

History of the Counties McKean, Elk, Cameron and Potter, Pennsylvania, Biographical Selections, Including Their Early Settlement and Development; A Description of the Historic and Interesting Localities; Sketches of Their Cities, Towns and Villages; Portraits of Prominent Men; Biographies of Representative Citizens; Outline History of Pennsylvania; Statistics. Illustrated. Chicago: J. H. Beers & Co., Publishers, 1890.

Miles S. Howe, oil producer, P. O. Foster Brook, was born in Franklin, Venango Co., Penn., October 4, 1850. He received the benefit of an academic education, and has been principally engaged in the oil business. He married, January 29, 1889, **Miss Bertha A. Washburn**, of New York City. He is a member of Myrtle Lodge, No. 1 16, F. & A. M., of Franklin, Penn., the Sons of Temperance, the Knights of Labor, and the A. O. U. W., and also the Producers' Association. **Mr. Howe** is an enthusiastic worker in the Temperance cause, and a supporter of the Prohibition Party. His father, **Henry F. Howe**, who was a native of Perry County, Penn., married **Miss Sophia L. Shaw**, of Titusville, Penn. He was a carpenter by trade, and built the first derrick erected on Oil Creek. He afterward became an extensive producer on Oil Creek and at Pit Hole. In 1865 he sold his interests and moved to Yates County, N. Y., where he carried on an extensive farm until 1874. He then moved to Elmira, where he remained until 1882. He furnished two substitutes for the war of the Rebellion. He was a supporter of the Republican and Prohibition Parties, and a prominent member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, tilling various important offices. He died in 1883; his widow now resides in Florida. Ten children were born to them, eight of whom are living: **Lizzie** (wife of **H. C. Conner**), **Eva** (wife of **Dr. R. A. Egbert**), **T. E.**, **W. C.**, **E. E.**, **J. W.**, **Minnie** and **Miles S.**

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