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years of age, yet he moves about with the sprightliness of a youth of 20, and retains his mental faculties, which are vet quick and active. Mr. Bayliss is a Republican, and has always taken an active part in concerns of his city and township; has borne his share of the responsibility that rests equally upon every man of enterprise in the community. While in the city, he was a member of the Council four years, and President of the same two years, Director of the Union School for several years, and Treasurer of the School Board: also President of the State Association of Wool Buyers, and prominently identified with the Rolling-Mill Association, and President of the same: also Township Trustee, and in all matters in which the public interests have been concerned he has borne his proportionate part.

MRS. SARAH A. BROWN; P. O. East Greenville; was born Feb. 12, 1824, in Plain Tp., Stark Co., the eldest daughter and third child in order of birth born to John and Hannah (Moore) Gaff. John was born Dec. 22, 1794. in Westmoreland Co., Penn., he being a son of James, a native of Pennsylvania, who came to Stark County in 1807, whose wife was named Elizabeth Kilgore, and by whom he had seventeen children, fourteen growing to maturity, and but one now living-Mrs. Jemima Smith, of Greentown. John was married, July 5, 1821, to Hannah Moore, born in 1797, in Union Co., Penn., who emigrated with her father, Joseph Moore, to Stark County. Joseph was in the war of 1812. After John Gaff and wife were married, they settled in Plain Township and remained upon the farm until his death, which occurred Sept. 3, 1868. He united with the Presbyterian Church at Canton in 1835, and was a consistent member of the same until his death; he was highly esteemed as a citizen, and was a man of unbending integrity. Hannah, his wife, died in February, 1863. Mr. Gaff was the father of eight children, four of whom grew to maturity--Sarah A., Elizabeth. Mary Eli-J. and Amanda; the balance died young. zabeth and Mary J. live near Canton, the former the wife of Jacob Rupard, and the latter the wife of Lewis Essig; Amanda died at 23. Mrs. Brown has eight children living--Virgil S., in the Russell works; Alpheus, at home; and Alice, wife of Andrew Allard, at Orville. Mrs. Brown removed to this township in 1867; has 100 acres of good land; she carries on the farm herself; is a member of the Disciples' Church.

JACOB BASH, farmer; P. O. Massillon. This gentleman, now a resident of Tuscarawas Township since 1864, was born Nov. 2, 1821, in Westmoreland Co., Penn. His father, Michael, was born March 11, 1789, in the same county, son of Martin Bash, a native of Laucaster Co., Penn., whose union with Margaret Auckerman was honored by the birth of the following: Michael, Henry, Mary, Catharine, Martha, Susan, Christina, Barbara and Char-Michael married Sarah, who was a lotte. daughter of Jacob Rugh and Sevilla Mechling, which union resulted in the birth of the following children: Michael, Jacob, Benjamin, Daniel, John, Hannah, Susan and Sarah. Jacob Rugh was a prominent man of his time; represented his county in the Legislature, and was honored with important offices of trust. Both of his grandparents, Bash and Rugh, died in 1845; they were both excellent men, and prominently identified with the church. Michael Bash died in 1862, his wife yet surviving him. Of the children living are John, who resides on the homestead in Westmoreland County; Jacob, in this township; and Susanna, in Pennsylvania, being the wife of Mr. Bash was educated for Jacob Roadman. a farmer. In 1856, he married Lavina Huffman, born in 1826, in Westmoreland Co., Penn., daughter of George Huffman and Magdalene Fink. Mr. Bash remained on the farm until the death of his father. In the spring of 1864, he came to Ohio and purchased 100 acres of land in this township, and has since been a resident of the same; has been a member of the church since 19 years of age, and early in life imbibed the political proclivities of his father, who was a Whig. Mr. Bash is now serving his third term as Township Trustee; is a friend to education and general progress; has the following children: Sybilla L., Jacob L. and Reuben H.

ABRAHAM BOWMAN, farmer; P. O. Massillon; was born Dec. 15, 1813, in Franklin Co., Penn.; his father was Abraham Bowman, who was twice married – first to Barbara

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Hershey, by whom he had six children Catharine, Jacob, John, Barbara. Benjamin and Abraham. His second marriage was to Christina Crider, by whom he had ten children. The great-grandfather of our subject was a native of Baden, and emigrated to Lancaster Co., Penn., in an early day; two of his sons were captured by the Indians and taken to their tribe and tied to trees, but escaped. and returned uninjured to their homes. The Bowman family came West in 1829, locating in the northeast part of Tuscarawas Township, on 160 acres. Abraham, the father of our subject, died in the spring of 1853; he was an upright man, a worthy citizen, and a zealous member of the U. B. Church. The subject of these lines, since he was 16 years of age, has been a constant resident of the township. In December, 1838, he married Susanna Kohr, a native of Washington Co., Md., born June 13, 1815, daughter of Christian and Elizabeth (Thomas) Kohr. The family emigrated West to Tuscarawas County about the year 1836. Nine children were born them, but five of whom are living-John, Christian, Samuel, Polly and Mrs. Bowman. After Mr. Bowman was married, he purchased land on Sec. 16, this township, upon which he lived tifteen years. In 1854, he purchased the farm he now owns, on Sec. 1, consisting of 96 acres. He has seven children living, viz., Mary, at home: John and Benjamin, in La Salle Co., Ill.; Samuel. in Carroll Co., Iowa; Abram H., Susan, and Charles, who resides with his brothers in Illinois. Mr. Bowman and wife are members of the U. B. Church, he having heen identified with that body for forty years.

AZARIAH CHARLTON, farmer; P. O. Pigeon Run; was born Sept 15, 1811, in Bedford Co., Penn; his parents were Thomas and Elizabeth (McClain) Charlton, both natives of Pennsylvania. The grandfather of Azariah was a native of Ireland; his family of children consisted of Robert, Isaac, John, Samuel, William, Joseph, Polly, Fannie, Hannah and Betsey. Elizabeth, the mother of Azariah, was a daughter of Azariah McClain, who emigrated from Maryland to Bedford Co., Penn., when the country was new and sparsely populated. The names of the children born Thomas Charlton and wife were John, Azariah, Henrietta, William and Isaac. Azariah was bereft of a father's care at an early age, and was in a manner raised by his uncle, William McClain, who was very rigid with his nephew; so he left him at 20, and cared for himself. In 1833, he came to this county, direct to Sugar Creek Township, where he has since lived. Upon his arrival here, he had no means, but worked out by the day or month, and turned his attention to any employment that was to be had. His uncle, Isaac, had preceded him to this township several years. Azariah had three brothers who came West, but none of them located in this county. John came first to Fairfield County: afterward settled in Allen County. William came also afterward, and was killed in a saw-mill. Isaac came afterward to Portsmouth, where he died of cholera three days after his arrival. Azariah at length saved sufficient means to enable him to purchase 40 acres, which he kept for three years, then purchased 81 acres, which he kept about ten years. About this year, he purchased the farm he now owns, located in the south part of Tuscarawas Township, in the southwest quarter of Sec. 35, consisting of 107 acres, which was settled by Samuel Slusser. After living a bachelor many years, he married, in June, 1880, Mrs. Elizabeth Walton, whose maiden name was Augustine, a native of Columbiana Co., Ohio. The children born to Azariah McClain were six John, Samuel, William, Polly Sarah and Elizabeth the mother of Azariah.

MRS. GEORGE CRIDER farming: P. O. Pigeon Run. The Crider family are also prominent among the early arrivals of Stark County. The family have different spellings of the name some spelling it with a 'K" others with a "C," yet, nevertheless, it is the same name: all of the different families of the name sprung from the same family head. Mr. George Crider, now deceased, was born in this township April 22, 1821; he bore his father's name. George Crider, Sr., was one of the number who, with others, left their Pennsylvania home, and, in order to better their condition, east their lots with those hardy men who braved the hardships and privations in order that they might secure to themselves and families homes and a heritage. Mr. Cri-

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