

JASON KIRK, the second son, was born Oct. 7, 1840, and worked on his father's farm until Aug. 12, 1862, when he enlisted in Co. E. 149, P. V. I., one of the famous "Bucktail" Regiments, of the Army of the Potomac, he was in the Seven-days' Fight, the Battle of the Wilderness, in the hottest contested points of the Battle of Gettysburg, and many others, and served until the close of the war, without receiving even a scratch. On returning from the army he learned, and afterward engaged in the photographic art until 1869, when he came to Alliance to assist his brother in running the mill, remaining until July, 1873, when he repaired to the oil-reigns of Pennsylvania, and engaged in drilling oil-wells until August, 1878, when he returned to Alliance, and resumed business as practical miller and business manager. He was married Sept. 9, 1875, to Anna E. Edwards, of Homeworth, Columbiana Co., Ohio.

SAMUEL KATZENSTEIN, Alliance; is one of the leading merchants of Alliance. He came from Europe to the United States when quite young. Having been engaged in the dry goods trade from early boyhood, he continued in that business in this country, and has now established one of the best dry goods houses in Alliance.

LEVI LESLIE LAMBORN, physician and banker; Alliance; was born in Chester Co., Pa., Oct. 10, 1829. He is the youngest son of a family of eleven children born to Townsend and Ann (Clayton) Lamborn. His father was a prominent Whig politician, and passed many years of his life as an officeholder in his country. He was greatly opposed to Freemasonry, and once ran for Governor of Pennsylvania on the anti-Masonic ticket. When young Lamborn was about 8 years old he came with some of his older brothers to Ohio, and located near Salem, where, in conformity with the religious creed of his relations, he was reared and educated in the schools of the "Friends." At the age of 15, having already determined upon medicine as a profession, he began reading under the supervision of Dr. Sumner Sleeve, of Damascus; attended his first two courses of lectures in Philadelphia, and a third at the medical department of the Western Reserve College in Cleveland, where he graduated in 1849. He entered upon the practice of his profession in Mt. Union, where

he continued fifteen years. In 1863 he removed to Alliance, and having practiced for three years he retired from the profession. In 1865, in company with others, he purchased 250 acres near Alliance, a part of which is now the southern addition to the city. In the sessions of, 1859-60 and of 1860-61, he served as Clerk of the House of Representatives of Ohio, having been a Free Soil candidate for that body the year previous. Before the late war he was a Republican, but, possessing conservative views as to the policy to be pursued toward the South, he became what was known as a Union Democrat, and has since affiliated with that party. In 1874 he was a candidate for State Senator on the Democratic ticket, and in 1876 was nominated for Congress from the 17th Ohio District. In 1874 he engaged in private banking with E. W. Gray, though for several years previous he transacted quite an extensive loan and discount business. He possesses natural abilities of a high order, coupled with good judgment, great caution and shrewdness. He has acquired a leading position among the most successful business men of the county, and is of independent and decided views, being outspoken, yet of genial, affable manners. As a physician he enjoyed an extensive practice, and achieved position among the eminent practitioners of eastern Ohio; was a member of the various medical associations of the County and State, and has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the State Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, at Columbus. He is connected with no organization of any kind, secret or religious, but has been an earnest advocate of the policy of the Democratic party; has acquired a reputation as a public speaker, and a prominent place among the effective platform orators of this part of the State. In June, 1851, he married Maria, daughter of Stacey Grant, of Alliance. They have had seven children, six of whom are living; their only daughter, Lissetta L., is the wife of Alexander Fletcher, an official of the P., Ft. W. & C. R. R.; Leroy L. conducts one of the most extensive floral establishments in this part of the State.

RICHARD LEE, retired farmer; P. O. Alliance; was born in Berks Co., Penn., Oct. 25, 1817. His great-grand-parents were from Wales and Ireland. They came to this conti-

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ment prior to the Revolutionary war, and settled in Pennsylvania. His father, Jeremiah B. Lee, married Mary Tea, of his native place. To them were born seven children, of whom the subject of these notes is the third. When he was about 10 years old his mother died, and father married again. Two children were the result of this union. Richard was apprenticed to the pottery business when 10 years old, and continued in that business until about 24 years of age. In 1840, the family, consisting of father, step-mother and six children, came to Ohio and located at Albany, Columbiana—now Mahoning Co. They engaged in farming, and got along well in their new home. The old folks returned to their former home in Pennsylvania, on a visit after about two years residence in Ohio. When returning here his father took sick by the way and died at New Brighton. April 1, 1841, Richard married Susan, daughter of John and Mary Teeters, and began to farm for himself. He was appointed administrator of his father's estate; and unknown to the family his father had signed as surety the paper of a merchant of Salem, to the amount of \$2,500, which became due soon after his death, and for which the farm was sold to meet the demand. Richard and a brother-in-law, William Hoppes, purchased the place between them and succeeded in making satisfactory arrangements, thus retaining the old homestead. Richard's early education was very deficient, as he was continuously engaged from 10 years of age until 15 years, in the pottery, having attended school about six months in all, after he was 10 years old. At 15 years of age, he was obliged to haul iron ore from the mines to the smelting works during the winter months, and through the summer continue in the pottery; thus he was employed until he was 24 years of age. In the meantime he had acquired a fair knowledge of the common branches of education by close and hard study at nights; by the light of the fire he eagerly perused what few books he could secure, and, although working hard, made more progress in gaining a knowledge of the practical idea than many who were favored with better facilities. In the spring of 1844, the family removed from Columbiana to Stark Co., and settled in Washington Tp., where Mr. Lee became one of the most successful farmers,

and resided until 1875, when he retired from the farm and came to Alliance, where he has resided ever since. He officiated as Treasurer of Washington Tp., for twelve years; was County Commissioner six years, and is now serving his fifth year as Trustee of Lexington Tp. Early in life he affiliated with the Democracy; being opposed to the pro-slavery issues, he resolved to unite with the "Know-Nothing" party, which was then being organized. Having presented himself for initiation, the secret oath being administered, in which there were unpleasant and unpatriotic issues developed, he instantly called a halt in ceremonies, reached for his hat, and bid the party a lasting farewell. To Mr. and Mrs. Lee five children were born—Mary, now Mrs. W. Coffee; Jeremiah, Ellen P., wife of T. F. Haines; Jane, wife of Robert W. Cook, and Jessie E. His son Jeremiah enlisted in the late war, 115th, O. V. I., and served three years, having received his discharge the day he was 21 years old. He returned home broken down in health, married and survived until July 4, 1872, when he died of disease contracted in the service.

HARVEY LAUGHLIN, attorney at law; Alliance; was born in Deerfield, Portage Co., Ohio, Jan. 10, 1813. His father, James Laughlin, was born in Virginia, and came to Pennsylvania with his parents when quite young; in the latter State he married Letitia Dunlap, and in the year 1800 they removed to Ohio, settling in Deerfield Tp., of Portage Co. They were parents of twelve children—six girls and an equal number of boys; ten grew up to maturity, seven of whom survive. Harvey was the eighth child. Mr. James Laughlin was by trade a mill-wright; he was a man of push and energy; with an idea of the early demand for milling in the rapidly developing settlement, he began the erection of a dam on the Mahoning River, one mile south of Deerfield Center. He put in machinery for both grist and saw-milling; this was among the first mills in Portage Co.; he lived there to a good old age, and passed away in 1851. His wife preceded him in death several years. Harvey obtained his education at the common schools and Sturdevant Academy of Talmadge. His early manhood was spent variously between teaching school and being employed in his father's mill,

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