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Biographical

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Page 64: Mrs. Mary (Esbenshade) Hershey was born in

Earl township, Nov. 25, 1852, daughter of Jacob and

Susannah (Bushong) Esbenshade, of Lancaster

county, both of whom died in East Earl township,

where they were farming people all their lives. The

father of Mrs. Hershey died in 1898, aged sixty-

nine years, and the mother died in August, 1901,

aged seventy-oiie years. Both parents were interred

in Eaby's cemetery in West Leacock township, hav-

ing long been members of the German Baptist

Church. They had these children born to them,

besides Mary, who is the wife of Jacob E. Hershey ;

Elizabeth, deceased wife of John Kochel; Sarah,

wife of Rife Myers, a farmer of Earl township;

Emma, wife of Frank Buckwalder, of Paradise

township ; Susan, wife of Elam Kreider, of West

Leacock township ; Lydia, wife of Martin Ebersole,

of Paradise township; Amanda, wife of Walter

Mays, of East Earl township ; and Adam, a farmer

of East Earl township.

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JACOB L. EBERSOLE, a general farmer and

highly-respected citizen of Conoy township, was

born on the farm where he is now living. May 3,

1866, son of Jacob R. and Anna (Lehman) Eber-

sole, whose married life was passed on the same

place. There the father was born, and is now living

retired, at the age of sixty-five years ; and there the

mother, who was born in Dauphin county, died Sept.

29, 1897, at the age of sixty-four years, and was

buried in a private burying-ground which forms a

part of the estate. Both parents were members of

the Mennonite Church. They had the following

children : Peter L., a farmer in Conoy township ;

Lizzie, who is unmarried and lives at home ; Maria

L., at home ; and Jacob L.

The paternal grandparents of Jacob L. Ebersole

were Rev. Peter and Mary (Risser) Ebersole, the

former of whom was a bishop in the Mennonite

Church for many years, and was engaged in farm-

ing in addition to his clerical labors. He died in

1870, at the age of eighty years, his wife in 1866.

Their children were: Barbara, who lives in this

county, and is unmarried; Peter R., who died in

1899 ; Anna R., wife of Jacob Ebersole, of Lebanon

county ; Fanny R., deceased, wife of John E. Eber-

sole ; and Jacob R.

Peter Lehman and his wife lived in Dauphin

county, where he was engaged in farming, and where

his daughter, Anna, the mother of Jacob L. Ebersole,

was born.

Jacob L. Ebersole and Miss Sadie U. Ober were

married in Manheim in September, 1888, and have

had the following children : Johnson O., Jennie O.,

Reuben O., Bertha O., Lizzie O., Agnes O., Sadie

O. and Emma O. Mrs. Ebersole was born in West

Donegal township, this county, Feb. 21, 1865, a

daughter of John Ober, a wagonmaker of that town-

ship. Her parents were honorable and industrious

people, and she is a woman highly respected by all

who know her.

Mr. Ebersole has remained with his parents on

the home farm up to the present time. He takes an

active and enlightened interest in public affairs, is

a clever and thrifty man, energetic and enterprising,

and has made an enviable name for himself. Both

he and his wife belong to the Mennonite Church,

and in politics he is a Republican.

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Mr. and Mrs. Risser have had the following chil-

dren: Lizzie, wife of Christian Good, of Conoy

township ; Levi, who married Amanda Nissley, and

is now deceased; Mary, who married Rev. Levi

Ebersole, a Mennonite clergyman in Elizabethtown ;

Anna, who married Levi Longenecker ; Fanny ; Jo-

seph, a farmer located on the old homestead in Mt.

Joy township; Martin, a farmer and minister at

Zion's Church; Amanda, wife of Ben Hersh; and

Amos, a farmer in ]Mt. Joy township.

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John H. Schenck was married March 10, 1845,

in Elizabethtown, to Mary Kauffman, by whom he

became the father of the following children : Jona-

than K., who married Amanda Stacks, and is living

at home with his father, following the carpenter

trade during the season ; Jacob K., who married Mary

Ann Ebersole, and lives on a farm in West Donegal

township ; Christian K., a farmer in West Donegal

township, who married Elizabeth Oberholtzer ; Eliza-

beth K., who became the wife of John L. Witmer, a

farmer in West Donegal township, and had two chil-

dren, both of whom are deceased; and Mary K.,

who died when but a year and one month old.

Page 1228JACOB KENDIG, of the firm of Jacob Kendig

•& Son, tobacco packers at Silverspring, West

Hempfield township, Lancaster county, was born

in Manor township, this county, Nov. 8, 1830, and

is a son of Rev. John and Mary (Mellinger) Ken-

dig, the former of whom was a farmer and Men-

nonite minister who died in Manor township in

1849, at fifty-three years of age, and whose wife

■died in the same township at the advanced age of

ninety-six years. Of the seven children born to

John and Mary (Alellinger) Kendig, Christian

died at the age of thirty years ; Elizabeth of Manor

township, was twice married, first to Jacob Dor-

shelor and secondly to Christopher K. Witmer;

John died in Iowa; Susan who died in 1899, was

married to Rev. Peter Ebersole, a Mennonite min-

ister; Martin is also among the departed; Jacob

is the gentleman whose name introduces this bio-

•graphical review, and Fanny is the widow of Henry

R. Witmer.