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iment and participated in all its service until after the surrender of Lee. He was mustered out at Hall Hill, Va. In politics he has always been one of the active workers in the Republican party, and is as true to his duties of citizenship as he was on the field of battle. He and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church, and throughout the community are held in the highest esteem.

E J. CUNNINGHAM is one of the reliable and progressive agriculturists and representative men of Union township, Clearfield county, where he is actively engaged in general farming. He was born in 1857, near Mifflintown, in Juniata county, Penn., a son of John and Jane (McCrum) Cunningham, also natives of Juniata county, where for a number of years they continued to make their home upon Grandfather Cunningham's farm. The mother died upon that place when our subject was only one month old, her clothes taking fire while washing, and she was burned to death. The father, who is still living, now resides in Patterson, Juniata county.

Ephraim, the eldest son of his three children, was born in that county in 1851, received a fair education in the common schools of Port Royal, and continued a resident of the county until reaching manhood, when he went to Iowa, where he was married. After engaging in mercantile pursuits in that State for a time, his health failed and he removed to Marshall county, Iowa, where he edited the first newspaper printed within its borders, and later engaged in the real-estate business. Subsequently he removed to Wayne county, Nebr., and is now the editor and proprietor of the *Wayne County Republican*. Rebecca, the sister of our subject, was born on the old homestead in Juniata county, in 1853, and has always remained with her father, now caring for him in his declining years.

On the death of his mother, Mr. Cunningham, of this review, was taken to the home of his uncle, David Dresler, of Clearfield county, who, with his excellent wife, tenderly cared for him. He was reared to manhood on the farm where he now resides, and as soon as old enough began to assist in its cultivation. The well-tilled fields and neat appearance of the place indicate his thrift and enterprise and the careful attention that he gives to every detail of his business. In 1885 he married Miss Jennie Farley, a daughter of Morris Farley, an honored veteran of the Civil war, who enlisted in 1861, was wounded at the battle of Gettysburg, and again at the battle of Petersburg, and for a long time was confined to

hospital. After four years of faithful and arduous service he was discharged, in 1865, and returned to his home in Brady township, Clearfield county. Subsequently he emigrated to Minnesota, where he still resides. Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham have four interesting children: John, at this writing aged ten years; Nellie, aged eight; J. Russell, aged four; and Mabel, aged two.

Mrs. Cunningham is a consistent member of the Lutheran Church, but our subject holds membership with no religious denomination. The Republican party finds in him a faithful ally, and for two terms he acceptably filled the office of supervisor of his township. He is a public-spirited and enterprising man, and takes an active interest in everything promising to benefit the community.

MICHAEL MAGUIRE. Like many other residents within the bounds of Clearfield county who started out in life with naught but an abundance of determination and indefatigable industry, and a strong and healthy constitution, and who succeeded through their own diligence, energy and economy, we classify the subject of this sketch, who is actively engaged in agricultural pursuits in Morris township.

Mr. Maguire is a native of Pennsylvania, born June 15, 1851, and is a son of Mark and Rosana (Hatton) Maguire. The father, who was a son of Michael Maguire, was born in Diamond Valley, Huntingdon Co., Penn., and in 1855 came to Graham township, Clearfield county, where he purchased one hundred acres of land known as the Kyler farm, which he at once began to clear and improve. Later, he sold, and removed to Bald Eagle Valley, Centre county, where he rented a farm for a few years, removing finally to Centre county, where he passed the last years of his life. By his first wife, who was a Miss Monhollen, he had three children, James, Luke and Alfred. The mother of these dying in Ohio, Mr. McGuire afterward wedded Rosana Hatton, and Michael, the subject of this review, is one of the nine children born of this union, the others being as follows: Scott is married, and resides in Munson, Clearfield county; Ruth is the wife of Charles Gage, of Half Moon Valley, Centre county, by whom she has five children; Paul, who lives at Morrisdale Mines, Clearfield county, married Miss Myers, and has six children; John, a resident of Chester Hill, Clearfield county, married Miss McKenny; Mark is single, and makes his home in Centre county; Sarah is the wife of George Hoover, a farmer of Centre county; Rachel lives at the old home in Centre county;