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John D. Ebright, son of **Abram B.** and **Tamar (Freese) Ebright**, was born in Plain Township, Wayne Co., Ohio, in 1859. His grandfather, **George Ebright**, was a native of Cumberland County, Penn., born in 1782. He there received a practical education, and May 6, 1806, married **Barbara Brunner**, also a native of the same county, born October 14, 1786. During the year 1834 they removed to Ohio, and located in what is now Wooster Township, Wayne County, but removed to Plain Township, one mile south of Blachleyville, and afterward to a farm two miles farther south, where they spent the remainder of their days.

They were the parents of eleven children, as follows: **John B.**, born February 14, 1807, married to **Rachel Burtner** October 4, 1832, located in Cumberland County, Penn., where he died February 14, 1849, leaving one child, **Edwin G.**, who with his mother moved to Clinton Township, Wayne Co., Ohio, where they still live; **Elizabeth**, born May 10, 1809, remained at home until the decease of her father, and now has her home with **Mrs. A. B. Ebright**, of Plain Township; **Hannah K.**, born March 11, 1811, married **Henry Oldroyd** in March, 1834, and immediately removed to Clinton Township, Wayne County (they were the parents of seven children, only five of whom are now living: **Elmer G.**, **Charles W.**, **A. B.**, **W. F.** and **T. B.**); **George**, born January 11, 1813, married May 1, 1839, to **Rachel Hathaway**, of Fairfield County, Ohio, where they remained until his decease, March 20, 1864, when **Mrs. Ebright**, with her children, removed to Ashland County, thence to Wayne County, and she is now a resident of Wooster (their children were **Pulaski**, **Elizabeth**, **L. S.**, **Ollie**, **Martha**, **Joseph** and **May G.**); **Ann**, born May 20, 1815, married to **Thomas Battles** March 11, 1842, located in Clinton Township (their only surviving children are **Ann** and **Susie**); **Abram B.**; **Mary**, born May 6, 1821, married May 12, 1844, to **William B. Baker**, located in Indiana, and have three children: **Byron L.**, **Elizabeth** and **Amy**; **Thomas**, born April 14, 1824, married to **Nancy Leggett** June 15, 1854, located at Nashville, Holmes Co., Ohio, and had four children, two of whom are living: **Catherine** and **Cady**; **William P.**, born March 12, 1827, died October 31, 1827, and two children died in infancy.

Of these, **Abram B.** was born March 27, 1818, in Cumberland County, Penn., and April 22, 1841, married **Tamar Freese**; located at Millbrook, Plain Township, Wayne Co., Ohio, where he carried on teaching and farming. He taught during the winters for a period of twenty years, devoting his attention during the summers to the farm. He was one of the representative men of his township, and was held high in favor by its citizens. His death occurred July 27, 1887. The children of **Mr. and Mrs. Abram B. Ebright** were **Frances**, deceased; **Arta D.**, the late **Mrs. David Sloane**, of Ashland County; **E. F.**, who married **Miraba Miller**, and located in Ashland County; **Ulila**, who died when eight years of age; **Melvin C.**, an attorney of Ashland County, having been admitted to the bar about a year before his death, which occurred April 13, 1879; **George J.**, married to **Ella Oswalt**, and located in Plain Township, Wayne County, and **John D.**, who married, December 28, 1882, **Delia M.**, daughter of **Benjamin Leyda**, of Clinton Township, and located in Plain Township, Wayne County, where he became a farmer.

Preferring, however, a mercantile life to one of the farm, he removed to Shreve in March, 1886, and established himself in business as dealer in boots and shoes, etc., and is one of the prominent and active business men of that enterprising village. **Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ebright** are the parents of two children: **Ethel Elizabeth**, born November 6, 1883, and **Glen Leyda**, born August 17, 1885. The parents are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In politics **Mr. Ebright** is a Republican, and he is a member of the council.