

Ephraim McLaughlin, New Germantown, Perry County, Pa., was born in Providence Township, Bedford County, Pa., February 13, 1821. He is a son of **Charles** and **Sarah (Akers) McLaughlin**. His grandfather, **Charles (or Robert) McLaughlin**, was a native of County Armagh, Ireland. He and his family emigrated to America shortly after the Revolution, and bought a large tract of land in Providence Township, Bedford County, Pa., where he farmed until his death. He had three sons and one daughter. His son, **John**, served as a captain in the war of 1812.

Charles McLaughlin, the father of **E. A. McLaughlin**, was born in County Armagh, Ireland, and came to this country with his parents when he was twelve years old. He attended school in Ireland, under Catholic teachers, and completed his education in the schools of Bedford County. At his father's death, the homestead was divided into three farms, for the three sons; **Mr. McLaughlin** inherited one of these, and bought another from one of his brothers. For two terms he was commissioner of Bedford County. **Charles McLaughlin** was married in Providence Township, Bedford County, to **Sarah Akers**. Their children were: **Cynthia Ann (Mrs. John Barton)**, born June 6, 1809, died November 9, 1844; **Nancy (Mrs. Stiles Jackson)**, born March 21, 1811, is deceased; **John Lawson**, merchant, married **Sarah Foulk**, born April 16, 1813, died in Rainsburg, November 9, 1847; **Rachel (Mrs. William Lysinger)**, born April 24, 1816, died in 1891; **Theresa G.**, wife of **Rev. George Stevenson**, born October 22, 1819, deceased; **E. A.; Charles J.**, born October 26, 1824, farmer, married **Martha Campbell**, died in Shelby, Ia., in July, 1888. **Charles McLaughlin** died in 1877; and his wife on May 23, 1846. She was of Scotch-Irish ancestry. Before the Revolution, her family resided in Virginia, but afterwards removed to Bedford County, Pa.

E. A. McLaughlin received a limited education in the schools of Bedford County, but he improved his mind by studying at home. He began to work for himself at an early age. In 1848, he bought two tracts of land in Toboyne Township, Perry County, one of 93 acres and one of 83 acres from **Roland Brown**, who a few years before had bought it from **James Campbell**. The land was almost wild, but by energy and perseverance he brought it into a fine state of cultivation. He was an old line Whig, and cast his first vote for William Henry Harrison, but is now a staunch Republican, and has served for some time as school director.

E. A. McLaughlin was married, June 1, 1848, to **Lucinda Ann**, daughter of **James and Martha (Fleming) Campbell**. Their children are: **Martha**, died in her fifth year; **Charles J.**, a teacher at East Waterford; **Emma Jane**, of Hollidaysburg, Pa., was married to **Rev. Luther F. Smith**, who died January 4, 1893; **Alexander Campbell**, district attorney of Yuba City, Cal.; **Mary Lucinda (Mrs. Rev. John L. Leilich)**, of Harrisburg, Pa.; **Sarah Louella**; and **E. William Lincoln**, who died in Lincoln, Neb., July 4, 1888. **Mr. McLaughlin** is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and has served as trustee, steward, class-leader, and Sunday-school superintendent.

Mrs. McLaughlin was born in Horse Valley, Perry County, Pa., July 9, 1826, and died October 27, 1878. Her mother, **Martha Fleming**, was born in England. When she was fourteen she went to Ireland, where at the age of sixteen she was married to **Mr. William Wadell**. On their way to America, **Mr. Wadell** and their infant child died. **Mrs. Wadell** came to her uncle, **Dr. Carleton**, of Carlisle, Pa., and was married at Carlisle in December, 1801, to **James Campbell**. She was his second wife, and bore him ten children.