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Horace W. McKenzie, M. D., homoeopathic physician, Duncannon, Perry County, Pa., was born in Wheatfield Township, Perry County, July 2, 1863, son of **John H.** and **Mary (Bergstresser) McKenzie**. By paternal ancestry **Dr. McKenzie** belongs to the hardy, conscientious and liberty-loving Scotch-Irish element that has given so many distinguished men to every department of national life and progress. His paternal grandfather came to America at an early date, and settled in Carlisle, Pa.; he afterwards removed to that portion of Cumberland County which at a later period became Perry. **Dr. McKenzie's** grandfather and father were born in Perry County. His maternal ancestry was German.

The Doctor's early life was spent at home, his primary education being received in the public schools at Duncannon. Here he already displayed that scholarly ability which also distinguished his collegiate course. After leaving the common

school, he entered Dickinson College, at Carlisle, from which he graduated in 1886, with a most honorable record. Having determined upon the medical profession for his life work, he commenced a course at the celebrated Hahnemann Medical College of Philadelphia, where his earnest labors and close application were crowned with a successful graduation in 1889. On May 30, of the same year, he began the practice of his profession in Duncannon.

As the only homoeopathic physician in the thriving town of Duncannon, **Dr. McKenzie**, of course, has a large and lucrative practice, which is still further increased by his genial and cultured manners, and the general popular appreciation of his worth. The voters of the borough have shown their esteem for him by electing him to the responsible position of school director, to the duties of which the Doctor faithfully attends, notwithstanding his numerous and arduous professional engagements. **Dr. McKenzie** is a member of the B. of H. He is a staunch advocate of the doctrines of the Republican Party.

Dr. McKenzie was married at Steelton, Dauphin County, Pa., July 26, 1894, to **Miss Catharine S.**, daughter of **Abraham** and **Malinda Hess**; **Mr. Hess** still resides at Steelton; his wife is deceased. The **Doctor** attends the Methodist Episcopal Church.

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