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**Abraham Frederick Keim**, Newport, Pa., was born at Newport, Pa., June 14, 1842. His father, **John Keim**, was born in Berks County, Pa., January 25, 1818, and when about two years old was brought to Snyder County, and later to Perry County. He was a relative of **General Keim**, of Reading, Pa. After his marriage, he embarked in mercantile business at Newport, in which he continued until the business panic of 1857. He died January 16, 1888. **John Keim** married **Narcissa Nipple**. Their children are: **Oliver T.**; **Abraham F.**; **Zach. T.**; **Madge**; and **others** who died in infancy.

**Abraham F. Keim** attended school until he was fifteen. After his father suspended business, his brother, **Oliver T.**, started a small general store at Newport, in 1860, in which he was clerk for five years. He enlisted January 31, 1865, in Company D, Forty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was detailed for clerical duty at Philadelphia, where he remained until his discharge on May 23, 1865.

After his marriage he was a day laborer at Newport for some years. From 1871 to 1875, he conducted a store in Newport. He then removed to the old post-office building, added a stock of dry goods, and continued the business until the fall of 1876, when he sold it to **J. H. Kumler**. From 1878 to 1893, he was justice of the peace, and has since been a notary public. From 1878 to 1881, he kept the books of **Jones Bros**. He is also local agent of four fire insurance companies. **Mr. Keim** is a staunch Republican.

**Abraham F. Keim** was married in June, 1865, to **Julia A.**, daughter of **Philip Zeigler**, of Oliver Township. Their children are: **Myrtie**; **Harry T.**; **Loyette**; and **Charles E. Pugh**. **Mr. Keim** is a member of the Methodist Church.

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