

Thomas B. Metzgar is the son of Nathan and Rebecca (Worman) Metzgar, the former a native of North Whitehall and the latter of Allentown, being a descendant of the pioneer Abraham Worman, who settled at and owned Crystal Springs. Mr. Metzgar removed to Allentown in 1830, when fifteen years of age, and his son was born there Dec. 25, 1839. He received his general education at the Allentown Academy under those excellent instructors, McClenahan, Chandler, and Gregory. Having very early formed the intention of studying law, he bent his energies toward that end. He taught school at Ruchsville, and subsequently, by invitation of Mr. C. W. Cooper, became instructor in the Allentown Grammar School. In 1859, when eighteen years of age, he realized his hope, and began reading law with Hon. Samuel A. Bridges. In 1860 and 1861 he continued his studies in the Law Department of the University of Pennsylvania, and, concluding the course, returned to Allentown, and was admitted to the bar on April 7, 1862. The success which attended him almost from the start proved the choice of profession to have been a wise one. His practice increased evenly and with satisfactory rapidity from year to year, as also did his personal popularity. In 1868 he was elected district attorney, and he discharged the duties of that office until 1871. Twice he was elected city solicitor, the two terms being separated by a period of several years. He was a delegate to several State Conventions of his party from this district, and in 1876 was the district delegate of his native county to the National Convention at St. Louis, which nominated the Hon. Samuel J. Tilden for President. Official or political life, however, has had but little attraction for Mr. Metzgar, and a large clientage has claimed the greater part of his time and energies. He has had an extensive practice in the Lehigh and other Eastern Pennsylvania courts and in the Supreme Court, and has been extensively intrusted with the settlement of estates. Mr. Metzgar was married Sept. 1, 1863, to Susan R., daughter of Solomon Sweitzer.

Edward Harvey, a prominent member of the Lehigh bar, was born in Doylestown, Bucks Co., Pa., Jan. 17, 1844. He is the only son of Dr. George T. and Mary K. Harvey. After passing through the common school and the excellent private school of Dr. S. A. Andrews, in his native town, he completed his academic course at the Lawrenceville High School, near Princeton, in the State of New Jersey. In 1860 he was matriculated as a member of the class of 1864 at Princeton College. Deciding, however, upon entering the profession he has so successfully followed, he left college in his junior year and commenced the study of law at Doylestown, under the preceptorship of Hon. George Lear, then the leading member of the Bucks County bar, and subsequently attorney-general of the State. At September term, 1865, the subject of this sketch was admitted to practice in the courts of his native county. In November of the same year

he visited Allentown, and on the 8th of that month was, on motion of Hon. S. A. Bridges, admitted as a member of the Lehigh County bar. He took up his permanent residence in Allentown, Jan. 1, 1866, and commenced to practice his profession in the office of Hon. S. A. Bridges. By reason of his favorable introduction to the people of this county, and because he gave all of his attention without interruption to his profession, he soon acquired a lucrative practice, which has increased with his age and experience. Nor is his practice confined to the limits of his county; he is frequently called to assist in the argument and trial of cases in adjoining counties and in the Supreme Court of the State, as well as in the Federal courts.

A pronounced Democrat, our subject has taken no greater part in politics than a good citizen should and an able speaker is compelled to. While indifferent to personal political preferment, he has earnestly desired that the principles of his party might prevail, and has not been negligent of efforts in behalf of their advancement. His legal ability received a fitting recognition when he was chosen a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1873, being elected from the Senatorial District composed of Lehigh and Carbon Counties. He served creditably to himself and constituents, and was a member of the Committee on Corporations.

In March, 1877, the First National Bank of Allentown was compelled to suspend, through the failure of W. H. Blumer & Co., bankers. The board of directors was reorganized, and Mr. Harvey was chosen president. His position was a responsible and delicate one. Through his efforts the creditors and stockholders had secured to them large sums of money, and the assets of the bank were made to realize very handsomely. He remained in charge until June, 1878.

June 14, 1878, Mr. Harvey was appointed president judge of the Thirty-first Judicial District of Pennsylvania, composed of the county of Lehigh, to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge Longaker.

He held the position until the close of the unexpired term, which was the first Monday in January, 1879. His experience at the bar, and his familiarity with the principles and decisions of his profession, enabled him to fill the place with great satisfaction to the bar and to the public. His appointment was a gratifying compliment, as it came from a Republican Governor,—John F. Hartranft.

Since his retirement from the bench he has vigorously pursued the practice of his profession. In 1878 he was asked to accept a nomination as an independent candidate for president judge of his adopted county, but peremptorily declined the use of his name. Again, in 1879, he was asked to accept the independent candidacy for judge of the courts of Berks County, but declined that also. In 1882 he was waited upon by a committee of the judicial conferees of Dauphin and Lebanon Counties, and was asked to permit his name



to be used for the Democratic nomination. This also was declined by him.

Upon April 9, 1884, Judge Harvey was chosen by the Democratic State Convention to represent the Tenth Congressional District in the Democratic National Convention, to be held in Chicago, July 8, 1884.

Following are the names of all the attorneys admitted to practice in Lehigh County:<sup>1</sup>

Henry Wilson.....Dec.	21, 1812	Eli G. Schwartz.....April	6, 1868
John Ewing..... "	21, 1812	David Roper..... "	13, 1868
Frederick J. Heller. "	22, 1812	H. C. Hunsberger... "	13, 1868
Henry King.....May	15, 1815	Wm. H. Glace..... "	13, 1868
Charles Davis.....Feb.	3, 1817	Samuel A. Bettz.....June	11, 1868
John Evans..... "	3, 1819	W. D. Luckenbach.Aug.	3, 1868
Samuel Runk.....May	4, 1819	George H. Rupp.....Sept.	8, 1868
John D. Roney..... "	4, 1819	R. E. Wright, Jr..... "	8, 1868
John S. Gibbons.....Feb.	2, 1824	James S. Biery..... "	8, 1868
Henry Jarrett.....Nov.	29, 1824	Joseph Hunter.....June	18, 1869
John J. Wurtz.....Aug.	30, 1825	William S. Young.....Sept.	8, 1869
Andrew L. King.....Sept.	5, 1826	J. Winslow Wood.....Nov.	5, 1869
Jno. S. McFarland*..Dec.	3, 1827	M. L. Kauffman.....April	5, 1870
Silas H. Hickox*..... "	1, 1829	George K. Wilson.....Dec.	12, 1870
Samuel A. Bridges..Feb.	1, 1830	James B. Deshler...Nov.	6, 1871
John W. Hornbeck...May	3, 1830	E. A. Muhlenberg..March	3, 1873
Jesse W. Griffith*... "	7, 1834	E. C. Lochman.....June	3, 1874
Phaon Jarrett*.....Sept.	4, 1835	Harry F. Kramer... "	3, 1874
Aug. F. Bonz*.....Feb.	1, 1836	William P. Snyder.. "	4, 1874
Peter Wyckoff.....Sept.	3, 1838	J. M. McClure.....May	4, 1875
Robert E. Wright... "	5, 1838	Willis J. Forrest...Sept.	16, 1875
H. C. Longnecker...Jan.	30, 1844	Nathaniel M. Orr...Nov.	8, 1875
John D. Stiles.....Sept.	2, 1844	Oscar E. Holman...April	11, 1876
William P. Miller*.. "	3, 1844	M. C. L. Kline.....June	6, 1876
Nathan Miller*..... "	6, 1844	John M. Kessler.... "	6, 1876
Silas E. Buzzard...May	5, 1845	M. C. Henninger...Sept.	5, 1876
Robert S. Brown...Feb.	6, 1846	W. H. Muschitz.... "	3, 1877
Charles L. Runk.....Aug.	31, 1846	Edwin H. Stine.... "	5, 1877
Charles W. Cooper..June	24, 1847	A. G. Dewalt..... "	22, 1877
James S. Roesse..... "	—, 1848	Thomas J. Foley...Oct.	22, 1877
J. De Puy Davis...Sept.	3, 1849	R. A. B. Hausman..Jan.	7, 1878
Edmund J. Moore...Dec.	4, 1849	Henry W. Ross..... "	17, 1878
Elisha Forrest.....Feb.	5, 1850	Albert J. Erdman... "	28, 1878
William S. Marx.... "	5, 1850	James L. Schaadt...April	10, 1878
Henry W. Bonsall*.. "	2, 1852	A. B. Longaker.....July	1, 1878
Gilbert G. Gibbons*..Sept.	4, 1854	Charles S. Runk.... "	9, 1878
Jas. R. Struthers*..Nov.	13, 1854	Harry G. Stiles....April	14, 1879
Adam Wooleyer*...April	9, 1855	J. L. Marsteller...Sept.	1, 1879
Uriah Brunner*...Aug.	16, 1855	W. Lichtenwallner. "	1, 1879
John H. Oliver.....Nov.	3, 1856	E. R. Lichtenwallner.Jan.	9, 1880
William H. Atney...Jan.	6, 1857	Allen H. Focht.....April	12, 1880
George B. Schell.... "	6, 1857	Morris J. Hoats.....June	7, 1880
H. H. Schwartz.....May	5, 1858	John D. Ulrich.... "	7, 1880
A. B. Schwartz..... "	16, 1859	S. S. Duffy..... "	7, 1880
R. Clay Hamersly... "	16, 1859	Henry J. German...Nov.	9, 1880
Arnold C. Lewis*...Aug.	10, 1859	Thomas F. Gross...Jan.	3, 1881
Robert S. Leyburn*..April	8, 1861	William J. Stein.... "	3, 1881
A. W. Leyburn*..... "	8, 1861	J. M. Wright.....April	11, 1881
Henry A. Bigler*... "	7, 1862	F. G. W. Runk.....June	6, 1881
Evan Holben*..... "	7, 1862	Phillip McNulty...Sept.	12, 1881
Edwin Albright*... "	7, 1862	T. F. Diefenderfer.. "	12, 1881
Jacob S. Dillinger*.. "	7, 1862	F. M. Trexler.....April	10, 1882
Thos. B. Metzger*... "	7, 1862	E. F. Shock.....June	5, 1882
F. A. K. Baldwin...Aug.	7, 1863	Henry J. Oncil.....Sept.	6, 1882
Mahlon H. Biery...Nov.	9, 1863	A. P. Crilly..... "	6, 1882
Wm. H. Sowden.....Sept.	6, 1864	E. H. Reninger.... "	6, 1882
John Rupp.....Nov.	3, 1865	H. A. Weller..... "	6, 1882
Edward Harvey.... "	8, 1865	Enos F. Erdman...Nov.	21, 1882
Levi Smoyer.....July	1, 1867	M. E. Schaadt..... "	21, 1882
Wm. H. Deshler...Sept.	9, 1867	Jonas F. Kline....Jan.	30, 1883
Henry S. Floyd.....Oct.	28, 1867	E. J. Lichtenwallner. "	30, 1883
Const. J. Erdman...Oct.	28, 1867		

down to the present generation in one of the official documents of Northampton County, nearly a century and a quarter old. This is an assessment-roll which shows that in 1763 three physicians resided in that part of Northampton which now constitutes Lehigh County. These were Dr. Gottfried Bolzius, of Northampton Town (Allentown), Dr. Carl Frederick Martens,<sup>2</sup> of Macungie, and another, unnamed, in Upper Saucon. Dr. John Hertzogh owned property in Weissenberg between the years 1763 and 1769, but nothing can be learned of him further than that fact. He certainly did not reside there in 1763, and it is doubtful if he ever did.

Dr. Bolzius, as one of the pioneer settlers of the infant Allentown, evidently found the practice of medicine an insufficient staff, for in 1766 he was in possession of "the shop and beer-house" which had previously been assessed as the property of David Deshler. Thus combining the avocations and the emoluments of publican and physician he was enabled to make a living at least, and we find him a resident of the little village as late as 1782. He had at least one patient of high degree, who was ailing with a most malignant disease, for when Governor James Hamilton was at Easton, he came to him to be treated for the cure of a cancer.

Dr. Felix Linn was a resident of what is now Lower Milford township some time prior to 1784, as in that year he sold a farm of one hundred and fifty-five acres, which "he bought of his father, Peter Linn, several years previous." This farm, on which he doubtless resided, was situated on the Hosensack Hill, about a mile south of the home of Dr. John H. Dickenshied.

A remarkable example of the heredity of inclination and pursuit is afforded by the Martin family, in which there have been five successive generations of physicians, counting from Christian Frederick Martin, who was one of the very earliest practitioners in Lehigh County.

Christian Frederick Martin, the progenitor of the family in America, was born in Prussia, Dec. 22, 1727; and was the son of a Lutheran clergyman, who was a man of eminence outside of the ministry, and at one time a member of the higher courts or cabinet. He received collegiate and medical education in Berlin, and very soon after graduating from the University of Medicine, he came to America with the Rev. Henry Melchior Muhlenberg and others, and settled at the Trappe, in Montgomery County, previously, however, traveling over Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Virginia. He married at the Trappe a Miss Schwartz, the daughter of a clergyman, and entered upon the practice of his profession. His wife died after she had become the mother of six children,—Frederick, John, Samuel, Elizabeth, Ellen, and Mary. The eldest son removed to Otsego County, N. Y., and died there, and the

## CHAPTER X.

### THE MEDICAL PROFESSION.

Biographical Sketches—The Old Homoeopathic College—Medical Societies.

THE earliest trustworthy information concerning practitioners of medicine in Lehigh County comes

<sup>1</sup> It must be borne in mind that quite a number of those whose names appear here were non-residents, and only obtained admission for the trial of special cases. Those who have been thus admitted are marked with an asterisk (\*).

<sup>2</sup> The name should have been Christian Frederick Martin.



*Edwin G. Martin*

**EDWIN G. MARTIN**



other two sons passed the whole of their lives in Montgomery County. Elizabeth married a Mr. Egner, and Ellen a Mr. Hartzell, while Mary became the wife of a Mr. Dickenshied, and was the mother of Dr. Charles F. Dickenshied. Dr. Martin married as his second wife Mary Miller, the daughter of a tavern-keeper at the Trappe. Soon after this marriage Mr. Miller, learning of a tract of land in Macungie township which was to be offered at public sale, advised his daughter to purchase it. She rode on horseback to the farm (near Emaus) on the day appointed, and made the purchase. To this place Dr. Martin and his wife moved about 1762, and there all of their children were born. These were Andrew, Jacob, George, Charles H., Peter, and Anna (who married Peter Bright). Four of the sons became physicians, and we shall presently have more to say of them. Dr. Christian F. Martin practiced medicine in Macungie and the surrounding country until near the close of his life, his "ride" covering Lehigh County, and extending far into Montgomery, Bucks, Northampton, and what is now Carbon County. He educated his sons in medicine by lectures on anatomy, illustrated by Eustache's plates, and others on surgery, obstetrics, practice, materia medica, and botany. He was a finished scholar, owned a large library, and was fond of teaching and demonstrating. He died on the 13th of June, 1812, aged eighty-four years, and was buried in the graveyard of the Little Lehigh Church, beyond Millerstown (now Macungie). The inscription upon the tablet at his tomb reads thus,—

"Hier 'Ruht' in Gott  
 Doc Christian Frederic  
 Martin  
 er wurde geboorn dem  
 22ten Decbr 1727  
 und ist im Herrn entschofen  
 dem 13ten Junius 1812  
 er bracht sein alter zu  
 84 jahr 5 M. 22 Taga."

Mrs. Martin long survived her husband. She removed to Allentown, and lived with her sons until her death, in 1835, at the age of ninety-three years.

As has been heretofore stated, four of the sons of Dr. Christian Frederick Martin became physicians. First, Jacob (the eldest of the family, who took up the profession) commenced practice in Allentown about 1790, after studying with his father. He was post-master from 1805 to 1814. He died in Allentown in 1834, aged fifty-three years. His wife was Jane, the daughter of tavern-keeper George Savitz, by whom he had seven sons and three daughters. The former were Edward F., Charles H., Tilghman H., Walter, Franklin B., William, and Thomas; the daughters were Mrs. Thomas B. Wilson, Mrs. John W. Hornbeck, and Mrs. E. B. Newhard. One of the daughters of Mrs. Wilson married the late ex-mayor, Dr. T. Yeager. One of the sons of Mrs. Hornbeck, Dr. M. E. Hornbeck, is now practicing his profession in

Catasauqua. The first five of the seven sons above named became physicians.

Edward F., the eldest son, settled and practiced in Weaversville. He died there, leaving a son, Walter, who also became a physician.

Charles H., the second son of Jacob, graduated at the University of Pennsylvania on March 6, 1830 (at the same time as his cousin, Frederick A., son of George). He commenced practice in Allentown, and continued it until his death, in September, 1860. He left three sons who became physicians, viz., Dewees J., Edwin G., and Henry F. The first named graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1858, practiced in New Jersey a few years, and then settled in Allentown and opened a drug-store, which he carried on until his death, in 1874.

Dr. Tilghman H. Martin is the son of Dr. Jacob and Jane Savitz Martin, and was born in Allentown on the 6th of December, 1809. He received an academic course in his native town, and early determined to follow the professional career of his father. He soon after entered the office of the latter as a student of medicine, and in 1829 repaired to Philadelphia, where he became a private student of Professor William Horner, of the University of Pennsylvania, and also attended a course of lectures at the Philadelphia Medical Institute. He graduated from the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania in 1831, and, returning to Allentown, became associated with his father, to whose practice he succeeded. He was an active member of the Lehigh County Medical Society, as also of the State Medical Society. Dr. Martin was married in 1836 to Miss Mary, daughter of Daniel Kramer, of Allentown, to whom were born children,—Alfred J., M. Eugene, Daniel (deceased), Harvey (deceased), Thomas T., and two daughters, Eliza (deceased) and Mary A. (Mrs. H. K. Hartzel). Alfred J. graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in March, 1857, and became associated with his father in practice. During the late war their professional services were given gratuitously to the families of soldiers. Thomas T. also graduated from the University of Pennsylvania as a physician in 1877, and is engaged in practice in Allentown, his office being that formerly occupied by his father. M. Eugene and Daniel adopted the profession of dental surgery, in which the former is still engaged. Dr. Tilghman J. Martin was a Democrat in his political affiliations, and, though not especially active in the political field, was elected treasurer of the county of Lehigh, and filled various minor local offices. His death occurred Nov. 5, 1878, in his sixty-ninth year.

Dr. Edwin G. Martin is the son of Dr. Charles H. Martin and M. Angeline Goundie, daughter of Sebastian Goundie, a prominent member of the Moravian settlement of Bethlehem, Pa. He was born Oct. 3, 1836, in Allentown, and received his scholastic training at the Allentown Academy, under the instruction of Professors McClenehan, Chandler, and Gregory.



He chose for his life-work the profession in which various members of the family had attained distinction, that of medicine, and first prosecuted his studies in the office of his father. Later he became a student of the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania, from which he graduated in the spring of 1856. He at once became an associate of his father, to whose practice he succeeded at his death. He has since that time been actively engaged in professional labor, and enjoys an extensive general practice, for which his thorough training, not less than his abilities, have fitted him. Dr. Martin is a man of untiring industry, of unswerving integrity, and active and liberal in the encouragement of all projects looking to the material advancement and prosperity of the city of his residence. The duties of his profession are pursued with a kindly charity and benevolence that have left their impress and marked him as a benefactor to the needy and humble. He is a member of the Lehigh Medical Society and of the State Medical Society. He has manifested a commendable zeal in the furtherance of all educational enterprises, was one of the founders and since its organization has been secretary of the board of trustees of the Allentown Female College, and was also for years a trustee of the Muhlenberg College. He is now a trustee and secretary of the board of management of the Hospital for the Insane for the Southeastern District of Pennsylvania. He is a member and was the first president of the Lehigh Valley Medical Association. The material and business interests of Allentown have also received from him a decided impulse as trustee and secretary of the Jordan Manufacturing Company, as a stockholder of the Coopersburg Turnpike Company, the Bethlehem Turnpike Company, and the Lehigh Telegraph Company. He is a director of the Allentown National Bank, and president of the Board of Trade. He was during the war appointed surgeon of the Twenty-seventh Regiment Pennsylvania Militia, and mustered into service for the emergency. He now holds the commission of surgeon of the Fourth Regiment of National Guards of this State. As a Democrat, Dr. Martin was elected mayor of Allentown in 1880, his able and judicious administration receiving the cordial indorsement of his party and insuring his re-election in 1882. He also served a term as coroner. He is an enthusiastic Mason, has been Deputy Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State, and was recently elected to the high office of Grand Commander of the same body. In religion he is a Lutheran and member of St. John's English Lutheran Church of Allentown. Dr. Martin was married on the 29th of August, 1861, to Miss Fannie S., daughter of the late Stephen Balliet, of Lehigh County. Children, Irene B. and Charles S.

Henry, the third son of Charles H. Martin, graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1858, and practiced in Slatington until 1862. He was during the war assistant surgeon of the Ninth Pennsylvania

Reserves. He emigrated to Colorado, where he is now engaged in mining operations.

Walter, son of Jacob, graduated from the University of Pennsylvania, and emigrated to California, where he died on the day of his arrival.

Franklin B., son of Jacob, was also a graduate of the school from which most of the medical members of this family received their diplomas. He practiced at Fogelsville, Whitemarsh, and at Catasauqua, and died in the latter place.

II. George, the second of Dr. Christian Frederick Martin's sons who studied medicine, after the completion of his studies with his father, settled, about the year 1800, in Whipton township, Montgomery Co., where he remained until 1814, when he removed to Whitemarsh. He practiced there until 1850, when he moved to Philadelphia and went into retirement. He died in that city Dec. 8, 1862, aged eighty-three years. He left three sons,—Frederick A., Charles, and John A.,—who became physicians, all receiving their preliminary education from their father.

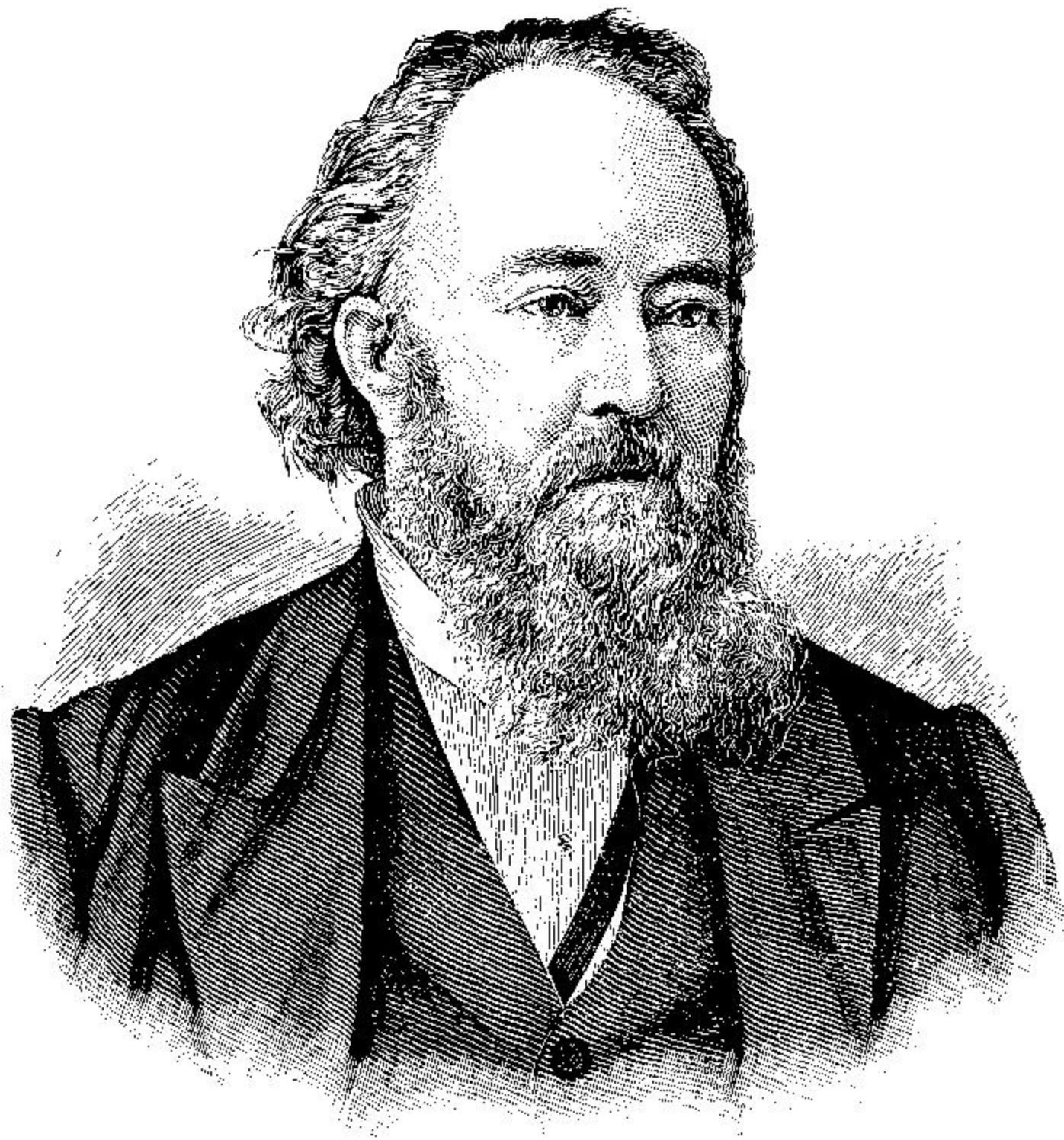
Frederick A., son of George, graduated from the University of Pennsylvania March 6, 1830, and during the next two years practiced with his father at Whitemarsh, but subsequently removed to Coopersburg, where he practiced until 1843. In that year he removed to Philadelphia, and opened an office on Third Street. In 1850 he retired from the more active duties of his profession, and went to Bethlehem, where he remained until 1867, when he returned to Philadelphia, where he now resides.

Charles, son of George, graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1833, and during the next three years practiced in Whitemarsh and Mechanicsburg. He then relinquished the profession, and studied divinity at Gettysburg Seminary. He became pastor of St. James' Episcopal Church, in New York City, had charge of churches at Hagerstown and other places, and is now at the head of a ladies' seminary in St. Joseph, Mo.

John A. (son of George), following the family predilection, entered the same university from which his brothers had graduated, and concluded his course of study in 1836. He followed his profession about ten years at Whitemarsh, when his health failed and he removed to California, where he practiced, and also established a hospital. After an absence of two years he returned East, studied law in Philadelphia, and practiced at Norristown a few years. But his original taste for medicine seems to have returned, for he moved to Magnolia, Del., and resumed its practice. He died there, March 13, 1872, aged fifty-seven years.

III. Charles H., son of Dr. Christian Frederick Martin, after the completion of his studies with his father, settled in Allentown, about 1812, and practiced there until his death, May 31, 1844. He left one son, Charles L., who became a physician.

Charles Ludwig Martin, the son of Dr. Charles H.



*Charles L. Martin*

**CHARLES L. MARTIN**



and Christianna Huber Martin, was of German antecedents, and born in Allentown on the 17th of February, 1821. He early determined to follow the career of his ancestors, and adopt a profession which has been represented in five successive generations of the family. After receiving a thorough academic education he entered the office of his father, a physician of skill and reputation, and attended lectures in the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania, from which he graduated in the spring of 1841 with distinction. He at once located in Allentown, and for three years assisted his father, to whose practice he succeeded on his death, in 1844. He thus early found opened to him a wide career of usefulness, and by his skill and profound knowledge soon gained a reputation which brought an extensive practice and great responsibilities. Possessing a well-stored and analytical mind and mature judgment, his advice and counsel were frequently sought in consultation after he had abandoned active professional labor.

Dr. Martin was, on the 20th of February, 1845, married to Miss Matilda, daughter of Dr. Henry Detwiller, of Easton. Their children are three daughters—Lucy (Mrs. Isaac Ash), Matilda (Mrs. John Satterfield), Lizzie C. (Mrs. A. B. Fichter)—and five sons,—Dr. Constantine H., who graduated at the Bellevue Hospital Medical College of New York in 1866, and at the New York Homœopathic Medical College in 1868; Charles D., who graduated at the Bellevue Hospital Medical College in 1867, and is associated with his brother Constantine H. in practice in Allentown; Truman J., who received his diploma from the University of Pennsylvania in 1878, attended a course in the New York Homœopathic Medical College in 1879, and resides in Buffalo, N. Y.; John Norton, who graduated from Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., in 1880, and was admitted to the bar of Lehigh County in 1883; and William E., the latter a student of medicine. Dr. Martin was a Republican from the organization of the party, having previously been a stanch Whig. He on one or two occasions consented to the use of his name as a candidate for official position, but rarely found leisure amid the engrossing responsibilities of his profession for affairs of public moment. He was a man of extensive and varied information. He was fair and candid in his profession, stooped to no petty advantage, employed no unworthy methods, and never appealed to prejudice. His powers of perception were keen, enabling him quickly to determine the value of a cheerful and hopeful bearing with his patients. This ready tact, combined with a kindly and sympathetic nature, inspired strong confidence in his ministrations. Dr. Martin was an independent thinker, and the opinions he expressed on any question of medicine, science, morals, or politics were strictly his own. Treating the views of others with respect, he followed none. He was a close reader and thinker, and drew his own

deductions. In his intercourse with men his friendships were unflinching, while his aversions were equally sturdy. This did not, however, affect his generosity nor modify his kindly instincts. He was known as a man of integrity, unblemished, pure in thought, honorable in motive, frank, manly, and gracious in all his ways. To no trust was he ever disloyal, to no principle recreant, to no friend insincere. His death occurred Nov. 26, 1883, in his sixty-third year, not less sincerely mourned in professional than in private life.

Rebecca, a daughter of Dr. Charles H. Martin, became the wife of Dr. John Mickley, who settled at Milton, Northumberland Co. Matilda, another daughter, married Dr. John Romig, of whom a sketch is given in this chapter.

IV. Peter, the fourth son of Dr. Christian Frederick Martin who chose to follow the medical profession, after a few years' practice with his father, settled on the Little Lehigh River, in Macungie township, and practiced medicine in the surrounding country until his death, about 1846.

Mary, the daughter of Dr. Christian Frederick Martin, was the wife of John Dickenshied, and the mother of Dr. Charles H. Dickenshied, and a daughter of Dr. Charles H. Martin became the wife of Dr. Samuel Young.

About 1794, Dr. John Frederick Ruhe, a native of Germany, came to Allentown, after spending three or four years in New York and Philadelphia. He had practiced in London, England, for about twenty-seven years, being an assistant to the king's apothecary. In Allentown he opened what was the first store exclusively for the sale of drugs, and his practice, as he was advanced in years, was confined to his office.

Some time prior to 1809, Dr. James Jameson came to what is now Allentown from Adams County. He was a large owner of stock in the chain bridge which was built a few years later, and he erected and lived in the toll-house at the end of it with the keeper, and had his office there also. He was considered a good surgeon and had a large drive, attending principally upon that class of cases where the knife rather than physic was needed. He left a son, James, who is now in Reading.

Dr. Charles F. Dickenshied was one of the old-line practitioners who enjoyed great professional popularity through a long period of active duty. He was born in what is now Lower Milford township, near Emaus, Jan. 22, 1791, and was the son of John and Mary (Martin) Dickenshied, his mother being the daughter of that progenitor of a famous family of physicians, John Frederick Martin. His father died when the subject of this sketch was eight years of age. He then lived in the family of his grandfather, Dr. Frederick Martin, the grandfather of Dr. Charles L. Martin. When about eighteen years of age he studied medicine with his maternal uncles, Drs. Charles and Jacob Martin. He entered the Medical Department



of the University of Pennsylvania and attended the lectures of such eminent doctors as the Bartons, James, and Physick, who in their day ranked at the head of the profession. After his graduation in 1817, he practiced medicine in the Milfords and surrounding country and soon had a large practice. He remained in the profession until 1858, when he retired after he had acquired a handsome competency. He was a strict allopath. He relinquished his practice to his sons, Drs. J. H. and Charles Dickenshied, the latter of whom died at the Trappe, in Montgomery County, thirty odd years ago. In 1858 he moved to Allentown, which has been his home since. With the exception of a few years, he has lived all the time at his late residence. When the war of 1812 broke out he entered the service as a surgeon's mate, and he was one of the latest lingering veterans of that war. He died Oct. 24, 1881, at the age of eighty-nine years and twenty-six days, probably the oldest male citizen of Allentown at that time. He left four children, one son and three daughters. They are Dr. J. H. Dickenshied, of Lower Milford, Mrs. Dr. Samuel Young, Mrs. Rev. N. S. Strassburger; and Miss Rebecca Dickenshied. His wife survives, and is eighty-four years of age. She is a sister of Michael D. Eberhard, who is eighty-five.

Dr. Samuel Young, a native of Upper Saucon, who has been spoken of as a son-in-law of Dr. Charles F. Dickenshied, was a regularly educated physician, who began practice at Cold Brook, Bucks Co., subsequently removed to Milford, and in 1872 to Allentown, where he died in 1883, in his seventy-fourth year.

Dr. Charles Dickenshied, son of Charles F., had a son Charles, who became a physician, and now practices in Trenton.

Dr. Samuel Young, who married a daughter of Dr. Charles F. Dickenshied, had a son Oliver, who practiced medicine in Berks County, and died there in 1863.

Dr. John H. Dickenshied is a grandson of John Dickenshied, who settled in Milford township, Lehigh Co., where he was industriously employed as a saddler. He was united in marriage to a Miss Martin, and had children,—Charles F., Mary (Mrs. Klotz), and Elizabeth (Mrs. Paul Knauss). Charles F. was born in Upper Milford township, Sept. 29, 1792, where much of his life was spent. He early chose medicine as a profession, graduated at the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania, and after a brief interval of practice at adjacent points in Lehigh County, located in Upper Milford, where he pursued his profession uninterruptedly for a period of forty years. Dr. Dickenshied was regarded as a successful practitioner, well skilled in the healing art. He eventually removed to Allentown and retired from active labor. He married Annie Catherine Eberhard, daughter of Henry Eberhard, of Allentown, and had children,—Anna Maria (Mrs. Samuel Young), Diana (Mrs. N. S. Strausberger), Charles H., Rebecca M.,

and John H. The death of Dr. Dickenshied occurred in October, 1881. His son, John H., was born June 4, 1826, on the homestead in Upper Milford, the home of his boyhood having been also his residence in later years. He was educated at Allentown and the Academic Department of the University of Pennsylvania, and choosing the profession of medicine, entered the office of his father as a student. He graduated from the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania in 1847, and at once became identified with the active practice of medicine as associate with his father. On the removal of the latter to Allentown in 1857, the doctor assumed control of the whole field of labor. His thorough course of study, excellent judgment, and wide experience from years of practice have placed him among the leading physicians of the county in point of skill and reputation. The doctor, in November, 1856, married Miss Amanda M., daughter of George Steinman, and has children,—Eugene H., Emma S., Ida M., Frederick S., Agnes L., Annie C., Charles F., and Mary E. Eugene H., after graduating at the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania, became associated with his father, and divides the labor attending their very extended practice. Dr. Dickenshied many years since became a member of the Lehigh County Medical Society. He is a director of the First National Bank of Allentown, and one of the board of managers of the Goshenhoppen Mutual Fire Insurance Company. He finds little leisure for matters of political concern, though a Republican in politics. Both he and Mrs. Dickenshied are members of the German Reformed Church.

Dr. George Van Buskirk, who attended lectures as early as 1801-2 at the University of Pennsylvania and the Jefferson Medical College, practiced at Millerstown during the war of 1812, and subsequently removed to Pottstown. A son now practices dentistry in Allentown.

Dr. Jonas Rothrock, a native of Northampton County, after attending a course or so of lectures, began practicing in 1818 at Freemansburg, and soon afterwards moved to Macungie, where he followed his profession for a short period. He removed to Haines Hill, in Berks County, where he died, after keeping a tavern for a number of years.

Dr. Jacob Stine, a native of Allentown, studied with Dr. Charles H. Martin during the years 1816-18, and afterwards practiced ten or fifteen years, or until his death. The attorney, Jacob Stine, is his son.

Dr. Matthias began practice at Millerstown about 1820, after being for a short time at Trexlerstown. He was popular and had fine abilities. About 1825 he left for Philadelphia, selling his practice to Dr. James B. Hahn, who five or six years later removed to New York State.

About 1821, Dr. Zangerly, a native of Germany, who had graduated at Philadelphia, commenced practice in Lynnville, Lynn township, and continued

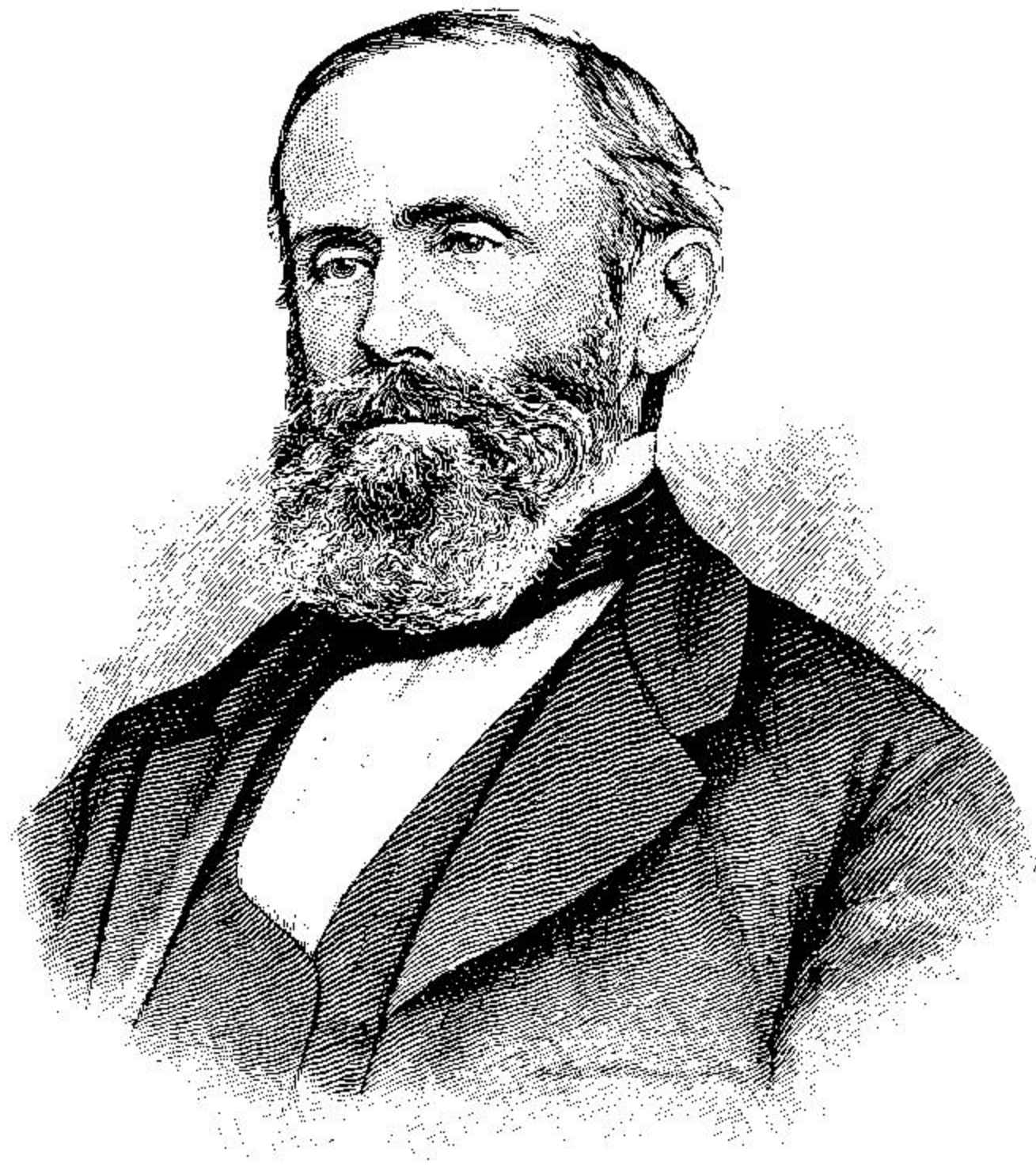




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until his death in 1859, achieving the reputation of being an unusually good physician.

Dr. Christopher Hoffstetter, a native of Würtemberg, came to Emaus about 1825, and about 1836 removed to Illinois, where a few years subsequently he found the ills of life unbearable and committed suicide.

Dr. Griffith Schall, who practiced in Lehigh County for a very long period, was a native of New York State, and was born in the year 1800. He was a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, and immediately afterwards began practice in Heidelberg. In 1829 he succeeded Dr. John Romig, in Fogelsville, and about 1850 removed to Hecktown, where he practiced until within a few months of his death, which occurred in 1882. His practice had extended through sixty years. He left a son, Joseph Schall, who is now a physician in Meadville, Crawford Co., Pa. A son, William, studied with his father, and practiced a few years, but died in early manhood.

Dr. Henry Schall, a brother of the subject of the foregoing mention, born in New York State, was also a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania. He practiced in Saegersville and in Heidelberg township. He died in 1837, aged thirty-eight. His wife, Rachel Steckel, being aware that his end was near, his disease being consumption, studied medicine with her husband, and upon his death took up his practice and supported her family of six children. Three sons were sent to and graduated from the Jefferson Medical College, becoming physicians. John D. settled at home, and there followed his profession. Griffith H. located near Lehigh, in Carbon County, afterwards moving to Slatington, where he died in 1881. James practiced in Whitehall and Breinigsville, removed to Meadville, Pa., and subsequently to Texas, where he died about 1866, aged thirty-five years.

Dr. Jesse Griffith was quite a well-known practitioner in Millerstown and vicinity for eight or ten years succeeding 1830. He came from and returned to Philadelphia.

Dr. Joseph Young, a native of Bavaria, who studied medicine and graduated at Freiburg, in the Grand Duchy of Baden, came to this country about 1830, and three years later settled in Emaus. After practicing there a few years he returned to his native land, and marrying there, brought his bride to this country and settled in Macungie in 1842. Four years later he removed to Milwaukee, where he spent the remainder of his life.

Dr. William F. Danowsky, of Poland, who studied medicine, graduated, and married in his native land, came to this country in 1836, after serving as physician and surgeon on a Polish whaler for eighteen months. He settled in the Saucon Valley, where he practiced for a short time, and then moved to Emaus, where he remained a number of years. He then located in Allentown, and in 1853 commenced the manufacture on a small scale of illuminating gas.

This resulted in the establishment of the Allentown gas-works, of which Dr. Danowsky may be considered the founder.<sup>1</sup> In 1860 he went to live on a farm in Union County, but subsequently returned to Allentown, where he died in 1875. Dr. E. J. Danowsky, druggist, is his son.

Dr. Christian F. Schultz, a native of Brunswick, Germany, who graduated in medicine in Utrecht, Holland, and in anatomy from a school of his native town, came to this country in 1840 and settled in Emaus as a partner with Dr. William Danowsky. In 1842 he removed to Maryland, and thence to the West Indies, but in 1844 returned to this country and again located at Emaus, where he still lives.

John Romig, M.D., was descended from a family of German origin which early emigrated to America. John Adam, the grandfather of the doctor, was a resident of Lehigh County, where his son John was born, and followed during his active life the business of a miller. He married Hannah Koehler, of the same county, and had children, — Joseph, Peter, John, Charles, William J., Judith, Rebecca, and Mary. John, the subject of this biographical sketch, was born Jan. 3, 1804, in what is now known as Centre Valley, Lehigh Co. Here and at Allentown the years of his youth were spent in pursuit of such advantages of education as were afforded by the schools of the day. In the fall of 1820, when seventeen years of age, having decided upon a professional career, he entered the office of Dr. William I. C. Baum, formerly of Reading, who had recently removed to Allentown, as a student of medicine. His studies were continued under his preceptor for four years, during which period three courses of lectures were attended at the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania, where he graduated in 1825. Fogelsville was the scene of his earliest professional labors, after which he removed to Allentown, and in 1838 engaged in active practice of a general character. With the exception of a brief interval as a practitioner in the city of Baltimore, it has since been his residence. He was married in 1826 to Miss Eliza Fogel, daughter of Solomon Fogel, of Fogelsville, whose death occurred in 1828, when he was again married in 1830 to Miss S. Matilda Martin, of Allentown, to whom were born a large family of children. The survivors are John, William H., George M., Hannah L. (Mrs. Joshua Hunt), Anna J. (Mrs. Joseph Hunt), and Matilda. The death of Mrs. Romig occurred Oct. 2, 1883. The professional labors of Dr. Romig in Lehigh County extended over a period of more than half a century, during which time he enjoyed a large family practice, and was regarded as a physician of skill, discretion, and a wide experience. In response to the demands of his patients, and in accordance with his convictions, Dr. Romig, in 1834, embraced the principles of the

<sup>1</sup> See history of Allentown.