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Samuel H. Baker, Millerstown, Pa., son of **John** and **Mary (Shull) Baker**, was born January 1, 1821. His grandfather, **Daniel Baker**, a farmer, was born in Philadelphia County, Pa. His children were: **Daniel**; **John**; and **Mary**. **John Baker** was born in Philadelphia County. He inherited half of his father's large farm in Greenwood Township. He married **Mary Shull**; their children are: **Elizabeth**; **Joshua**; **Mary**; and **Samuel H.** **Mr. Baker** died about 1825; his **wife** in 1862.

Samuel H. Baker attended the common schools until he was sixteen, and was then clerk in the store of **J. and T. Beaver**, Newport, Pa.; in 1841, entered the store of **J. & D. Strawbridge**, Sharon, Pa., and two years later the store of **Major Haines** at Newport. In the ensuing spring, he was married, and until 1862, occupied the homestead. He then had charge of the store of **Eshelman & Rickabaugh** for one year, and next bought his present place of thirty-five acres, which he rented, and was for two years clerk for **D. M. Rickabaugh**, at Millerstown, Pa., after which he returned to his own place and opened a general store, which he has since conducted. **Mr. Baker** is a staunch Democrat; was justice of the peace for fifteen years, and has served as county auditor. He has been postmaster at Nekoda, Perry County, since 1877. He is a member of the United Brethren Church.

Mr. Baker was married May 1, 1844, to **Eliza Rickabaugh**. Their children are: **Joshua**, manager of the Hotel Lafayette, Philadelphia, Pa., married **Jennie Morrison**, have two children, **Harry U.**, and a **daughter, Ray**; and **Valeria G. (Mrs. Charles H. Hoppie)**, of Millerstown, has one child, **Jennie**.

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