

✓  
HISTORY

11

OF

# HOCKING VALLEY,

## OHIO,

TOGETHER WITH SKETCHES OF ITS CITIES, VILLAGES AND TOWNSHIPS,  
EDUCATIONAL, RELIGIOUS, CIVIL, MILITARY, AND POLITICAL  
HISTORY, PORTRAITS OF PROMINENT PERSONS, AND  
BIOGRAPHIES OF REPRESENTATIVE CITIZENS.

---

✓  
CHICAGO:  
INTER-STATE PUBLISHING CO.  
1883.



he has at present 155 acres. In 1878 he united with the Scotch Creek Baptist church, in Falls Township. Politically he has always been a Republican. George Clark, the father of Mrs. Pleunkharp, was a native of Virginia, born Oct. 16, 1786, settled in Fairfield County, Ohio, where he lived two years. He then went to Scotch Creek, Hocking County, where he entered forty acres of land, but at different times added to it, so that at his death he had 345 acres, a part of which was previously deeded to his children. Mr. Clark married for his second wife Mary Harris, also a native of Virginia, by whom he had seven children, three sons and four daughters, all of whom are living. He died on the place he settled, Nov. 16, 1878, after living on it over sixty years. His wife departed this life about eleven months previous.

*Peter Rauch* was born in Yellow Creek, Pa., Aug. 12, 1836. His father, Peter Rauch, was a native of Germany, coming to this country when a young man. He was married to Mary Magdalene Bower in Pennsylvania, and remained in that State a few years. In 1838 they moved to Ohio, where they settled in Washington Township, Hocking County. After living here three years he died, leaving a widow who still survives him. They were the parents of four children, three of whom lived to maturity. Their son, Frederick, was killed by a freight train June 9, 1881. Peter Rauch, our subject, left his home in December, 1853, and commenced to learn the saddler's trade at Logan, at which he continued there till December, 1859. He next went to Delaware County, Ind., and worked at his trade till March, 1862, when he returned to Hocking County and tried farming for a year. In 1863 he went to Logan, again working at his trade three years, when his health began to fail him. Accordingly in 1867 he purchased the old home farm, and sold it in 1875, when he bought his present farm. He has 120 acres of well-improved land. Dec. 31, 1863, he was married to Hannah Kimble, born Oct. 10, 1843, and daughter of George and Bethena (Watts) Kimble. They are the parents of eleven children, whose names are—Mary Ellen, Laura, Clara, Cora May, Emma, Nettie Myrtle, Charles, Minnie Arvilla, Iona and Miona (twins), and William. Politically Mr. Rauch favors the Democratic party. However, in local elections he always votes for the man he deems best fitted for the office, irrespective of party.

*Wesley F. Reddick* was born Jan. 4, 1839, in Washington Township, Hocking Co., Ohio, about a mile from his present residence. His father, Jacob Reddick, was born in Maryland in 1794, and