

one, yet he has found time to devote to interests calculated to uplift humanity, and since the organization of the Young Men's Christian Association he has been Treasurer, and one of its most active and prominent workers. He and his wife are numbered among the best citizens of Mauch Chunk, and hold a high position in social circles.



JOHAN P. BROWN, M. D., formerly of Slatington, where he had the largest practice of any physician in the city, located in Bethlehem in May, 1894, as he desired to have a wider field of work. He was born in Winchester, Va., August 6, 1856, and there passed his boyhood attending the common schools. He was next to the youngest of eight children. His grandfather, William Brown, was also a native of the Old Dominion, and died in Virginia. His calling in life was that of a carpenter, while his son, William D., our subject's father, was a glove manufacturer. The latter was born in Winchester, and that city was his home until his death. His wife, Ann M., was the daughter of William Diffenderfer, of German descent and a carpenter by trade. Mr. and Mrs. William D. Brown were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the mother, who is still living, is a resident of Maryland.

After completing his common-school studies, Dr. Brown entered the Shenandoah Valley Academy, taking the prescribed course. Then for a period of time he studied medicine with Dr. W. S. Love, of Winchester, and in 1875 became a student in the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Baltimore. At the end of a year he engaged as a clerk in a drug store in Harrisonburg, Va., and later occupied a similar position in Columbia, Pa. In 1884 he entered the University of Pennsylvania, and two years later graduated from the medical department with the degree of Doctor of Medicine.

On commencing his practice the Doctor located in Columbia, where he was stationed for a year, and afterward engaged in the drug business at that

point. In 1888 he went to Allentown, being associated with Dr. T. T. Martin for a year. His next field of operations was in Slatington, where he continued to practice until May, 1894. Then, as previously stated, he became a resident of Bethlehem, and is rapidly making his way into the confidence of his fellow-citizens, being well received by the members of his profession. While a resident of Slatington he was local physician for the Lehigh Valley Railroad. His office is situated at No. 83 Broad Street, a central location in Bethlehem.

In 1887 Dr. Brown was married, in Lehigh County, to Miss Mary Maxwell, who was born near Laurens, in that county, and there has been born to them one child, Roy by name. Dr. Brown and his wife are both members of the First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem, and, though recent comers, are received in the best social circles of the place, their pleasant and friendly manners rapidly winning them a place in the esteem of all.



WILLIAM F. DE LONG. No one is more universally esteemed in this county than he whose name appears at the head of this sketch. He is agent for the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company at Rockdale, where he is also the owner of the Rockdale Hotel and Postmaster of the place. Notwithstanding the prominent position which he holds among the citizens of his township, he is one of the most unostentatious of men, and is very popular, justly meriting the high esteem in which he is held.

The subject of this sketch is a native of this county, and was born November 30, 1845. He is a son of Solomon and Sally De Long, the latter of whom is deceased. The former, who resides in Allentown, has passed his threescore years and ten. Grandfather De Long was an old resident of Lowhill Township, while his father was prominently identified with the upbuilding of North Whitehall Township.

William F., of this sketch, lived with his parents

until seventeen years of age, when he began rail-roading, and filled his position in such a satisfactory manner that he was soon promoted to be assistant agent at Rockdale. In 1883, when his brother, A. W., who was agent at this place, moved to Allentown, he was appointed to fill the vacancy. In 1868 he established the Rockdale Hotel, which he has carried on in connection with his other interests. For several years prior to being appointed Postmaster, he was assistant to that official. In 1883, however, he was made head of the postoffice, and is still the incumbent of that position.

In his political beliefs Mr. De Long is a supporter of Republican principles. Through good business ability, enterprise, perseverance and well directed efforts he has become a prosperous citizen, and may truly be called a self-made man.

William F. De Long and Miss Jane A. Newhard were united in marriage in 1868. Of the two children born to them, only one, Minnie, is living. Clement died when nine months old. In addition to the enterprises which we have already mentioned in which our subject is engaged, he has been interested for many years in the coal, flour and feed business, and has handled each year nearly one thousand tons of coal.



WILLOUGHBY K. KISTLER, M. D., is one of the leading physicians of Lehigh County and is located at Germansville, where he has been engaged in practice since 1871. He is a native of this county and was born November 1, 1846, to Jacob M. and Lydia (Kistler) Kistler, also natives of this county, residing during their life in Kistler's Valley. George Kistler, who is the founder of that branch of the family to which our subject belongs, is said to have located in what is now known as Montgomery County as early as 1745.

The original of this sketch was reared on the

farm in Kistler's Valley, which was in the possession of the family for many generations, and is now owned by his brother, Charles K. Willoughby K. attended the public schools of Lynn Township until a lad of fifteen years, when he entered the academy at Quakertown, and later the Lewisburg Academy in Union County, this state. The knowledge gained therein was supplemented by a course at the Allentown Seminary and the normal school at Kutztown. Young Kistler then taught five terms of school, when the opportunity presented itself for him to carry out his long cherished plan of becoming a physician. With this end in view he read medicine with Dr. F. C. Seiberling, an eminent physician of Lynnvill, Pa., and in the fall of 1868 entered the Bellevue Hospital Medical College in New York City, from which he was graduated in the spring of 1870.

When looking around for a suitable location Dr. Kistler made settlement in Pennsville, Carbon County, where he practiced for a year. He then came to Germansville, soon secured a lucrative patronage and has resided here ever since. He stands very high in professional circles and is connected with the Lehigh County Medical Society. In politics he is a staunch adherent of Republican principles and a strong advocate of public schools.

Dr. W. K. Kistler and Miss Emma C. Seiberling, a native of this county, were united in marriage in 1871. The lady is the daughter of Squire Joshua Seiberling, now deceased, but formerly a resident of Seiberlingville, which place was named in honor of his family. To the Doctor and his estimable wife there have been born two children. Clinton J. is now a student in the medical department of the Pennsylvania University, being a member of the Class of '95. Prior to entering this institution he was graduated from the Kutztown Normal School. He taught school for two terms before entering the medical school. Minnie M., the daughter, is likewise a graduate of the State Normal School of Kutztown and is at present engaged in teaching in the public schools of Slatington.

Socially our subject is identified with Central Lodge No. 636, I. O. O. F., at Pleasant Corners, in which order he is Past Grand. As a private citizen the Doctor is highly esteemed for his public

spirit, personal example and interest in all that is beneficial to his members of the community and the county at large. The Doctor and his family are members of the Lutheran wing of the Heidelberg Church.



WILLIAM J. HUMPHREY, M. D. Cherryville is not without her share of members of the learned professions, who are a credit to the pursuit they have chosen and to the town itself. Among those who have taken up the calling of medical practitioner is Dr. Humphrey, who devotes himself assiduously to his practice and to those investigations which will enhance his professional knowledge and skill. He is a native of the above place and was born March 25, 1850.

The parents of Dr. William J. Humphrey were Dr. Charles H. and Elizabeth (Stanton) Humphrey, both natives of Northampton County. The father was a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, and one of the most eminent physicians in this region. He was born in the Irish settlement, and read medicine under the instruction of the late Dr. Edward Humphrey. During the war he was Examining Surgeon for the Eighth Congressional District, and he practiced medicine for over sixty years. He was a devoted member of the Presbyterian Church, and aided in many ways to spread the Gospel in his community. He departed this life at his home in Cherryville, June 3, 1893, when in the eighty-sixth year of his age, leaving four sons and two daughters, namely: William J., the subject of this sketch; Charles E., a physician of prominence in Bethlehem; Thomas, who was a student in Princeton College during the late war, and offering his services to his country, contracted an illness from which he died at his home in 1867; Robert, also a physician, living in Milligan, Neb.; Mary E., who married John N. Hinkson, and is

living in Chester, this state; and Sarah J., who makes her home in Baltimore, Md.

Dr. William J. Humphrey received his primary education in the common schools of Cherryville, and later attended Dickinson Seminary, at Williamsport, Pa. Then, deciding to follow in the footsteps of his honored father, he began the study of medicine in 1870, and afterward entered the University of Pennsylvania, graduating in the Class of '72. He immediately took up the practice of his profession in this place, where he has been located ever since.

Dr. Humphrey was married in October, 1875, to Miss Ellen S., daughter of Erwin Mushlitz, a resident of Bethlehem. To their union have been born six children: Thomas S., who is now attending lectures at the University of Pennsylvania; Robert, Charles H., Harold H., Annie and Hattie. In social affairs the Doctor is a Mason of high standing, belonging to the lodge in Slatington. He is a consistent member of the Presbyterian Church, in the faith of which he was trained by his parents. In politics he never fails to vote for Republican candidates, believing that party to be in the right. He is well established in reputation as a physician and surgeon, and is recognized as among the able practitioners of the county.



HON. JACOB B. KEMERER, Burgess and practicing attorney, is engaged in the real-estate and insurance business, being a member of the firm of Woller & Kemerer, the largest and most extensive real-estate firm in Bethlehem. He is a native of Center Valley, Lehigh County, his father being Benjamin Kemerer, a merchant by occupation, who removed to Philadelphia with his family when his son was quite young. The family came from Germany, our subject's grandfather, Jacob, being one of the early settlers of this region. Our subject's father was a merchant at Center Valley, then removed to Free-mansburg, and was engaged in transportation on

the Lehigh Canal, in boat building and in manufacturing rope.

Benjamin Kemerer became a resident of Philadelphia in 1848, where he became a member of the firm of Rex, Kemerer & Co., one of the leading stores in the city at that time, and continued to do business until 1858. He then went to New York City, where he was engaged in merchandising on commission, and also in the transportation line. His death occurred in Philadelphia in 1882, when he was sixty-six years of age. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, and was a Republican in politics. His wife, Mary (Bachman) Kemerer, was born in Upper Saucon Township, Lehigh County, and came of a good family of that district. Mrs. Kemerer died in 1867, leaving three children, of whom Sarah died in Philadelphia; our subject is next in order of birth, and Albert H., a member of the firm of Dickie & Co., is engaged in the real-estate business in Pittsburg.

The birth of J. B. Kemerer occurred December 21, 1844, and his education was mainly acquired in the public and high schools of Philadelphia, from the latter of which he graduated in 1861. He then came to Bethlehem, where he pursued a course of legal studies with U. J. Wenner, and in 1876 he was admitted to the Bar. Prior to this he had been engaged for three or four years with the firm of H. B. Claffin & Co., the largest wholesale house in New York. Since being admitted to the Bar, Mr. Kemerer has continued in active practice at his present location, and has been very successful. In 1887 he formed a partnership with Clarence A. Wolle in the real-estate and fire insurance business, and has made a specialty of commercial law and the examination of records. With others he projected and laid out the west side addition to West Bethlehem, a tract of fifty or sixty acres, and has done much for the town in which he dwells. Moreover, he laid out forty acres of North Bethlehem, and it is mainly due to this firm that the Boston capitalists who control the excellent electric railway system connecting Allentown, Catasauqua, Bethlehem and South Bethlehem, were induced to invest their money there.

As a Democrat, Mr. Kemerer has done a good service to his party, and in 1889 his prominence led

to his election as Burgess of Bethlehem, to which office he was re-elected the following two years. From 1880 to 1889 he represented the Third Ward in the City Council, and for the last two years was President of the same. He served on the Highway or Street and Water Supply Committees, and was Chairman of the Street, Police and Law Committees. Under his influence, and during the last year he served in the Council, macadamizing was begun on Main Street, and later other improvements were introduced. At the present time he is a member of the State Central Democratic Committee from Northampton County. At the spring election of 1894, Mr. Kemerer was again elected to the office of Chief Burgess for a term of three years.

In this city, in 1865, J. B. Kemerer married Miss Amanda J. Seem, daughter of Joseph Seem, who was a farmer by occupation. Mrs. Kemerer was born near Bethlehem, and by her marriage has become the mother of one son, Albert G., who is engaged in business with his father in the insurance department. The residence of the family is located on North Main Street, and both Mr. Kemerer and his wife are members of the Presbyterian Church.



CHARLES H. KISTLER follows the combined occupations of farmer and wagon-maker, and has a good estate located in Washington Township, Lehigh County. He also has a wagon shop on his place and has been engaged in that business here since 1877. Mr. Kistler is a native of Lehigh County, having been born in Lynn Township November 23, 1850, to Josiah and Caroline Kistler, also natives of the above township.

The death of our subject's father occurred when he was a lad of eleven years. Three years previous to this, however, his parents being in limited circumstances, he was taken into the home of his uncle, with whom he remained until reaching his fifteenth year. At this time he returned to the