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John W. Hughes, Shermansdale, Perry County, Pa., was born in Franklin County, O., August 21, 1848. He is a son of **J. B.** and **Marian (Dougherty) Hughes**. His grandfather, **Walter Hughes**, was of Irish descent, and farmed all his life in Ohio. He married **Nancy Haines**, of English ancestry, and had a family. **Walter Hughes** died of cholera; his wife lived to the age of ninety years. **Mr. Hughes'** maternal grandfather, **Caleb Dougherty**, was also a farmer. He married **Keziah Needles**. Their children are: **Mariam; John; Sarah Ann; George; and Barrett**. **Mr. and Mrs. Dougherty** are both deceased. **J. B. Hughes**, the father of **John W. Hughes**, is a native of Ohio. He was a butcher for forty-five years; he also gave his attention to harness-making. At present he is farming in Hancock County, O. He has served in various township offices.

J. B. Hughes was married to **Marian**, daughter of **Caleb** and **Keziah (Needles) Dougherty**. Their children are: **John W.**; **Barrett J.**; **James V.**; **Marian (Mrs. Charles Stewart)**; **Rozilla C. (Mrs. John Coleman)**; **Sarah J.** died aged eighteen months; and **Perry**, an infant, died in 1857. **Mr. J. B. Hughes** is a trustee and elder in the Methodist Episcopal Church. His wife died at the age of forty-five years.

John W. Hughes was educated in the public schools and at Mt. Blanchard Academy, O. He remained on his father's farm until he reached the age of seventeen years. At that age he commenced to teach, the next year he began to learn harness-making, and after teaching seven terms, he gave his entire attention to his trade. In 1872, **Mr. Hughes** opened a harness shop in Monroeville, Ind., but remained only a short time, then he returned to Mt. Blanchard, O., and then to Whartonsburg, and was in business in these places for about two years, after which he taught school one term in the county near Mt. Blanchard. The following year he took an agency for pianos and organs; after one year spent in the business, **Mr. Hughes** went to Baltimore and engaged in butchering, and with the capable assistance of his wife established a good business. He sold out at the end of a year. In 1881, **Mr. Hughes** and his brother, in partnership, opened a store for general merchandise, and conducted the business one year; they then returned to Mt. Blanchard and continued the store there for eighteen months. **Mr. Hughes** then again went to Baltimore and conducted a general store until 1891. At this time he came to Perry County, and bought the **Loy** farm, lately owned by **William Bonoll**, in Carroll Township. **Mr. Hughes** has greatly improved this estate. **Mr. Hughes** was a member of the school board in Baltimore for four years. He belongs to the I. O. O. F., Hayward Lodge, No. 333, North Baltimore; to Marius Encampment, No. 196, and to Lodge No. 196, O. U. A. M., of Shermansdale. **Mr. Hughes** is a Democrat.

John W. Hughes was married November 9, 1872, to **Emma**, daughter of **John** and **Geraldine (Picket) Colman**. Their children are: **Charles J.**; **Bernice M.**; **Nellie** and **Stella**, infant twins, deceased; **Wallace**, died aged six weeks. **Mr. and Mrs. Hughes** attend the Methodist Episcopal Church.