

was born in Ireland, February 26, 1800, accompanied her parents to America, and lived into advanced age. Six sons and two daughters were born to John and Nancy Yoho, namely: Jacob, Manassa, Daniel, Edward, John and James, sons, and Elizabeth, who married Martin Foster and died in Big Beaver Township, and a daughter who died young.

Daniel Yoho, father of Edward James, was born August 10, 1830, and died February 26, 1905. He married Sarah Wilson, who was born November 21, 1827, in Wayne Township, Lawrence County, and died November 10, 1907. She was a daughter of John I. and Elizabeth (Munnel) Wilson, the former of whom was born in Lawrence County in 1803. He was the father of sixteen children. Mr. Wilson accumulated a large amount of valuable farming land, and some of it is still held by his descendants. The children born to Daniel and Sarah Yoho were as follows: John, who is a merchant at Chewton, married Lydia Robberman; Edward J., residing in Wayne Township, married Elizabeth J. Nye, a daughter of Melvin and Caroline Etna (Johnston) Nye, pioneers in this section; George, who died in childhood; Eli E., formerly a well-known railroad man, now engaged in farming in Wayne Township, married Anna Hoover; William W., who resides at Wampum, married Kate McConaghey, daughter of Nathaniel McConaghey; Harvey D., who resides at Chewton, married Lydia Cook, a daughter of George Cook; Nancy Elizabeth, who married Charles Coulter, resides in Wayne Township; Ella, who married Henry Garaway; and Mary, who married Andrew Freed, resides near Homewood.

Edward J. Yoho obtained his education in the district schools and in the village of Chewton. He has always led a busy life, and before settling down to farming, worked at the Wampum furnace and in other places. He now has charge of the James and Mary Mehard farm, and has 115 acres under lease. He grows grain,

corn, oats and potatoes, and raises some excellent stock. He has comfortable surroundings, and has prospered as a farmer. Some eleven years ago he lost his residence by fire, a new one being erected shortly afterward.

In September, 1881, Mr. Yoho was married to Elizabeth J. Nye, and to this union have been born seven sons and one daughter, namely: Mary Etta, deceased; George E., born August 18, 1882, is rural mail carrier, Route No. 1, Ellwood City, and resides at home; Harry W., born July 14, 1885, works at stone-crushing and lives at home; Everett Merrell, born February 26, 1887, died in April of the same year; Roy Earl, born February 26, 1889, resides at home; Lewis Elmer, born November 21, 1895; Edward Frederick, born August 20, 1900; and Harvey Glynn, born in April, 1902, resides at home. Mr. and Mrs. Yoho and sons belong to the Slippery Rock Presbyterian Church. In politics, he is a Democrat. For two years he served as road supervisor, and for six years was school director.

**THOMAS S. YOUNG**, a representative agriculturist and prominent and useful citizen of Union Township, serving at present as treasurer of the township School Board, was born November 10, 1847, and is a son of James and Mary (Spiers) Young.

The first of the Young family to come to Lawrence County was William Young, grandfather of Thomas S., who brought his family from Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, in 1806, and settled on a wild farm in Union Township. Here he built a log house in the woods and set about clearing his land, living for many years in the old pioneer style. James Young, father of Thomas S., was born in Lancaster County. He resided on the homestead farm until his death, in August, 1853, leaving his widow with a family of children, three of whom survive, namely: Joseph, residing in Neshannock Township;



MR. AND MRS THOMAS S. YOUNG AND DAUGHTER

Thomas S. and James S., residing at New Castle. The mother of these children was born in Scotland. She survived her husband until 1895, dying in her eighty-eighth year.

Thomas S. Young was left fatherless when he was but six years of age, but he was fortunate in having a capable, wise and frugal mother and he remained with her in Union Township, and after he had attended school through boyhood, learned the carpenter trade. This trade he followed for some twenty-five years, since giving it up, devoting his attention to farming, both in Union Township and in Pawnee County, Kansas, where he lived for three years. On June 25, 1878, he was married to Matilda C. Welsch, who is a sister to J. A. Welsch, who is a well known citizen of Lawrence County. Mr. and Mrs. Young have one daughter, Ida Helen. With his family, Mr. Young belongs to the First Methodist Episcopal Church at New Castle. In his political views, he is not in perfect accord with any of the great parties, and claims his right to vote independently, as his judgment dictates. He takes a lively interest in public matters, particularly those pertaining to his own section. He is serving his third term as a member of the Union Township School Board, of which he is treasurer. He belongs to Shenango Lodge No. 195, Odd Fellows, at New Castle, having been connected with this organization for over thirty-five years.

JOSIAH GREER, of the firm of J. Greer & Son, a leading real estate and insurance firm of New Castle, located at No. 14 East Long Street, was born at West Middlesex, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, in 1857, where he obtained a good common school education.

The parents of Mr. Greer were John H. and Martha J. (Cunningham) Greer. They were among the early settlers of western Pennsylvania, and were of the Scotch-Irish descent. He was a stone mason and

bricklayer by trade. When the Civil War broke out he was one of the first to respond to Lincoln's call for three-year volunteers, becoming a member of Company B, Tenth Pennsylvania Reserve Volunteer Cavalry, and served three years and four months. After being mustered out he returned to West Middlesex, where he died in 1894. He was also one of the old Erie and Pittsburg canal men, and operated all through the Shenango Valley. Mrs. Greer died in 1878, while in Kentucky, and was buried in that State.

When sixteen years of age Mr. Greer went to the vicinity of Grayson, Carter County, Kentucky, where he remained until August 31, 1883, when he returned to western Pennsylvania and came to New Castle. He was in the employ of A. M. Robbins, in furnace work, for a short time, and then went with the Aetna Iron Company, and continued with that and its successor, the Atlantic Iron and Steel Company, for thirteen years. From there he went to the New Castle Seamless Tube Company, with which he remained until 1898, when he embarked in the real estate business at New Castle, under the style of J. Greer. In 1902, when his son, John F. Greer, was admitted to partnership, the firm name became J. Greer & Son, which engages in a general real estate business, platting, building and selling, and also handles fire insurance. The firm is one of recognized business integrity and occupies a leading position among the representative concerns of this city.

In 1874 Mr. Greer was married to Miss Elizabeth Cook, who was born in Kentucky. Her parents were Virginians by birth, and her father, who held the rank of captain, was killed near Abbingdon, Va., during the Civil War. Mr. and Mrs. Greer have nine children: Winfield S., Fannie L., John F., Mary A., Albert M., Kate, Frank J., Fred and Elizabeth Fern, all residing at New Castle.

John F. Greer, who is a member of the firm of J. Greer & Son, was born in Ken-