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Jacob Losh, deceased, of Duncannon, Perry County, Pa., was born in Carroll Township, Perry County, Pa., February 4, 1826. He was a son of the late **Andrew** and **Sarah (Such) Losh**. His paternal ancestry was Welsh; those upon the maternal side were Irish. His father, born in 1751, was a brave soldier in the Revolutionary war. He was a carpenter, and passed a large portion of his life in Perry County, where he was universally respected. He died in Wheatfield Township, Perry County, Pa., April 12, 1849, at the remarkable age of ninety-eight. His death and funeral obsequies attracted general attention, as he was one of the very few survivors of the perilous times in which our national existence was secured. The mother of **Jacob Losh** was born in what is now Penn Township, Perry County, in 1792. She was the daughter of **George Such**, one of the early settlers of Perry County, and was the second wife of **Andrew Losh**. By his first marriage, to **Mollie Haines**, he had eleven children, all of whom are now deceased. By the second marriage there were four children, **one** of whom died in infancy, and three are still living: **Nancy (Mrs. Charles Anthony)**, of Carroll Township, Perry County; **Amanda**, widow of the late **Thomas Matlack**, who is a resident of Duncannon; and **Jacob**. When **Jacob Losh** was eight years old, the family removed to Wheatfield Township, Perry County. Here he spent part of his boyhood, receiving a fair education in the public and private schools of that township. After leaving school, he learned the trade of millwright, at which he worked all his life in various parts of Pennsylvania. From the year 1870, he was continuously in the employ of the Duncannon Iron Company, and was one of their most faithful and efficient workmen.

Mr. Losh was married in Carroll Township, January 1, 1856, to **Mary**, daughter of **Jacob** and **Mollie Brown**, old and much respected residents of Perry County. All of their six children are living; they are: **Lucy Ann (Mrs. Josiah Knaub)**, of Rye Township; **Mollie**; **Adam**; **Sarah**; **Margaret**; **Jane**; and **Amanda**. The family attend the ministrations of the Presbyterian Church. **Jacob Losh** died at his home in Penn Township, March 12, 1897, of a paralytic stroke. His age was seventy-one years, one month and eight days. He was interred in the Lutheran graveyard at Duncannon.

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