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Aaron Lenker, Newport, Perry County, Pa., was born in Dauphin County, Pa., August 20, 1858, son of **William P.** and **Mary (Landis) Lenker**. His grandfather, **Philip Lenker**, has always been a farmer. He married **Miss Holtzman**, and of their thirteen children these are living: **Leah; William P.; Henry; Edward; Hannah (Mrs. Jacob Zimmerman); David; Amelia; Elizabeth; Mary (Mrs. David Lark)**. Those who died are: **Sarah; Katherine; Jonathan; Nathaniel. Mr. and Mrs. Philip Lenker** are members of the Lutheran Church. Their son, **William P. Lenker**, is a native of Dauphin County. He spent his earlier years in railroad business, but has given his attention to farming for some years, in Howe Township. He is a Republican, and a much esteemed citizen. **William P. Lenker** was first married to **Mary Landis**; their children are: **Aaron; Salome; James M.; Mary (Mrs. Millard Flickinger); Katie Ann**, deceased; **Sarah J.**, deceased; **William H.**, deceased. **Mrs. Mary Lenker** was an earnest member of the Dunkard Church. **Mr. Lenker** was married the second time, to **Margaret**, daughter of **Benjamin** and **Katherine Horting. Mr. and Mrs. Lenker** are members of the Lutheran Church, where **Mr. Lenker** holds the office of elder.

Aaron Lenker received his education in the district schools of Dauphin and Perry Counties, his parents having removed to the latter county in his tenth year. He learned to farm and worked for his father until he was twenty nine years of age. In 1888, **Mr. Lenker** began farming for himself on his father's farm in Howe Township, where he remained for seven years. In the spring of 1895, he removed to his present home in Juniata Township. This farm also belongs to his father, and is one of the finest in the township. **Mr. Lenker** is a Republican, and an advocate of sound money. **Aaron Lenker** was married, December 15, 1887, to **Hannah**, daughter of **John** and **Martha (Gable) Hopple**. Their children are: **William H.; Clara M.; Andrew J.** **Mr. Lenker** is a deacon in the Lutheran Church and a worker in the Sunday-school.

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