

ABRAHAM MEYER

ABRAHAM MEYER was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and is a son of Martin and Anna W. Meyer. He was educated at the grammar schools of his native city, and graduated from the Central High School in 1850. After leaving school he began clerking in a whole sale-importing house. In 1852 he came with his parents to Lycoming county, who settled in Loyalsock township, where his father engaged in lumbering and farming. In 1863 he was drafted, but was not accepted because of disability. At his earnest request, however, he was assigned to the United States, Signal Corps, in which capacity he served until the close of the war. He then located in Cogan House township, and followed the lumber business until 1870. Since that time he has been engaged as a prospecting engineer and geologist, and at present is employed in gathering the local geological collection for the World's Fair. Mr. Meyer is a recognized authority on the geology of this section of Pennsylvania, and prepared for Mr. Meginness the geological matter that appears in his work. He married Mary Ann, daughter of Rev. Alexander Longsdorf, of Loyalsock township, and has eight children living, as follows: Martin A.; Edward H.; Russell A.; William F.; Margaret E.; Mamie R.; Charles R. H., and Hattie E. Mr. Meyer was a Republican until 1884, and has since been a Prohibitionist. He has been a justice of the peace five years, also township auditor. He is a member of Reno Post, G. A. R., and the U. S. S. A. He is a trustee in the Methodist Episcopal church, and has been a class-leader for the past twenty-seven years.

Among the settlers in Cogan House township is Abraham Meyer, the well known geologist.. He was born in Philadelphia, January 9, 1835, and is a grandson of Abraham Bleyler, who served as a farrier in the Continental Army, and afterward settled in Germantown. He entered the Central high school from the Jefferson Street grammar school, and graduated with & class of 1850. In 1852 he came to Lycoming county and settled on the "Squire Mahaffey farm," Here he remained until 1863, engaged in farming and lumbering. On the 3d of December, 1863, by order of the Secretary of War, he was assigned to the United States Signal Corps, Army of the Potomac, where he remained until the close of the war. Mr. Meyer studied geology and is well known throughout the county as a local geologist of good standing. His residence since the war has been in Cogan House township, where he has served as justice of the peace five years, and auditor and town clerk for a number of terms.