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Jacob Drawbaugh, Shermansdale, Perry County, Pa., son of **Jacob** and **Elizabeth (Meyers) Drawbaugh**, was born in Perry County, November 12, 1852. His grandfather, **Peter Drawbaugh**, was a native of York County, and a farmer all his life. He was married to **Mary Gilmore**, and they reared a family of ten children, all of whom were members of the United Brethren Church. **Mr. Drawbaugh's** maternal great-grandfather, **George Meyers**, born in Germany, was one of the early settlers of York County. He had a family of six children: **George; Jacob; John; Margaretta; Maria; and Mary**. **John Meyers**, grandfather of **Mr. Drawbaugh**, was born in York County, and was a wagon-maker by trade. He married **Catharine Weinman**; their children were: **Elizabeth; Henry; John; Joseph; Andrew; Valentine; George**, died at the age of twelve years; **Daniel**, deceased; and **Jesse**, deceased. Both grandparents were members of the Lutheran Church, and both lived to be over four score years.

Jacob Drawbaugh, the elder, was born in York county and coming to Perry County, settled in Carroll Township, on the farm where his widow still resides. He had formerly been a distiller, but after his removal to Perry County was engaged in farming for the rest of his life. In 1837, he was married to **Elizabeth**, daughter of **John** and **Catherine (Weinman) Meyers**. They had these children: **David; Ann; Elizabeth (Mrs. John Studebaker); Susan (Mrs. Isaac Shatto); Jacob; Sarah (Mrs. Reuben Stewart); Catharine (Mrs. George Kunkle)**, died aged forty-four years; and **Andrew**, died in 1892. **Mr. Drawbaugh** was an office-holder in the Lutheran Church, where his widow, at the age of eighty eight, still holds membership. He died in 1862.

Jacob Drawbaugh, Jr., received a limited education in the common schools. He worked on the farm for his father until the death of the latter, after which he and his brother, **David**, undertook the management of the farm for their mother, who still lives with them. Besides being a successful farmer, **Jacob Drawbaugh** is also a skilled veterinary surgeon, and has a large practice. He is one of the most highly esteemed citizens of the township.

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