called the Philadelphia road, now known as Wyan- 
dotte Street. He is still living, making his home 
with his son John A., and is now nearly seventy 
years old. His wife died in February, 1858. Her 
maiden name was Elizabeth Rohn, and her birth 
ocurred in Lower Nazareth, of which place her 
father, David Rohn, was also a native. He was a 
farmer and also a carpenter, engaging in those 
vocations until his death in 1857, at the age of 
sixty-nine years.

John A., of this sketch, is the eldest of three sons 
and four daughters who are living. His boyhood 
was mainly passed in South Bethlehem, and for a 
year he attended school in Seidersville, later Beth-
lehem South, and now called South Bethlehem. 
He continued his studies in the common school 
until twelve years old, when for a year he was 
bound out to a farmer. Afterward he served an 
apprenticeship to a painter, with whom he re-
mained for three years, and in 1870 went to Phil-
adelphia, there working at his trade until the fol-
lowing year, when he returned to this place and 
engaged in contract painting, building up a large 
business and having over forty men in his employ. 
He took contracts in all the neighboring county 
and the Lehigh Valley, but he was caught financi-
ally in the panic of 1874, though two years later 
he started in his trade again, and became finally 
an employee of the Revolution Paint Company, 
with whom he continued for nearly a year.

It was in 1879 that Mr. Fenstermacher entered 
the public service as a policeman, serving faithfully 
until 1884, when he was appointed by the City 
Council to the position of Chief of Police, to 
which post he has been reappointed every spring 
since. From October, 1878, until the present time 
he has been a constable, having been re-elected 
every three years. Under his charge there are five 
policemen, and the new quarters are in the Market-
house, which is fire-proof; in the basement are the 
steel cages for prisoners. Our subject holds a 
commission from the court as a society officer to 
protect children from neglect and cruelty. He was 
Health Officer until the new act went into force in 
the spring of 1894.

In October, 1874, occurred the marriage of our 
subject to Miss Catherine Doeble, who was born
in New York City, and reared in South Bethlehem, through her parents were natives of Wurttemberg, Germany. This worthy couple have five children: Carrie, who is a clerk with Hoffman & Co.; Frank, employed by the Lehigh Valley Railroad; William, with the Bethlehem Silk Company; and John, Katie and Warren, at home. The residence of the family is at No. 26 West Third Street, in the heart of the town.

In 1882 Mr. Fenzembrack had charge of the small-pox hospital in South Bethlehem, being steward during this, the third, epidemic. He took an active part in stamping out the dread disease, which was worse that year than it had ever been in this locality. Fraternally he is a member of the Royal Arcanum, being one of the founders of the lodge in South Bethlehem, which started with nineteen members, July 12, 1884, and now has enrolled over two hundred persons. He has also affiliated with the Heptasophs. In politics he supports the Democratic party, and religiously holds to the tenets of the Reformed Church.

Owen F. Fatzinger is senior member of the firm of F. W. Wint & Co., who have a planing-mill, and are dealers in lumber and coal. The gentleman whose name heads this article is a leading business man, and is thoroughly acquainted with the lumber trade; he also takes an active part in a number of local industries, and is promoting many works of public improvement.

The paternal grandfather, George Fatzinger, was an early settler in Hanover Township, Lehigh County, where he was engaged in carrying on the old homestead, which is still in possession of the family, who have owned it for over one hundred and fifty years, it being only two miles distant from Catasauqua. He was a weaver by trade, and lived to attain a good old age, both he and his wife being buried at Shamesville. He was nearly eighty years of age at the time of his death, and was a devoted Lutheran. Our subject's father, whose Christian name was Adam, was born in Hanover Township, on the old farm, in 1790, and early learned agricultural pursuits. For a time he managed the homestead of one hundred and twenty-seven acres, and also became the owner of two other good farms. Beginning at the bottom, he steadily progressed, becoming very well-to-do, and using every effort to acquire a fortune. He cleared his land and built a lime kiln, where he burned lime for fertilizing his farm, which increased its production fifty-fold. He was a farmer of the most practical kind, and was active until shortly before his death in 1880. His wife, formerly Polly Adams, was born in the same locality, and was of Scotch descent. Her death occurred in 1881, when about eighty-seven years of age, and of their fourteen children who grew to maturity only seven are now living. They were faithful members of the Lutheran Church, and sturdy, industrious people, whose object in life was to promote the welfare of their fellow-citizens, and to rear their children to good and useful lives.

Born March 29, 1840, in Hanover Township, Owen F., of this sketch, is the youngest of his parents' large family. He was reared to agricultural pursuits, and attended the common schools. In 1862 he was a member of a regiment of Pennsylvania militia, being once called into service in Maryland. In 1868 he took charge of the home farm, operating about eighty acres of it, and then turned his attention to the dairy and milk business, supplying many of the inhabitants of Allentown.

In 1873 Mr. Fatzinger bought an interest in the lumber district, and the following year located in Catasauqua, since which time he has been a resident of this city, and active in its commercial enterprises. In 1881, on the death of John Williams, he was elected his successor as Vice-President of the National Bank of Catasauqua. He is also interested and a Director in the Catasauqua Land Company and the Bryden Horsehoe Company. As one of the original members, he helped to found the Unicorn Silk Mills. Being greatly in favor of getting this industry started in Catasauqua, he volunteered to go to New York to secure it, the result being that the property was leased for ten years, and after that, owing to his influence with
HON. RICHARD CHAPMAN, the well-known ex-member of the House of Assembly of Pennsylvania, is Superintendent of the Chapman Slate Quarries of Northampton County, one of the largest enterprises and paying industries of Moore Township. Mr. Chapman is a self-made man, and through his own ability and qualities has risen to his present condition of wealth and influence in the community. He is active in politics, and has acceptably served his constituents for two terms as their representative in the State Legislature.

The birth of our subject occurred in the County of Cornwall, England, April 21, 1840. His parents, William and Jane (Camps) Chapman, were also natives of England. The boyhood of our subject was passed in his native country, where he received a fair education in the common schools. He was confirmed in the Church of England, and adhered to that faith for a number of years during his early life. When sixteen years of age he left home and worked in the Harvey Foundry, in Cornwall, England, for some fifteen months. The succeeding five years of his life were passed on the high seas in the British merchant marine service, and during that time he visited Quebec twice.

It was in 1862 that Richard Chapman left his native land for America, sailing from Liverpool to New York. He proceeded direct to Northampton County, and became Superintendent of the Pennsylvania Slate Quarry, located at Wind Gap. In that neighborhood he continued to make his home for about three years, when he resigned that position to become Superintendent of the Chapman Quarries. Previous to taking this position he went to England, and was the means of securing about three hundred slate-workers, who on their arrival were assigned to different operators for working various quarries. Thirty years have elapsed since Mr. Chapman became Superintendent of the Chapman Quarries, and he has given the best of satisfaction in this difficult office. On the pay-roll of this concern there are now two hundred and twenty-five employees, and in former years many more were employed. The quarries supply roofing slate; flagging for steps, platforms and sidewalks; hearths, lintels, window-sills, coping, and building stone for general purposes. The slate manufactured by the company is of superior quality, and warranted to keep color.

The marriage of Mr. Chapman was celebrated in 1870, with Jane Edwards, of London, England. In 1881 he spent about four months traveling in Great Britain and other European countries, and visiting many points of interest and the historic cities of Europe. He is a man of general information and an interesting conversationalist.

For three terms our subject served as Justice of the Peace for the borough of Chapman Quarries, and is now serving as Burgess. Since 1897 he has been identified with the Masonic order and is a charter member of Monoey Lodge No. 415, F. & A. M., at Bath, Pa., in which he held various official positions, and for twelve years has served as Treasurer of the lodge. He also belongs to Hugh DePayre Commandery No. 19, R. T., of Easton; the Knights of the Golden Eagle at Chapman Quarries; and Lopawinnoo Tribe No. 154, I. O. of R. M., at Bethlehem. From the year 1869 until the present time he has been the Treasurer of the Chapman Beneficial Society. Religiously he is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, serving the same for a number of years as Treasurer of the Board of Trustees. In political and public measures he has been much interested, and has done all in his power for the welfare and the advancement of the county. Upright and honorable in his dealings, kind and courteous to all, he merits and receives in an eminent degree the respect of his fellows.

LEV P. FENSTERMACHER is now retired and makes his home in the city of Allentown. He is a native of this county, having been born within its limits March 22, 1833.
His father, Elias Fenstermacher, was also born here, and departed this life in 1875, at the age of sixty-eight years. The first representative of this family in the United States came from Germany in 1755 and located in Lehigh County, where the succeeding generations have since made their home. Elias Fenstermacher was married to Miss Esther Knize, whose birth also occurred in this section.

Levi, of this sketch, spent his boyhood days in attendance at the common schools of Allentown, and for one winter was a student in the academy at Lexington. When a lad of sixteen years he moved into the city, where his father was engaged as a grain merchant, and aided him in whatever way he could. Soon thereafter they added a stock of general merchandise, of which our subject assumed full control in 1870. He dealt very extensively in produce and fruits, and during the Franco-Prussian War shipped grain in large quantities to New York City, from which port it was sent to the Old World.

In 1857 Levi Fenstermacher was married to Miss Fannia Metzger, a native of this county, and the daughter of Jacob Metzger, who was a hotelkeeper in Lehigh. Our subject and his wife have a family of three daughters and two sons, named respectively William Jacob, Edward, Laura, Hattie, and Ella. The parents are devoted members of St. John's Reformed Church. In politics Mr. Fenstermacher is a Democrat, and, being a law-abiding citizen, possessed of good social qualities and excellent character, he is held in good repute by his neighbors and friends.

Of his children the following survive: Peter, living in Illinois; Miles, whose home is in Washington Township; Zachariah, of Warren County, N. J.; Theodore, residing in Iowa; Simon, of this sketch; and Luanda, Mrs. Adam Young, who lives in Plainfield Township.

At the age of about sixteen our subject began to learn the carpenter's trade, which he followed for ten years. Subsequently he began farm work in Washington Township, and as the years passed by he met with the reward which his painstaking efforts deserved. He remained an agriculturist until 1890, when, having accumulated a competence, he retired from active cares. In youth his advantages were meagre, his attendance at school being limited to three months each year between the ages of eight and fifteen. The schools were poor in these days, and the quality of instruction afforded crude and meagre, but he availed himself to the utmost of every opportunity, and through self-culture gained a broad knowledge of men and things.

In December, 1856, occurred the marriage of Simon Messinger and Lovina Wilhelm, who was born in Northampton County, April 20, 1833. Her parents, John and Susan (Gar) Wilhelm, were natives of Northampton County; the former deceased, and the latter, now eighty-four years of age, one of the oldest surviving residents of Washington Township. Grandfather Wilhelm resided for many years in Upper Mt. Bethel Township, whither he had removed from Nazareth, Pa. Mrs. Messinger was one of eight children, of whom five are now living, namely: Jacob, who lives in Washington Township; Lovina; Henry, a resident of Upper Mt. Bethel Township; Sabina, the widow of Charles Rutt; and Theobald, of Upper Mt. Bethel Township.

The union of Mr. and Mrs. Messinger has been blessed by the birth of eight children, named as follows: John, Isaiah, George; Flena A., wife of Gilmor Spangenberg; Susan, Mrs. Herbert H. Shamp; William; Lucinda, who married William Spangenberg; and Herbert. In religious connections Mr. and Mrs. Messinger are members of the Evangelical Association at Bangor. He is a Democrat in politics, public spirited and enterprising,