

mother, two sisters and a brother died on the voyage from Germany. The father was a shipbuilder by trade, and followed that occupation during the greater part of his life. He was married again in 1857, his second marriage being with Miss Mary Pahlas, born in Germany, by whom he had no children. She was the daughter of J. Pahlas. Both father and step-mother were killed in the great and ever-memorable freshet of 1862, the house falling in upon them. There were five children in the family, but only two are now living: F. H., of this sketch, and Henry J., who is also a resident of Mauch Chunk.

It was during Mr. Miller's boyhood that he crossed the briny deep to the New World, and with his father and brother located in this city. Here he was reared and educated, and in his youth, in 1863, learned the carpenter trade. He worked for Joseph Wilhelm, a contractor, and in the Lehigh Valley Railroad and Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company's shops up to 1873, after which he embarked in the building, furniture and undertaking business, which he successfully followed for many years, or until August, 1891, when he retired from hard work with enough real estate and railroad stock to see his way clear.

Mr. Miller was born November 30, 1844, being now (1894) fifty years of age. Since 1876 he has been connected with the Fire Department of the city, and has done effective service for Mauch Chunk in that way. He was Assistant in 1875, and Chief Engineer of the Fire Department in 1876, and has ever been one of its prominent members, being foreman at the present writing.

Mr. Miller was married November 15, 1863, the lady of his choice being Miss Louisa Fischer, daughter of Christian Fischer, of Mauch Chunk. She died in 1878, leaving one daughter, Dora, now the wife of William Krueger, a member of the Fire Department of Mauch Chunk. Mr. Miller was again married, his second union being with Miss Dora Fraass, daughter of Joachin Fraass. Her parents died a few years ago, in Germany.

His fellow-townsmen appreciating his worth and ability, Mr. Miller has frequently been called upon to serve in positions of public trust. In 1889 he was elected Assessor, and filled that po-

sition for three consecutive years. He had previously filled the position of Registration Assessor, and discharged his duties with promptness and fidelity. In religious belief he is a Lutheran, holding membership with St. John's Church, in which he has long held office, having served as Secretary since 1863, and as Treasurer for a good many years, and is now Elder and Trustee.

Since 1872 Mr. Miller has been a member of the Upper Mauch Chunk Water Company, being one of the charter members, and he was its first Superintendent and Collector. He is a charter member of Hospitaller Commandery No. 79, Ancient and Illustrious Order of Knights of Malta, and has been Treasurer up to the present time. He is also Treasurer of the Home Protective Building and Loan Association of Pennsylvania, with its local board at Mauch Chunk, and home office at Pittsburg, Pa., and has held many of the important offices of Mauch Chunk. He is a public-spirited and progressive citizen, and does all in his power to promote the best interests of the community and advance the general welfare of county and people.



WILLIAM H. GANGAWARE is one of the most intelligent, progressive and enterprising fruit-growers of Northampton County, in which calling he has been very successful, being the proprietor of seventy-four acres of land, on which he makes his home and carries on his business. He devotes his time and attention to raising strawberries, raspberries, blackberries, peaches, pears, etc., besides all kinds of truck gardening.

Mr. Gangaware is a native of Lehigh County, and was born August 26, 1834, to Solomon and Betsy Gangaware, also natives of that county, in which section the family were early settlers. William H. was reared to mature years in the above county, and from the age of two years until twenty-one made his home with his uncle, John Hollocher. When old enough he learned the trade of a tin-

smith under his uncle, which business he followed for about thirty years. After leaving the roof of Mr. Hollocher, our subject came to Cherryville, where he was a tinner for a number of years; he then abandoned that occupation in order to engage in his present business, and is now numbered among the largest and most successful fruit-growers and truck gardeners in Northampton County.

The marriage of our subject was celebrated in 1858, at which time Miss Clara, daughter of William App, became his wife. Mr. App, who was formerly a well-to-do citizen of this county, is now deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Gangaware were born six children, of whom those living are Alice, the wife of George B. Dieter; Theophilus; David, who married Miss Minnie Henrichie, daughter of Louis and Mary Henrichie; George and Joseph.

In politics our subject is an unfaltering Republican. He is a member of the United Evangelical Church and takes a conspicuous part in church matters. Mr. Gangaware is one whose pleasant social qualities have won him many friends during the years of his residence here.



COL. THEODORE L. MUMFORD, formerly a prominent resident of Mauch Chunk, was the lessee and manager of the noted Switch Back Railroad of that city, with which he became identified in the year 1879. His connection with that company covered a period of fifteen years, and he operated the road successfully from the first. He carried it on during the summer and fall months, the season terminating on the 1st of November of each year. The number of people who patronize the road during one season often amounts to eighty thousand. The starting place is on the extreme point of Mt. Pisgah, the passengers for that place being drawn up on an inclined plane by a stationary engine and cars made for the purpose. During the trip they visit many places of interest in the mountains and coal regions. Mt. Pisgah is sixteen hundred and

sixty feet above tide water. The decline in the grade of the road is ninety-six feet to the mile, and the cars used are the regular tourist coaches, so there is no obstacle to obstruct the view of the delightful scenery through which they pass.

Mr. Mumford is a native of New York, born near Cooperstown, Otsego County, in 1831. The Mumford family was founded in America by ancestors who emigrated from Wales in 1630. As early as 1700 their descendants located in Otsego, N. Y. The grandfather of our subject, Joseph Mumford, was a farmer and merchant. He also took quite a prominent part in politics and served as State Senator. His wife was in her maidenhood Polly Adams, and her father was one of the heroes of the Revolution. The father of our subject, Orville Mumford, was also a native of the Empire State. Having attained to mature years, he was united in marriage with Jerusha Edson, whose ancestors were numbered among the Puritan forefathers, and landed at Salem, Mass., in 1629. The family was founded in New York in 1800.

In taking up the personal history of Colonel Mumford we present to our readers the life record of one who is both widely and favorably known in Carbon County. He spent the days of his boyhood and youth in the county of his nativity and acquired his education in the common schools. At the early age of fourteen he commenced to earn his own livelihood and began his career as a railroad man, being employed in assisting an engineering corps in locating the Blossburg & Corning Railroad. He was afterward employed on the Erie Road, now the New York, Lake Erie & Western Railroad, with which he was connected for a number of years.

On leaving the employ of that company Colonel Mumford went to Lancaster, Pa., and was employed at the Norris Locomotive Works as Assistant Superintendent of the same, and remained there until the works were closed down. He then left his native land and went to Central America. He secured employment in Costa Rica with Henry Meigs, receiving a salary of \$5,000 per year, payable in American gold. He there remained for some time, and on his return to the United States