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Jacob Livingston Arnold, deceased, formerly of New Buffalo, Perry County, Pa., was born at New Buffalo, February 12, 1835, son of **Peter** and **Catherine (Livingston) Arnold**. His grandfather, **George Arnold**, was a farmer of Watts Township, where he died. His children were: **Peter; Samuel; William; George;** and **Barbara (Mrs. George Varnes)**; all of whom died in Perry County. **Peter Arnold**, like his father, was a tiller of the soil; he owned a farm adjoining the borough of New Buffalo, where he died at an advanced age; his wife preceded him to the grave. Their children are: **Susan (Mrs. George W. Leshner)**, of New Buffalo; **Jacob L.**; and a twin sister of his, **Caroline**, who died at the age of twenty-one. After receiving a good common school education, **Jacob L. Arnold**, while yet a boy, became a clerk in the store of **Mrs. Irving**; he continued there a short time, and then was employed by **John Swartz**, at Newport, for two years, in the same capacity. He next held a clerkship in Philadelphia for some time, after which he returned to his native town, and opened a store in the same place, where his wife now continues the business. He also owned a boat yard, and conducted a store at Buffalo Lock. In 1871, **Mr. Arnold** sold out his business, went west, and became engaged in railroad contracting. His wife and children joined him in Kentucky. He was very successful in his line of business.

Jacob Livingston Arnold was first married to **Elizabeth**, daughter of **Joseph** and **Mary (Leidig) Mitchell**, born in Greenwood Township, Perry County. Their children were: an **infant**, deceased; and **Joseph M. Arnold**, principal of the schools of Towanda, Pa., married to **Florence Tomer**, of Easton, Pa., has two children. **Mr. Arnold** married secondly, March 19, 1867, **Mary E.**, daughter of **John** and **Susan (Brothers) Mitchell**, born in Greenwood Township, October 24, 1834; they had two sons: **Jacob Livingston, Jr.**; and **John William**. **Mr. Arnold** died August 27, 1873, at Enon, Pa., east of Pittsburg, where he, with his partner, **William A. Douglas**, has a contract. He was a member of the Methodist Church in New Buffalo, but after removing to the west, joined the Christian Church, and continued in that communion until he died. He was a true Christian gentleman, benevolent in spirit and in manner; the cry of distress never reached his ear in vain. He died not only mourned by his family and immediate friends, but regretted by all who knew him. He was interred at the Hill Cemetery, Watts Township, Perry County. **Mr. Arnold** was a staunch Republican. In the Masonic and Odd Fellows' fraternities, of which he was a member, he was held in high esteem; they attended his funeral, and performed their solemn rites for the dead.

Jacob Livingston Arnold, Jr., was born March 29, 1868, in New Buffalo, was educated in the common schools and at Dickinson Seminary, Williamsport, Pa. On the completion of his studies, he entered his mother's store. For one year he traveled through Ohio and Michigan, handling high class paintings, etc.; he next secured a position with the well known house of Dodd, Mead & Co., of New York. On April 27, 1897, he was suddenly taken ill with Bright's disease, and died May 19, 1897. He was interred in Hill Cemetery, Watts Township. He was a staunch Republican; he was of a kind and generous nature, and was held in high esteem by a host of friends, who mourn his loss. The younger son, **John William Arnold**, born June 12, 1873, and educated in the common schools and at Bloomfield Academy, resides at home. In the spring of 1873, **Mrs. Arnold** and her family returned from Illinois, where they were then living, and again took up their abode in New Buffalo, where, in 1877, she opened the store formerly conducted by her husband, and has ever since prosperously conducted the business.