

History Of (Including The Original Boundaries.) Its Past and Present, Containing A Condensed Comprehensive History of Ohio, Including an Outline History of the Northwest; A Complete History of Richland County; Its Townships, Cities, Towns and Villages, Schools, Churches, Societies, Industries, Statistics, &c.; A History of its Soldiers in the Late War; Portraits of its Early Settlers and Prominent Men; Miscellaneous Matter; Map of the County; Biographies and Histories of our Patrons and the Most Prominent Families, &c., &c., Compiled by A. A. Graham., Mansfield, Ohio: A, A, Graham & County, Publishers. 1807-1880.

BRINER, JOHN, farmer; he was born in Perry County, Penn., May 23, 1813; he spent his youth on a farm. His father, **John Briner**, hearing of Ohio, resolved to settle there, where land was cheap and where he might get each of his children a home; so, having made all necessary arrangements for the trip, he started in his wagon for his new home; he settled on the farm now owned by the widow of **Henry Briner**, in Jackson Township; this was in 1832; he died at an advanced age, on the farm. The subject of this sketch remained at home until 1835, when he moved on the farm now occupied by him, and built a log house near where the present homestead is now located; he cleared most of the farm and built all the present comfortable buildings; he has been an active worker, a good manager, and, as his children get married, he is enabled to give each of his sons 80 acres of land and his daughters 40. He was married to **Miss Sarah Henry** Dec. 25, 1834; they had twelve children, nine of whom are living, six of them being in Williams County, Ohio. **Mrs. Briner** was born in Perry County, Penn., Nov. 25, 1811; her father emigrated to Harrison County, Ohio, and, in 1833, moved to Jackson Township; he remained in Ohio for a number of years, but, being desirous of seeing the land of his birth, the home of his childhood, he resolved to take a trip East, and was on that ill-fated train which collided near the village of Thompsontown, Juniata County, Penn., and where so many met a quick and certain death; after the collision, the wreck took fire, and it is supposed that he was wedged in between some timbers where he could not extricate himself, and he, with many others, fell a victim to the flames; the doors of the cars were also locked, and this may have prevented the escape of some. **Mrs. Briner** had six sisters and five brothers, all living but one; the oldest is 70 years and the youngest 50 years of age.

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