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Good, Martin, proprietor of the Highspire woolen Mills, was born in Upper Paxton Township, Dauphin County, Pa., August 2, 1833; son of Christian and Catherine (Noll) Good. Christian Good, Sr., the grandfather, was a native of Lancaster County, and was one of the early settlers of Upper Paxton Township, where he was engaged in farming and milling, having the first mill in that place, and where he died. His children are: Christian; Henry, farmer, died at Progress; Abraham, died in Perry County, Pa.; Michael, of Kansas; Barbara, Mrs. Christian Roop, of Highspire; Nancy, Mrs. Samuel Shaeffer, of East Hanover Township, who was poisoned by her husband; Mary, maiden lady, of Millersburg; Catherine, Mrs. Ritter, of Elizabethville; Elizabeth, wife of Samuel Hoffman, of Perry County, deceased.

Christian, Jr., father of Martin, was reared in Lykens Valley and learned the trade of woolen manufacturing and continued in the business with his father in Lykens Valley. In 1833 he moved to Lower Swatara Township and erected the present "Good" mill in 1844, which he conducted until 1855, when he retired, and shortly after died in Lebanon County. He was three times married and was the father of fourteen children, of whom these are living: Martin; John, of Morris, Minn., hardware dealer; Simon, of St. Paul, Minn., lumber dealer; Sarah, Mrs. Adam Light, of Lebanon County; Emma, Mrs. David Light, of Lebanon County; Catherine, Mrs. Casper Light, of Morris, Minn. Mr. Good is an active member of the United Brethren Church and has been a class leader for many years.

Martin was reared on the present homestead and learned the trade of his father; he has always been in the business, and purchased his father's interest in 1855, since which date he has conducted the enterprise. He keeps his plant and its equipment abreast of the times. He is also engaged in farming and operating a saw mill. In 1865 he opened a general store, which he has managed since that time. Mr. Good is a director of the Steelton National Bank and of the Merchants' Bank, of Harrisburg. In his politics he is a Republican and has served in various township offices. Mr. Good was married, in 1858, to Mary Ann Peffly, daughter of Rev. Christian Peffly, of Bunker Hill, Lebanon County. They attend the United Brethren Church.

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