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George Hoffman, a survivor of the Civil war living retired in Washington Township, York County, was born in Tyrone Township, Perry Co., Pa., Feb. 15, 1836, son of **Jacob** and **Mary A. (Nanamaker) Hoffman**.

Jacob Hoffman was born in Germany, and came to America in young manhood, crossing; the ocean when it required eight weeks to make the voyage. He settled first in Maryland, remaining there a short time, and then going to Tyrone Township, Perry County, where he lived sixteen years. In 1848 he came to York County, and through the rest of his active life followed farming in Washington Township. He married **Mary A. Nanamaker**, whose parents were Germans. She died at the age of fifty-six years, and he when eighty seven years, seven months, twenty days old. Both are buried at the Red Run Church in Washington Township. Their children were: **John; Jacob; Lydia** and **Susan**, deceased; **Mary** and **Eliza**.

George Hoffman attended school at Kralltown and Landisburg until he was twenty-two years old. He enlisted in the service of his country, entering Company H, 166th P. V. I., being mustered in at York. After a service of nine months, his first term of enlistment, he became a veteran, re-enlisting in Company I, 200th P. V. I., remaining in the service until the close of the war, and participating in all the battles of the company and regiment. On one occasion he was taken prisoner, and was held by the enemy for nine days, when he was exchanged, rejoining his regiment and sharing their fate. He was in the service for twenty-two months, and during all this time bore himself as became a good soldier and loyal man. After the war he returned to Washington Township, and resumed work at the wheelwright trade, in which he had had some training prior to enlisting, and this he followed for ten years. Then he bought a farm of **Henry Asper**, consisting of eighty two acres, located in Washington Township, and here he followed farming for fifteen years. In 1890 he came to his present place, retiring at the same time from business activity.

Mr. Hoffman married **Mrs. Elizabeth Hinkel**, widow of **George Hinkel** and daughter of **Andrew Stothauer**, and they have one son, **Isaac**, who married **Elizabeth Kraft**, and is farming his father's land. **Mr. Hoffman** is a Republican, and is a consistent member of the Lutheran Church. **Mrs. Hoffman** had one son by her former marriage, **D. Frank Hinkel**. **Mr. George Hinkel** was a machinist; he enlisted in the army in the early days of the Rebellion, was taken prisoner and died at Andersonville.

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