ought to be a good fellow.

WILLIAM. Born March 13, 1854 in Luzerne county, Pa. Residence, Malcom, Ia.

Children of William⁵ and Sarah Spearbeck.

KITTIE. Born January 17, 1867, in Osco, Henry county, Ill. Married Jesse S. Tracy December 17, 1886. Mr. Tracy is a farmer and poultry fancier and a member of I. O. O. F. Mrs. Tracy says: "My life has been very uneventful. I was given a fair education and taught school two years previous to my marriage. Since that time I have been trying to learn to be a good farmer's wife" and this we are sure is something worth recording. Residence Oscar, Ill.

EDNA. Born April 4, 1868. Married Walter Griffeth Hopkins March 17, 1886. Mr. Hopkins is station agent and line repairer at Osco, Ill. Is a Free Mason and both belong to the order of Eastern Star.

Children of Jeremiah⁵, [Jeremiah⁴, Wilhelmus,³ Johannes,² Philip¹.]

EDWARD J. Born November 26, 1843, in Carlisle township, Schoharie county, N. Y.

He relates that as a farmer's boy he had his share of "hoeing, haying and hickory." We might add hominy, hog, and high school on the hill, anyway the superstructure is good and the foundation must have been solid.

In 1859 he went to Fredonia, N. Y., with his aunt, Mrs. Emma Pond, where he remained a little more than a year, attending the school there, then returned to Greenfield, Pa.

April 21, 1862, he enlisted at Honesdale, Pa., as a member of Company G., 14 U. S. Infantry. Was with Gen. McClellan at Harrison's Landing, Va. Participated in the second battle of Bull Run. Soon after this he became very ill and was sent to Finlay Hospital at Washington. Soon after was transferred to the hospital at Point Lookout, Maryland, where the physicians pronounced him unable to perform further army service and he was discharged in January, 1863.

A few years after returning home he learned the carpenter and stair-builders' trade, which is his present business.

In August, 1867, he married Miss Frances A. Smith, daughter of Benjamin Smith of Auburn, Pa.

In 1881 he moved with his family to Corpus Christi, Texas, where they have since resided.

During the presidential campaign of 1896 Mr. Kilmer wrote an admirable treatise on the currency question wherein he covered debated points cleverly and clearly, demonstrating himself an attentive student of the subject. It was very favorably commented on by the local press, and was worthy of a wide circulation.

WILLIAM F. Born in Greenfield, Lackawanna county, Pa., May 20, 1851.

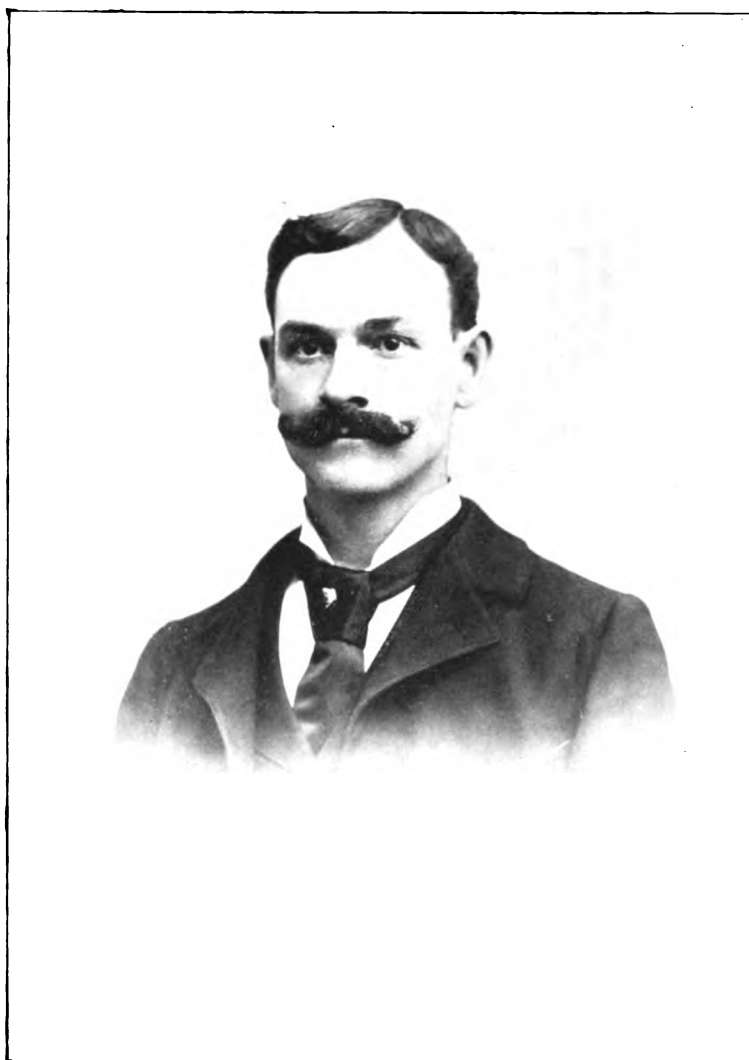
September 22, 1868, married Malinda Wayman. April 23, 1894, married Grace Estelle Goodrich. Is a farmer and a member of the Farmers' Alliance and Industrial Union. Church connection, Seventh Day Baptist.

CAROLINE M. Born in Greenfield, Pa., January 10, 1857. Educated in the public school and lived at home until her mother died in 1887, when she went to live with her sister, Mrs. Vandervoort at Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Was governess in the Home for Homeless Children a number of months, but the necessity of night-care of sick children was too much strain on her physical system and she resigned. Her brother says of her that "she is very industrious and frugal, has hoarded up some of this world's goods, which she expects to enjoy when the right



WILLIAM F. KILMER.

GRACE GOODRICH KILMER.



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man comes along, for she is still unmarried at this date." This the editor hesitated to insert, thinking it might cause some annoyance after this book is sent out by turning the rush of young men from the Klondyke gold region to Wilkes-Barre. However, he is assured of a safeguard to his fair cousin in those words, "The right man." She is proprietress of the Kilmer Manufacturing Company of Wilkes-Barre, manufacturers of cosmetics and hair tonic.

BENJAMIN H. Born in Greenfield in 1860. In October, 1881, married Alice H. Ide. His business is paper hanging and painting. He served seven and a half years in the Pennsylvania National Guards, and is an active member of the W. J. Bryan Council, No. 282, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, and holds the office of deputy state counselor. He has taken great interest in this book and has rendered to the compiler very efficient service in his vicinity. After receiving his picture we wrote that he was the handsomest Kilmer we had seen yet; this will not make him vain. Never have met him yet but know he is bright and active, and when he is due at a place in specified time he gets there.

SUSAN M. Born July 10, 1862. Lived a number of years with her brother, E. J. Kilmer in Wilkes-Barre, and went with his family to Corpus Christi, Texas, in November of the year 1881. Was married to C. F. Vandervoort July 5, 1882. Lived in Texas until September, 1883, when she came back with her husband to Greenfield, Pa., where she lived until March 27, 1885. Since that time has lived in Wilkes-Barre. Her husband is a painter. They have a son and daughter, ages ten and twelve, very bright children.

EMMA CATHARINE, Born December 28, 1866, in Greenfield, Pa. Lived at home and attended the public school until her mother died. From that time until she was married she made her home with her sister, Mrs. Vandervoort, in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. She married Hiram J. Hahn, March 12, 1890, then a young carpenter in Wilkes-Barre. The young couple started house-keeping in Philadelphia the same year, but soon bought property at Brighton Heights, N. J.

At this writing they are at Atlantic City, N. J. They have one child, Edward Lester, who is an invalid. The care and treatment of this child has cost a considerable amount of money and great anxiety, with no prospect of relief.

Children of Emma⁶, [Jeremiah⁴, Wilhelmus³, etc.] and Benjamin Pond.

Benjamin Pond, Fredonia, N. Y.

Mrs. H. R. Jones, Buffalo, N. Y.

Children of Peter L. ⁶, [Philip⁴, Wilhelmus³, Johannes³, Philip¹] and Rachael E. Nash.

SILAS C. Born 1856.

ELLERY D. Born 1858.

HENRY A. Born 1862.

NORMAN L. Born March 11, 1865, in Greenfield, Pa. Unmarried. Business, market gardening and farming. Is a member of Camòrian Lodge, No. 58, of Carbondale. He owns and occupies the farm of his grandfather, Philip Kilmer, situated in Greenfield.

LAFAYETTE. Born September 21, 1867, at Greenfield, Pa. Married Martha May Cogan September 3, 1890. Is a drayman in Carbondale, Pa., and a member of Patriotic Order Sons of America.

ELMER E. Born 1869.

EDITH A. Born 1876.

AGNES E. Born 1879.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Children of Benton Coleman⁶, [Alexander⁶, William⁴, Wilhelmus³, etc.]

Frances Coleman was born August 16, 1873.

Della Coleman was born January 19, 1876.

John Coleman was born March 31, 1881. Died November 19, 1881.

Children of Nelson C. Coleman⁶, [Garrett⁶, William⁴, Wilhelmus³, etc.]

George Coleman was born 1862.

C. W. Coleman was born 1863.

Mattie Coleman was born 1864.

Children of James W. Coleman⁶, [Garrett⁶, William⁴, Wilhelmus³, Johannes³, Philip¹] and Henrietta Whittaker.

Stella Coleman was born June 7, 1868. Married G. M. Hallstead January 11, 1888. Mr. Hallstead is connected with the D., L. & W. R. R. Residence, 324 Clay avenue, Scranton, Pa.

Children of James W. Coleman and Anna Jay Greenawalt.

Nelson J. Coleman was born July 12, 1887. Is clerk in the D., L. & W. freight office in Binghamton.

James Watson Coleman was born June 9, 1883.

Children of Elizah Jane Robinson⁶ [Hannah Coleman⁶, William⁴, Wilhelmus³, Johannes³, Philip¹] and Alonzo Lewis.

Hattie L. Lewis was born July 8, 1876.

Children of William Coleman Robinson⁶, [Hannah⁶, William⁴, etc.] and Mary E. Adams.

Jesse May Robinson was born August 2, 1864. Married John Edward Wesley, railroad clerk, November 24, 1885.

Children of William C. Robinson and Celia Elphick.

William David Robinson was born September 16, 1871. Died in 1883.

Mary Delavene Robinson was born October 2, 1873.

Frankie Gideon Robinson was born October 27, 1875. Died November 6, 1875.

Pearlee Coleman Robinson was born June 18, 1879.

Children of Robert Henry Robinson⁶, [Hannah⁵, William⁴, etc.]

Irving A. Robinson was born June 9, 1875. Died in 1885.

Children of Marion W. Finn⁶, [Elizabeth Coleman⁵, William⁴, etc.] and Jennie Burdick.

Clara E. Finn was born November 4, 1872.

Children of Sidney H. Finn⁶, [Elizabeth Coleman⁵, etc.] and Ida Stevens.

Ezra S. Finn was born April 1, 1891. Died December 14, 1891.

Children of George W. Finn⁶, [Elizabeth Coleman⁵, etc.] and Carrie M. Clark.

George Carlton Finn was born June 20, 1886. Died September 22, 1887.

Helen Finn was born February 7, 1889.

Children of Oliver A. ⁶, [Charles⁵, Peter⁴, Wilhelmus³, Johannes², Philip¹.]

ARTHUR ALBERT. Born January 24, 1866. Is head bookkeeper for McKinney and Evarts, extensive wholesale grocers in Binghamton. Has been superintendent of the North Presbyterian Sunday school for a number of years and is ruling elder in the church.

RALPH G. Born September 16, 1869. Is bookkeeper for the Bennett Manufacturing company in Binghamton. A musician of recognized ability, organist of the First M. E. church in the city, and is a composer of some excellent music. Married Mary Josephine Shapley May 24, 1894.

Children of Charles H. ⁶, [Charles⁵, Peter⁴, etc.]

LENA V. Born January 9, 1869. At the age of seventeen



LENA V. KILMER. WILLIAM S. KILMER. M. ELISABETH KILMER.

entered the musical and classical department in Wyoming seminary. In 1890 was a pupil of Signor Marcato in New York city. At the present time is with the Fleming H. Revell Company, publishers of evangelical literature in Chicago. In the musical line is a pupil of Prof. Blackman, and vocal soloist and organist when occasion demands.

MARY ELIZABETH. Born March 11, 1872. Finished her education at the Newark Valley (N. Y.) Academy and the Canton (Pa.) High school. Is a member of the Chautauqua Hall in the Grove. At home with her parents in Breesport, N. Y. An excellent help in all departments of church work. Her father knows whereof he speaks when he says that she is first class in keeping a house in order.

WILLIAM SAWTELLE. Born July 3, 1883. Baptized July 2, 1884 in Maine, N. Y., by his uncle, Rev. Wm. H. Sawtelle. United with the Presbyterian church at Breesport March 7, 1897. Is to fill that place in the world which the Lord will prepare for him.

Children of George L. ^s, [Charles^s, Peter^s, etc.]

EDINE T. H. Born in New York city in 1872.

Children of Frederick B. ^s, [Charles^s, Peter^s, etc.]

ANDY FREDERICK. Born January 12, 1873, in Binghamton, N. Y. Was educated in the High School of New Brunswick, N. J., Rutger's College Preparatory school and Rutger's College, class of 1896. Served an apprentice to the printing trade and passed to journeyman printer. March 30, 1894, married Rebecca Ellen McLean of New York City. He is now engaged in the advertising department of the Brunswick Pharmacal Company (Johnson and Johnson, New York). The editor will add, and not because he is a nephew, that he is a young man of exceptional capability and enterprise.

ELLEN ANNIE. Born September 12, 1875. Died August 19, 1876.

CHARLES WILLOUGHBY. Born March 17, 1880. Died June 25, 1880.

ALFRED JOYCE. Born December 6, 1886.

Children of Lucy G. ⁶, [William⁶, Jeremiah⁴, Wilhelmus³, Johannes³, Philip¹] and Charles H. McHenry.

Mary Alice McHenry was born April 2, 1864, at Cambridge, Henry county, Ills.

Emma Frances McHenry was born June 20, 1866 at Cambridge.

Charles Alvin McHenry was born October 8, 1867, at Cambridge.

Lewis Edgar McHenry was born March 10, 1869, at Cambridge.

Arthur J. McHenry was born March 1, 1875, at Cambridge.

Lucy E. McHenry was born March 1, 1875, and died at Cameron, Mo., July 26, 1895.

Children of Mary E. ⁶, [William⁶, Jeremiah⁴, etc.] and Richard M. Luesley.

Ruby Inez Luesley was born July 12, 1864, in Henry county, Ills. Married J. W. Carnes March 26, 1882. Three children, Nina Opal Carnes, born February 11, 1884, at Orion, Ill.; Ermal Zoe Carnes, born August 15, 1886, at Kewanee, Ills.; Arthur Burton Carnes, born September 30, 1891, at Kewanee.

May 15, 1896, Ruby I. Carnes married E. A. Kerr. Residence, Kewanee, Ills.

Jacob Burton Luesley was born October 21, 1866, in Henry County, Ills. Died August 22, 1883, at Sabetha, Kansas.

Winnifred Grace Luesley was born February 23, 1872, at Prairie City, Iowa. July 16, 1888, married DeWitt C. Upham at Cambridge, Ills. Mr. Upham died August 13, 1891, at Detroit, Minn. Winnifred G. Upham married Edwin F. Harris March 23, 1896, at Detroit. Minn.

Children of Philip J. ⁶, [William⁶, Jeremiah⁴, etc.)

NORAH. Born February 18, 1875.

CLAYTON. Born October 18, 1876.

CARRIE. Born March 1, 1878.

CLAUDE. Born September 18, 1881.

INEZ. Born September 22, 1883.

GLENN. Born April 17, 1886.

GLADYS. Born November 27, 1888.

All at home at Brooksville, Miss.

Child of Kittie⁶, [William⁶, Jeremiah⁴, etc.] and Jesse S. Tracy.

Glenn Kilmer Tracy was born in Osco, Ills., October 9. 1888.

Children of Edna⁶ [William⁶, Jeremiah⁴, etc.] and Walter Griffith Hopkins.

William Chester Hopkins was born 1886.

Justin T. Hopkins was born in 1888.

Dorothy Caroline was born in 1891.

Children of Edward J. ⁶, [Jeremiah⁶, Jeremiah⁴, Wilhelmus³, Johannes³, Philip¹.]

WILLIE A. Born February 28, 1869. Died of small pox in Saltillo, Mexico, in April, 1890.

EFFIE B. Born October 17, 1872. Married William Barton of Markslon, N. J., and now resides at San Luis Potosi, Mexico. Mr. Barton has a situation with the Mexican National Railway Company.

ELSIE May. Born January 25, 1880.

SUSIE ELLA. Born November 14, 1882.

Children of William F. ⁶, [Jeremiah⁶, Jeremiah⁴, etc.]

CORTLAND ELLSWORTH. Born 1878.

EDITH BELLE. Born 1881. Died 1884.

Child of Lafayette⁶, [Peter L. ⁶, Philip⁴, Wilelmus³, Johannes³, Philip¹.]

HAZEL L. Born June 30, 1895. Died April 7, 1896.

FIFTH GENERATION.

Children of Jessie May Robinson¹ [William Coleman Robinson⁶, Hannah⁶, William⁶, Wilhelmus³, Johannes², Philip¹] and John Edward Wesley.

John R. Wesley was born June 27, 1886.

Charles D. Wesley was born May 27, 1890.

Child of Ralph G.⁷ [Oliver A.⁶, Charles⁶, etc.]

RACHAEL MIRIAM⁸, [Ralph G.⁷, Oliver A.⁶, Charles⁶, Peter⁴, Wilhelmus³, Johannes², Philip¹.] Born October 8, 1896. *Decori decus addit aveto.*

ADAM KÜLMER.

Baptized at East Camp in 1748. His father was Abraham², Philip¹. His mother was Eva Link. He married Catharine Kohl, changed to Cole.

FIRST GENERATION.

SIMON. Baptized May 31, 1767.

NICHOLAS. Baptized January 18, 1769.

CATHARINE. Baptized November 21, 1773.

EVA. Baptized August 13, 1775.

JOHN. Baptized March 2, 1777. Married Elizabeth ———, passed down in tradition as "Betsy," a corruption of the name. Family tradition describes him as a man more than six feet high and of very powerful frame. His death was caused by over-lifting in building a cider mill. His son, Abraham, who was then four years old, recollected that at the time of this sad occurrence, his father took him into his arms and carried him into the house, saying as he did so, "My work is done." Died 1812.

PETER. Baptized March 11, 1787.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of John⁴ [Adam³, Abraham², Philip¹.]

ABRAHAM. Born in the town of Claverack, Columbia county, N. Y., March 4th, 1808. When he was about eight years old his mother married a man somewhere in Central New York, named Moon. At this time he was bound to a farmer named Mesick, with the agreement that he should have schooling and a comfortable living until fourteen years of age. But instead he did not have good clothes, nor food, nor schooling; was harshly treated and overworked, until at the age of nineteen, ascertaining that he had a right to leave, he very wisely bid farewell to the Mesick family. He went to West Stockbridge, Mass., where he found friends and employment. His first years in Stockbridge were with a farmer named Lewis. During this time he studied to obtain at least a part of that education he should have

had with the Mesick family. After this he engaged in a marble-mill in Stockbridge, where he arose to a responsible position in the service of the company. March, 1838, he married Sarah Eliza Johnson. Mrs. Kilmer died March 3, 1842. In February 1843, he married Elizabeth R. Wilkins of Stockridge. About this time Mr. Kilmer left Stockbridge to supervise work on the Boston Water Works, which he completed in eighteen months. Here he won high recommendations and gained a reputation as a skillful machinist and engineer. Mrs. Kilmer died in May, 1849. In May, 1850, he married Caroline Mills, of Needham, Mass. In May, 1851, he contracted for heavy rock excavations for opening a canal in Lewistown, Maine, and used here his steam drilling machines. He was known as the first inventor of steam rock-drilling machines. He completed his work here in about one year. In 1853 he removed to Niagara Falls, N. Y., to work his steam drills on the Hydraulic Canal. He left Niagara Falls soon after the commencement of the civil war, removing to Charles River Village, part of the town of Needham, Mass. Here he remained the remainder of his days, working as an expert millwright and machinist until his death, which occurred October 9, 1886. The following obituary notice is copied from a Needham newspaper: "We regret to record the death of Mr. Abraham Kilmer, which took place at his residence last Saturday, at the age of 78 years. He had been seriously ill for some time and was a great sufferer. Mr. Kilmer was highly esteemed by a large circle of friends and acquaintances and was an excellent citizen, fair and honest in his dealings. In the mechanical line he was at the head of his class, and his services were sought largely in cases of building mills and bridges, repairing machinery, moving buildings, or blasting rocks or ledges, where cool judgment and skill were required, and in all these trades he seemed equally good and practical.

The widow and children have much sympathy from many friends and in which the writer sincerely joins. The funeral took place from the house on Tuesday afternoon, the Rev. Mr. Clark of Needham officiating. The interment was at Needham.



Frederick M. Kilmer

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of Abraham⁵ [John⁴, Adam³, Abraham², Philip¹] and Sarah Eliza Johnson.

SAMUEL JOHNSON. Born March, 1839. Lived fourteen months.

SAMUEL FRANKLIN. Born February 28, 1842. In 1861 he enlisted in the U. S. Volunteer Army at Niagara Falls. At the close of the war he came home to see his father, who was at Charles River Village, Mass. In 1878 he started for the Black Hills, and nothing known of him since by the family.

Children of Abraham Kilmer and Caroline Mills.

FREDERICK MILLS. Born February 8, 1852, in Needham, Mass.

His ancestry on his mother's side is English Puritan. His mother's grandfather, David Mills, was a landholder in Needham before the Revolutionary war and as a "minute man" left work in the field to hurry on summons of the courier to take part in the battle of Lexington, and later with the Continental Army he fought in various engagements, and was present at the surrender of Burgoyne. When Frederick M. was eighteen months old, his father, who was at that time a contractor, moved to Niagara Falls, N. Y., being engaged with the original projectors of the Hydraulic Canal. When about twelve years of age the boy returned to Needham, Mass. His education did not extend beyond the High School. At the age of sixteen he began to learn the carpenter's trade and worked five years, then left it to attend a business college, from which he graduated in May, 1873. The conviction, doubtless inborn, yea, written in the Book of Providence when there was none of him, that he was not to always handle saw and hammer was here manifest. Not that he was ashamed to thus labor, for thus in the same trade for years did the lowly Nazarene, his Master and Redeemer, who was also Creator of all things in heaven and earth; but commendably aspired to greater usefulness in the world. They call it ambition. Be it so. The world needs more ambitious men of the same kind. You may say that in thus moralizing the editor has jumped off his horse. Very well. He'll

get on again soon. It was his good fortune to meet Mr. Kilmer in the summer of 1895, and found him every inch a Christian gentleman, a scholar from the college of experiences and a bright business man. This may be anticipating. We remount and follow him up.

After leaving the business college he became bookkeeper and afterward salesman for a lumber company, and later served in the same capacity for Palmer, Parker and Company of Boston, manufacturers in veneer and mahogany.

January 1, 1881, he entered into partnership with George H. Derby, under the firm name of George H. Derby and Company, for manufacturing roll-top desks and office furniture. A year or two later the firm was changed in name and called the Derby and Kilmer Desk Company. In 1890 the firm became a corporation under the laws of Massachusetts with same name. From the beginning of the business Mr. Kilmer was in charge of the financial and clerical details, and when incorporated became its secretary and treasurer. In 1893 the Pond Desk Company became associated with them, and the name changed to Derby, Kilmer and Pond Desk Company, and in 1895 the Somerville Desk Company, when a new organization was formed from the union called the Derby Desk Company, Mr. Kilmer retaining the position of secretary and treasurer.

At the present time this company is the most extensive establishment in its line in the United States.

The factory is at Somerville, Mass., with main office and warerooms Portland street, Boston, and 114 Nassau street, New York City. Before going further we record an event which doubtless he considers a very important one in his life—next to his birth. This was his marriage, which occurred October 1, 1878, with Miss Alice Fredrika Higbee in Kalamazoo, Mich. Miss Higbee was born in Burlington, Vt. After serving one year in the Somerville City Council he was elected representative in the Massachusetts Legislature. The first year, 1890, was on the committee on drainage, and in 1891 on the committee on finance.

He is a member of the Winter Hill Baptist Church of Somerville, and has contributed largely toward its support and

growth. Is trustee of the Boston Baptist Hospital, also of the Somerville City Hospital. Always interested in the promotion of the Temperance Cause, both locally and at large, and takes a deep interest in the welfare and growth of his resident city.

He has also taken great interest in the Kilmer Family History, and has been, through all its preparation, a substantial supporter.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Children of Frederick Mills⁶ [Abraham⁵, John⁴, Adam³, Abraham², Philip¹].

CHARLES HIGBEE. Born August 5, 1879.

MARY ALICE. Born April 22, 1881.

FREDERICK MILLS, JR. Born November 7, 1882.

SARA WILLIS. Born October 21, 1884.

HELEN BAKER. Born February 4, 1889.

JOHN ABRAHAM. Born May 27, 1892.

ADELBERT LIBBY. Born March 12, 1894.

ALICE FREDRIKA. Born August 26, 1896.

WILHELM KÜLMER.

Baptized at East Camp, June 17, 1752. Was among the early settlers of Rensselaer county, N. Y. Sometime previous to the Revolutionary War, a number of farms of the territory now belonging to the town of Poestenkill, but then to the Manor of Rensselaerwyck, were obtained by the settlers from the patroon of the manor. He was one of these. Many of his descendants are now residents of the town. Married Catherine Link. Was son of Abraham² [Philip¹].

FIRST GENERATION.

JOHN. Baptized April 7, 1771. Never married.

CATHARINE. Baptized May, 1773.

WILLIAM.

PHILIP. Baptized 1780. Married Anna Shaver.

CHRISTINA. Baptized February 18, 1781. Married Clum.

PETER. Baptized July 6, 1783.

GEORGE.

MARIAH. Baptized 1785.

HANNAH.

SUSAN.

EVA.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of Philip⁴ [William³, Abraham², Philip¹].

CATHARINE. Born February 28, 1798. Married Robert Colehamer in 1816.

JOHN. Married Susanah Karner.

WILLIAM. Married Sarah Sliter.

ELIZABETH. Married Link.

EVA. Married Richard.

SARAH.

¹ *Wilhelm is the pure German. The son of Johannes², Philip¹, was called Wilhelmus, which is a mixture of German and Latin. Each of them Anglicized is William.*

HANNAH MARIA. Born October 16, 1814. Married George Henry Snyder. Died December 30, 1888.

LEWIS. Married Margaret Moul.

JOSEPH. Born 1820, in town of Sand Lake, Rensselaer county. Married Elizabeth Van Denberg. Married Catharine Elizabeth Coonrad. Married Harriet Kilmer, widow of his cousin Henry Kilmer.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of Catharine⁵ [Philip⁴, William³, Abraham³, Philip¹], and Robert Colehamer.

William Colehamer was born October 23, 1818. Married Margaret Slauter November 19, 1840. Died April 30, 1886.

Children of John⁵ [Philip⁴, William³, etc.]

SARAH. Married Peter M. Snyder

DELIA M. Married George H. Link, March 15, 1855.

Children of William⁵ [Philip⁴, William³, etc.]

PHILIP W.

GEORGE.

MELINDA. Married John Vosburg.

Child of Elizabeth⁵ [Philip⁴, William³, etc.]

Philo Link.

Child of Eva⁵ [Philip⁴, William³, etc.]

George Richard.

Child of Sarah⁵ [Philip⁴, William³, etc.]

Hannah. Married Chester Link. Died January 26, 1896.

Children of Hannah Maria⁵ [Philip⁴, William³, etc.], and George Henry Snyder.

Jacob Henry Snyder was born August 8, 1836. Married Caroline Gilbert. He died July 28, 1892.

George Robert Snyder was born August 18, 1845. Died July 1, 1852.

Philip M. Snyder was born March 25, 1848. Married Anna Rowena Coffin, daughter of Roland Gelston Coffin, son of Jared Coffin. Mrs. Snyder's maternal grandfather was William P. Matchett.

Children of Lewis⁶ [Philip⁴, William³, etc.]

MATILDA. Married Hewett.

HARRIET. Born March 4, 1846. Died January 14, 1897. Buried at Eagle Mills Cemetery.

The following memorial tribute to Harriet Kilmer Bott, beautiful in sentiment and excellent in composition, by her cousin, Charles E. Kilmer of New York City, was printed and sent out to relatives and friends as a *souvenir* :

Death under any circumstances brings sadness to the hearts of kindred and friends of the deceased, but when the destroyer enters a home and takes away wife and mother, it leaves a pang that cannot be assuaged by any earthly agency.

The death of Cousin Hattie at the time when life's charms were at their zenith—when home and family ties were welded together by a mother's love, is peculiarly sad. It has caused a breach in the home-life of the husband and motherless little ones that cannot be closed ; one in which amelioration can only be had by trusting in Him who doeth all things well.

Cousin Hattie was a devoted wife and loving mother, with all the blessings that tend to make life worth living. With a happy home, an affectionate husband, and two promising little children, her surroundings were such as to make her stay here desirable. Her sweet christian disposition and true devotion to the duties of her home, made all with whom she came in contact feel that she was striving to make the world better for her having lived in it.

The affliction attending the recent loss of her mother and the illness of her elder sister has augmented the grief of her



Albert Kinner
Averill Park
Rensselaer Co. N.Y.



MRS. HARRIET KILMER BOTT.

family and friends. All through this trying ordeal Cousin Hattie displayed a fortitude that only characterizes a christian, and it was perhaps largely due to these unusual burdens at this time that her demise was hastened.

The large attendance and grief exhibited by the members of her church and associates, at the funeral, was an exemplification of the love, honor and respect they had for her.

In church work and charities of the community in which she lived, she was tireless.

Knowing her all my life and loving her for her purity of mind and gentle character, her loss to me is something more than that of a cousin.

Her body is now resting from all earthly troubles—asleep in the grave—her spirit is at rest in the eternal heavens—with the heavenly choir she is singing songs of love and praise, and enjoying that bliss that is the reward of those who are prepared to meet the Great Father.

Cousin Hattie, pure in mind, knew no fear when she neared the heavenly gates, which “stood ajar” to welcome her.

Children of Joseph⁵ [Philip⁴, William³, etc].

MARTIN ALBERT. Born at Greenbush, Rensselaer county, N. Y., September 24, 1841. Married Sarah Maria Sliter, December 29, 1866. Has been justice of the peace twelve years. Was connected with the United States Army from 1863 to 1870, notably in the Shenandoah Valley and with General Hunter in his raid to Lynchburg, through the battles of Winchester and Fisher's Hill, Piedmont and New Hope. After the mustering out of the troops he went to Raleigh, N. C., with Colonel T. P. Johnston assistant quartermaster, and took charge of the quartermaster's department of the Freedmen's Bureau, and from there went to Camp Russell, having charge of the quartermaster and commissary departments of the U. S. A. until 1871.

The editor judges from his letters that he is one of the Kilmers that get up in the morning and are alive all day.

CHARLES E. Born October 16th, 1846. He obtained his early education in the common schools and at the Fort Edward

Collegiate Institute. In 1864 he left school and proceeded south to take part in the War of the Rebellion. Soon after his arrival he was appointed to a responsible position in the commissary and quartermaster's department of the government service, which position he filled with dignity and ability, as his testimonials from superior officers show. He retained his position with the government until 1870, when he returned home. In 1872 he was elected clerk of the board of superintendents of the poor of Rensselaer county, which position he held until January 1st, 1877. In 1878 he was engaged in the collar business in Troy, N. Y., in which he continued nine years and was quite successful. On account of ill health he sold out in 1887. December 1st, 1888, he accepted the position of corporation tax clerk in the office of the state comptroller in Albany, which he held until May 1st, 1894, when he resigned. During the incumbency of this last position nearly \$10,000,000 passed through his hands into the state treasury, of which not one penny was lost or misappropriated. This is saying about all that need be said for Mr. Kilmer's ability and integrity.

He married Harriet N. Smith, February 11th, 1879.

After resigning the office of chief of the tax bureau in the state comptroller's office, he opened an office in New York city as an expert in tax matters in the interest of corporations. This specialty is his principal business and is conducted by him in his new offices in the Vanderbilt building, 132 Nassau street, New York.

Mr. Kilmer is a young man of energy and progressiveness ; we say young, for he has just turned the half century of life. He is the patentee and owner of a machine for oiling floors and washing floors and windows, manufactured by the Remlik Company, a New York corporation, with a capital of \$100,000, of which he is president and treasurer. It must not be inferred that he is after the whole earth when it is added that he is also the secretary of the Southern Cotton Company, with \$1,000,000 capital.

He continues his residence at Troy, N. Y.

MELVIN C.

ROSSIE.



Charles Kimball.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Children of William Colehamer⁶ [Catharine⁵, Philip⁴, William³, Abraham³, Philip¹.]

William H. Colehamer was born March 30, 1842.

Sarah C. Colehamer was born July 5, 1846.

George Robert Colehamer was born April 9, 1849.

Children of Sarah⁶ [John⁵, Philip⁴, etc.] and Peter M. Snyder.

Susan Snyder.

Dorothy Snyder.

Harriet Snyder. Married Frank Wetherwax.

Children of Delia M.⁶ [John⁵, Philip⁴, etc.] and George H. Link.

Sarah E. Link was born April 3, 1856.

Orrin K. Link was born May 23, 1858. Married Harriet E. Bloomingdale, April 8, 1884.

George W. Link was born April 19, 1860. Died March 17, 1865.

Emma F. Link was born September 16, 1862. Married William H. Barrett, February 26, 1885. Died February 24, 1888.

John E. Link was born June 21, 1864.

Arthur Link was born October 20, 1866.

William Link was born July 19, 1870. Married Addie E. Ives, December 14, 1893. Is a farmer, occupying the old homestead.

Children of Philip W.⁶ [William⁵, Philip⁴, etc.]

JOHN.

MARTHA. Married John Lawyer.

RUTH. Married Wetherwax.

VERNA CATHARINE. Married Elmer Link.

Children of Philip M. Snyder⁶ [Hannah Maria⁵, Philip⁴, etc.]

William Matchett Snyder was born March 26, 1873.

Mabel Rowena Snyder was born July 14, 1874.

Children of Martin Albert⁶ [Joseph⁵, Philip⁴, etc.]

MABEL CATHARINE. Born in Raleigh, N. C., December 20, 1869.

JESSE DEFOREST. Born in Sand Lake, N. Y., May 15, 1872.

MARY EDITH. Born July 16, 1876, at Sand Lake.

Children of Charles E.⁶ [Joseph⁵, Philip⁴, etc.]

CATHARINE ELIZABETH. Born January 16, 1880.

FIFTH GENERATION.

Child of William Link⁷ [Delia M.⁶, William⁵, etc.]

Eveline Ennis Link⁸ [William⁷, Delia M.⁶, John⁵, Philip⁴, William³, Abraham², Philip¹.]

HEINRICH KÜLMER.

Came to this country from Strasburg, Germany, in 1761, with two brothers, Philip and George. This statement is made by authority of his great-grandson, Schuyler V. Kilmer, of Syracuse, N. Y. It does not agree in all particulars with that of the immigrant's grandson, William H. Kilmer. The editor interviewed this grandson in the summer of 1894 at his home in Forestport, N. Y. He said his grandfather's name was George and came from Holland, that was about all he knew of the history of his grandsire. He was then in his eighty-eighth year and remarkably strong at his age physically and mentally. These conditions would give stronger claim for credence, but Schuyler has a longer account of the early history of the immigrant after his arrival here, and some of these incidents coincided with the memory of William H.

This German emigrant could have gone to Holland, as many did, thence to America. Or he might have been born in Holland of German parentage, or German and Holland combined. Schuyler calls him Henrich. The name would be Hendrik in Holland and Heinrich in German; each name anglicised is Henry. For the purpose of reconciling the two statements we might assume that his name was Heinrich George or George Heinrich, but if he had a brother George that would reasonably set that assumption aside.

The editor decides to follow Schuyler's statement as he has given it, which affords the only history we have of this foreign sire, and does not materially disagree with that of William excepting in name.

Heinrich located in Cloverick now Claverack, Columbia county, N. Y., where he bought a farm of Van Rensselaer, familiarly known as the Patroon of Albany. When the Revolutionary War commenced he took his gun and nobly served his adopted country to the end, then returned to his farm and married Miss Katy Hollenbeck. About 1797 he suffered the great misfortune of losing his farm. The government disputed Van

Rensselaer's title to Hillsdale and Cloverick. Mr. Kilmer lost about all which he had labored to gain, a blow that undoubtedly hastened his death. He died soon after and his wife followed in 1800.

FIRST GENERATION.

PHILIP G. Settled in Onondaga county in 1812.

HENRY. Lived in Onondaga county. Married Catharine Woodbeck. Died 1825. His wife in 1866 in Syracuse, N. Y.

GEORGE. Born in Columbia county in 1776. Married Margaret Pliso. Died 1860.

JOHN. About 1850 he was living in the town of Perry, near Batavia, N. Y., with a daughter who married Howe, and then in his seventy-third year.

CHRISTOPHER. Married Betsey Godfrey and Mary Bartlett.

MARGARET. Married Benjamin Earls.

MARY. Married Billings.

CATHARINE. Married J. Heggerman and died in Columbia county.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of Philip G.² [Heinrich¹.]

GEORGE W.

PETER W.

JOHN P.

WILLIAM H. Was born July 18, 1805, in Princeton, Schenectady county, N. Y. When he was seven years old his parents, with their family, emigrated to Marcellus, Onondaga county, N. Y. When he was twenty-three he went to Lowville, Lewis county, N. Y. Learned the carpenter and joiner's trade. Many houses and barns, built in the old-fashioned, honest manner, still stand as a proof of his work as an artisan in this line. In the year 1844 he went to Vienna, Oneida county, on the Oneida Lake, and engaged in the building of canal boats, which he followed, in connection with some farming, for six years. From Vienna he went to Ohio, Herkimer county, and took a large contract of hauling lumber, thence to South

Trenton, where he kept the South Trenton Hotel two years. Hurlburtville was the next stop, where he remained one year, thence to Forestport, Oneida county, and was engaged in the lumbering business until 1894. He held the office of assessor in Forestport, and justice of peace and highway commissioner in Ohio. A member of the Episcopal Church about fifteen years. January 28, 1828, he married Julia S. Alling, a native of Connecticut. Died April 3, 1897.

OLIVE. Married Thomas Bradshaw.

EFFA. Married Jerry Crane.

MARY. Married Dulop.

Jane. Died at age of fifteen.

Children of Henry² [Heinrich¹.]

GEORGE. Married Miss Hannah Lowery. Married Miss Mary Sheldon.

LUKE. Married Achsah Rathbone, who was related to the well known stove manufacturer of Albany, of that name. At one time Luke was owner of two hundred acres of land in Syracuse, N. Y.

EVA. Married William Clark.

HENRY. Married Elmira Morgan.

JOHN. Died unmarried in 1813, at the age of twenty-seven.

CHARLES. Married his cousin, Rhoda Kilmer. Married Maria Herring.

NATHAN. Married Minerva Stevens.

ABRAM. Married Amanda Congdon.

Uriel. Married Hannah Dennis. He died in 1894.

Children of George² [Heinrich¹.]

CHRISTINA. Married Jacob Clapper. Mother of fourteen children.

GEORGE. Married Betsy Traver.

PETER. Married Sophia Traver.

POLLY. Married James Phelps.

HEMAN. Married Deborah Heath.

RHODA. Married Charles Kilmer.
HENRY. Married Maria Riley.
MARGARET. Married Elijah Shaw.
LEWIS. Married Mahala Briggs.
HANNAH. Married John Herring.
Susannah. Married David Godfrey Kilmer.
Charles. Married Esther Griffin.
Electa. Married Darius Smith.

Children of John² [Heinrich¹.]

JOHN.

SYLVANIA.

Children of Christopher² [Heinrich¹.]

ALEXANDER.

BENJAMIN.

ELIZA.

DAVID GODFREY. Born May 25, 1809. Married Susannah Bartlett Kilmer of Fleming, Cayuga county, N. Y., July 21, 1836. Settled in Syracuse, N. Y., residing there twelve years. Removed to Christian Hollow in the year 1848. Thence to Scipio, Cayuga county, in 1850. Thence to Fleming in 1851. In same year to Vestal, Broome county, N. Y. In 1852 to West Windsor, same county. In 1855 to Forestport, Oneida county, N. Y. In 1859 back to Broome county in Binghamton, and in 1861 back to Oneida county in Boonville. The compiler thinks these removals worthy of record, and wonders if they had much left when they settled in Boonville. Died July 25, 1883.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of George W.³ [Philip G.², Heinrich¹.]

WILLIAM T.

PHILIP G. In War of the Rebellion.

JOSEPH T. In War of the Rebellion.

AVIS MARIA.

OLIVE. Married Blazer.



W. H. BUSH KILMER.

Children of Peter W.³ [Philip G.², Heinrich¹.]

ORLANDO. Killed at the battle of Pittsburg Landing.

HARLOW G. Resides at Deer River, Lewis county, N. Y. Is a farmer. Was in the War of the Rebellion. The compiler was at his place in the summer of 1894. He was not at home, but was expected home that night. Remained over night at the hotel, but he did not return. Chased him to Lowville. Did not find him. He is included among those mentioned in the preface of this book, to whom were sent many letters and postage stamps, but no report received.

W. H. BUSH. Born September 8, 1835, at Harrisburg, Lewis county, N. Y. His youthful days were passed on his father's farm until the age of twenty (1856), when he went to Illinois and remained there four years. May 10, 1860, he started for California, and arrived there in October of the same year. At the end of a year and a half he joined the rush of gold seekers in the Salmon River excitement in Washington and Idaho, and the same year of these journeyings found him in Nevada, where he remained thirteen years. At first milling in quartz mills, and later superintending mill. In 1875 he was compelled to resign this position on account of physical infirmities contracted in the mills. This same year he went to California, where he has since resided. His present business is stock raising, on a ranch of 2,000 acres in Tuolumne county, stocked with horses, cattle and hogs. February 22, 1880, he married Winnie A. Smith. Residence, Knight's Ferry, Stanislaus county, California.

CAROLL H. Born December 12, 1841.

WAYNE. Born December 24, 1846. Was in War of the Rebellion. Is a farmer and cheese maker in Jefferson county, N. Y.

JANE.

MARY.

LOUISA. Married Norman Brodt. He died in 1894. Mrs. Brodt resides at Lowville, N. Y.

Children of John P.³ [Philip G.², Heinrich¹.]

MARGARET. Unmarried. Lives in Amsterdam, N. Y.

JOHN W. Was in War of the Rebellion, and afterward a blacksmith and machinist. Died October, 1883.

Children of William H.³ [Philip G.², Heinrich¹.]

GIDEON ALLING. Was born July 3, 1830, at Charleston, Montgomery county, N. Y. At the early age of twelve Mr. Kilmer commenced the life of boatman on the Erie Canal. For six years was a driver. At the age of twenty-two he was the owner of a boat, and made canal boating his principal business for about twenty-five years. In the year 1878 he bought a lumbering mill in the White Lake country and continued in this business for four years. After this he went to Forestport, N. Y., and engaged in the grocery trade. From this place moved to Old Forge, Herkimer county, N. Y., and erected a new building which served as a dwelling and a store. January 26, 1894, a fire destroyed his building and business, and he returned to Forestport, where he now resides. December 30, 1861, he married Elizabeth Benedict. He is a man of commendable character, and much esteemed by his fellow-townsmen. Has held at different times the offices of poormaster, justice of peace, and assessor.

PHILIP G. Born February 23, 1827. Married Nancy Plopper, January 23, 1853. Was a soldier in Company L, Fifth Regiment New York Heavy Artillery. Belongs to G. D. Bailey Post, G. A. R. Residence, Lowville, N. Y.

HENRY CLINTON. In War of the Rebellion.

JULIAETTA. Married Philip G. Hovey, a lumberman, in Forestport, N. Y., January 5, 1858. Mr. Hovey died in 1889. Mrs. Hovey resides in Forestport. The compiler visited her home. Found her a very pleasant woman, with a bright and intelligent group of children.

Children of George³ [Henry², Heinrich¹] and Hannah Lowery.

HANNAH. Married William Washburn.

Children of George³ and Mary Sheldon.

GEORGE, JR.

WILLIAM.

NANCY. Married Henry Dunbar. Had a son, Charles, who was a sailor.

CHARLES BORLAND. Born in Syracuse, N. Y., October 1, 1829. He lived there until he reached the age of fifteen, when he went to sea. We would like to know how he commenced his sea life, then a mere boy, but he does not tell us. Among the many modest Kilmers, the Captain seems modest in the superlative degree, and is very reticent about giving any one his experience on the seas. The editor managed to get a few items but not from him, you may be sure.

He traversed the briny deep about twenty-three years, the greater portion on the waters of the Pacific, as captain of whaling ships, and is familiar with nearly all the Pacific islands. In addition to this he has been on nearly every sea on the globe. Passed two winters in the Arctic region, and mention is made of him and his ship in the Government History of Captain Hall's Arctic Exploration.

He quit the sea more than a score of years ago and bought an excellent farm eight miles northeast of Topeka, Kansas, on the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe R. R., at what is now Kilmer station, and named after him. As a farmer he was successful and still owns and rents the farm.

For a number of years he has been Right of Way Agent for the A., T. & St. Fe R. R., where the sums disbursed for his purchases and settlement are often very large. The occupancy of such a responsible position is proof of superior judgment and fidelity to the corporation.

The editor never has had the pleasure of meeting him, but his friends give us the most unfeigned assurance that he is of a very genial disposition, pleasant and affable in his relations with his fellow men and is held in very high estimation in the community where he lives.

He found his wife in Illinois. She was Mary A. Gray, and they were married November 24, 1863.

Residence in the city of Topeka, Kansas, 1600 Buchanan street.

PERRY. Dead.

MARY. Married Charles H. Kenyon and supposed to be in Chicago.

Children of Luke³ [Henry², Heinrich¹.]

CATHARINE. Married Ezra Downer of Syracuse, N. Y.

DANIEL BRADLEY. Married Miss Marguerita Matty. Her father was a cousin of Marshall B. Soult, one of Napoleon's grand marshalls.

Daniel was captain of a packet from Syracuse to Buffalo. In 1863 he became ticket agent for the Michigan Central R. R. After this kept a wood yard seven years. Accumulated enough resources to live a retired life, and died in 1887.

SCHUYLER V. Married Miss Mary Matty, a sister of his brother Daniel B.'s wife.

He has been captain of a packet boat, seven years traveling ticket agent for the Michigan Southern R. R., and twenty years superintendent of the American Dairy Salt Company. Residence, 220 Seymour street, Syracuse, N. Y.

CORWIN. Died 1849 and no family.

VERNUM. Married Amelia Wright. Went to sea in 1845. After leaving sea life went to California. Returned to Syracuse, N. Y., and was employed by the New York Central R. R., which position he retained twenty years. Then went to state of Washington.

KATURAH. Married Enos Fields. He is dead, and she is living at Waterloo, N. Y.

LUKE. Married either a Gilman or Gilmore. He was a sea captain. His family are supposed to be in Australia.

DELOSS. In state of Washington.

ROSELTHA. Married George Bragdon.

JAQUELINA. Married Hiram Seeley. He is dead. She is at Little Falls, N. Y.

Children of Eva³ [Henry², Heinrich¹] and William Clark.

Guy Clark.

Henry Clark.

Alpha Clark.

Adolphus Clark.

Oscar Clark.

Alvinson Clark.

Children of Henry³ [Henry², Heinrich¹.]

RUTH.

CORDELIA.

COOLEY.

CALEB.

BYRON.

Children of Charles³ [Henry², Heinrich¹] and Rhoda Kilmer.

FANNY.

IRA.

Caroline.

Rhoda.

Children of Charles³ and Maria Hørring.

NELSON.

LONSON C. Born in Fleming, Cayuga county, N. Y., October 22, 1845. Married Caroline E. DeVoe April 21, 1865. Formerly of the firm of Burr and Kilmer, Novelty Works in Gloversville, N. Y. Eleven years superintendent of J. M. Hurd's factory in Auburn. Residence, Gloversville.

RACHAEL.

NATHAN.

Children of Nathan³ [Henry², Heinrich¹.]

SELINDA.

CORNELIA.

JERRY.

Children of Abram³ [Henry², Heinrich¹.]

OSCAR.

FRANCES.

ELLEN.

CELESTIA.

HENRIETTA.

ORSON.

Children of Peter³ [George², Heinrich¹.]

SARAH.

WILLIAM.

HARRIET.

EMILINE.

PETER.

MARY.

CAROLINE.

ELIZA.

LEONARD.

Children of Heman³ [George², Heinrich¹.]

ADALINE.

JAMES.

SUSAN.

ANNIS.

ELIZABETH.

ELISHA.

JANE.

GEORGE.

Children of Henry³ [George², Heinrich¹.]

JAMES.

SYLVESTER.

GEORGE.

HELEN.

Children of Margaret³ [George², Heinrich¹] and Elijah Shaw.

Rhoda Shaw.
 Deborah Shaw.
 Mary Jane Shaw.
 Mandana Shaw.
 Margaret Shaw.
 Daniel Shaw.

Children of Susannah³ [George², Heinrich¹] and David Godfrey Kilmer.

URIAL WASHINGTON. Born February 19, 1838. Died April 22, 1842.

MELVINA ELIZABETH. Born December 25, 1839. Married William Belknap, of Boonville, April 10, 1859. Died March 25, 1885.

ELIZAH JANE. Born August 21, 1841. Married Selah Warner Sabin, of Boonville, October 14, 1861.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN. Born May 8, 1843. Died August 21, 1843.

ALVIRA CHARLOTTE. Born November 10, 1845. Married Leland B. Brinckerhoff, October 28, 1866.

AUGUSTA MATILDA. Born October 12, 1850. Died July 2, 1862.

ADELIA ARABELLE. Born November 18, 1852. Married Merchant L. Porter.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Children of W. H. Bush⁴, [Peter W.³, Philip G.², Heinrich¹.]

CARROLL C. Born October 10, 1884. Died August 8, 1885.

EBEN H. Born December 10, 1891. His father says he is a robust Californian.

Children of Gideon A.⁴, [William H.³, Philip G.², Heinrich¹.]

ULYSSES M. Born May 26, 1865, In Stillwater, Minn.

MINNIE ALLING. Born July 26, 1867.

DANIEL E. Born September 15, 1872.

Children of Julietta⁴ [William H.³, Philip G.², Heinrich¹] and Philip G. Hovey.

Kittie L. Hovey was born December 18, 1858.

Helena A. Hovey was born December 4, 1863.

Georgiana S. Hovey was born February 16, 1867.

Children of Eliza Jane⁴ [Susannah³ and David Godfrey³, George² and Christopher², Heinrich¹] and Selah W. Sabin.

Walter Booth Sabin was born September 12, 1867.

Caroline Eastwood Sabin was born January 17, 1871. Educated at Boonville Academy, and was a teacher a number of years.

Children of Alvira⁴ [Susannah and David Godfrey³, etc.] and Leland B. Brinckerhoff.

Lester Emmet Brinckerhoff was born June 16, 1868. Died April 12, 1869.

Chester Leland Brinckerhoff was born October 1, 1871. Residence, Mt. Clare, Nebraska.

Children of Charles B.⁴ [George³, Henry², Heinrich¹.]

CHARLES JAMES. Born July 22, 1867, in Syracuse, N. Y. Now at Fort Madison, Iowa.

LOIS MARY. Born November 5, 1869, at Topeka, Kansas. Mrs. C. P. Townsley, 1012 Park avenue, Hoboken, New Jersey.

FRANK DAVIS. Born at Topeka, Kansas, September 11, 1873. February 19, 1896, married Miss Lucy Hale, daughter of George D. Hale, of the Interstate Land Company, at Topeka. They are living at East Las Vegas, New Mexico, where he is connected with the A. T. and S. Fe R. R.

GEORGE LAKE. Born September 22, 1876, at Topeka. At Las Vegas, New Mexico.

Children of Daniel B.⁴ [Luke³, Henry², Heinrich¹.]

VICTORIA. Born January 19, 1855. Married Thomas J. Kendrick, April 23, 1879. Mr. Kendrick is a manufacturer of plumber's specialties at Syracuse. His business house is known as the Kendrick Valve and Washer Company.

DANIEL B., JR. Born April 1, 1857. November 27, 1884, married Amelia Hess.

MARGUERITE. Married Charles Joseph Kresser, organist and vocal teacher, August 3, 1892. Church connection, Roman Catholic.

Child of Schuler V.⁴ [Luke³, Henry², Heinrich¹.]

JULIA.

FIFTH GENERATION.

Children of Victoria⁵ [Daniel B.⁴, Luke³, Henry², Heinrich¹] and T. J. Kendrick.

Marguerite Elizabeth Kendrick was born February 5, 1880.

Eugene Kendrick was born November 2, 1883.

Carl Gregory Kendrick was born November 17, 1891.

Kathleen Kendrick was born August 24, 1893.

Children of Daniel B., Jr.⁵ [Daniel B.⁴, etc.]

VICTORIA ELIZABETH. Born October 14, 1885.

DANIEL BRADLEY. Born September 5, 1887.

GRACE MADELINE. Born February 17, 1891.

LEO FRANCIS. Born February 26, 1893.

HAROLD. Born October 31, 1895.

Children of Marguerite⁵ [Daniel B.⁴, etc.] and C. J. Kresser.

Carleton Joseph Kresser was born August 8, 1894.

Donald James Kresser was born April 30, 1896.

Carmen Gertrude Kresser⁵ was born April 23, 1897.
[Marguerite⁵, Daniel B.⁴, Luke³, Henry², Heinrich¹.]

GEORGE KÜLMER.

Probably a brother of Heinrich. Born in Strasburg, Germany and came to America in 1761. Settled in Hillsdale, Columbia county, N. Y., near Heinrich's location. This is one good evidence in favor of his identity. Another is that George and Heinrich each had sons named Christopher, a name not found in any other branch of the family, and still another is, a son of George found his wife in Onondaga county living at the same place where a son of Heinrich settled.

FIRST GENERATION.

JOHN.

GEORGE.

CHRISTOPHER.

ABIRAM P. Born 1789. Married Loop at Syracuse N. Y.
Died 1856.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of Abiram P.², [George¹].

MARTHA JANE.

EFFIE S.

ABIRAM P., JR. Born May 21, 1824. Married Mary Livey, who was born in Glasgow, Scotland in 1823, and died March 29, 1893. Mr. Kilmer died July 17, 1857.

HELEN P. Married Alonzo Kelley.

GEORGE A.

HENRY G.

EMILY.

CATHARINE.

MAGGIE S. Married J. R. Kerr.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of Abiram P., Jr.

WILLIAM GUEST. Born in New York city April 2, 1847.

He received his early education in the public schools of the city. At the age of fifteen he entered the service of J. Q. Preble & Company, manufacturers of envelopes, writing papers and blank books, located at 28 Beekman street, New York city.

He continued with this house during the remainder of their business career, which was twenty-nine years, and a part of this time he was a member of that firm. This alone gives the best evidence of his integrity and business capacity. In 1869 he married Elenor Stanley of New York city, who died May 26, 1891.

Mr. Kilmer is now with the Raynor and Perkins Envelope Company, 115 and 117 William and 59 John streets, New York city.

JOHN L. Born March 12, 1850, in New York city. Is New York agent for the London house of G. D. Peters and Company. The compiler called at Captain Kilmer's office in the Metropolitan Building, but at that time he was on the ocean. Much of his time is consumed by sea voyages. A number of letters were received from him in which he promised his picture and something of his record for this book but he failed in fulfilling the promise.

THEODORE. Born April 6, 1856, in New York city. Residence Janesville, Minnesota. February 9, 1880, married Margaret E. Wentworth of Janesville. Traveling salesman in hats caps and furs. Belongs to the Masonic fraternity.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Children of William G.⁴ [Abiram P³., Abiram P²., George¹.]

GRACE. Born October 2, 1870.

ALFRED GEDUSY. Born February 28, 1874. A graduate of Princeton college and at the present writing is studying law in the University of Pennsylvania.

Children of Theodore⁴, [Abiram P³., etc].

ROSWELL CLAYTON. Born May 27, 1883.

MARY VIRGINIA. Born September 3, 1885.

PETER KÜLMER.

Died in Holland somewhere between 1785 and 1800. The editor places him as son or grandson of one of the Palatines who in their flight from persecution settled in Holland. The name Kulmer from which Kilmer comes is distinctly German. The records of the New York Holland society do not contain the name. The descendants of Peter Kilmer have a close facial resemblance to the descendants of the Palatine Kilmers, and he is placed where best evidence directs. His widow came to this country with her children somewhere about the year 1800. His father's name was Peter.

FIRST GENERATION.

PETER. Born in Holland 1783. Married Ruth Carr December 31, 1805. Settled in Rock City Falls, Saratoga county, N. Y. He was a millright, which trade in those pioneering days required more natural ability and greater pluck for success than in these days. Died April 23, 1842.

SIMON. All we could learn of him is that he died somewhere down the river below Albany. One account said he died at Bethlehem.

NICHOLAS. Died at the age of eighteen years.

The four daughters married and settled in the town of Bethlehem about five miles down the river from Albany on the west side. One married William Clapper, one William Snyder and one a Lasher.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of Peter², [Peter¹].

HARRY. Born August 1, 1809.

CYRUS. Born July 6, 1811.

PAMELIA. Born July 6, 1812.

HARLON. Born April 10, 1814.

CHAUNCEY. Born in Rock City Falls, Saratoga county,



Cauncey Kilmer

N. Y., March 23, 1816. This little hamlet he still calls his home although his winters are spent at his residence in New York city.

The lad received a fair education at the public school, supplementing it in later years by extensive reading and his own activity in the great school of affairs. His father was a millwright. The boy learned this art, beginning life poor. He was engaged in building saw, grist and paper mills under contract for many years. He gave diligent attention to the details of every contract and became widely known as a competent and careful millwright. His thorough experience in building for others soon gave him a knowledge of the operations of the paper mills themselves, which afterwards proved of the greatest service.

In 1840 he was married to a childhood playmate, Miss Mary Jane Ashman, a daughter of the late John Ashman. This happy union brought them four sons and a daughter. A son and the daughter are now living.

Having saved enough money from his earnings for the purpose, Mr. Kilmer built a small printing-paper mill at Rock City Falls and began operations January 1, 1845. This mill was burned a short time after its construction, but Mr. Kilmer possessing native pluck, rebuilt and went on. In 1852 a new process was brought to his notice, which aimed at the making of printing paper from rye straw. He embarked in the venture, and built, in his lower mill, the first complete equipment in the United States for making printing paper from straw. Costly experiments were necessary, but Mr. Kilmer persevered. In 1855, after a long struggle, a quantity of straw printing paper was produced, which was used in one edition of *The Saratoga Whig*. It was not perfect in quality, but, little by little, the product was improved by Mr. Kilmer until sufficiently pliable for general use by newspapers.

A contract was then obtained from Moses Y. Beach of the *New York Sun*, whereby that prosperous newspaper agreed to take the entire product of the mill. With this powerful customer, the success of Mr. Kilmer was assured, and he has supplied *The Sun Association* continuously down to the present

time. More than \$7,000,000 worth of paper has now been shipped to The New York Sun and every dollar of it paid for.

From 1850 to 1857 Mr. Kilmer was interested in five different paper mills. They ran continuously day and night, every day of the year except Sunday. His success has been remarkable. He has met all panics bravely and has never passed a monthly pay day.

Although an acknowledged expert, Mr. Kilmer's straw paper enterprise was at first regarded as doubtful by his competitors. When it became a success, these competitors were glad to take out licences under the patents used by him. This is only one instance out of many, in which his sound judgment and unerring foresight have been strongly vindicated.

In 1865 Mr. Kilmer bought a controlling interest in the Congress and Empire Springs at Saratoga and united them under a stock company with \$1,000,000 capital.

In 1869, The American Wood Paper Co., of Providence, R. I., paid him the high compliment of making him general manager of their whole system, in the manufacture of wood pulp and paper at their mammoth mills in Manayunk, Philadelphia and Royer's Ford, Pa.

Mr. Kilmer has invested some of his savings not only in Saratoga Springs, but in New York city, Chicago, New Mexico and elsewhere. In these later years he spends his time largely in the oversight of these investments. The manufacturing business is carried on at Rock City Falls and is managed at that place entirely. A superintendent is in charge, and acts under the daily advice of Mr. Kilmer when the latter is absent from the mill. Since writing the above he has disposed of his interest in the mills at Rock City Falls.

In 1871 he moved to New York city and built a beautiful house at 9 East 57th street. This is one of the occasional broad cross-town streets, in the best residence portion of the city and is filled with fine dwellings.

An upright, honorable man, with a spotless record of integrity and fair dealing, Mr. Kilmer has become one of the most valued citizens of this city and state. He is a man of fine presence and courteous manners, and is universally esteemed. For

many years he has been a director in The First National Bank of Saratoga. At one time was tendered the presidency of Columbia Bank of New York city which he declined. His character is without a stain. His life is an illustration of the possibilities of this free Republic for young men of ambition.

In addition to the above sketch, of which the greater part was furnished, the editor records that he was the pioneer in the development of Saratoga Springs, as well as the pioneer in the manufacture of straw paper. He organized the Congress and Empire Spring Company in 1865, and was the first president and treasurer. Previous to this he had controlling interest in the Empire Spring, and the company was formed to avoid competition with the Congress.

The editor visited Mr. Kilmer, at his palatial home in the city and at his country seat at Rock City Falls, and found him very affable in his manner. He has taken much interest in this book and is the largest financial contributor to its success.

ALMIRA. Born January 9, 1819.

HARVEY. Born August 23, 1821. A daughter, Miss Cordelia S., is living at 53 West 53d street, New York city, and a son, Charles F., at Warner, Ohio, from whom no response came to request for records. Three letters were written to the son and one to the daughter.

There is a postoffice in Ohio which was named after Harvey Kilmer in 1889. This is Kilmer, Washington county.

SARAH. Born September 21, 1823. Married Jacob Gray October 19, 1841. Mr. Gray was a wagon maker, and died March 30, 1895.

MARY. Born March 30, 1826. Married John A. Dake May 25, 1846. Mr. Dake's business was produce and commission merchant.

Mrs. Dake's Church connection was formerly Protestant Episcopal, but now is a Reformed Episcopalian, "which reform took place and decision announced in her house, No. 11 East Fifty-seventh street, New York City, which is and will be recorded in all church history of the R. E. C." She and her husband were two of the prime movers.

CHARLES. Born July 17, 1828. Lives at Rock City Falls, N. Y. Was employed for years in his brother's paper mill.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of Harry³ [Peter², Peter¹.]

PALMER. Born August 4, 1832. Married April 17, 1857, Adaliza B. Smith. His business is traveling salesman for the Church & Dwight Company of New York. He is a member of the Congregational Church and a Knight Templar. Residence 37 Alexandrine Avenue, Detroit, Mich.

ALONZO. Residence Sedon, Chautauqua county, Kansas.

ADELIA. Married Charles Rollman, M. D. Residence Burr Oak, St. Joseph county, Michigan.

Mrs. F. J. Clute, 903 State street, Schenectady, N. Y. No report.

HARRY. Was a soldier in the War of the Rebellion, and died from injury received or disease contracted there.

Children of Chauncey³ [Peter², Peter¹.]

ANN AUGUSTA. Born January 9, 1841. Married February 2, 1860.

CLARENCE BEEKMAN. Born October 7, 1845. Married October 9, 1866. Died March 24, 1884.

EUGENE. Born July 1, 1850. Died August 19, 1857.

FRANK. Born November 27, 1854. Died November 7, 1863.

CHAUNCEY. Born March 11, 1860.

Children of Harvey³ [Peter², Peter¹.]

CORDELIA S.

CHARLES F.

Children of Sarah³ [Peter², Peter¹] and Jacob Gray.

HARLOW K. Gray was born March 20, 1846. Died December 2, 1848.

John A. Gray was born December 23, 1850. Died March 15, 1883.

Ruth K. Gray was born March 6, 1852. Died January 2, 1861.

Chauncey Eugene Gray was born June 15, 1857. Married Laura M. King December 23, 1880. For years book-keeper at his uncle Chauncey's mills.

Harry K. Gray was born October 27, 1861.

Children of Mary³ [Peter³, Peter¹.]

John C. Dake was born at Saratoga Springs, N. Y., December 10, 1848.

Mary H. Dake was born at Saratoga Springs, October 3, 1851.

Florence May Dake was born in New York, May 13, 1862. She is the only one living, and is now Mrs. Joseph G. Mattison, 463 West 147th street, New York City.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Children of Palmer⁴ [Harry³, Peter³, Peter¹.]

WARREN SPENCER. Is merchandizing in Chicago.

GEORGE REED. Traveling salesman for the Church and Dwight Company, New York. Is a Knight of Pythias.

DAVID KILMER.

Born in Bethlehem, N. Y., August 1, 1809. He said he was a cousin of Chauncey^s, that his father's name was David and his father was a brother of Chauncey's father, whose name was Peter. The records give us three sons of Peter, who died in Holland, namely: Peter, Simon, and Nicholas. If there was a David in the family the name was lost in the tradition preserved by Chauncey. The name of Simon could have been David Simon or Simon David. Nicholas died at eighteen, and probably did not marry. Simon probably married and had issue, concerning which nothing is known in finite record yet discovered. He died at Bethlehem, and David was born at the same place. This is some evidence that the families were closely connected.

The matter, therefore, will of necessity rest here by these statements, awaiting the revelation by the infinite records under the new theocracy.

When David was fourteen years old he went to New York City and worked for his brother Jeremiah as apprentice to the shoemaker's trade. He remained with his brother until he opened for himself a boot and shoe store on First avenue. Later he removed his store to 192 Third avenue, and retired from business in 1868. At one time he was collector of taxes.

An attendant of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and generous contributor to its support but not a member, and an attentive student of the Bible.

He is remembered as one who was very helpful to the needy.

He married Adelia Emiline Moore of New York City, November 28, 1832.

Their children were: William, born September 11, 1833, died June 19, 1881; Emiline, born January 29, 1840, died June 5, 1888; David, Jr., born September 7, 1844, died July 2, 1875. David, Jr., was a corporal in Company B, Fifth Regiment Heavy Artillery.

Mr. Kilmer died December 13, 1893.

May, daughter of David, Jr., is the only grand-daughter of David living. The compiler found her at the late residence of her grandfather, No. 331 East Twenty-fifth street. Since that time she married M. Edward Keefe. The event took place December 23, 1896. She was educated by her grandfather, and is a young woman of culture and refinement.

JOHN KÜLMER.

A son or grandson of a refugee from the Palatinate, and a brother of Peter¹, who died in Holland. He came to this country about 1880, and settled in Bethlehem, N. Y. Married Catharine Le Reaux, which event probably took place after his arrival here.

FIRST GENERATION.

GEORGE. Born 1775. Married Christina Ostrander, daughter of John Ostrander and Maria Van Deusen. They were married at Greenbush, N. Y., early in the year 1795. Died 1845. His wife in 1866.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of George² [John¹.]

CATHARINE. Born in Bloomingrove, N. Y., January 1, 1797. Married Joel Squier. Died June 28, 1833.

MARIA. Born October 11, 1802. Married Joel Squier. Died June 10, 1886.

HANNAH. Born January 22, 1804. Died October 17, 1836. Unmarried.

JOHN B. Born September 24, 1807. Died in Terre Haute, Indiana. Married and had several children.

HARRIET. Born January, 1814, at the old Kilmer homestead, in Bethlehem, N. Y. Married Rev. Alvin Robbins, of Albany County, N. Y. Died in Osseo, Michigan, August 29, 1878.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of Catharine³ [George², John¹] and Joel Squier.
Frances Ashbury Squier.

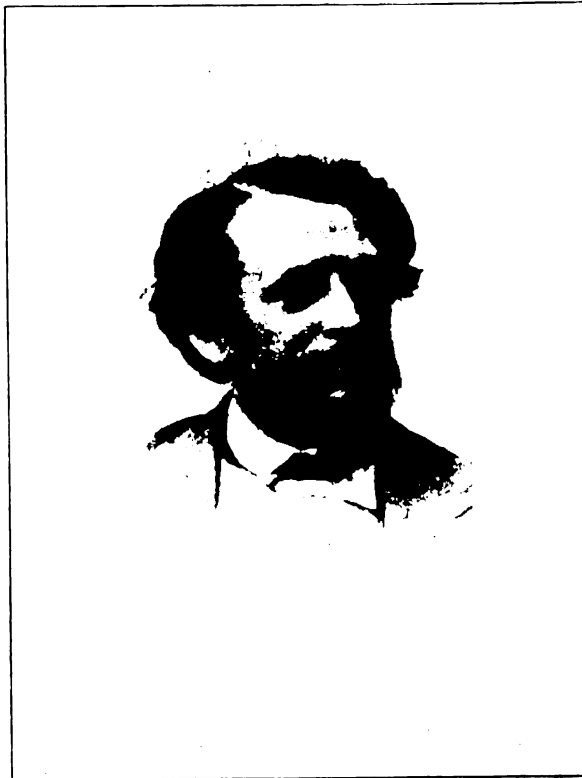
Ephraim George Squier, L.L.D. Born in Bethlehem June 17, 1821. In youth he was a school teacher and an engineer.



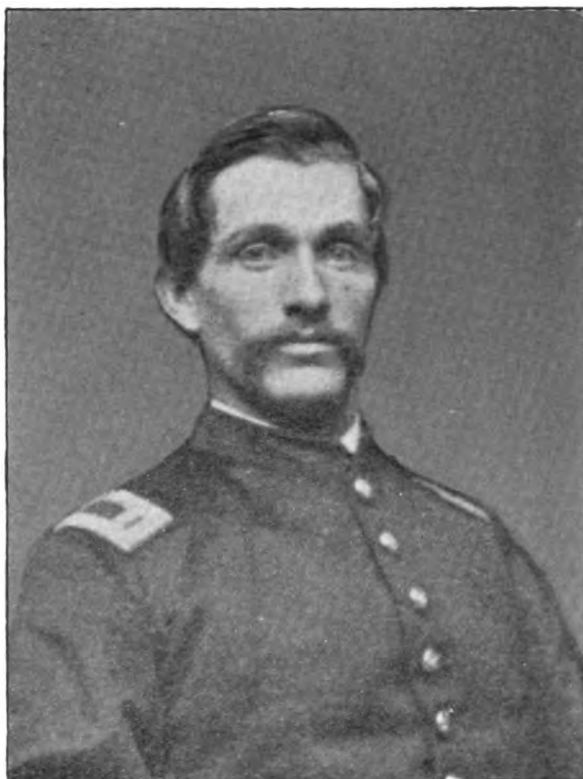
MRS. HARRIET KILMER ROBBINS.



MRS. MARIA KILMER SQUIER.



E. GEORGE SQUIER. LL. D.



CHARLES WESLEY SQUIER.

At the early age of nineteen he became editor of *The Mechanic*, published in Albany. The selection of one so young for this responsible position attests much for his abilities. In 1843 he became editor of the *Hartford Journal*, and later of the *Sciota Gazette*, in Ohio. Here his attention was attracted to the antiquities of the Sciota Valley, which he investigated, and afterward similar monuments through the Mississippi Valley, an account of which was published in 1848, forming the first volume of the Smithsonian Contribution to Knowledge. He made also explorations in New York and Connecticut, and when appointed *Charge de Affairs* to Guatemala and the other states of Central America he used his official position as a means of making extensive geographical archæological explorations in these interesting regions.

Visiting Europe in 1851 he was honored with the gold medal of the French Geographical Society, and made member of other societies of learning.

In 1853 he surveyed a railroad route through Honduras, and drew up the treaty between that country and England for the retrocession of the Bay Island.

In 1863 he was sent to Peru by President Lincoln as commissioner to settle outstanding claims between the two countries. Princeton College conferred on him the honorary title L.L.D. Died in Brooklyn, New York, in March, 1838. Among his published works are :

Nicaraugua.

The Serpent Symbol.

Notes in Central America.

Waikna ; or, Adventures on the Mosquito Shore.

Question Anglo-American.

States of Central America.

Honduras Survey.

Tropical Fibers.

Honduras.

Peru.

Children of Maria^s [George^s, John¹] and Joel Squier.

Charles Wesley Squier. Born in Schroon, Essex County,

N. Y., June 18, 1836. He was educated as a civil engineer and was in Central America. Returned home at the breaking out of the Rebellion, 1861, and joined the 5th Excelsior Brigade, under General Sickles. He went out as second lieutenant, was promoted to captain and was on the staff of General Berry. Served at Yorktown, Williamsburg, Fair Oaks, Malvern Hill, Fredericksburg, Bristow Station and Chancellorsville. He distinguished himself for bravery at the battle of Williamsburg, for which he was promoted to captain.

Died in New York city, December 9, 1869, from injuries received on the Erie Railroad, while in the vigor of manhood and no ordinary promise for the future by his acknowledged abilities.

FRANK SQUIER. Born in Charlton, Saratoga County, N. Y., April 14, 1840. In 1864 he went to New York city and became connected with the paper trade, and is now a member of the firm of Perkins, Goodwin and Company, 66 and 68 Duane street.

In 1893 he was appointed, by Mayor Schieren, Commissioner of Parks for the City of Brooklyn. The many improvements to this beautiful resort during his administration, in additions, artistic designs and decorations are monuments to his energy, fidelity and ability.

Resides at 32 Ninth Avenue Brooklyn.

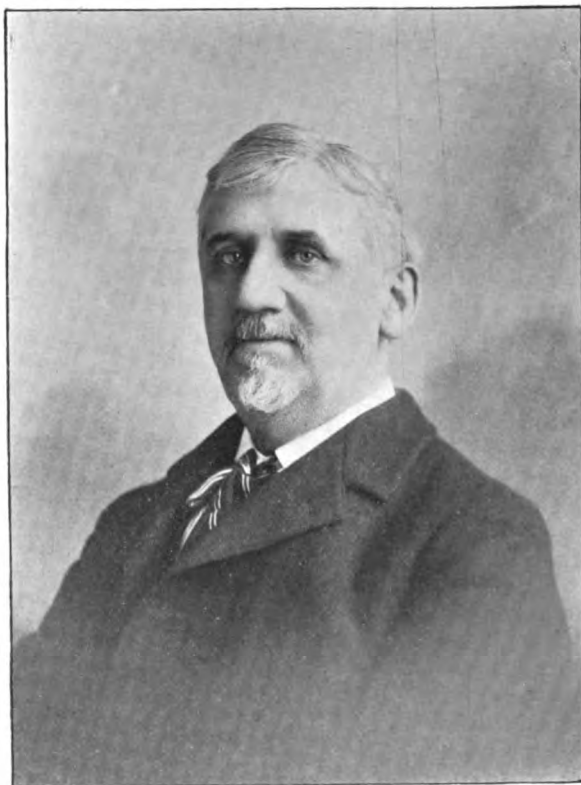
He married Estella T. H. Marshall, November 19, 1867, who died in January, 1893.

Children of Harriet³ [George², John¹] and Rev. Alvin Robbins.

Rev. Benson C. Robbins. Born June 20, 1848, in Syracuse, N. Y., in which city his father was then a pastor of one of the M. E. Churches. Rev. Alvin Robbins was a member of the Black River and Troy Conferences for forty years.

Benson was educated at the Jonesville Academy, Washington County, N. Y., and the Fort Edward Institute.

At the age of 16, in the spring of 1864, he enlisted for three years in Company E, 2nd New York Cavalry, and served until the close of the war. Was wounded and otherwise disabled in



FRANK SQUIER.



REV. B. C. ROBBINS.

the line of active service, and has been placed by the United States Bureau of Pensions upon the pension rolls for said disability.

Was ordained an elder by the Wesleyan Conference at Spring Arbor, Michigan, in 1883, and has been evangelist and pastor in that state twenty-one years. At this writing, he is serving his third year as pastor of the First Congregational Church of Crystal, Mich.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Children of Frank Squier⁴ [Maria³, George², John¹.]

Florence A. Squier.

Edith E. Squier.

Frank Squier, Jr.

Children of Rev. Benson C. Robbins⁴ [Harriet³, George², John¹.]

Mary A. Robbins, now in her fourteenth year.

NICHOLAS KÜLMER.

Born about 1750. Tradition says his father came from Holland. Married Katrina Hess.

FIRST GENERATION.

ELIZABETH. Baptized June 6, 1773.

DAVID. Baptized 1781.

PETER P. Baptized 1783. Married Margaret Bathrick. Died about 1837.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of Peter P.² [Nicholas¹.]

NICHOLAS.

LYDIA. Born December 25, 1796. Married James Brown November 12, 1819. Their church relation was Methodist Episcopal.

CHRISTINA. Baptized 1802. Married Isaac Oakley. Died 1873.

HENRY P. Baptized 1804.

JACOB. Baptized 1806.

JONAS. Baptized 1808.

JEREMIAH.

PETER P.

HARRY P. Born July 18, 1817. Married Phillips.

WILLIAM I. Born in Ancram, Columbia county, N. Y., August 15, 1819. His life business has been farming, in which he has been successful. The compiler called at his home in Kinderhook, for a few minutes, in the summer of 1895. He has a farm of 250 acres, which he had occupied up to that time, twenty-eight years. There are many excellent farms in Columbia county, but we venture to say that there are none better than his or kept in better condition. Its value was placed at \$30,000. We found Mr. Kilmer also a man living in sincere Christian faith.

JOHN P. Born October 8, 1821. Married Sarah Caroline Duntze September 19, 1846. They have been members of the M. E. Church sixty years.

ABRAHAM. Baptized 1824.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of Lydia³ [Peter P.², Nicholas¹] and James Brown.

Lucinda Brown was born February 17, 1820.

James M. Brown was born February 24, 1822.

Gilbert Brown was born October 10, 1823.

Lewis M. Brown was born September 23, 1825.

Josiah Brown was born November 16, 1827.

Henry Brown was born November 19, 1831. Was a Baptist clergyman.

Mary Brown was born November 26, 1829.

Frances Brown was born January 13, 1834. Married Samuel Smith.

Phebe Brown was born February 13, 1836.

Eli Brown was born November 16, 1838.

Mary Ann Brown was born September 13, 1841. Married J. D. Giddings.

George W. Brown was born April 13, 1843. Married Mary Elizabeth Brenton, September 19, 1872. Is chief-of-police in Pittston, Pa. Resides 315 Race street.

Lydia Brown was born March 31, 1845.

Diana Brown was born January 21, 1848. Married Truman Akerly.

All but one of the fourteen children of Lydia Kilmer Brown grew up to be heads of families.

Children of Christina³ [Peter², Nicholas¹] and Isaac Oakley.

Jacob Oakley was born in January, 1824.

John Oakley was born March 10, 1825.

Jane Oakley was born August 6, 1826. Married Oliver Lepp, September 11, 1842.

Abraham Oakley was born November 18, 1827.

Margaret A. Oakley was born June 24, 1829.

Jeremiah Oakley.

Hiram Oakley.

Henry G. Oakley.

Sidney Oakley.

Isaac Oakley.

Children of Henry P.³ [Peter P.², Nicholas¹.]

WILLIAM. Residence, Jackson Corners, N. Y.

Cornelius. Residence, Jackson Corners, N. Y.

Children of Jonas³ Peter², Nicholas¹.]

THEODORE. Is married; supposed to be in Kansas, but could not be found.

EDGAR HARLAND. Born October 12, 1839. Was corporal in the 69th Regiment Illinois Vol. Inf. Graduated in Bryant & Stratton's business college in Chicago, and was teacher in St. Paul business college two years. Afterward graduated in the regular literary course in Wheaton college, Illinois. Since then has been teaching. He is now principal of graded schools at Bangall, N. Y.

July 14, 1896, he married Sara E. Sackett. His church connection is Congregational.

ADELINE E. Born June 1, 1836, in Luzerne county, Pa. Married Charles V. Bagley of Brooklyn, Pa., April 9, 1855. They moved to Geneva, Illinois, in 1858, and in 1860 to St. Charles, where they resided until death broke the home. Mrs. Bagley died June 3, 1896.

PHEBE. Widow of Bethuel Perry. Is living with some of her children. Location unknown to compiler.

Children of Peter P.³ [Peter P.², Nicholas¹.]

JOHN. Resides at Jackson Corners.

- MARY. Married Miles Simmons. Resides in Millerton, N. Y.
SALLY ANN. Married Nan Wooden. Resides in Millerton,
N. Y.
ROBERT. Resides at Bull's Head, N. Y.
ANDREW. Resides at Bull's Head, N. Y.
THEODORE. Resides at Guilderland, N. Y.
MARTHA. Married J. Jackson. Pine Plains, N. Y.
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Children of Harry P.³ [Peter P.², Nicholas¹.]

- MARGARET. Born March 22, 1837. Married Joseph Near.
Died April 9, 1889.
CATHARINE. Born October 15, 1839. Died when a child.
MILTON L. Born May 10, 1841. Enlisted in the army
when the war commenced, and after service of about two years
was prostrated by disease and died in hospital.
SARAH. Born January 20, 1843. Married Peter J. Near
December 25, 1860. Member of Methodist Episcopal Church.
MARY E. Born November 30, 1844. Married L. R. Finger.
Resides at Milan, N. Y.
ANGELINE. Died young.
ALEXANDER. Born May 10, 1847. Died in February, 1844.
ISAAC. Born July 4, 1849. A carpenter and builder, and
resides at East Nassau, N. Y. Married Mary J. Phillips, De-
cember 21, 1870. Mr. Kilmer is a spiritualist and holds as his
motto "Be good and do good."
ALBERT. Born June 19, 1851. Resides at Jackson Corners.
WILLIAM. Born March 15, 1853. Died when a child.
AMANDA J. Born March 18, 1855. Married Oliver Coons.
Resides at Elizaville, N. Y.
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Children of William I.³ [Peter P.², Nicholas¹.]

- ALFRED C. Born July 21, 1845.
WILLIAM H. Born April 4, 1848.
These two sons live at Kinderhook, and learned the trade
of good farming of their father.

Children of John P.³ [Peter P.², Nicholas¹.]

ROSETTA. Born September 25, 1847.

MARY. Born September 20, 1858. Died when young.

Children of Abraham³ [Peter P.², Nicholas¹.]

JULIA. Married John Wooden. Millerton, N. Y.

MARY. Died a young woman.

ERVETTE. Married Bryant Sigler. Ancram, N. Y.

JOHN. Killed jumping from a train.

EBENEZER. West Taghkanick, N. Y.

SARA M. Married Abram Sigler. Ancram, N. Y.

MARILLA. Married G. Garrison. Ancram, N. Y.

ROSETTA. Married D. Kilmer.

IDA. Married William Smith.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Children of Adaline E.⁴ [Jonas³, Peter P.², Nicholas¹] and Charles V. Bagley.

Fannie Bagley married Charles H. Spaulding. Residence Appleton, Niagara county, N. Y.

Luther S. Bagley. 51 North View street, Aurora, Ills.

WILLIAM RICHARDSON BAGLEY was born January 15, 1870. Is now pursuing a literary and medical course in Michigan University, and will graduate with the class of '98. He writes that he would have graduated two years ago, but his mother's long illness and other matters prevented; also writes a sentence most worthy of record: "As for myself, I think about the best thing I can say is, that I am trying to be a credit to my mother and my God."

Children of Alfred⁴ [William I.³, Peter P.², etc.]

IDA. Born January 17, 1869.

CHARLES W. Born November 16, 1870.

ANNA E. Born October 23, 1874.

WILLIAM I. Born December 23, 1878.

EDWARD E. Born May 1, 1885.

Children of Sarah C.⁴ [Harry P.³, Peter P.², etc.] and Peter J. Near.

Henry C. Near. Born September 25, 1861. Dealer in watches and jewelry, Jackson Corners, N. Y.

Harry P. Near. Born May 30, 1875. Jackson Corners, N. Y.

Children of William H.⁴ [William I.³, Peter P.², Nicholas¹.]
FREDERICK M. Born October 27, 1880.

JACOB KÜLMER.

Born about 1740. Tradition says he came to America from Germany. Married Anna Maria Hoysradt, daughter of Heinrich Hoysradt, who came from Germany in 1710. Jacob died about 1828.

FIRST GENERATION.

JOHN I. Born 1773, at Milan, N. Y. Married Miss Eleanor Miller. Married Mrs. Kate Delnoy, a sister of his first wife. Died in Hyde Park, Pa., 1849.

JACOB. Married Margaret Coons.

HANNAH. Baptized October 1, 1780. Married John Propper.

MARIA. Baptized November 17, 1788.

GERTRUDE. Baptized February 21, 1781.

HARRY.

ADAM.

CHARITY. Married A. Dyke.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of John I.² [Jacob¹] and Eleanor Miller.

MARIA. Married Cyrenus Wilbur.

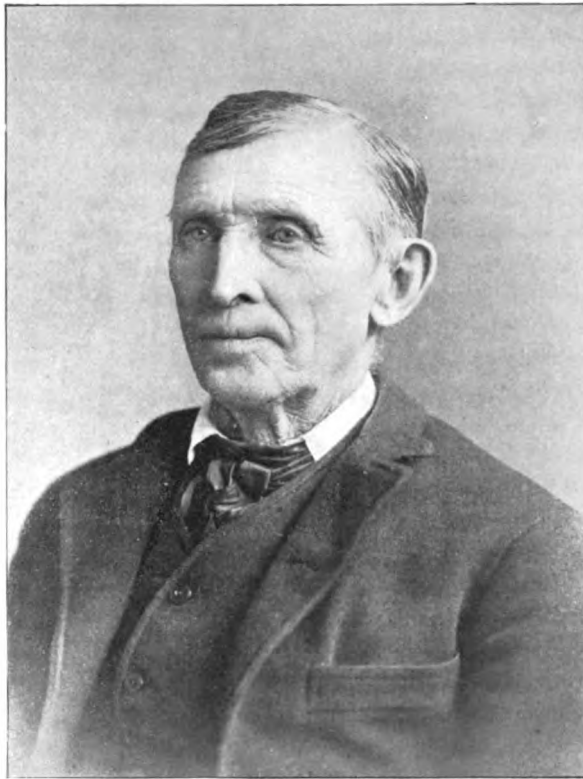
TOBIAS.

JACOB.

JOHN. Born 1802. Died near Marseilles, Illinois, in April, 1891.

JAMES. Born in Galatin, Columbia county, N. Y., August 15, 1805.

At the age of twenty-three he went to Hyde Park, Pa., and was one of the pioneer settlers of that region. At that time the city of Scranton was a little hamlet with about a score of inhabitants, and called Slocum Hollow. Coal then was at least worth the digging from the beds that outcropped near the surface. The bed of the Lackawanna was considered public property as late as the year 1844. He told of prying out in the fall of this year enough coal from the bed of the river, above the present Lackawanna Avenue Bridge, to last through the



JAMES KILMER.

winter. Coal was then used in large fireplace grates. The winter of 1839 was very severe and there was a coal famine in New York city. There were no railroads in those days and water navigation was closed. Mr. Kilmer and a neighbor made a bargain with a Providence (then Razorville) merchant to bring him dry goods from New York for ten shillings per hundred. Each loaded his sled with a ton of coal and started for the city, a distance of about one hundred and twenty-five miles. They went by way of Stroudsburg, were ferried across the Delaware at Water Gap, arrived in New York in a hail storm, and sold their coal for \$13 per ton, returning with the dry goods. The trip of seven days amounted to \$32—50 cents for each. Later he made another trip to New York, not as profitable, but having an interesting incident connected with it. "Joe" Griffin of Hyde Park, a somewhat eccentric gentleman, captured some wild turkeys, bred them, and one year as Christmas drew near found he had one hundred turkeys fit for the New York city market. "Uncle Joe," as he was called, conceived that he could drive the turkeys, and one day astonished the villagers by driving the entire lot up the main street on the way to New York. At Bucktown a dog frightened the flock and they flew in every direction. With the help of a score of men and boys they were nearly all caught and necks wrung. Mr. Griffin then hired Mr. Kilmer, at ten shillings per day, to take him and poultry to New York. Mr. Griffin received \$2.50 each for his turkeys, with the exception of two male birds, for which he received \$5 each.

In 1833 Mr. Kilmer purchased eighty acres of land, and soon after added twenty-five acres to his first purchase. Here on this tract he worked from daylight until dark, summer and winter, and built a house yet remaining. He lived on this farm twenty years and then sold it. This was in 1853, and even land with coal under was considered of but little more value than land without coal. He had purchased a farm of two hundred acres near Janesville, Wis. It was his intention to reserve three acres in the sale contract of the Hyde Park farm, to make a home for his remaining days if for any cause he should not settle in the West, but through neglect the reservation clause

was omitted from the papers. And then in order to secure these three acres, he gave the coal under the whole place. Thus, without his knowledge at the time, allowing an immense fortune to pass through his hands.

In 1826 Mr. Kilmer married his first wife, Miss Catharine Snyder, who died in 1838. In 1839 he married Miss Helen Knickerbocker, a descendant of the New York State Knickerbockers.

The golden wedding was celebrated September 14th, 1889, at their home in Janesville, Wis. There were present on that occasion twenty grandchildren and thirty-two great-grandchildren. To the day of his death, July 23, 1893, at which time he was eighty-nine, Mr. Kilmer's eyesight was good, his mouth well filled with natural teeth, and his thick black locks scarcely touched with silver.

ALVIN. Born, 1807. Married Helen Berger.

PETER BENJAMIN. Born, 1813. Married Eliza Snyder. Died June 29, 1887.

HENRY.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of Tobias³ [John I.², Jacob¹.]

JAMES H. Born about 1831. Died in November, 1831.

JOHN.

Children of John³ [John I.², Jacob¹.]

Mrs. J. A. Wilsey, Milford, Nebraska.

Mrs. Kate Wilsey, Marseilles, Ills.

Mrs. John Miller, Marseilles, Ills.

EGBERT, Marseilles, Ills.

HENRY, Marseilles, Ills.

THOMAS, Verona, Ills.

Children of Alvin³ [John I.², Jacob¹.]

LEROY.

THOMAS. Born June 13, 1831. One of the first students in Claverack Seminary. Deputy Sheriff nine years. November 1, 1856, married Lucretia Stickle. Residence, Hudson, N. Y.

Children of James³ [John I.², Jacob¹] and Catharine Snyder.

CATHARINE MARIA. Born in Gallatin, N. Y., February 12, 1827. Married Joseph Griffin.

JOHN. Born January 12, 1831.

MARY JANE. Born November 20, 1832. Married Lyman H. Miller.

ELENOR. Born October 4, 1834. Married Adam Griffin. Resides at Spencer, Iowa.

Children of James³, and Helen Knickerbocker.

HARRIET CORNELIA. Born in Hyde Park, December 2, 1841. Married Frank W. Mott. Residence, 204 North Hyde Park Avenue, Scranton, Pa.

Children of Peter Benjamin³ [John I.², Jacob¹.]

JOHN. Born, 1830.

GRIFFIN. Born, 1834. Died, April 26, 1892.

WILLIAM. Born, 1836. Died, 1877.

J. MILTON. Born, 1836. Residence, Yorkshire, Ia.

ALVIN. Born November 30, 1840. Died at Ancram, N. Y., August 8, 1896.

ALEXANDER. Born July 4, 1842. Resides, Johnstown, N. Y.

ROBERT M. Born in Gallatin, N. Y., December 7, 1844. Married Martha E. Brewster, December 7, 1874. Business, brick manufacturer. Church connection is Baptist. Has a military record of three years and two months as non-commissioned officer in Company H, 91st Regt. N. Y. Vols. Member of G. A. R.

SUSAN A. Born December 1, 1846. Married Edward Sharpe, December 8, 1866. Residence, Valati, N. Y.

HELEN C. Born November 2, 1848. Married Theodore Kipp, December 2, 1866. Married Jerome White. Resides, Kousha, Wis.

EZEK. Born September 11, 1850. Died, 1861.

ISAAC. Born September 11, 1850.

HARVEY. Born July 28, 1852, in Galatin, N. Y. December 25, 1890, married Anna Fear. Business, kneestacker. Church

connection, Dutch Reformed. Resides, No. 10 Charles street, Johnstown, N. Y.

ETTA. Born November, 1854, at Galatin, N. Y. December 4, 1872, married George E. Baxter. Belongs to Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Baxter is a farmer and belongs to the Odd Fellows. Resides, Winnebago City, Wis.

HATTIE. Born December 25, 1856. Married Henry E. Hotaling, June 21, 1873. Has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church for twenty-three years. Mr. Hotaling is proprietor of the Excelsior Bakery at Philmont, N. Y.

SARAH LEE. Born June 25, 1858. Died December 36, 1858.

CHARLES J. Born September 6, 1860. Resides, Afton, Wis.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Children of Catharine⁴ [James³, John I.², Jacob¹] and Joseph Griffin.

Mary Griffin. Married Albion P. Martin.

Jane Griffin. Married Withington.

Emily Griffin. Widow of Samuel F. Stump.

Addie Griffin. Married J. T. Spoon. They reside in Janesville, Wis.

Hattie Griffin. Married Benjamin Blanchard. Reside, Janesville, Wis.

Josephine Griffin. Married C. H. Antisdell. Reside, Afton, Wis.

Charles Griffin. Afton, Wis.

Etta Griffin. Married George S. Otis. Afton, Wis.

Benjamin Griffin. Janesville, Wis.

Kitty Griffin, Janesville, Wis.

Children of Harriet C.⁴ [James³, John², Jacob¹] and Frank W. Mott.

Carrie A. Mott was born March 23, 1866. Married Charles H. Van Storch, attorney, February 5, 1890.

Frankie Mott was born April 24, 1870. Died August 3, 1887.

Helen A. Mott was born December 25, 1874.

Children of Robert M.⁴ [Peter Benjamin , John³, Jacob¹.]
CORTLANDT G. Born April 18, 1876.
PEARL M. Born July 1, 1877.
FLORENCE. Born August 19, 1882.
ROBERT L. Born March 10, 1887.

Children of Etta⁴ [Peter B.³, etc.]
GEORGE J. Born September 13, 1875.

Children of Hattie⁴ [Peter B.³, etc.] and H. E. Hotaling.
Edward B. Hotaling was born April 5, 1877.
Mary E. Hotaling was born April 24, 1888.

Children of Thomas⁴ [Alvin³, John I.², Jacob¹.]
CHARLES R. Born January 27, 1858.
Homer B. Born August, 1872.

WILLIAM KILMER.

Married Catharine Bathrick. His father's name was William.

FIRST GENERATION.

ZACHARIAH. Died at Kingston, Wis., leaving many descendants, concerning whom nothing is known to the compiler.

WALTER W. Dead.

LEWIS. Annondale, Dutchess county, N. Y. No report.

IRA W. Born December 20, 1812, near Jackson Corners, town of Milan, Dutchess county, N. Y. He married Catharine E. Rowe, daughter of David Rowe, of the town of Livingston, June 23, 1836. Both were members of the Reformed Church at Nassau. His business was farming.

ELI. Is a hard-working and prosperous farmer at Jackson Corners, N. Y. The editor judges, by his correspondence, that he is one of the sturdy Kilmers. He married Margaret Snyder, September 15, 1851.

ROBERT. Died at Livingston, Columbia county, N. Y., May 28, 1897.

Magdalena. Left no descendants.

LUCINDA. Mrs. Lucinda Finger, Jackson Corners.

DEBORAH. Widow of William Moon, Jackson Corners, N. Y.

RHODA. Married Link. Died at Valatie, N. Y.

PHEBE. Married Henry Palmatier. Died at Galatin, N. Y.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of Walter W.³ [William², William¹.]

ELI. Rhinebeck, N. Y.

Russell W. Hudson, N. Y.

Children of Ira W.³ [William², William¹.]

DAVID W. Born in Nassau, N. Y., April 12, 1838. Has been a teacher in the public schools in Rensselaer and Columbia counties since 1865, continuously, and at present is engaged in



DAVID W. KILMER.

the work in Lebanon Springs, N. Y. Has a small farm at East Nassua, N. Y., which is his residence. Was a justice of the peace in said town from 1882 to 1890. Is a member of Gratitude lodge, No. 674, F. and A. M.; also of Lebanon lodge, No. 13, R. A. M. Is a member of the Reformed Church at Nassau. January 19, 1870, he married Eliza J. Dusenbery, of Nassua, who died August 22, 1882. January 16, 1884, married Lucy F. Cady, of Canaan, N. Y. Mr. Kilmer has nearly reached three-score years. His picture tells us that he is well preserved, and should the providence of God take him to four-score, he appears equal to the attainment in his life of half a century of useful labor.

CHARLES. Born August 19, 1841. A carpenter and builder in New York City.

GEORGE E. Born July 16, 1845. Died February 3, 1874.

NELSON H. Born September 8, 1861, at Nassau, N. Y. June 8, 1888, married Mary Jane Heale. Is an architect and builder at Ocean Grove New Jersey, and proprietor of the Alaska House. His church connection is Methodist Episcopal, and in secret societies, Masonic, Knights of Pythias and Legion of the Red Cross.

JEANNETTE. Born January 18, 1851. Married Monroe Burdick. Residence, Brainard, Rensselaer county, N. Y.

Martha F. Born December 14, 1859. Died June 12, 1875.

Children of Eli³ [William², William¹.]

URIJAH. Born November 20, 1852.

OSBORNE. Born October 9, 1862. Salesman and clerk in the cloak department of Church and Company, Troy, N. Y.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of David W.⁴ [Ira W.³, William², William¹.]

CLARENCE A. Born July 22, 1873. Has been a teacher of one of the public schools in Nassau, N. Y., for the last five years.

MELVILLE F. Born February 8, 1878.

MARION F. Born February 8, 1878. Died July 4, 1879.

FLOSSIE M. Born August 15, 1888. Died February 1, 1893.

Children of George E.⁴ [Ira W.³, etc.]

MARY E. Died in 1874, about one month after her father's death.

GEORGE E. Is a teacher in one of the public schools at Sand Lake Rensselaer county, N. Y.

The descendants of Ira W. appear to be well represented in the noble army of educators.



WILLIAM E. KILMER..

DANIEL T. KILMER.

Born in Dutchess county, N. Y. Son Thomas, who had also sons named, Philip, Thomas, John and Henry, concerning whom nothing is known.

FIRST GENERATION.

JAMES HENRY. Born at Claverack, N. Y., June 11, 1829. Married Margaret Irving in July, 1850. Enlisted in Company I, 47th N. Y. Infantry, October, 1863, and was discharged in New York City June, 1865. He participated in engagements at Malden, Florida, and in the assaults before Richmond in the campaign of 1864; was taken prisoner at Cold Harbor, Va., in June, 1864, and incarcerated in Libby Prison, at Richmond, seven days, then removed to Andersonville, Ga., and released therefrom in April, 1865. Is now an inmate of the Soldiers' Home at Bath, N. Y.

THOMAS. Born, 1822, at Claverack, N. Y. In 1876 married Miss Cornelia E. Best. Church connection, Methodist Episcopal. Business is farming.

JACOB. Married Mary Harris, April 15, 1847. Died in Andersonville Prison during the War of the Rebellion.

ROBERT.

SARAH FRANCES.

MARIA.

CATHARINE.

ELIZA.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of Thomas^s [Daniel T.^s, Thomas¹.]

CORNELIA M. Born, 1878.

GEORGE H. Born, 1880.

SARAH F. Born, 1882.

ESTHER R. Born, 1884.

Children of Jacob^s [Daniel T.^s, Thomas¹.]

WILLIAM E. Born in Claverack, N. Y., March 2, 1848.

Married Sarah Wilkin, of Greenport, N. Y., December 24, 1868. The ceremony was performed by Rev. B. F. Adams at 19 Fifth street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

For the past eight years he has been assistant superintendent of the Hudson district of the Prudential Insurance Company of America. Is a member of the First M. E. Church in Hudson. His fellow members have honored him with the offices of steward, trustee, class-leader and Sunday School superintendent.

Member of Lindenwall lodge, No. 442, I. O. O. F.; Hudson lodge, No. 615, I. O. G. T.; Hudson City lodge, 1221, Royal Arcanum; also a member of the New York State Grand Lodges of Odd Fellows and the Good Templars.

HENRIETTA. Born December 5, 1859. Married Selah Van Deusen, May 20, 1877. Is a member of the M. E. Church of Philmont, N. Y.

THIRD GENERATION.

Child of William E.⁴ [Jacob³, Daniel T.², Thomas'.]

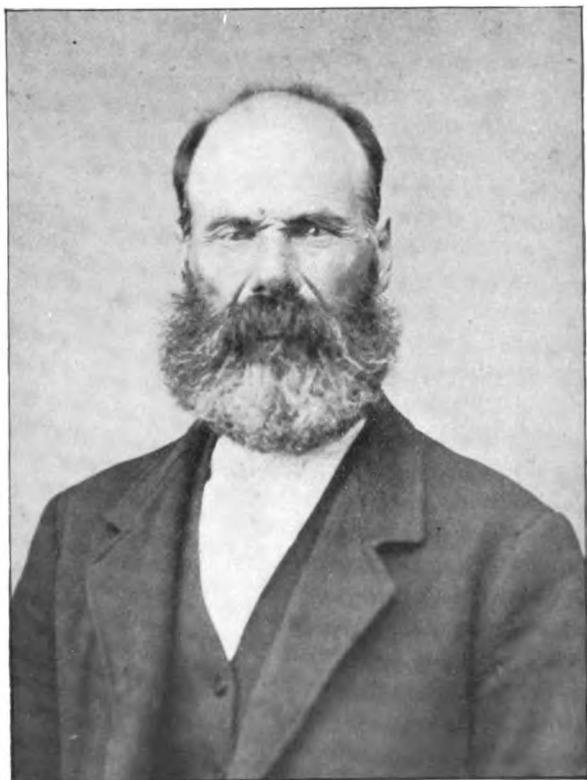
HARRY A. General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., at Waterville, N. Y. Has been in this business for a number of years, which is about as good recommendation as a young man could desire.

Children of Henrietta⁴ [Jacob³, etc.] and Selah Van Deusen.

Jessie Van Deusen was born May 14, 1878.

Herbert Van Deusen was born April 11, 1879.

Libbie Van Deusen was born January 24, 1881



GEORGE D. KILMER.

THOMAS KILMER.

The earliest records known at this time find him in the Mohawk Valley, N. Y., near Schenectady, which place he left for Canada, about 1801, and settled in the county of Elgin, Ontario, living there until his death, about 1841.

FIRST GENERATION.

PHILIP. One child only ; a daughter, who married a Johnson.

HENRY. Born in the State of New York, probably near Schenectady, in 1796. Died February 28, 1870, at his home in Centerville, Elgin county, Ontario, and is buried in the Centerville cemetery. His daughter Catharine says he served in the British Army in the War of 1812, and was at the siege of Buffalo.

GEORGE. Born February 18, 1800. Died 1878.

JOHN.

JACOB. Descendants all dead.

CATHARINE. Married Daniel Dickout.

ROSANNAH. Married Peter Laur (?)

HANNAH. Married her cousin Philip Kilmer, who was son of Henry, a brother of Thomas above.

ELIZABETH. Married Abraham Wintermute.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of Henry² [Thomas¹.]

JOHN.

ELIZABETH.

GEORGE. Born in London District, Canada West (Ontario), April 28, 1821. Was drafted in June, 1837, to take part in the Canadian Rebellion, served out his time, but was not in any battle. April 16, 1843, married Ellen Westover. She died in 1865. Followed tanning business in Canada fifteen years. Moved to Wisconsin in 1852, and to Minnesota in 1862. Married Elmira McDowd, or McDowell (name not clear), in Watonwan county, Minn., February 21, 1867. Followed farming since he left Canada. His church connection is Christian.

THOMAS. Buried in Centerville Cemetery.

MARGARET. Born June, 1824. In 1846 married Samuel Westover. Is living at Luton, Ontario.

JOSEPH. Born September 17, 1827, in township of Malahide, Ontario. Married Christina Shifley, daughter of a German millwright, October 14, 1849. After some eighteen years of pioneer work in the county of Lambton, Ontario, he returned in 1871 to the old homestead at Centerville, remaining there until 1882, when he moved to Michigan, near Reed City.

Held a number of township and county offices. Member of the Grangers in Canada. His church connection was Methodist Episcopal, in which he held the offices of class leader and trustee most of the time during his membership. Died at Chase, Michigan, July 3, 1896, after four years of paralysis, and was practically helpless most of this time.

HANNAH. Married John Kinsey.

HENRY. Born in the township of Malahide, county of Elgin, Ontario, January 16, 1832. Married Sarah Ann Fairchild, September 24, 1853. Is a farmer. Has held office county constable. Member of the Baptist church and the I. O. O. F.

MARY. Married William Morley.

CATHARINE. Born in Aylmer, Ontario, July 27, 1836. Married Alfred McCully, November 19, 1863. Her church connection is Seventh Day Adventist. Residence, El Dorado, Kansas.

CAROLINE. Married P. B. Rosenberry. Resides at Forest, Ontario.

ROSANNAH. Married John Roberts. Watford, Ontario.

Children of George² [Thomas¹.]

CATHARINE. Born December 2, 1823.

DEBORAH. Born June 7, 1825.

MARGARET. Born May 5, 1827.

GEORGE W. Born January 27, 1829.

NANCY P. Born November 7, 1830.

MARY. Born April 6, 1833.

ELIZABETH. Born July 2, 1835.

HANNAH. Born in the township of Malahide, county of Elgin, Ontario, September 24, 1837. Married James Dickout, December 24, 1859. Member of the M. E. Church in Aylmer. Resides in Malahide.

THOMAS E. Born January 20, 1841. (Letter returned unclaimed from Maryville, Mich.)

ROSANNAH. Born March 6, 1843.

Eliza Jane. Born April 28, 1845. Married Lindsey. At Springfield, Ontario.

Children of Hannah² [Thomas¹.]

GFORGE. Born in the township of Malahide, county of Elgin, Ontario, July 1, 1842. Married Anna Maria Roy, October 3, 1867. Is a contractor and builder in Detroit, Mich. Member of the order of Odd Fellows, order of Foresters, order of United Workmen, and order of Sons of England. His church connection is Baptist.

Must be a go-ahead Kilmer, and Canada's loss was our gain.

EDMUND.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of George³ [Henry², Thomas¹] and Ellen Westover.

FRANCIS A. Born July 15, 1844.

HENRIETTA. Born December 3, 1846. Married Thompson. Resides Alma City, Minn.

JOSEPHINE. Born September 5, 1849. Dead.

BYRON O. Born August 25, 1851. Married Delphena Coon December 1, 1878. He is one of the firm of Robinson & Kilmer, dealers in furniture and undertaking goods, wall paper, window shades, etc., at Amboy, Minn. Belongs to the Freemasons and Modern Woodmen.

HARRIET. Born May 3, 1853. Married George Goddard.

GEORGE M. Born December 3, 1855, in Greenlake county, Wisconsin. Married Evelyn S. Gunsalus, July 3, 1879. His business is farming. Takes pride in being the father of four rugged, healthy children. Resides Alma City, Minn.

ELLA. Born November 8, 1859.

Charles E. Born September 11, 1857. Lives at Amboy, Minn.

Children of George³ and Elmira McDowd.

MARY M. Born February 26, 1869. Married Seger.

JOSEPHINE. Born January 26, 1871.

MARTHA. Born June 21, 1874.

DENNIS. Born May 25, 1877.

LORENA. Born May 22, 1879.

ARCHIE. Born November 5, 1887. Dead.

EDNA. Born April 11, 1888.

Children of Margaret³ [Henry², Thomas¹] and Samuel Westover.

Phebe Caroline Westover was born January 22, 1849.

Jeannette M. Westover was born July 2, 1850. Married Albert Pritchard. Residence, Calton, Ontario.

Hiram Westover was born May 7, 1853. Aylmer, Ontario.

Omer Ledro Westover was born December 1, 1854. Luton, Ontario.

Children of Joseph³ [Henry², Thomas¹.]

EZELIAH. Born July 22, 1850, in township of Malahide, county of Elgin, Ontario. Married Maggie Sadler, July 14, 1874.

Is one of the firm of Nelson & Kilmer, builders of wagons, sleighs and lumber carts, in Reed City, Mich.

Served three years in the Canadian volunteer service.

He names Odd Fellows, Red Men and order of Maccabees, as his connection in secret societies, and at present with the Modern Woodmen of America.

Describes his church connection as the one spoken of in Ephesians, 1:22, 23, and Hebrews, 12:23. Namely, in substance, to the General Assembly and Church of the First Born, which are written in Heaven. There is none better, in fact this is the Church.



FREDERICK KILMER, D. D. S.

FREDERICK D. D. S. Born in Centerville, Ontario, September 24, 1852.

His early life was that of healthful activity and pleasant toil, such as comes to the children of a pioneer in the newest settlement.

He received his education at the Aylmer High School and Komoka College, also at the Toronto Normal School, where he received the teachers' training and a Provincial certificate. For some five years he was engaged in teaching.

In 1881 he entered a dental office as student, taking the full course of lectures and clinics in the Toronto School of Dentistry and graduated from that institution in 1884 with high honors, standing first in the honor list, and carrying away the gold medal.

After graduation he located in the city of St. Catharines, Ontario, where he has by careful and conscientious effort built up a large and remunerative practice. In 1889 he wrote at the examination in the Toronto University for the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery, and was honored with that degree, standing second on the honor list.

He has been president of the Ontario Dental Society; examiner in the Dental Department of the Toronto University; also in the Toronto School of Dentistry. The positions tell us something of the esteem accorded to him by fellow dentists.

Dr. Kilmer is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and one of the trustees in the First Methodist Church in St. Catharines. A member and past master of several of the fraternal societies.

He is a supporter of all healthy and manly sports and games, is a lover of the gun and rod and quite a devotee of the bicycle.

In 1877 he married Miss Mary Harvey, eldest daughter of William Harvey, M. P. for East Elgin, and his home is to him, the one, of all places, most desirable.

GEORGE H. Born, 1855. Married Rhoda Sadler.

ALBERT LEDRO. Born July 14, 1857, in Arkona, Lambton county, Ontario. Married Mary E. Tyrrell, November 22, 1882.

In business, a miller ; in secret orders, F. A. A. M. ; A. O. U. W., and I. O. G. T.

Church connection, Methodist of Canada.

MARY CATHARINE. Born March 28, 1860, in Warwick, Lambton county, Ontario. Is at Big Rapids, Mich.

AUGUSTA CAROLINE. Born March 24, 1863. Married Charles Berger. Residence, Crapo, Mich.

JOSEPH EDWARD. Born September 25, 1866, at Warwick. Married Annie P. Griffiths, October 1, 1890. Farmer. Member of the Modern Woodmen of America.

ALFRED LIONEL. Born September 15, 1869, at Warwick. Dentist in South Bend, Ind.

WILLIAM ARTHUR. Born November 19, 1872, at Malahide, Elgin county. In Solon, Mich.

Children of Hannah³ [Henry², Thomas¹] and John Kinsey.
Carrie Kinsey. Married John Bradley. Aylmer, Ontario.
Mary Kinsey. Married John Hammond. Aylmer, Ontario.
Martha Kinsey. Married Aubrey Adams. Calton, Ont.

Children of Henry³ [Henry², Thomas¹.]

MARY ANN. Born, 1854. Dead.

JOSEHINE. Born, 1856. Dead.

SARAH JANE. Born, 1858. Dead.

SUSAN E. Born, 1861. At home.

PRUDENCE. Born, 1863. Married Joseph Birdsall.

AMARETTA M. Born, 1866. Dead.

ELMAN N. Born, 1869. Dead.

Children of Mary³ [Henry², Thomas¹] and William Marley.
Joseph Marley,
William Marley.
John Marley.
All at Forest, Ontario.

Children of Catharine³ [Henry², Thomas¹] and Alfred McCully.

C. H. McCully was born in Chatham, Ontario, August 13, 1864. Resides, Suisen City. Cal.

A. S. McCully was born at Garden Grove, Iowa, March 16, 1867. Resides, Pontiac, Kan.

W. E. McCully was born in Garden Grove, Iowa, August 30, 1869. Resides in Battle Creek, Mich.

Mary Agnes McCully was born in Lenox, Iowa, January 11, 1874. Died October 22, 1874.

S. F. McCully was born in Lenox, October 17, 1875.

Children of Caroline³ [Henry², Thomas¹] and P. B. Rosenberry.

Elmer Rosenberry. Muskegon, Mich.

Frank Rosenberry.

Alice Rosenberry.

Ada Rosenberry.

Daisey Rosenberry.

Children of Hannah³ [George², Thomas¹] and James Dickout.

Clarence Dickout was born in township of Malahide, county of Elgin, June 24, 1876. On the farm at home.

Children of George³ [Hannah², Thomas¹.] Hannah² married Philip Kilmer.

ERNEST ELGIN CLIFFORD. Born August 2, 1857, in township of Malahide, county of Elgin, province of Ontario.

Married Miss J. Grace Miller, February 27, 1889.

Is Commercial Master in the Stratford Collegiate Institute of Canada. A Royal Arch Mason, and member of the Anglican Church.

WILLIAM EDMON. Born May 29, 1869, in Malahide, Ont.

JAMES WALTER. Born June 15, 1875, in Alymer, Ont.

GORDON ROY. Born February 20, 1887, in Alymer, Ont.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Children of Byron O.⁴ [George³, Henry³, Thomas¹.]

NELLIE MABEL. Born July 11, 1881.

LORA BELLE. Born September 3, 1887.

Children of George M.⁴ [George³, etc.]

LUCY MAUD. Born April 21, 1880.

MABEL VIOLA. Born September 26, 1883.

CHARLES WILLIAM. Born July 4, 1889.

FRANCES CLYDE. Born November 28, 1896.

Children of Ezelliah⁴ [Joseph³, Henry³, Thomas¹.]

ALFRED E. Born May 24, 1876.

ADA ALBERTA. Born March 8, 1878.

EDNA MAUD. Born May 11, 1883.

Child of Frederic⁴ [Joseph³, etc.]

ARABELLA HARVEY. Born August 18, 1879.

Children of George H.⁴ [Joseph³, etc.]

OLIVE.

ALTIE.

WILLIAM.

Children of Albert L.⁴ [Joseph³, etc.]

LORNE T. Born February 4, 1884.

FLOSSIE MAUD. Born January 22, 1887.

ELLA MAY. Born August 6, 1889.

EARL ELMER. Born November 8, 1895.

Children of Augusta C.⁴ [Joseph³, etc.] and Charles Berger.

Gertrude Edith Berger. Born September 8, 1887.

Karl Frederick Berger. Born January 11, 1889.

Children of Joseph E.⁴ [Joseph³, etc.]

CHRISTINA J. Born August 3, 1891.

LLEWELLYN E. Born April 24, 1896.

Child of Ernest E.⁴ [George³, Hannah², Thomas¹.]

LILY MAY. Born September 2, 1892.

PHILIP KILMER.

Born in the Mohawk Valley, N. Y., about 1781. Had brothers, Henry and Thomas. His father's name was Henry and married Patty Mullen. This is according to the statement of Philip's son, Peter, whom the compiler visited in 1895, and he was then in his eighty-eighth year.

During the war of 1812 Philip went to Canada, remaining a short time, then came back to New York, locating in Marcellus.

From this place he moved to Fox township, Pa., making the emigration with wagon and oxen, which in these days of rapid transit would be considered a decidedly slow method of transfer.

In Fox township, a wealthy Philadelphian, named Phineas Bond, owned a large tract of land and had made the offer of one hundred acres to each of the first ten settlers. This was undoubtedly a great attraction to Mr. Kilmer, who, with two of his sons, took this opportunity to get farms, and they entered into contract for one hundred acres each.

The country was then a wilderness and full of wild beasts. Muncy, thirty miles distant, was the nearest place to get their corn ground, until they accidentally discovered Canton, which was eighteen miles nearer. This discovery was made by Anthony, son of Philip Kilmer, and Joseph Hoagland, who followed the dogs on the track of a deer which they had wounded, until they came to a settlement on Towanda creek. This was Canton.

FIRST GENERATION.

ANTHONY. Married Rebecca Rice.

HENRY.

CHARLES.

MARTHA. Born February 16, 1801. November 27, 1822, she married Christian Haverly. Was known as a neat house-keeper, an excellent Christian woman and highly esteemed by all who knew her. She, with her husband, were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and their house was always a home for the ministers. Died June 15, 1873.

ROSINA. Born January 1, 1803. Married Henry Haverly,



GEORGE KILMER.

January 7, 1823. She, with her husband, were two of the original members of the M. E. Church, formed in Overton, Pa., about 1823. Her youngest son says: "My mother was an excellent woman. To her husband she was a helpmeet indeed. She never complained of the hardships of pioneer life, and was always ready to assist with her labor and counsel in transferring the wilderness into fertile fields. To her children she was all that the endearing name of mother implies. As a Christian she lived an exemplary life, her faith never faltering for a moment in the promises of God."

She died peacefully, January 23, 1889.

PHILIP. Died June 12, 1866.

PETER. Born about 1807. Married and lived all his days in Fox township, in a settlement called Shunk, named after Francis Rawn Shunk, governor of Pennsylvania, 1845-48. We are indebted to him for much of the tradition concerning his ancestry.

HANNAH.

GEORGE. Born in the state of New York, March 9, 1813. When he was seven years old his parents moved to Sullivan county, Pa.

He married Hannah Batten in 1839. In May, 1865, he moved with his family to Gosper county, Iowa, where he purchased a farm, on which he remained until 1870, when he moved to Saline county, Nebraska, and took a homestead five miles north of Western. Was a member of the M. E. Church nearly fifty-six years, and part of this time was class-leader. His life corresponded to his profession. Died March 17, 1888, at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. George Sawyer, of Western, Neb.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of Anthony² [Philip¹.]

WILLIAM. Born in Shunk, Pa., May 3, 1818. November 11, 1845, he married Nancy Catharine Shadduck. The business of his life has been farming, sugar making, honey and hunting. In this way, by steady industry, he has earned a good

home, and raised a large family of children, who are a comfort to himself and wife. The compiler had the pleasure of visiting him in his home at Shunk and found him one of nature's noblemen, whom it was a great pleasure to meet.

MARTHA. Married John Wilcox.

MARY. Married Edward McCormick.

REBECCA.

Children of Martha² [Philip¹] and Christian Haverly.

Hannah Haverly was born September 20, 1825. Married Samuel Anable. Married Eldah Landon, of Canton, Pa.

Martha Haverly was born February 9, 1828. Married Myron Anable. Died July 15, 1852.

Catharine Haverly was born July 9, 1830. Married Horatio Ladd. Died September 18, 1882.

Celinda Haverly was born April 21, 1833. Married Edward Rinebold.

Christian Leroy Haverly was born June 8, 1835.

Children of Rosina² [Philip¹] and Henry Haverly.

Hannah Haverly was born January 1, 1824. Married John Molyneux May 11, 1843. Is a member of the Wesleyan Methodist Church. Resides, Overton, Pa.

Henry Haverly was born April 27, 1827.

William D. Haverly was born July 9, 1829.

Rosina Haverly was born July 3, 1832. Married Reuben Camp. Residence, Lockwood, Mo.

Angeline Haverly was born September 23, 1836. Married William J. Hottenstein June 1, 1854. They are prosperous farmers at Overton, Pa. Church connection, German Reformed.

Hester Ann Haverly was born February 14, 1840. Married John Heacock, M. D. He is dead. She is living at Dushore, Pa.

Alexander Chauncey Haverly was born November 9, 1845. Taught school when young and intended to study law, but his parents were so anxious for him to stay with them, that he gave up the ambition of his life and engaged in farming. He writes that his heart was never in the business, and he has not

been successful. It may have been for the best, yet it seems hard to be grinding in one place with the heart in another, in which position there cannot be much joyful labor, but many sighs. He has, however, he says, one thought to console him, and this is, that he was kind and true to his father and mother in their old age.

Politically, his heart and hand are together, and he is all right. A protective, sound money Republican, always ready to vote against the liquor traffic when there is a sensible opportunity to do so.

Though a zealous Republican he has never been an office-seeker. The only offices he has held are school director, and postmaster at Overton, Pa., 1882-83. While holding the latter office he was engaged in the mercantile business.

December 31, 1867, he married Elizabeth Place, of Wyoming county, Pa. Both, with part of the family of children, are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Children of Philip² [Philip¹.]

BENJAMIN P. Born November 5, 1841, in Fox, Sullivan county, Pa. May, 1861, married Miss Adams.

October 18, 1861, he enlisted in Company B, 58th Pa. Vols., and was discharged October 17, 1864.

Is a farmer, an Odd Fellow, in the G. A. R. and a member of the Baptist Church.

CHRISTIAN L. Born July 29, 1847, near Canton, Pa. Raised in Fox township. At the age of twenty-two he went to Iowa. Afterward to California, then returned to Iowa. To northern Nebraska in 1882, and to St. Joseph, Mo., in 1887, where he now resides, at 1432 North Fifteenth street.

His business is with Tootle, Wheeler and Motter, manufacturers and jobbers in dry goods, and the oldest wholesale house in the West. He is their carpenter and works in all departments where improvements or repairs are needed.

In secret order connection Mr. Kilmer appears to spread out; the editor is not sure that he has everything right, and notes it as he understands it. Member of Eclipse Rebecca.

Lodge, 157, I. O. O. F.; St. Joseph Council, 189; Knights and Ladies of Security; Hesperian Encampment, 8, I. O. O. F.; Eclipse Lodge, 143, I. O. O. F. February 23, 1875, he married Miss Anna Kridelbaugh.

Children of Peter* [Philip¹.]

JOHN P. Born December 30, 1844, in Shunk, Pa. Married Samantha Williams, November 1, 1868. He is a farmer and blacksmith.

REBECCA. Married C. N. Potter.

Children of George* [Philip¹.]

ELLEN M. Born October 18, 1834. Married John B. Whipple.

ANTHONY B. Born November 4, 1841, in Fox township, Pa. August 25, 1869, he married Mary McKay, daughter of John McKay. A very sad affliction in his life is his wife's insanity. She is now in Medical Lake Hospital, in state of Washington, with no prospect of recovery.

He has been engaged in enough different kinds of business during his life to at least escape monotony. His first business after school days was carrying U. S. mail from Eaglesmere to Canton, going on horseback a distance of thirty-six miles through the wilderness. In 1867 he went to Iowa and engaged in farming. After one year at this he returned east to engage in carpenter work. Built at Granville and Minnequa Springs. A portion of Peter Herdick's buildings and furniture at Minnequa were constructed under his direction. After this, went west again, settling in Nebraska and engaged in farming on Turkey Creek. Two years in the Pioneer store in Wilbur, Neb. Sold nursery stock one year; books one year, and for a time was in the general collection office of his brother-in-law, Hon. George F. Sawyer of Western, Neb. Returned to Fox township and in 1892 was elected justice of the peace which office he still holds. He joined Blue Valley Lodge, 64, F. & A. M., at Wilbur, Neb., in 1887, in which he was master mason.



ANTHONY B. KILMER.

MARTHA. Born October 18, 1845. Married Hon. George F. Sawyer, Western, Neb.

GEORGE M. Born July 27, 1848. Is in Western, Neb.

THEO. W. Born December 26, 1850. Is in Augusta, Ga.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of William³ [Anthony², Philip¹.]

ZACHARY F. Born May 19, 1847, in Shunk. Is a farmer and lumberman. Married Henrietta King in 1886. Married Melinda Wilcox March 7, 1887. She was a daughter of William Wilcox of Elkland, Pa. It was the compiler's good fortune to remain at their home over night. They are both devoted members of the church in Shunk.

MILLARD F. Born July 23, 1849. Is a farmer in Shunk.

CHRISTINA A. Born November 28, 1850.

MARY SELINDA. Born April 17, 1852. Married Fred McCarty. Residence Piatt, Sullivan county, Pa.

ASA. Born July 22, 1855. At Shunk.

RHODA R. Born January 17, 1857. Married Luther Gaulttry. Residence Blair, Nebraska.

SYLVESTER. Born March, 1859. Residence Millview, Sullivan county, Pa.

SAMUEL. Born September 8, 1860. At Millview.

ABRAHAM L. Born June 15, 1862. At Millview.

CHARLES S. Born April 29, 1865. At Millview.

ANNA L. Born October 27, 1866. An attendant in Williard Hospital, N. Y.

EDWIN C. Born October 15, 1869. At Home.

Children of Martha³ [Anthony² Philip¹] and John Wilcox.

Huldah Wilcox. Mrs. D. S. Turner, Tyrone, N. Y.

John Wilcox. Kendall Station, N. Y.

F. A. Wilcox. Eddytown, N. Y.

Child of Mary³ [Anthony² Philip]. Mary married Edward McCormick and has a son Jesse, address unknown.

Children of Angeline³ [Rosina² Philip¹] and William J. Hottenstein.

Jacob Willie Hottenstein was born February 22, 1855. Died July 2, 1862.

Henry Williard Hottenstein was born April 30, 1860. Died January 16, 1866.

Clara Ann Hottenstein was born March 22, 1862. Married Harley A. Cranmer.

Chauncey Solomon Hottenstein was born April 11, 1864. Married Annie E. Messersmith.

Nettie Caroline Hottenstein was born January 19, 1866. Married Andrew W. Sherman.

Lizzie Augusta Hottenstein was born February 1, 1871. Married R. Wallace Norton.

Mary Queena Hottenstein was born December 25, 1872. Died January 11, 1873.

Eleanor Christianna Hottenstein was born March 20, 1876.

Edward William Hottenstein was born September 24, 1880.

Children of Benjamin³ [Philip², Philip¹.]

BERTHA. Born April, 1862, in Fox township, Pa.

PHILIP. Born 1863, in Fox township. Waldo, Kansas.

AMELIA R. Born May 18, 1877. Dead.

CLARISSA M. Born in Holt county, Nebraska.

Children of Christian L.³ [Philip², Philip¹.]

ALBERTA M. Born February 8, 1876, in Prescott, Ia.

BYRON L. Born December 23, 1878. Is stock clerk in Tootle, Wheeler & Motter's wholesale house in St. Joseph, Mo.

Children of John P.³ [Peter², Philip¹.]

FRANCIS L. Born 1871.

MAUD. Born 1878.

NANCY E. Born 1881.

Jesse R. Born 1884.

Children of Anthony B.³ [George², Philip¹.]

GEORGE. Born March 14, 1871.

Judson A. Born May 23, 1872. In Lincoln Normal University, at Lincoln, Neb. The president of the university certifies to his excellent character and abilities.

Child of Ellen M.³ [George², Philip¹] and John B. Whipple.

Mattie D. Whipple. Married a foreign missionary in 1894 at Alexandria, Nebraska, and sailed from New York City for Southampton, England, on the steamship Elbe, that fated vessel which sunk, on her return voyage, in the North Sea with three hundred passengers on board. When last heard from they were at an American station, seventy miles northwest of Durban, among the Zulus. Her address is Mapumulo Mission Station, Natal, South Africa.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Children of Francis L.⁴ [John P.³, Peter², Philip¹.]

HOWARD. Born 1892.

CARLTON. Born 1894.

ADAM KILMER.

Born 1755. Died in Essex, Essex county, N. Y., April 2, 1835. One of the oldest living descendants says his father's name was Nicholas.

FIRST GENERATION.

GEORGE. Born March 17, 1785, in Argyle, Washington county, N. Y. Married Elizabeth Dixon. Died July 21, 1857, in Dupage, Ill.

WILLIAM. Born in Argyle, N. Y., Oct. 18, 1791. Married Miss Esther Porter about 1818. Both members of Presbyterian church. He was a farmer.

ADAM. Died at Essex, N. Y.

THOMAS. Died in Gouverneur, N. Y., about 1844.

JOHN. Owned a ship, of which he was captain.

ELIZABETH. Married Reuben Whalen.

MARIA. Married Wheeler, of Salem, N. Y.

CATHARINE. Married Darius Taylor.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of George* [Adam¹.]

MARGARET. Born November 17, 1810, in Argyle, N. Y. In 1831 married John Stafford of Essex, N. Y. Died in Joliet, Ill. Became a member of M. E. Church in girlhood and led an exemplary and Christian life.

GEORGE. Born April 15, 1812, in Argyle, N. Y. Married in Essex county, N. Y., and by this union had five children. Names not given. All dead. Second marriage in Joliet, Ill. Resides 512 N. E. Avenue, Joliet.

MARY ANN. Born February 23, 1814, in Washington county, N. Y. In 1834 married Stephen Potter of Essex county, N. Y. Moved to Illinois in 1844. He is dead. She is living at Dwight, Illinois.

WILLIAM D. Born October 15, 1816, in Essex county, N. Y. June 10, 1836, married Mary Louise Amlan, who was born in Champlain county, N. Y., March 31, 1818. Moved to Joliet, Ills., in 1848. He died in 1888 at Bloomington, Ills. She is living.

ELIZABETH C. Born April 21, 1820, in Whallonsburg, N. Y. When she was three years old her home was changed to Essex, N. Y. In 1841 she went to Plymouth, Ohio, and stayed two years with her mother's relatives. In 1844 she went with her people to Joliet, Ill., where she lived until her marriage with Amos C. Paxson. After marriage she lived twelve years on a farm in Dupage, Ill., and then moved to Lockport, Ill., where she now lives, and invalid by paralysis, and lovingly cared for by her only child. She is a member of the First Congregational Church of Lockport. Her husband, Mr. Paxson, was supervisor four terms, assessor, justice of peace, member of the board of education several terms, and postmaster. A member of the Masonic fraternity, having taken degrees to and including Knight Templar, which he has been twenty years.

REUBEN W. Born January 12, 1822. Married Hannah Elizabeth Stevens, who died at the age of thirty at Havana, on the island of Cuba, where Mr. Kilmer had stopped with her over night while on the journey to California, hoping there to improve her health. He buried her in Havana, and then with two motherless little girls continued the journey, remaining in California six months, then returning to Dupage, Ill., where he married Eunice Elvira Godfrey, with whom he is still living at Joliet. By occupation, a farmer.

THADDEUS B. Born February 9, 1825, in Essex, N. Y. Went to Joliet in 1844. Married in 1851, in Dupage, Ill. Residence, Joliet.

JAMES. Born January 5, 1828, in Essex, N. Y. Went to Joliet in 1844. Married Mima Wilch, October 15, 1854. Has held office of town collector.

ELEANOR. Born May 28, 1831, in Essex, N. Y. Went to Joliet in 1844. Married Schuyler Welch in April, 1849, in Joliet. She died in Dennison, Texas, in 1885. Mr. Welch is living at Joliet.

Children of William* [Adam¹.]

ADAM P. Born July 27, 1819, at Argyle, N. Y. Married. Resides at Gouverneur, N. Y.

JOHN. Born August 5, 1824, at Fort Ann, N. Y. He married Sarah McKeane. Resides at Gouverneur, N. Y.

CATHARINE. Born June 6, 1823. Married A. S. Wood January 26, 1847. Both were connected with the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Wood was in the general mercantile business for many years, but for the past four years has not been actively engaged in business. Residence, Collingwood, Ohio. The son, J. S. Wood, M. D., continues the mercantile business with drugs, medicines, and books.

ELIZA. Mrs. Eliza Field, now living in Ferrisburg, Vt., and is in her seventy-sixth year. Member of the Congregational Church. Her husband was a farmer.

SARAH. Died unmarried.

Child of Adam² [Adam¹.]

WILLIAM. Resided at St. Peters, Minn.

Children of Thomas² [Adam¹.]

JAMES. Sarina, Michigan.

MARY. Married O. Harris, and at last account was at Oshkosh, Wis.

MARGARET. Married Jacob Bliss. Both dead.

THIRD GENERATION.

Child of Margaret B.³ [George², Adam¹] and John Stafford.

Martha Cornelia Stafford was born August 8, 1854, at Essex, N. Y. Married — Douglas, April 10, 1875. Mr. Douglas is secretary of the Joliet Limestone Company. Mrs. Douglas died March 4, 1895.

Children of Mary Ann³ [George², Adam¹] and Stephen Potter.

Charlotte B. Potter was born October 7, 1835, in Cuyahoga county, Ohio. Dead.

Mary Ann Potter was born June 19, 1837, in Cuyahoga county, Ohio. Dead.



**MRS. MARTHA STAFFORD
DOUGLASS.**

**MRS. LAURA
KILMER MINER.
MINORA C. PAXSON.**

**MRS. ALICE
KILMER SPRAGUE.**

George W. Potter was born October 27, 1839, in Cuyahoga county, Ohio.

Margaret S. Potter was born June 20, 1842, in Cuyahoga county, Ohio.

Reuben K. Potter was born September 26, 1844, in Cuyahoga county, Ohio.

Albert Potter was born December 3, 1847, in Will county, Illinois.

Stephen A. Potter was born October 27, 1855, in Livingston county, Illinois.

Elvie T. Potter was born March 9, 1857, in Livingston county, Illinois.

Children of William D.³ [George², Adam¹].

MARGARET. Born August 19, 1837, at Whitehall, N. Y.

HENRY. Born December 27, 1838, at Essex, N. Y.

CHARLES E. Born November 25, 1842, at Essex, N. Y.

REUBEN W. Born September 4, 1846, at Essex, N. Y.

STEPHEN. Born March 7, 1850, at Joliet, Ills. Dead.

LEROY. Born August 14, 1853, at Joliet, Ills.

LAURA E. Born August 14, 1853, at Joliet, Ills. Married John C. Scoville, January 9, 1869. Married Albert S. Miner, March 6, 1877. Dressmaker at 4332 Evans Avenue, Chicago, Ills. Items of personal history as follows: With exception of first eighteen months of life at Joliet, lived on a farm near Dwight, Ills., until her first marriage, then went to Normal, Ills. In 1872 moved to Bloomington, where she resided until 1886. In 1890 went to Seattle, Washington, where she remained until 1893, when she settled in Chicago, her present home.

WILLIAM J. Born February 7, 1856, at Dwight, Ills. Dead.

Child of Elizabeth³ [George², Adam¹] and Amos C. Paxson.

Minora C. Paxson was born July 11, 1855, at Dupage, Ills. She began teaching in 1875 in the Sycamore Graded School, and resigned this position to accept one in the graded school at her home in Lockport, where she taught two years in the grammar

and intermediate grades and then went to the State Normal at Bloomington, Ills. After she was through there she taught in the High School and was Principal of Schools until she left her work of teaching and went home to care for her invalid mother, to whom she is greatly devoted and honors by faithful ministration. She also studied medicine and would have graduated from the Chicago Medical College but for her mother's illness. The editor never yet had the pleasure of meeting Miss Paxson, but he judges by her life and very bright letters that she is possessed of ability and enterprise above ordinary women, and expects some day to see her name among the many medical practitioners in the Kilmer family.

Children of Reuben W.³ [George², Adam¹].

ALICE CORNELIA. Born November 10, 1850, at Dupage, Ills. November 25, 1869, married Charles N. Sprague, a farmer, who afterward went into the creamery business in Dupage, then moving to Joliet started the first milk depot in the place for the sale of butter, cream and milk; from that he went into the stone business on a farm he and his brother owned about two miles from Joliet, now known as the Joliet Limestone Company. Mrs. Sprague has a fine family and makes a beautiful home and mother. They are connected with the Presbyterian Church.

MARY. Married Leroy Williams, a carpenter by trade; they moved to Kansas but returned to Joliet after a stay of two years.

ABBIE LYDIA. Married William Stafford, a farmer, who a few years after marriage went to Joliet, taking the same dairy business which Mr. Sprague disposed of.

RUBY W. Her father regretting he had not a son named this daughter after himself. She is at home.

Child of Thaddeus B.³ [George², Adam¹].

JOHN T. Married. Lives in Joliet. Is a railroad fireman.

Children of Eleanor³ [George², Adam¹] and Schuyler Welch.
 Mrs. A. S. Alderman, Lamont, Ills.
 Charles Welch, Dennison, Texas.
 Mrs Hubert Cox, St. Louis, Mo.
 Mrs. James Shepard, Joliet. Ills.

Children of Adam P.³, [William², Adam¹].
 MORRIS P. Resides at Armona, LaClair county, Cal.
 HELEN. Mrs. Helen Jepson, Gouverneur, N. Y.
 MATIE. Married M. L. Gates. Dead.

Children of John³ [William², Adam¹].
 WILLIAM ROBERT. Born January 15, 1853. Died November 7, 1865.
 JOHN PORTER. Born December 25, 1855. Married Miss Josephine E. Forward. No living children. Reside at Gouverneur, N. Y.
 ELLEN WILSON. Born August 15, 1859. Married Arthur F. Coates. Resides at Utica, N. Y.
 FRANCIS W. Born August 22, 1865. Died December 22, 1865.
 WILLIAM HENRY. Born October 22, 1876. Died August 16, 1881.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Children of Martha⁴ [Margaret³, George², Adam¹].
 Mamie Stafford Douglas was born 1876 at Wenona, Ills.
 Louis W. Douglas was born 1879, at Dwight, Ills.

Child of Laura E.⁴ [William D.³, George², Adam¹] and John C. Scoville.
 Helen M. Scoville was born September 10, 1871, at Norwal Ills.

Children of Alice Cornelia⁴ [Reuben W.³, George², Adam¹] and Charles N. Sprague.

Hannah Elizabeth Sprague was born in Dupage, Ills., March 24, 1871. Died September 25, 1872.

Hattie May Sprague was born December 21, 1878, at Dupage, Ills.

Mabel Lydia Sprague was born July 1, 1883, at Dupage, Ills.

Thomas Kilmer Sprague was born May 15, 1893, at Joliet, Ills.

The editor places here, as it is the nearest fitting, Adam Kilmer, M. D., of Ludlow, Vt. He was born in Essex county, N. Y. His father's name was Daniel and his grandfather was Adam. Mary Ann Kilmer Potter, of Illinois, granddaughter of Adam Kilmer in the line just closed, says her grandfather had a cousin Daniel. Her grandfather lived and died in Essex. His father was Nicholas. It is not improbable that our Dr. Adam Kilmer descends from a brother of Nicholas. He knows but little of his family history, as he was adopted when a baby by his uncle on his mother's side. He had two brothers, Reuben and George. Reuben is dead and George was reported killed in the War of the Rebellion. He was adopted by Mr. Grinnels, whom he supposed was his father until he was fifteen years old when he learned that his name should be Kilmer, and when he became of age he took his family name.

ADAM KILMER, M. D., son of DANIEL, (M. Cornelia Ray), son of ADAM, was born July 13, 1847. Served four and a half years in the Federal service in the War of the Rebellion. Married Miss Gertie A. Felt, April 30, 1877. Graduated from the Homeopathic College of Missouri in 1891. Is connected with the Methodist Episcopal Church. A Knight of Pythias. Children, EFFIE MABEL, born at Clarksburg, Tenn., November 23, 1884; EDITH LOUIE, born in St. Louis, Mo., in the year 1891.

PETER KILMER.

Married Epha Harder.

FIRST GENERATION.

GEORGE. Born 1790. Died 1884.

JOHN.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of George², [Peter¹].

JOHN HENRY. Born 1818. Died 1861.

SIMON PETER.

Children of John² [Peter¹].

GEORGE.

JOHN.

PETER H. Commissioner of Highways three years.

SIMON.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of John Henry³ [George², Peter¹].

CHARLES H. Born 1847. Resides Middlegrove, N. Y.

CARRIE G. Born 1849. Married Jedediah Kilmer.

ELIZABETH M. Born 1851. Married Charles W. McNutt, merchant at Middlegrove.

GEORGE W. Born November 30, 1858, at Providence, N. Y. Married Libbie Allard, October 28, 1885. Residence, Milton, N. Y. Is a farmer. Has been poor-master. Is a member of the Order of Odd Fellows.

ELLA E. Born 1864. Married James Chase. He is a teamster in Middlegrove.

AUSTIN D. Born 1871. Farmer at Middlegrove, N. Y.

Children of John³ [John², Peter¹].

ADONIRAM JUDSON. Born September 4, 1854.

JOHN BYRON. Born May 4, 1863.

Children of Peter H.³ [John², Peter¹].

JEDEDIAH. Born March 19, 1843, at Providence, Saratoga county, N. Y. His first business was lumbering, which he followed until 1877. Then he engaged in wagon-making, which he followed for twelve years. In 1889 he entered the mercantile trade at Middlegrove, N. Y. January 1, 1894, he moved his business to Rock City Falls, same county, where he is now located. It has been his misfortune to suffer considerable loss in two fires. His wagon shop burned in 1885, where the loss was about \$1,000, and his store at Rock City Falls, August 18, 1894, where his loss was over \$2,000. To some this would not be considered a very heavy loss, but to others it is ; depends on circumstances. He is on his feet again and doing a good business at Rock City Falls. The compiler remained one night in his pleasant home. He was assessor three years, two terms supervisor, always a good Republican, and postmaster under Harrison. An Odd Fellow and Mason, and last but not least, a member of the Baptist Church at Middlegrove, Wherever known he is looked upon as an excellent citizen ; also a good business man and fair in dealing. He married Carrie G. Kilmer, daughter of John Henry Kilmer, who was his father's cousin. She is also a member of the Baptist church at Middlegrove, and belongs to the Order of Rebeccas, the only degree in Odd Fellows that women can take.

GEORGE H. Owns a saw mill at Middlegrove.

SAMUEL. Farmer at Middlegrove.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Children of Jedediah⁴ [Peter H.³, John², Peter¹].

SADIE. Born 1873.

JAY F. Born 1882.



JEDEDIAH KILMER.

ABRAM KILMER.

FIRST GENERATION.

GEORGE.

PETER.

ABRAM.

SIMON. Died February 6, 1883.

SECOND GENERATION.

Child of George² [Abram¹].

GEORGE M. Cassayuna, N. Y.

Child of Peter² [Abram¹].

NATHAN F.

Child of Abram² [Abram¹].

ABRAM H. South Argyle.

Child of Simon² [Abram¹].

WILLIAM. Argyle, N. Y.

This line of Abram is connected with the line of Peter (m. Epha Harder), but no records were obtained to show how, and it is placed separately

PETER KILMER.

FIRST GENERATION.

JOHN. Born, 1816. At one time was postmaster at Delafield, Wis.

WILLIAM H. Born about 1824, in Argyle, N. Y. Married Caroline Galbraith in 1854. Was captain in the War of the Rebellion and killed in the Battle of Chicamauga, September 19, 1863.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of John² [Peter¹].

FREDERICK ANTHONY. Born April 8, 1858, at Delafield, Wisconsin. June 2, 1894, married Clara May Brown. He has a shirt manufactory in Glens Falls, N. Y. Church connection, Episcopal.

Children of William H.² [Peter¹].

AMERICUS D. Born in Upper Sandusky, Ohio, October 17, 1855. Died in the same city, 1895, of consumption.

His father, Captain Kilmer, was one of the many heroes sacrificed in the Rebellion, which circumstance cut short the school days of Americus, by placing the support of a bereaved family upon his young shoulders. At the early age of nine years he apprenticed himself to L. A. Brunner, then editor of the Old Pioneer, where he learned the primary rudiments of the trade, which, for himself, afterward developed to the standard of an art. Subsequently he engaged in the Wyandot County Republican. While here the editor of the paper became Postmaster and Mr. Kilmer was made deputy. While serving in this capacity he was also foreman of the Republican office. He remained in that office ten years. In 1882 he opened a job printing office in the city. In this line he had the reputation of being one of the most painstaking artisans in his line in the state. He served a term of Deputy Sheriff, in which office he gave evidence of his abilities, and made many friends throughout the county. He was a member of the County Board of



AMERICUS D. KILMER.

Elections, and his last official act was to sign his name to the certificates of the recent election, the day before his death. He was a charter member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks.

September 26th, 1889, Mr. Kilmer married Miss Emma Billhardt, daughter of Dr. A. Billhardt, now United States Consul to Moscow, Russia. The following extract, from the Wyandot Chief, shows something of the esteem he earned in his native city :

“Mr. Kilmer was one of the most popular young men of Upper Sandusky. He was everybody's friend, and everybody was his friend, for he was a jovial, genial and companionable man, in whom there was no discrimination of friendships. To know him was to swear by him, for he was as near the ideal of popular citizenship as it is possible for man to approach. His character was always an open book, unmarred by sophistry or pretention, or anything that a correct person might fear the world to see or read. What he was yesterday he would be to-day, and to-morrow would be a repetition of both, so far as his personality was concerned. Frank, honest, cheerful, it was always a pleasure to meet him, and no matter when or where he was met he was always the same. Hence, is it any wonder that he was so highly regarded? Life, to him, in his daily associations, did not appear to have any castes or ranks, for he addressed all classes pleasantly and cheerfully. He was as affable in his greeting of a working man in his habiliments of toil, as he was to those in the more prosperous walks of life. He was always a gentleman in every respect—a man of exemplary habits, but not a bigot in any. He was not a man of sturdy physique, but though he had been a sufferer with that dread disease, consumption, for about a year, his good cheer and nerve in the face of the inevitable was something remarkable. He was confronted, not only by the hopelessness of his own condition, but by the sad condition of his family, having witnessed and wept over the passing away of his beloved mother and adored sisters, their deaths being caused by the same disease that he was sure was in store for him, the last member of the family. Heredity, in his case, was inevitable, yet what-

ever his mental anguish must have been in meditating over the matter, it was carefully concealed, and he always appeared as cheerful as if the contemplation of a near end had never occurred to him, and in this he was truly heroic. He deserved, by all the rules and ideas of reward, to have lived until that ripe old age when mortals are glad to surrender the decrepitude of humanity for the eternal youth, which we are hopeful of meriting in the great beyond."

Soon after the death of her husband Mrs. Kilmer went to Moscow, Russia, and remained there with her parents while her father continued in the office of Consul, which was until May, 1897. Afterward they visited a number of cities in Germany, and made an extensive tour through Switzerland, France and England, returning to America in September, 1897. She is a very bright woman, and among the pleasurable incidents to the compiler's work on this book is her interesting correspondence from the Russian Capital.

CARRIE HORTENSE. Born January 3, 1858 Died June 27, 1889.

ANNA ESTELLA. Born July 5, 1862. Died May 9, 1891.

THIRD GENERATION.

Child of Americus D.³ [William H.², Peter¹].

MONNA CAROLINE. Born October 13, 1893, in Upper Sandusky, Ohio. Died after a short illness, not long after her father's death.

PETER KILMER.

Was a Schoharie county (N. Y.) Kilmer. Had brothers, William and John.

FIRST GENERATION.

JOHN.

LEVI. Has lived in Albany, N. Y.

JOSEPH. Married Laura Van Campen. She died in 1843. Followed the sea fourteen years. Died at the age of seventy-four, in 1881.

CATHARINE.

SARAH.

SECOND GENERATION.

GEORGE. Born August 2, 1842, in Chemung, N. Y. His principal business has been farming. July 21, 1862, he enlisted in the 107th N. Y. Infantry. This was a new regiment formed under the first call for 300,000 volunteers made in July, 1862. New York State, through its executive, offered a silk banner, which should be suitably inscribed, to the first New York regiment which should be ready to proceed to the front under this call. This regiment, to which Mr. Kilmer belonged, won the banner. In seventeen days after leaving Elmira they were in the fight at Antietam, where Mr. Kilmer and the banner received their baptism of battle smoke and death-dealing shot and shell. Their beautiful banner was rent, but the young patriot came out unharmed. After this he participated in the battles of Gettysburg, Lost Mountain, Resaca, Kenesaw Mountain, New Hope Church, Peach Tree Creek, Atlanta, Savannah, Averysborough and Bentonville, making the exceptional and wonderful record of escaping without a wound. As he was entering the battle of Resaca he saw his brother John, who was in the 141st N. Y., coming out severely wounded. He did not see his brother again until the close of the war. At Elizabethtown, Kentucky, Mr. Kilmer was taken prisoner with 2,500 others, and guards were placed over them. After two weeks of this uncertain and uncomfortable duration in the enemy's hands, he made his escape in the night when the guards were

asleep. He marched with Sherman from Atlanta to the sea, which was a tramp of three hundred miles. Altogether he marched with his regiment 2,600 miles. Their heaviest loss was at New Hope Church, May 15, 1864, where there were one hundred and sixty-eight casualties, of which forty-three were killed or died of wounds. He contracted malarial poison in the swamps of the South, and is one of the deserving men whose pension claim is well tied with red tape in Washington.

In January, 1867, he married Mary A. Houston of Baldwin. His wife died in 1887. In 1889 he married Miss Helen Park of Jasper, Steuben county, N. Y., who taught a select school in her neighborhood and music. At the present time she makes good use of her musical abilities in church and entertaining friends. Their residence is Lowmanville, N. Y.

CHARLES H. Born November 1, 1844, in Chemung, N. Y. His first business was veterinary practice and smithing. He was foreman of the smithing department of the Clipper Chilled Plow Company in Elmira for fourteen years. Is a natural mechanic, and has turned his attention to some valuable inventions. Is the inventor and owner of the valuable and handsome article of business office furniture called the Clip File. His patent cultivator, invented previously, is in the hands of the Clipper Chilled Plow Company.

His Fassett and Flower canes, used in the New York gubernatorial campaign of 1890, added much fervor to both contestants, and although successful as far as they reached during the brief time they were on the market, did not yield a fortune to the inventor. He has held three public offices worthy of mention: justice of peace, deputy sheriff, and postmaster at East Elmira in 1877, for the full term. He is charter member of the Southern Tier Masonic Relief Association, and has been a Freemason for twenty-eight years. Was a soldier in the Rebellion, belonging to the 107th regiment, N. Y. S. Vols., and was wounded at the battle of Antietam. Married Sarah E. Little, July 4, 1866. Residence, Elmira, N. Y.

JOHN. Born March 22, 1847, in Chemung, N. Y. Was a member of Co. K, 141st regiment, N. Y. Vols. Was severely wounded at the battle of Resaca, Ga., May 15, 1864.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of George³ [Joseph², Peter¹.]

LAURA. Born 1869.

FLOYD. Born 1871.

ELLEN. Born 1889.

Children of Charles H.³ [Joseph², Peter¹.]

MYRTA B. Born May 19, 1868. Married Stephen H. Everett, a fireman on the D., L. & W. railroad. Mr. Everett met a sudden and distressing death on his engine in January, 1893. He was a steady and reliable young man, and member of Grace Episcopal Church in Elmira.

Married Willard J. Lord, December 16, 1895. Mr. Lord is a conductor on the D., L. & W. railroad.

JOSEPH. Born April 28, 1870. Is a brakeman on the D., L. & W. railroad. Married Eva L. McKinney August 29, 1894. Miss McKinney was a teacher in school No. 5, Elmira.

HERBERT. Born June 14, 1875. Died in July, 1893. He was a highly respected young man, educated in Elmira Business College, and a member of the First M. E. Church Sunday School, Elmira.

PEARL M. Born February 14, 1878. Student in the Elmira Academy.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Children of Myrta B⁴ [Charles H.³, Joseph², Peter¹] and Stephen H. Everett.

HAZEL S. Born September 29, 1887.

MABEL J. Born May 21, 1889.

Child of Joseph⁴ [Charles H.³, etc.]

VERA MAE. Born September 11, 1895.

THOMAS KILMER.

Born in Columbia county, N. Y.

FIRST GENERATION.

THOMAS. Born May 12, 1801 Married Elizabeth A. Morrison.

SECOND GENERATION.

ABRAM. Born October 9, 1849.

EMELINE. Born September 4, 1846, at Hannibal, N. Y. At the age of sixteen she left school and went out in the world to take care of herself. It speaks well for her to be able to say that she remained in the service of one family fifteen years. At the age of twenty-six she made confession of her faith in Christ, was baptized and received in full communion in the Baptist Church in Ira, N. Y. December 25, 1882, she married George I. Bowers, of Ira, and a member of the same church. Soon after they moved to Hannibal, in an adjoining county. They now reside in Martville, Cayuga county, N. Y.

MARGARET. Born March 19, 1848. Married Paul Jones.

MARY A. Born July 22, 1849. Married Levi De View.



EMELINE KILMER BOWERS.

JOHN KILMER.

FIRST GENERATION.

WILLIAM T.
HERMAN E.
LORENZO D.
SARAH.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of William T.² [John¹].

WILLIAM E. Born January 6, 1854. Married Addie Osterhout, August 28, 1875. Resides Oneonta, N. Y.

GEORGE H. Born October 11, 1856, in Windsor, N. Y. Married Helen Beach, December 24, 1881. Resides Ellenton, Pa.

OLIVE J. Married Nelson Alger, Masonville, N. Y.

SARAH C. Married — Davis, Beerstown, N. Y.

ELIZA Married Ira Alger. Dead.

MARY A. Born April 29, 1864. Married Isaac Carley.

CHARLES A. Born September 24, 1866, at Susquehanna, Pa. Married Emma Eggleston, August 23, 1889.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of William E.³ [William T.², John¹].

CORA E. Born April 23, 1878.

JAMES H. Born April 4, 1888.

CARRIE M. Born December 29, 1892.

Children of George H.³ [William T.², John¹].

EDITH.

EMORY.

Children of Charles A.³, etc.

CHOLA MAY. Born December 7, 1896.

MABLE AUGUSTA. Born March 30, 1891.

HERMAN KILMER.

His grandson, Elias, of Binghamton, says that his grandfather was a native of Schoharie county, N. Y.

FIRST GENERATION.

JAMES.

CHARLES. Killed in War of the Rebellion.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of James² [Herman¹].

GEORGE H. Born May 9, 1856, in Vestal, N. Y. Went to Binghamton when thirteen years in age and became teamster. In 1878 commenced labor in the D. & H. R. R. freight house in that city, and in 1890 became foreman of the Union Transfer Freight Depot, in which he was giving satisfaction when the compiler saw him. Belongs to the Order of Red Men.

JAMES A. 84 South street, Binghamton.

Child of Charles² [Herman¹]. ELIAS R. Born in the town of Binghamton, N. Y. Educated in the graded schools of the city. In 1882 he entered the employ of Bartlett Brothers, manufacturers of builders' furnishings, and was with them as yardmaster and inspector of lumber thirteen years. This is evidence that he was faithful and gave good satisfaction. In 1885 he built a handsome cottage residence at 252 Conklin avenue, where he now resides. February 13, 1881, he married Alice Shaw, of Susquehanna county, Pa.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of Elias R.³ [Charles², Herman¹].

ELLA MAY. Born August 28, 1884.

ARTHUR. Born August 27, 1888.

JOHN R. KILMER.

His grandson thinks he was born near Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

FIRST GENERATION.

ROBERT. Born near Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of Robert* [John R¹].

JOHN R. Born April 13, 1844, in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Entered the business of undertaking with his father at the age of twelve years. At the age of eighteen he conducted his father's business, who was forty years at the old stand. When his father concluded to move to Delaware and locate on a farm, that being too quiet a life for the inventive spirit of young John, he located in the city of Wilmington and arose to the position of foreman of the Jackson and Sharp Company's Car Works. Afterwards went into the undertaking business for himself at 904 French street and is well known. During the War of the Rebellion he enlisted in the 141st Pennsylvania Regiment and served until he was honorably discharged at the close of the war. January 1, 1866, married Elizabeth Hamilton. He is a very active member of Admiral S. F. Dupont Post, G. A. R. ; a member of Industry Lodge, A. O. U. W. ; Knight Templar of St. John's Commandery, and for twenty-four years an active member of the Union M. E. Church. March 6, 1873, married Mary Emma Boddy, of Wilmington. She is an active worker in the same church and president of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the G. A. R. Post. Mr. Kilmer is a mechanic of no mean ability, a natural genius, a thorough patriot and a generous spirit.

GEORGE D. Born August 19, 1848, in Wilkes-Barre. January 15, 1873, married Wilhelmina Dewees. He died April 25, 1885.

ZIBA. Born February 4, 1853, in Wilkes-Barre. April 20, 1876, married Annie R. Dewees. Is a car builder. Belongs to the Order of Knights of Malta, and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of John R.³ [Robert², John R.¹] and Elizabeth Hamilton.

MARGARET I. Born October 12, 1866.

ELIZA. Born December 5, 1868. Married Franklin S. Reick, of Ashley, Pa., March 5, 1890. She died October 17, 1893.

ROBERT R. Born May 1, 1871. Died August 13, 1871.
Children, John R. and Mary Emma Boddy.

GEORGE S. Born March 11, 1875. Died August 14, 1876.

DORA MALETA. Born October 24, 1877. At home.

Child of George³ [Robert², John R.¹].

HORACE G. Born December 7, 1880.

Children of Ziba³ [Robert², John R.¹].

HELEN M. Born January 5, 1878.

Maud D. Born January 23, 1880.

Here ends what are called the New York lines, descending from the Kilmers who originally settled in this state. The remaining lines are called the Pennsylvania lines, descending from the Kilmers who originally settled in Pennsylvania.



HARRY C. KILMER.

WILHELM KÜLMER.

Of Hesse Cassel, Germany. Never came to America.

FIRST GENERATION.

JOHANNES. Came from Hesse Cassel and settled in Lancaster, Pa. Married Mary Grubb.

SECOND GENERATION.

Child of Johannes² [Wilhelm¹].

WILLIAM. Born February 4, 1804, in Baltimore, Maryland. Married Miss Ellen Reed, of Baltimore.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of William³ [Johannes², Wilhelm¹].

MARY LOUISE.

JOHN WILLIAM. Born December 15, 1828, in Baltimore. Married Miss Jane Smith, of Baltimore, October 7, 1862.

HARRY CLIFTON. Born August 25, 1832, in Baltimore. Married Annie Elizabeth March, of Baltimore. Died in November, 1882.

LIZZIE. Is living in Cumberland, Md.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Children of John W.⁴ [William³, Johannes², Wilhelm¹].

MARY LOUISE. Dead.

JANE. Resides in Baltimore, Md., 2111 Barclay street. In church connection she stands uniquely among Kilmers in the Roman Catholic faith. The editor must give her the credit of being a prompt correspondent, and also answered all the questions he asked.

Children of Harry Clifton⁴ [William³, etc.]

HARRY CLIFTON. Born April 14, 1865, in Baltimore. He was compelled to start out for himself in life at a very early age, going as an errand boy when thirteen years old. He moved along and had saved enough, when he had arrived at the age of

twenty, to start himself in the cake, cracker and confectionery business. February 28, 1889, he married Susie E. Dennis.

After a few years he changed his business and entered into the wholesale manufacture of cigars, under the firm name of Naylor, Kilmer & Company, and afterward H. C. Kilmer & Company. Continued in this business until July, 1896, when he accepted the office of Supreme Secretary of the Order of Columbus, which he still holds, and may be found at the office of the Supreme Council, 120 North Liberty, Baltimore. He is also engaged in the real estate business.

He is a member of the First Baptist Church, of Baltimore, joining the same at the age of thirteen years, which speaks well for the boy.

He is a member of the following orders: Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Order of Columbus, Royal Arcanum, Improved Order Heptasophs, Order of The Golden Chain, and National Union.

He takes some interest in the political issues of the day and holds the position of Treasurer of the Democratic Association of the Twelfth Ward. Resides, 1314 Druid Hill Avenue.

Our correspondence commenced late in this work—August 23, 1897. He was very prompt, and his letters show that he is an excellent business man. His picture says he is a courteous and affable gentleman.

FRANK LEON. Born May 24, 1867. Married Lillian Stewart, July, 1879. Is a carpenter by trade, which occupation he follows. Attends the Christian Baptist Church of Baltimore.

CHESTER MARCH. Born July 22, 1870. Is a traveling salesman. Member of St. Paul's English Lutheran Church of Baltimore. Belongs to the Improved Order Heptasophs and the Order of Columbus. Married Grace C. Lantz, March 9, 1897.

FIFTH GENERATION.

Children of Harry Clifton⁵ [Harry Clifton⁴, William³, Johannes², Wilhelm¹].

HARRY CLIFTON, Jr. Born January 29, 1890. Died December 29, 1893. "Not lost, but rather who left us for a season only, as we hope to meet him some day."

HILBERT REED. Born August 8, 1892.
SHIRLEY GALE. Born November 10, 1894.
ROBERT BRUCE. Born November 15, 1896.

Children of Frank Leon⁵ [Harry Clifton⁴, etc.]
LAURA ETHEL. Born August 10, 1892.
LILLIAN AMANDA. Born September 27, 1894.
ANNA MABEL. Born January 10, 1897.

NIKOLAUS KÜLMER.

Born November 23, 1736. His great-grandson, Israel Kilmer of Stouchsburg, Pa., says his great-grandfather was born near Philadelphia, Pa. He went to Mario township, Berks county, Pa. Married Elizabeth Tice. Moved to Tulpehocken township, same county, and is buried there. Died July 26, 1811. Another account says July 26 1814.

FIRST GENERATION.

DAVID. Born September 28, 1764, in Berks county, Pa. Was a teamster in General Washington's army, in the American Revolution. After the war he went to Berkeley county, Va. (his grandson, Dennis M., says it was in 1809), and settled near Martinsburg, where he lived until his death, which occurred about the year 1835.

MICHAEL. Born February 28, 1767. Died January 9, 1773.

JONATHAN. Born July 5, 1769. Died December 22, 1836.

EVA MARGARETTA. Born August 17, 1771.

BARBARA. Born August 12, 1773.

MARIA MARLENA. Born October 9, 1775.

HANNECKEL (Nicholas). Born February 15, 1778.

ANN ELIZABETH. Born September 5, 1780.

ELIZABETH. Born May 16, 1783.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of David* [Nikolaus¹.]

HENRY. Born in Berks county, Pa. Married Elizabeth Seibert, in same county, 1814. Moved to Berkeley county, Va., where they lived until October 18, 1841, on which day they started for Indiana, settling in the then village but now city of Richmond. After a short stay in that village, they bought a farm near Boston, about six miles south of Richmond, and lived there several years. His wife died June 15, 1851, and is buried in the cemetery now in the corporate limits of the city of Richmond. Mr. Külmér died in West Virginia, in the year 1853, while visiting his sons in that State. They were both zealous members and workers in the Lutheran Church.

DAVID. Moved from Berks county, Pa., to Berkley county, Va., in the year 1809.

JOHN. Born March 11, 1796. Married Catharine Walters. He was a member of the Reformed Church. Died April 7, 1873.

ISAAC.

ELI.

ELIZABETH.

BARBARA. Did not marry. Was a cripple from childhood.

MARY.

Children of Jonathan² [Nikolaus¹.]

THOMAS. Born November 3, 1807.

JONTHAN. Born February 11, 1809.

ELIZABETH. Born July 10, 1810. Married Elias Levengood.

MARIE. Born November 2, 1811.

KATHARINE. Born August 8, 1814. Married G. B. Deppen.

ISAAC. Born May 11, 1816.

MAGDALENA. Born September 5, 1818. Married George Lein, June 18, 1837.

JOHN. Born June 17, 1820, at Lebanon, Pa. Married Catharine Arentz of Lebanon, August 17, 1841.

HENRY. Born April 24, 1822.

PRISCILLA. Born June 26, 1824.

LUCY. Born May 10, 1826. Married Henry Tice, February 20, 1847.

Children of Nicholas² (Hanneckel) [Nikolaus¹.]

THOMAS W.

ISAAC N. Born September 11, 1800. Died July 20, 1875.

JOHN.

DAVID.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of Henry³ [David², Nikolaus¹.]

CATHARINE.

DANIEL. Born in Berkeley county, Va., now W. Va., February 10, 1817. Married Lovina, daughter of Jacob Seaney of

Wayne county, Ind., in 1848. A year after he moved to Henry county, Ind., settling near the small village of Blountsville, on a farm, or rather in the woods, where there were no buildings of any kind and almost as primitive as when the Indians left it. He made the "wilderness blossom as the rose," and now has as good farm as there is in the county.

He took a very active and prominent position in the temperance organization known as the Sons of Temperance, and worked for the suppression of the liquor traffic in the early settlement of his county. Is a member of the first Christian Church of Blountsville. A few years since he served one term as township trustee. Politically he chooses what he regards as the least evil among the many, which is made more definite by saying that he is a Republican.

JOHN. Does not know his age exactly. Thinks he was seventy-nine last June, which would place his birth 1818. Born near Martinsburg, Va. Went to Richmond, Ind., in 1840, where he now lives. Ann Eliza Calvin went out the same year from Martinsburg, and November 10, 1841, they were married.

ELIZABETH.

HENRY. Was at Colfax, Cal. No report. .

ELI. Born June 4, 1830, in Berkeley county, Va., and moved with his parents to Wayne county, Ind., when at the age of thirteen, and lived there until 1893, when he moved with his family to Guthrie county, Iowa. February 12, 1857, he married Hannah Hart. Business farming, and church connection Baptist.

GEORGE.

MARY.

BARBARA.

WILLIAM. Martinsburg, W. Va. No report.

THOMAS. Born August 20, 1837. Married Sarah Ellen Saxton, August 2, 1866. Retired farmer at Lincoln, Kan.

Ann, Blountsville, Ind.

Children of David^s [David^s, Nikolaus¹].

Supposed to have one son at Martinsburg, W. Va. No report.

Children of John³ [David², Nikolaus¹].

JAMES. Martinsburg, W. Va.

JOHN DAVID. Born December 31, 1834, in Martinsburg, Va. Married Miss Anna E. Cushwa, March 8, 1870. Is a miller and landowner at Martinsburg and has been generally successful in business. Is a Granger. Name of his residence is Elm Dale.

HARRIET. Married — Seibert. Martinsburg, W. Va.

Children of Isaac³ [David², Nikolaus¹].

ROBERT K. Born September 25, 1845, in Martinsburg, Va. Married Anna M. Young, May 8, 1873. Was a farmer. Member of A. O. U. W. Church connection Methodist Episcopal. Died April 13, 1894, at Belle Plain, Kansas.

DENNIS MURPHY. Born June 25, 1849, near Martinsburg, Berkeley county, Va. Married Ida May Smurr at Shepards-town, W. Va., December 6, 1882. They are both members of the Reformed Church, in which Mr. Kilmer has served for the last eighteen years as deacon and treasurer. He has been a dealer in general merchandise in Martinsburg since November 10, 1875, and resides on East Burke street.

Child of Elizabeth³ [David², Nikolaus¹].

George H. Small. Martinsburg, W. Va.

Child of Mary³ [Daniel², Nikolaus¹].

Mary Ann Walker. Martinsburg, W. Va.

Children of Thomas³ [Jonathau², Nikolaus¹].

THOMAS.

JAMES.

JONATHAN.

CYRUS.

GEORGE. Reading, Pa.

AARON E. Born 1838 in Tulpehocken township, Berks county, Pa. Served in War of Rebellion in Company H., 6th Pa. Vols., in first three months' call. In 1862 he enlisted in Company E, 17th Pa. Vol. Cavalry, in which he served as sergeant until the command was mustered out of service June 19, 1860. February 20 1869, married Lydia Kohl. Is a member of the A. P. A. and G. A. R. His church connection is German Reformed.

Children of Jonathan³ [Jonathan², Nikolaus¹].

JONATHAN M. Bethel, Pa.

MALINDA. Bethel, Pa.

CAROLINE. Married — Liebach. Brookston, Ind.

Children of Elizabeth³ [Jonathan², Nikolaus¹] and Elias Levengood.

Jonathan Levengood was born July 17, 1833. Resides Lebanon, Pa.

Gabriel D. Levengood was born February 23, 1839. Resides Myerstown, Pa.

Winfield Scott Levengood was born August 10, 1851. Residence Kansas City.

Children of Katherine³ [Jonathan², Nikolaus¹] and G. B. Deppen.

John C. Deppen was born January 9, 1860.

A. Elizabeth Deppen was born September 8, 1841.

Carrie C. Deppen was born November 2, 1846. At the age of fifteen joined the Reformed Church of Myerstown, Pa. Was telegraph operator for the P. and R. R. R. Company seven years. Attended the seminary at Bethlehem, Pa. November 17, 1867, married William Adams Fisher. Has taken much interest in this book and has been an excellent correspondent.

Children of Magdalena³ [Jonathan², Nikolaus¹] and George Lein.

John Lein was born March 26, 1841.

Sarah Lein was born September 5, 1843.

Henry Lein was born December 20, 1844.

William Lein was born October 26, 1845.

Nathaniel Lein was born July 23, 1851.

Franklin Lein was born November 7, 1855.

Catharine Lein was born April 5, 1859.

Children of John³ [Jonathan², Nikolaus¹].

REBECCA. Born August 16, 1842. Married J. C. Davis. Married George P. Scharff, September 20, 1877. He is a carriage blacksmith and musician. Mrs. Scharff is connected with the Methodist Episcopal Church. Residence 430 North street, Logansport, Ind.

EMMA L. Born October 29, 1844. Died January 12, 1889.

JAMES M. Born October 13, 1845, in Schuylkill county Pa. Enlisted January 24, 1864, in Company E, 87th Indiana Volunteer Infantry, and served until July 30, 1865. Was with Sherman on his campaign from Chattanooga to Atlanta and on his march to the sea. His business is in dry goods, boots, shoes and gents' furnishing goods, at Rosedale, Kansas. Was mayor of the city of Rosedale two years, trustee and assessor of Shawnee township four years, and city clerk of Rosedale eight years. In the order of Masons, Odd Fellows and United Workmen. Married Mary Stadler, January 1, 1884.

CHARLES. Born October 9, 1847.

JOHN A. Born January 21, 1850.

CATHARINE. Born January 21, 1850. Died January 8, 1870.

GEORGE W. Born November 7, 1851. Was appointed postmaster at Argentine, Kansas, by President Cleveland, to fill the unexpired term of his deceased predecessor. Was appointed to fill the office until September, 1897. At this writing he may be out, but should be retained, if that will in any way make up for that which he has lost, if he is a Democrat. Within eighteen months his office was burglarized twice. The Government bore

their loss of nearly \$2,000, but of course Mr. Kilmer had to bear his loss of individual funds each time, which was considerable.

He is a Mason, Knight of Pythias, and in the A. O. U. W.

Married Kate Cornelius Lawrence, at Terre Haute, Ind., July 25, 1877. She is Past Worthy Matron of the Eastern Star Masonic Order ; Past Chief of Honor in the the A. O. U. W., and President of the Woman's Relief Corps, G. A. R.

Both are members of the Baptist Church.

FRANK E. Born October 9, 1853, in Reading, Pa. Married Jennie O'Farrell. at Delphi, Ind., in 1875. Orders, K. P. and A. O. U. W. Business, keeper of restaurant. Church connection, Methodist Episcopal.

MARY A. Born August 5, 1856. Mrs. Alice Grand, Logansport, Ind.

HENRY E. Born May 25, 1863, in Kenanna, Fulton county, Ind. Married Ida St. Clair Clark, April 6, 1887.

Children of Henry³ [Jonathan², Nickolaus¹].

MARY. Married Zerbe. Berks county, Pa.

PERCIVAL. Humboldt, Kansas. No report.

ALLEN. New Cambria, Kansas. No report.

HENRY. New Cambria, Kansas. No report.

EQUILAS. Argentine, Kansas. No report.

FRANKLIN P. Born, 1856, in Berks county, Pa. Married Alice Zerbe in 1887. Is a member of the Reformed Church. Is manufacturer and dealer in harness and saddles in Gypsum City, Kan. Is a member of the Odd Fellows and United Workmen. Has taken some interest in this book. He wrote in August, 1897, that he was glad to hear it was still on the move, as he had thought it might have gone overboard. In the Kilmer lexicon there should be no such word as fail.

Children of Lucy³ [Jonathan², Nickolaus¹] and Henry Tice.

Jonathan Tice was born August 5, 1849.

Edmund Tice was born November 13, 1850.

Clara A. Tice was born July 7, 1852.

Amand Tice was born December 27, 1853.

Robert Tice was born September 15, 1860.

Children of Thomas W³ [Nicholas² (Hanneckle) Nikolaus¹].

REBECCA. Mrs. Jonathan Miller, Mt. Etna, Pa.

CAROLINE. Mrs. Jacob Zeller, Stouchsburg, Pa.

PERCIVAL. Born July 25, 1836. Married Sarah S. Snyder, October 27, 1850.

ISABELLA. Mrs. James Christman, Harrisburg, Pa.

MARY. Mrs. John Deck, Pottsville, Pa.

JOHN. Myersburg, Pa. No report.

EDWIN. Stouchsburg, Pa. No report.

KATE. Married Holtzman.

AMELIA. Married Groff.

Children of Isaac N.³ [Nicholas², Nickolaus¹].

ISRAEL. Born November 5, 1825. Married Lovina Batdorf. Belongs to Tulpehocken Reformed Church.

AMOS.

MARIA.

REBECCA.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Children of Daniel⁴ [Henry³, David², Nickolaus¹].

JACOB H.

EMMA E.

WILLIAM A.

LUELLA A.

LAURA V.

JOHN.

HARRISON.

ISAAC.

The last three died during infancy.

Children of John⁴ [Henry³, David², Nikolaus¹].

J. W. Born June 16, 1842. Unmarried.

ELIZABETH. Born January 1, 1844. Married Rev. L. B. Noulton, a clergyman in Methodist Episcopal Church; now at Taberg, Oneida county, N. Y.

SARAH CATHARINE. Born September 17, 1845. Married
Micagah T. Nordyke, November 3, 1868.

Children of Eli⁴ [Henry³, David², Nickolaus¹].

ELIZABETH A. Born January 4, 1858.

HOWARD. Born October 21, 1860. Linden, Iowa.

GEORGE. Born December 27, 1863. Linden, Ia.

DANIEL. Born February 26, 1867. Panora, Ia.

CHARLES. Born July 16, 1869.

ETLA M. Born May 14, 1872.

MARY E. Born August 15, 1874. Married George Elliot.
Linden, Ia.

Children of Thomas⁴ [Henry³, etc.]

NETTIE MAY. Born March 28, 1868.

EDNA STELLA. Born October 22, 1869.

CHARLES WINFRED. Born September 1, 1871.

EMMA LAURA. Born April 22, 1873.

MARY ELIZABETH. Born October 15, 1874.

VIOLA JANE. Born May 5, 1878.

Above all married except Charles Winfred.

Children of John David⁴ [John³, David², Nikolaus¹.]

CLARENCE BAKER. Born December 2, 1871, at Martinsburg,
W. Va.

EVA LEE. Born November 25, 1873, at Martinsburg.

WADE CULLER. Born December 13, 1876, at Martinsburg.

Children of Robert⁴ [Isaac³, David², Nikolaus¹.]

NORRIS H. Born about 1874, at Martinsburg, W. Va.

OLIVE E. Born about 1875, at Martinsburg, W. Va.

CLARA R. Born about 1877, at Martinsburg, W. Va.

CASEY G. Born about 1879, at Martinsburg, W. Va.

GRACE E. Born about 1881, at Martinsburg, W. Va.

NORVILLE C. Born about 1885, at Belle Plain, Kansas.

NELLIE I.

Children of Denis Murphy⁴ [Isaac³, David³, Nikolaus¹.]

ELDERGIST MELOISEA. Born March 25, 1884.

DENIS SMURR. Born October 29, 1886.

JOHN NEVIN. Born August 27, 1889.

All born at Martinsburg, W. Va.

Child of George⁴ [Thomas³, Jonathan², Nikolaus¹.]

MURRAY.

Children of Aaron E.⁴ [Thomas³, etc.]

GEORGE M. Born April 5, 1870, in Reading, Pa.

WARREN A. Born June 2, 1874 in Berks county, Pa.

At home in Reading.

Children of Carrie C.⁴ [Katharine³, Jonathan², Nikolaus¹]
and William Adams Fisher.

Mary E. Fisher was born January, 1870. Married Clayton Seltzer September 26, 1896.

Maggie C. Fisher was born July 25, 1871. Married George B. McClellan Nagle, February 1, 1890.

Children of James M.⁴ [John³, Jonathan², Nikolaus¹.]

MAY. Born March 14, 1885.

JAMES. Born April 8, 1888.

EVA. Born September 22, 1890.

FRANK C. Born December 9, 1892. Died July 28, 1894.

HELEN. Born July 5, 1895.

All born at Rosedale, Kansas.

Children of George W.⁴ [John³, Jonathan², etc.]

In a letter dated August 19, 1897, the father writes: "We have four children, three girls and one boy. Edith, eighteen years old; Estella B., fourteen years old; George Earl, ten years old; and the pet of the family, Miss Emma Noraine, one year old."

Children of Frank E.⁴ [John³, Jonathan², etc.]

L. B. Born June 9, 1876.

DAISY. Born December 25, 1877.

LILLIAN. Born December 5, 1886.

MORTON. Born February 5, 1896.

Children of Henry E.⁴ [John³, Jonathan², etc.]

MILDRED CLARE. Born April 27, 1888.

NED ARNTZ. Born September 5, 1894.

Children of Franklin P.⁴ [Henry³, Jonathan², Nikolas¹.]

MILES W. Born November 20, 1877.

OLIVER P. Born September 3, 1879.

IRVEN F. Born August 31, 1881.

ROY. Born February 28, 1889.

WALLACE. Born September 7, 1891.

LUCY E. Born July 4, 1893.

Children of Israel⁴ [Isaac N.³, Nicholas² (Hanneckle), Nikolaus¹.]

EMMA ELIZABETH.

CATHARINE MARIA.

MERANDA REBECCA.

MARTHA AMELIA.

LEVI AMOS.

ISAAC NICHOLAS.

FIFTH GENERATION.

Child of Elizabeth⁵ [John⁴, Henry³, David², Nikolaus¹] and Rev. L. B. Noulton.

Jessie May Noulton. Married Rev. Daniel Morgan Lewis, clergyman of Methodist Episcopal Church, in 1896. Present residence, Mohawk, N. Y.

Children of Sarah C.⁵ [John⁴, etc.] and M. T. Nordyke.

Edith Nordyke.

Frank Nordyke.

Etta Nordyke.

Alice Nordyke.

David Nordyke.

ISAAC KILMER.

Married Eva Shelley. It is said that he was a native of Germany, also his wife. The earliest known records place them in Mifflintown, Juniata county, Pa.

FIRST GENERATION.

ISAAC. Born 1814, in Juniata county, Pa. After enduring the toils incident to the day and state of the country, in early manhood removed to Ashland county, Ohio. He lived there until 1853, when he removed to Elkhart county, Indiana, in a new country, on a heavily timbered tract of land of two hundred and forty acres, which he purchased and brought into a state of productive agriculture. Being energetic and frugal, he secured a competency of this world's goods, which he dispersed among his friends and neighbors with truly magnanimous spirit. He was one of the most widely known and influential citizens of the county. He married his cousin, Anna Kilmer, daughter of John Kilmer. She was a woman of singularly amiable disposition—no word of censure or criticism ever passing her lips—believing literally in the scriptural injunction “Judge not that ye be not judged.” She died in Elkhart county at the age of eighty-one years.

Mr. Kilmer died in 1883. Both were lifelong members of the Mennonite Church, and lived consistent Christians.

SAMUEL.

PHILIP.

JOHN.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of Isaac² [Isaac¹.]

MARY. Born May 24, 1841, in Ashland county, Ohio. September 15, 1861, married A. B. Holdeman. Member of the Mennonite Church. Her husband's business is farming and raising thoroughbred horses and Holstein cattle. Residence, Elkhart, Indiana.

SARAH. Born June 14, 1844. Married Jacob H. Wisler, January 26, 1868. Mr. Wisler is a farmer. Both are members of the Mennonite Church. Reside Nappanee, Indiana.

DAVID. Born October 5, 1846, in Ashland county, Ohio. March 19, 1868, married Mary Jones. His business is farming and stock raising.

SAMUEL L., M. D. Born April 12, 1849, in Ashland county, Ohio. When he was four years old his parents moved to Elkhart county, Indiana, settling on a heavily timbered tract of land, consisting of two hundred and forty acres, which was brought to a state of cultivation. Upon this farm Samuel grew to manhood, in the time availing himself of the meagre educational advantages of that day. After this he attended the Normal School in Goshen, Indiana, and afterward an academy at Smithville, Ohio. At the age of eighteen he began teaching school and taught district schools in Indiana for several succeeding seasons. As a teacher he was acknowledged to be successful, combining the practical instruction of useful knowledge with good discipline. In 1871 he graduated at the Northwestern Business College at Madison, Wisconsin. Later held the position of Professor of book-keeping in Bryant and Stratton's College of Philadelphia, and the Nelson of Cincinnati. After this, having by industry accumulated some funds, he began the study of medicine, graduating from Rush Medical College, Chicago, Illinois, in 1879. While in college he acted as assistant demonstrator of Anatomy, and during his last term there became prosector of anatomy under Prof. Charles T. Parkes. He was requested to remain in the College with the assurance of promotion to a regular professorship as rapidly as vacancies existed, but he declined and the next day after his graduation he left for his chosen field of labor, South Bend, Indiana, where he was associated with the well-known and skillful practitioner, Dr. J. A. Kettring, in the practice of medicine. This association was abruptly terminated when it became necessary for his partner to take Mrs. Kettring abroad for her health. Dr. Kilmer then entered on an independent professional career, and was very successful, especially in surgery, for which he had a preference, and to perfect himself in this branch he returned to Rush Medical College and devoted his time to the study of surgery and gynecology. Returning to South Bend he resumed his practice which he has very successfully followed unremittingly since,



Yours Respectfully,
Dr. J. L. Kilmer

with the exception of one session of attendance at the Post-Graduate Medical School in New York City. His success as a physician is established, as he numbers his patients from many of the surrounding states, while his remedies have an established reputation and sale. He is a frequent contributor to medical journals and numerous publishers of medical literature have requested him to become a regular contributor to their publications. Professorships in medical colleges have been tendered to him, but he prefers the practice of medicine to the teaching of it and has always declined. He is the author of the Physician's Pocket Account Book, which gives universal satisfaction. Is treasurer and medical director of the firm of Dr. Kilmer & Company, who manufacture well-known remedies at South Bend. For years has been surgeon of the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway and president of the South Bend Humane Society. Though not zealously active in politics, in two separate political campaigns he could have had the unanimous nomination for state senatorship his party (Republican) insisting upon his accepting it. Has also been requested to accept the nomination to the mayoralty of South Bend, but as it would interfere too much with his professional labors he declined all political honors. Although not a member of any church the doctor has a pew in the First Presbyterian Church, where he attends with his family. Dr. Kilmer was married in 1881 to Miss Margaret Knott, of Sumption Prairie, Indiana, a most estimable young lady and a member of one of the first families in the county. Their married life has been exceptionally happy.

Children of Samuel² [Isaac¹].

PHILIP D.

JOHN H. Born January 18, 1860, in Elkhart county, Ind. Married Alice M. Salsbury, March 27, 1881. Is a farmer on the old farm on which his father settled when he moved from Ohio to Waukarusa, Ind.

Children of Philip² [Isaac¹].

CHRISTIAN. Born September 15, 1832, in Pennsylvania. Married Catharine Hughes, September 28, 1854. Died April 27, 1863, from wounds received in the War of the Rebellion.

JACOB. Born November 17, 1836, Juniata, Pa. January 17, 1869, married Christina Linderman. Farmer in Waukarasa, Ind.

PHILIP R.

Children of John² [Isaac¹].

PHILIP R. Waukarusa, Ind.

JOHN. 'Alanson, Mich.

JOSEPH. Waukarusa, Ind.

BARBARA. Married Peter Hontsberger. Waukarusa, Ind.

ELIZABETH. Married Jacob Newcomer. Nappanee, Ind.

CATHARINE. Married Abraham Knopp. Hotchkiss, Colorado.

THIRD GENERATION.

Children of Sarah³ [Isaac², Isaac¹] and Jacob Wisler.

Isaac S. Wisler.

Harvey F. Wisler. Died at age of seven.

Anna S. Wisler. Married Alvin Houser.

Children of David³ [Isaac², Isaac¹].

ELLA MAUD. Born August 1, 1870.

LAURA AGNES. Born November 15, 1873.

ROY WINFIELD. Born November 22, 1880.

DONALD MERLE. Born November 24, 1888.

HERBERT LEE. Born November 10, 1891.

All born in Elkhart, Indiana, and with their euphonious names must be an attractive group.

Child of Samuel³ [Isaac² Isaac¹.]

BESSIE. An exceptionally intelligent child now in the eleventh year of her age.

Children of John H.³ [Isaac² Isaac¹.]

LEMUEL. Born January 12, 1883.

LILLIE C. Born June 16, 1884.

DORA A. Born November 4, 1888. Died March 5, 1896.

Children of Christian³ [Philip² Isaac¹.]

GEORGE WESLEY. Born April 23, 1856, in Olive township, Elkhart county, Indiana. Both his parents died when he was quite young, and he with his younger brother Lyman Oscar were placed under the guardian care of their uncle Jacob Kilmer. March 16, 1876, George married Miss Mary Brubaker of Olive township. Their home was in Waukarusa, same township until 1884. Lived in Warsaw, Ind., until the spring of 1888, when he moved to Marshall county, Ind., where he was engaged in farming four years. In 1892 went to Mentone, Ind., and became proprietor of the White Front drug store, where he can now be found dealing in drugs, jewelry and notions.

LYMAN O. Born August 5, 1858, in Olive township, Ind. Married Ella C. Marvin, November 18, 1890. Principal occupation at present is farming.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Children of George W⁴ [Christian³ Philip² Isaac¹.]

ORVILLE B. Born 1879.

JAMES ARNOLD. Born 1881.

AUSTIN EARL. Born 1883.

HARVEY. Born 1890.

JOHN KILMER.

Brother of Isaac¹. His daughter Anna married Isaac² as already noted. His son Daniel is the father of some Kilmers who have unfortunately allowed their names to be changed to Gilmore. Among these are George W., Fletcher, O.; Frank E., Ridgeway, O.; William M., may be in Marseilles, O., and Mrs. E. H. Rubins, Kenton, Ohio.

PHILIP KILMER.

FIRST GENERATION.

PHILIP. Born near Port Royal in Turbett township, Juniata county, Pa., where he lived a number of years, then purchased the Kilmer farm at Kilmer, Pa., which farm presumably was one his father had occupied, although the correspondence did not so state. He remained at Kilmer the remainder of his life. Died in 1843.

SAMUEL. Born 1789.

SECOND GENERATION.

Children of Philip² [Philip¹.]

JOHN.

PETER.

PHILIP.

Child of Samuel² [Philip¹.]

DAVID T. Born December 7, 1827, in Turbett township, Pa. Farmer. Church connection, Presbyterian.

THIRD GENERATION

Children of Peter³ [Philip Philip¹.]

MARTHA. Died in infancy.

GEORGE WASHINGTON. Born May 18, 1839, at the Kilmer Homestead near Kilmer post-office. Married Aramina McConnel, October 17, 1865. Is a jeweler at Kilmer, Pa. Member of the Evangelical Lutheran church, at Port Royal, Pa. Was drafted in the war of the Rebellion in 1862, and procured a substitute. Was drafted again in the last draft, but the war closed before being called into active service.

MARY ANN. Born February 25, 1841. Married Azariah McAfee. Her husband is dead. Her residence is Port Royal, Pa.

EMMA. Married James Purdy Johnson. She is dead.

IDA LINCOLN. Born November 10, 1846. Married Thompson Kepner. He is dead. She resides at Port Royal.

PHILIP MORRIS. Born 1849, at the old Kilmer homestead near Kilmer, Pa. Married S. Elizabeth Rice, October 2, 1873. Farmer. Belongs to Patrons of Husbandry, and is a member of the Presbyterian Church. Resides at Kilmer.

JOHN SELLERS. Born November 10, 1852. Married Lavina Havice. Resides at Port Royal, Pa.

MARGARET M. Born September 21, 1855. Married John Glace. Resides at Port Royal.

Child of Philip³ [Philip², Philip¹.]

MARGARETTA. Mrs. Margaretta McClure, Port Royal, Pa.

Children of David T.³ [Samuel², Philip¹.]

HOWARD M. Born April 12, 1851. Dead.

SIDNEY C. Born November 9, 1853. Dead.

JAMES C. Born June 19, 1857.

A. C. Born January 17, 1860.

SAMUEL B. Born October 14, 1861.

IRA H. Born August 4, 1869.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Child of George W.⁴ [Peter³, Philip², Philip¹.]

EMMA JANE. Born August 20, 1872. Married Charles Allen Haffley. Residence, Kilmer, Pa.

Children of Philip Morris⁴ [Peter³, etc.]

MARGARET CELESTE. Born 1874.

HARRY SYLVESTER. Born 1877.

GEORGE WASHINGTON. Born 1879. Died 1881.

PHILIP. Born 1882.

GRACE ELIZABETH. Born 1884.

CHARLES VICTOR. Born 1886.

All at home at Kilmer, Pa.

JOHN KILMER.

Born in Germany. Came to America, with his wife, in 1847.

FIRST GENERATION.

GEORGE. Born about 1835, in Germany. Watsontown, Pa.

JOHN. Watsontown, Pa.

CASPER. Montgomery, Pa.

KATHARINE. Montgomery, Pa.

L. G. Born February 24, 1850, in Berks county, Pa. February 7, 1871, married Mary Elizabeth Mostellar. Is a general merchant in Montgomery, Pa., under the firm name of L. G. Kilmer & Sons (successors to L. G. Kilmer). Was appointed postmaster of a Presidential post office July, 1894, at a salary of \$1,000. Belongs to the order of Odd Fellows. His entire family are members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Montgomery.

This line in which Mr. Kilmer belongs is a short one. Probably he could be connected with the others if we had the records. He has shown much interest in the Kilmer Book.

SECOND GENERATION.

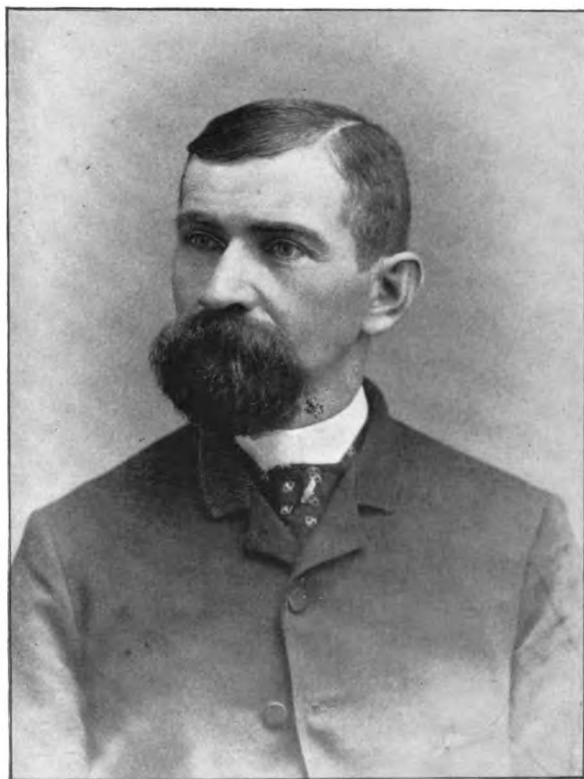
Children of L. G.² [John.]

ALVIN C. Born January 7, 1872.

WILLIAM E. Born April 14, 1874.

EDNA MAE. Born June 4, 1876.

All born in Delaware township, Northumberland county, Pa.



L. G. KILMER.

JUSTUS KÜLMER.

His grandson, George H. Kilmer, M. D., of Williston, Ohio, says his grandfather "was born sometime in the latter part of the last century, and was one of the hirelings of King George of England in our country's strife for independence, and served with distinction, advancing from private to sergeant." If this was the War of 1776, he could not have been born much later than 1760. He died in 1856. It might have been the War of 1812. The reign of George III. ceased in fact on the day of the completion of the fiftieth year of his reign, October 25, 1810. Previous seasons of raving madness on that day culminated in the complete dethronement of reason. In law his reign lasted nine years longer, during which time affairs were under Prince of Wales, regent, afterward George IV. The editor has noted this historical reference as applying to the statement of Dr. Kilmer concerning his grandfather, thus affording two bases of estimate in the absence of precision. Justus Kulmer was buried in the cemetery at Bebra, Hessen Nassau, Germany. On the tombstone the name is Kullmer. Dr. Kilmer visited the grave of his grandfather, and, if the age was given on the stone, either failed to note it or give it to the compiler.

He had four children, one boy, Henry, and three girls, all of whom came to this country, settling in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1848. With the exception of one daughter, who in December, 1895, was still living, they are all dead.

HENRY. Was born in Bebra, Hessen Nassau, 1827. Soon after arriving at Cleveland, he married Knuigunde Schuchardt, also from Bebra. Their six children, whose names follow, were all born in Cleveland.

GEORGE H., M. D. Born November 8, 1852; is a physician, and that is all we are able to say of him. Eight letters, two at least containing stamped envelopes for answer, besides postal cards, brought one card and one letter. We would like to know more of him and his family. Sometime in the future all the tribes may be linked to one head.

CATHARINE. Was born November 16, 1854.

MAGDALENA. Was born in 1856.

HENRY A.

FRED A.

OTTO H. No response came from him. He resides at 89 Marion street, Cleveland.

SUPPLEMENT.

Considering the fact that the editor and compiler, in the plan of this work, has followed not less than thirty distinct lines, it will not appear strange from the view-point of the average person if mistakes and omissions occur. (The average person could not be inveigled into the writing of a family history as the present writer was, and therefore is not supposed to know much about the methods.) There are omissions for which, from his own view-point, he offers no excuse in defense. On his auxiliary chart, in the line of Johannes, he omitted to carry down the children of Maria, daughter of John, son of John I., son of Johannes; and the children of Margaret, daughter of Daniel, son of John I., son of Johannes. They should have been placed on page 35, between the children of Anna Margaret and Augustus, as follows:

Children of Maria⁶ [John⁶, John I.⁴, Johannes³] and John Baumus.

Rachael A. Baumus. Married Sagendorf. Residence, Howe's Cave, N. Y.

Schuyler Baumus. Grovner's Corner's, N. Y.

Charles W. Baumus. Grovner's Corners, N. Y.

Catherine Baumus. Married Richtmeyer. Carlyle Center, N. Y.

Martha E. Baumus. Married Richtmeyer. Newburgh, N. Y.

Adaline Baumus. Married Buck. Albany, N. Y.

Children of Margaret⁶ [Daniel⁶, John I.⁴, Johannes³] and Elijah Griffin.

Ford Griffin. Grovner's Corners, N. Y.

Mrs. William Wallace. High Bridge, Macombi Dam Road, New York City. To requests sent to Mrs. Wallace for information, no responses came back. Mr. Wallace is superintendent of the American Museum of Natural History at Central Park. He has taken much interest in this book, and is a liberal subscriber to the compilation fund.

Mrs. C. W. Karker. Lawyersville, N. Y.

Tardy correspondents are to be blamed for some of the incomplete records. We are sure they had plenty of time. Some additions are inserted here, which came too late to be put in their proper place. For mistakes of correspondents, or those which may have occurred through unintelligible chirography in any part of the book, the editor cannot be held responsible.

Catharine, daughter of Johannes, page 11, married Peter Sagendorf.

John I., son of Johannes, page 11, was born August 16, 1763. If this is correct, and the editor had known it in time, there would have been a transposition in the writing of this line. It is carried down with George as the older of the two brothers. The change is not essential, but would preserve regularity. He died January 27, 1849.

Elizabeth, daughter of Johannes, page 11, married Peter Henry. She died June 13, 1829.

Elizabeth, daughter of George, page 11, married Jesse Patrick.

Daniel, son of John I, page 13, married Maria Shafer.

Maria, daughter of John I, page 13, married Jacob Zimmer.

Margaret, daughter of Daniel, page 22, married Elijah Griffin, and it is the editor's fault that this and the item above were not recorded in the proper place.

Josiah, son of Daniel, page 22, married Amanda Rockefeller, This was news.

Matilda, daughter of Lewis, page 76, married Edson Hewitt.

Lewis Kilmer, page 75, was born March 9, 1817, was a farmer. Died January 11, 1878.

Harriet daughter of Lewis, page 76, married Joseph Bott.

Lewis, page 76, had another daughter whose name the compiler did not get until late. This was Evaline who married Wm. C. Van Valkenburg.

George, son of Henry in the middle of page 83, served in the war of 1812. He was born in Columbia county, N. Y., in 1791, and died at the residence of his son, Captain Kilmer, in Topeka, Kan., February 26, 1876.

Mrs. S. W. Sabin of Boonville, N. Y., page 91, died April 16, 1895.

The following came too late for insertion in their proper place. They are children of George H. Kilmer, son of Joseph, and belong on page 132.

Olive May Kilmer. Born May 22, 1882.

Allee Madora. Born October 22, 1883.

George Will. Born September 15, 1888.

Maudie Fern. Born October 23, 1893.

Myrtle S. A. April 26, 1896.

Likewise *too late* for insertion in proper place.

NORMA LOUISE.

Child of Joseph and Eva McKinney Kilmer of Elmira, N. Y., born November 11, 1897.

This history goes back 200 years or thereabouts, but it is not all a "back number."

While the compiler was in attendance of the meeting of the Synod of New York in October, 1897, he was entertained at the home of Mr. Jones, a railroad postal clerk on the New York Central. Mr. J. mentioned an acquaintance, Norman F. Kilmer, a railroad postal clerk residing at Pine Plains, N. Y. An answer was received from him dated November 9, 1897, just as the last copy goes to the printer. He states that his father was Lewis Kilmer, and grandfather William, and that his sister has in her possession the family Bible which is nearly 300 years old. We regret we did not find him before.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The editor could not get records to connect the Kilmers under this head with any of the lines, long or short.

Edward Kilmer of Casa Blanca, Texas, is county commissioner.

His father's name was Jonas, and born in Cumberland county, N. J., July 4, 1819. He thinks his grandfather's name was Adam. Edward's father died in 1858, when Edward was seven years old. His mother died when he was about four, and it is not strange that he lost track of his ancestry. His father went to Texas in 1846. If any Kilmers can give him any light, address him as above.

Israel Kilmer, Shepard, Michigan. His father Isaac was born in Lancaster county, Pa., 1816, and his grandfather, Christian, was a native of the same state.

A. B. Kilmer, Wadsworth, Ohio, is a brother of Israel.

W. H. Kilmer, Winsted, Ct.

Jeremiah Kilmer, Neola, Iowa.

William Kilmer, Albany, N. Y.

William H. Kilmer, Auburn, N. Y.

John P. Kilmer, Bath, on Hudson, N. Y.

Asa A. Kilmer, Corbettsville, N. Y.

Peter I. Kilmer, Corbettsville, N. Y.

Frank J. Kilmer, Binghamton, N. Y.

Levi Kilmer, Greenbush, N. Y.

Charles T. Kilmer, Horseheads, N. Y.

Charles L. Kilmer, Hudson, N. Y.

Robert J. Kilmer, Hudson, N. Y.

Samuel A. Kilmer, Hudson, N. Y.

Thomas L. Kilmer, Hudson, N. Y.

William H. Kilmer, Hudson, N. Y.

Leverett Kilmer, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.,

John Kilmer, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

N. A. Kilmer, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

John Kilmer, Redhook, N. Y.

James Kilmer, Saratoga Springs, N. Y.

B. B. Kilmer, Convoy, Ohio.

J. N. Kilmer, Columbus, Ohio.

William F. Kilmer, Bedminster, Pa.

Samuel Kilmer, Benjamin, Pa.

George Kilmer, Elimsport, Pa.

Peter Kilmer, Ottsville, Pa.

Thomas Kilmer, Point Pleasant, Pa.

Ewald Kilmer, Philadelphia, Pa.

Frederick Kilmer, Philadelphia, Pa.

Edward L. Kilmer, Stouchsburg, Pa.

Frank G. Kilmer, Rochester, Ind.

M. L. Kilmer, Jackson Corners, N. Y., son of Levi G., son of George W., son of William.

If some of the above had been enough interested to answer the letters sent to them possibly the compiler could have connected them *somewhere*.

William Kilmer, Tionesta, Pa., is a native of Germany, and said he could give interesting history of his ancestors from 1700 but failed to do so after repeated efforts of the compiler to get it.

OLD CHURCH RECORDS.

GERMANTOWN.

Adam, child of Abraham and Eva Kilmer, baptized 1748.

Gertgen, child of Johannes Kulmer and Fronica Becker, baptized 1751.

Maria, child of Wilhelm Kulmer and Gertgen Pulver, baptized 1768.

Johannes, child of Johannes Kulmer and Catharine Link, baptized 1770.

William, child of Johannes Kulmer and Catharine Link, baptized 1772.

Simon, child of Adam Kulmer and Catharine Kohl, baptized 1773.

Catharine, child of Wilhelm Kulmer and Catharine Link, baptized 1774.

Wilhelm, child of William Kulmer and Gertgen Pulver, baptized 1775.

David, child of Johannes Kulmer and Catharine Link, baptized 1776.

Eva, child of Adam Kulmer and Catharine Kohl, baptized —.

Elizabeth, child of Wilhelm Kulmer and Gertrude Pulver, baptized 1777.

Elizabeth, child of Johannes Kulmer and Elizabeth Mickle, baptized 1779.

Christina, child of Wilhelm Kulmer and Catharine Link, baptized 1781.

Gertgen, child of Wilhelm Kulmer and Gertgen Pulver, baptized 1781.

Catharine, child of George Kulmer and Margaretta Bahr, baptized 1782.

Petrus, child of Wilhelm Kulmer and Catharine Link, baptized 1783.

Elizabeth, child of Johannes Kulmer and Catharine Link, baptized 1784.

Maria, child of Adam Kulmer and Margaretta Jager, baptized 1784.

Petrus, child of Wilhelm Kulmer and Gertgen Pulver, baptized 1785.

Johannes, child of Maria Kulmer and Johannes Horn, baptized 1787.

Petrus, child of Adam Kulmer and Catharine Kohl, baptized 1787.

George, child of Adam Kulmer and Gertgen Jager, baptized 1787.

Jeremias, child of Wilhelm Kulmer and Christina Pulver, baptized 1788.

Petrus, child of Johannes Kulmer and Anna Sipperly, baptized 1788.

Elizabeth, child of George Kulmer and Saloma Barner, baptized 1788.

Philip, child of Wilhelm Kulmer and Gertzen Pulver, baptized 1790.

Johannes, child of Adam Kulmer and Margaretta Jager, baptized 1791.

Daniel, child of Wilhelm Kulmer and Anna Butser, baptized 1804.

Philip, child of Wilhelm Kulmer and Anna Butser, baptized 1806.

Alexander, child of Wilhelm Kulmer and Anna Butser, baptized 1811.

Johny, child of Wilhelm Kulmer and Anna Butser, baptized 1814.

Aseri, child of Wilhelm Kulmer and Anna Butser, baptized 1816.

Robert W., child of Peter Kilmer and Gritzgen Bathrick, baptized 1819.

GREENBUSH DUTCH REFORMED.

Known as "Vedder's Church." Dominie Herman V. Vedder was pastor sixty years.

Adam, child of George Kulmer and Eva Gertrude Dings, baptized 1775.

Elizabeth, child of George Kulmer and Eva Gertrude Dings, baptized —.

Peter, child of Nicholas Kulmer and Katrina Hess, baptized 1783.

Jury, child of Simon Kulmer and Eva Shaver, baptized —.

John, child of John I. Kulmer and Eleanor Miller, baptized 1802.

Christina, child of Peter P. Kulmer and Margaret Bathrick, baptized 1802.

Jonas, child of Simon Kilmer and Eva Shaver, baptized 1804.

Hendrick, child of Peter P. Kilmer and Margaret Bathrick, baptized 1804.

James, child of John I. Kilmer and Eleanor Miller, baptized 1805.

Helen, child of William Kilmer, jr., and Catharine Bathrick, baptized 1806.

Jacob, child of Peter Kilmer and Margaret Bathrick, baptized 1806.

Oliver, child of John I. Kilmer and Helen Miller, baptized 1807.

John, child of George W. Kilmer and Cornelius Tator, baptized 1808.

Maria, child of Adam I. Kilmer and Eve Wilsie, baptized 1808.

Jonas, child of Peter P. Kilmer and Margaret Bathrick, baptized 1808.

Lucinda, child of Lydia Kilmer and James Brown, baptized 1820.

James Munroe, child of Lydia Kilmer and James Brown, baptized 1822.

Abraham, child of Peter P. Kilmer and Margaret Bathrick, baptized 1824.

Jacob, child of Christina Kilmer and Isaac Oakley, baptized 1824.

John, child of Christina Kilmer and Isaac Oakley, baptized 1825.

Jane, child of Christina Kilmer and Isaac Oakley, baptized 1826.

Abraham, child of Christina Kilmer and Isaac Oakley, baptized 1827.

Josiah, child of Lydia Kilmer and James Brown, baptized 1827.

F. B. Kilmer of New Brunswick, N. J., has expended considerable money and time in collecting old church records and has the transcript of a dozen churches or more in his possession. They were promised for insertion in this book, but are incomplete, needing revision and correction, and it would be folly to send them out as they are. His business demands so much of his time that he has not been able to arrange them for publication, but thinks that later on he will do so, and donate them to any Kilmer who wishes a copy.

EDITOR'S NOTES.

THE NAME.

In many of the old church records on Livingston Manor, where written in German script, it is Kulmer, which seems to be the original. Occasionally in these records it is written Kuelmer. In Documentary History of New York it is spelled Kelmer, Kilmer, Kilmore, Kilmor, Kolman and Kollman, all without much doubt belonging to the Kilmer family. In this documentary history some signatures are by cross marks and the name was written by others from phonetic sound, often indistinct, which accounts for many of these changes. Wilhelmus in his birch-bark book, kept from 1767 to 1790, wrote it Kelmer. Rev. Joshua Kocherthal, the first Lutheran minister to the Palatines, who had a good German and English education,

wrote in Kilmer in his church records as early as 1715. It is evident that the name in German is Kulmer and it is Kilmer in English. Robert Livingston had a way peculiar to himself and wrote it Kolmere. Modernly, for fifty years and more, it has been Killmer, Kilmore, Gillmore and Colman, with some members of the family. Thomas Kilmer, of Hudson, tells us that in his school days at Gallitanville on Livingston Manor, about 1840, some of the families spelled their name Killmer, others Killmore, and some Kilmer. One day the teacher called them up and told them the proper way to spell the name was K-I L-M-E-R, and hereafter on the school records it should be so spelled. The instruction of this wise schoolmaster concerning our name is passed along for the benefit of present and future generations.

PALATINE AND PALATINATE.

The word palatine is related to palace, and as a title dates from the time of the Merovingian kings of France, connected with whose court was a high judicial officer called the *comes palatii*, or master of the royal household.

When the sovereign chose to confer a peculiar mark of distinction upon the holder of any particular fief under him, he granted the right to exercise the same power within his province as the *comes palatii* exercised in the royal palace. With the function went the title of *comes palatinus*, or count palatine, and from the ruler the district under him became finally known as a palatinate.

The Upper and Lower Palatinate were two separate states of the old German empire, not contiguous, though under one ruler. Their territory is now comprised in that of Bavaria, Baden, Hesse Darmstadt and Prussia.

THE OLDEST BIBLE IN POSSESSION OF THE KILMERS.

As far as is known, the oldest heir-loom Bible now in existence, is in possession of Captain George W. Kilmer of Towanda, Pa. It is printed in German, in Martin Luther's translation. Very unfortunately, if there was ever any family record within its pages, it is gone. In it is a statement, written in German by J. Adam Eisenwine (born in Schaubach, District of

Canstatt, Kingdom of Wurtemberg, 1821), once its possessor, that it is over three hundred years old. He had it from Miss or Mrs. Kilmer, who was nearly one hundred years old, and states that it came from Holland.

THE COAT OF ARMS.

The imposing emblem of nobility which is placed as a frontispiece to our history was reproduced from the archives of heraldry by W. H. Abbott, genealogist and heraldic draughtsman, now of Saugerties, N. Y. It belonged to Count Kulmer von Rosenpiche and Hohenstein, presumably in Saxony, which borders on the Palatinate, and he may have been a count palatine. We are not after his large estates, which have probably been scattered to the four winds, but it is not wild to think that we can be hitched on to the count. It seems to be the only escutcheon of the kind belonging to our name. To attempt a connection, it would be necessary for one to visit that country. If the editor lives to witness the incoming of the next century, two years hence, he may celebrate by crossing over to the soil of the old world. If he does not, some one else who is interested may go. Colors on the coat of arms are indicated by lines, which are on the card accompanying each book. These points in heraldry were kindly furnished by Mr. Abbott.

THE KILMER MANUFACTURING CO., OF NEWBURGH, N. Y.

We prepared a history of considerable length of this company, but as they were obliged to succumb to the financial pressure, that sketch would be inappropriate, and it only remains to place a brief monumental inscription in *locus*.

The business began in a small way on a farm in Schoharie county, in 1876. The implements first used in the manufacture of hay bale ties were a common vise and a twister attached to a carpenter's bit-brace. The first investment in stock was 100 pounds of wire. Soon after this the purchase of a ton brought in the neighbors, who anxiously inquired what the daring adventurers were going to do with so much wire. This was followed by several tons, and it was found after several months of business that the shop in the barn was so small that

it cramped the wings of enterprise. In 1878 they moved to Schenectady, N. Y., in order to have better facilities for their increasing trade. In 1888 they moved to Newburgh. It was the privilege of the writer to visit the establishment there two or three times, and he could not help contrasting the vise and brace, with which one bundle or 250 ties could be made by steady application in one day, with a machine on which one boy could twist 120 bundles or 30,000 ties per day. Multiply this by the thirty-four machines of this kind then on their floors, and the output is 1,020,000 ties per day. If any of those friendly Schoharie farmers ever visited the establishment, they doubtless opened their eyes as wide as did the editor. They were manufacturing wire and using eighty tons of iron per day for that purpose. This process is wonderfully interesting, especially when witnessed for the first time. Billets of Bessamer steel were placed in furnaces heated by gas where they remained seven minutes, then drawn out at white heat. Then went quickly on arranged carriages operated by machinery from one machine to another, and with each process smaller in diameter and longer in length coiling through one channel then back to another, twisting and hissing like a monstrous serpent, and in less than one minute that billet was a coil of wire 1,400 feet long and still red hot.

They were then employing 450 men and running their works night and day, in the manufacture of hay bale ties, barbed wire and ornamental fencing. Their plant at that time had cost more than \$500,000 and they appeared to be pressing steadily upward. But, *sic transit gloria mundi*.

It was a great loss to Newburgh and a great blow to the company, to see this industry, standing first with the kind on the continent, and built up by brave spirits, busy minds and hands, facing many discouragements and much opposition of jealous manufacturers, thus suddenly collapse.

FINALE.

The editor and compiler acknowledges with heartfelt thanks letters of congratulation and commendation already received. The beratings which occasionally have come to him were, it is charitable to say, from persons who are ignorant of the situation.

This seems the only appropriate place as it was omitted in the preface, to acknowledge favors and helpful correspondence from George D. Hale, treasurer of the Interstate Land Company at Topeka, Kansas, and president of the Kansas Society Sons of the American Revolution. He is also an intimate friend of Captain C. B. Kilmer of Topeka.

The editor has prepared a special copy of our history with blank interleaves for the purpose of noting additional history, data, and corrections as they may appear in reference to the family, which will be left as a legacy to succeeding generations who may desire to issue another book. Matters of this kind will be solicited and searched for. His time is worth something, and inquiries for personal benefit involving outside correspondence or search in the voluminous records in the depository should enclose ten cents in stamps or silver. Letters of ordinary reference must enclose a two cent stamp to insure an answer.

He rejoices that the arduous work entrusted to him is so nearly out of his hands and into yours, and before dropping the pen from a weary hand he extends to all the sincere wish for their prosperity and happiness.

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