

the Rockwood House, strictly a temperance hotel, which he erected in 1882.

The Livengoods were among the first settlers of Elk Lick township. Samuel P., who was born in that township, on the Jonathan Hostetler farm, had a considerable reputation as a hunter and trapper. He died in 1861. His wife was Barbara Stout, and the children were: Jacob S., David S., Jesse S., Jonathan S. (deceased), Samuel S., Susan (Miller), Sally (Saylor), deceased, Elizabeth (Vought), deceased. Jacob occupies the old homestead. His son, Archibald, purchased a farm of Chauncy Boyd, and settled in Milford in 1880. He was a soldier in the late war, serving in Co. K, 5th Heavy Art., from October, 1864, to June, 1865.

Nicholas Barron emigrated from Germany to Berks county, and thence to Somerset county. He settled and died on a farm of three hundred acres in Somerset township. His children were: George, John, Nicholas, Philip and Barbara (Young). Nicholas, Jr., was born in Berks county in 1765. About 1795 he settled in the northern part of Milford township, where he bought and cleared a farm, the same now owned by his son Nicholas. He died in 1831. His wife was Rachael Houser, and their children: George, Adam, Henry, Isaac, John, Nicholas, Elizabeth (Barclay), Catharine (Barclay), Mary (Levan) and Effie (Putman), are all dead but Isaac, Nicholas and Effie. Nicholas purchased the farm after his father's death, three hundred and thirty-four acres, for thirty-three hundred and forty dollars.

Rachael (Houser), the mother of Nicholas Barron, was captured by the Indians in Morrison's Cove, Bedford county, during the revolution. Her father and her brother John were killed on the spot at the time of her capture. Martin, another brother, was present, but escaped. The mother was absent at Pittsburgh. Rachael and one of her brothers were taken by the Indians to Detroit. Her brother escaped and returned home after two years' captivity. Rachael remained seven years, and was then permitted to return home. Her mother paid a man twenty dollars to conduct her from Detroit to Pittsburgh.

Adam Barron, brother of Nicholas, and the father of Abraham and William H., of this township, was born and reared in Milford township. He lived on a farm adjoining his father's, and died in 1843. On the death of his widow

the farm came into the possession of the two sons, who were the only heirs. The farm is a valuable one, containing nearly three hundred acres.

Jonathan Dumbauld, who was born in Fayette county in 1809, settled in Upper Turkey-Foot township about 1846. He is now living with his son Peter in Milford township. Peter Dumbauld bought his present farm in 1881. He owns two hundred and twenty acres, and, like his brother George, has a beautiful and pleasant home.

Another prominent farmer of this township is Peter Snyder. His farm and buildings are most excellent, and he carries on farming quite extensively.

Henry Bearl lives on the farm formerly owned by his father, Daniel Bearl, and operates a steam sawmill, which he started about seven years ago.

H. H. Weimer was born and reared in this township. He learned the carpenter's trade of his brother Jeremiah, and still follows it. Mr. Weimer served in Co. H, 95th regt. Penn. Vols., from March to July, 1865.

John Kimmel was born in Stony Creek township about the year 1790. After his marriage he moved to Somerset township, near Levanville. He died in 1858. His children were Samuel and John, dead; George, Singleton, Ludwick, David, living; Fred, deceased; Lucinda (Snyder), Elizabeth (Walker), living; Susan (Smith), dead; Sarah (Levan), Eliza (Hay) and Rose (Weimer), living. Samuel Kimmel, born in 1808, died in 1834. His children were George F., John H., David F., Irvin, Washington, William S., Elizabeth, Sophia (deceased). George F. Kimmel lives in Milford, upon a finely improved farm of five hundred and thirteen acres. He has erected new buildings at a cost of about three thousand dollars. The first house on the place was built by a man named Bittner about 1800, and is still standing.

Harry Hay, whose ancestors are mentioned in the history of Brother's Valley, is a native of that township. In 1882 he settled in Milford, having purchased of John A. Phillippi a farm of one hundred and one acres. He has since given this farm to his son, Herman L. Hay, who now owns and works it.

As nearly as can be ascertained at this late day, the first industries of the township were as follows: Wilson's sawmill, already mentioned; Kitzmiller's blacksmithshop, built on the pres-