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**David Beale Milliken**, M. D., Landisburg, Perry County, Pa., was born near Academia, Juniata County, Pa., January 1, 1833. He is a son of **Thomas J.** and **Rachel (Beale) Milliken**. The Milliken family is of Scotch-Irish descent. **Thomas Milliken**, the Doctor's great-grandfather, was an early settler, and a farmer of what is now Juniata County, but was at that time a part of Cumberland County. **James B. Milliken**, son of **Thomas**, a native of that county, also devoted his attention to agriculture. He married **Miss Boggs**; their children are: **Thomas J.**; **John**; **James B.**; **Joseph**; **Francis**; **Mary**; **Amelia**; **Margaret**; **Martha**; and **Jane**. The eldest of the family, **Thomas J.**, born in Juniata County in 1794, passed his life there, and was also a farmer. He was a Democrat, and very decided in his convictions. He was elected to various public offices; among them, he filled those of county commissioner and associate judge. He was married to **Rachel**, daughter of **Judge David Beale**, of Chester County, Pa. Their children are: **Jane (Mrs. William Neely)**; **James B.**; **Mary Ann (Mrs. John Barnard)**; **David B.**; and **John D.** **Mrs. Rachel Milliken** died March 20, 1848; her husband survived her until September 19, 1876.

In the common schools, which he attended until he was fourteen years old, **David B. Milliken** acquired the elementary branches, and laid a good foundation for further studies. His literary education was completed at Tuscarora Academy, where he was for five years under the tuition of Professor Wilson. In 1850, he began the study of medicine at McCoysville, Pa., under the direction of Samuel Crawford, M. D. He attended two courses of lectures, besides taking a course of private study under the preceptorship of Dr. Aylette, of the medical department of the University of New York, from which celebrated school he was graduated in 1854. Dr. Milliken at once commenced practice in Landisburg, and has continued the same with success and honor in that borough for forty-three years. He was commissioned, November 18, 1862, by Surgeon General King, of Pennsylvania, to care for disabled soldiers of the State in the Army of the Potomac, in general and regimental hospitals; this service he rendered until February, 1863. He is examining physician of the board of pensions of Perry County, and a member of the Perry County Medical Society, of which he has been treasurer since 1888, besides having several times been president. He is also a member of the Pennsylvania State Medical Society and of the American Medical Association. He is a member and Past N. G. of Mt. Dempsey Lodge, No. 172, I. O. O. F.; a director, since 1893, in the National Bank, of Duncannon, Pa.; and a director in the Perry County Railroad. He was, in February, 1885, a delegate to the meeting of the American Agricultural Association, at New Orleans, La. He represented his county in the State Legislature during the terms of 1871 and 1873, and served during that time upon some important committees. His political convictions are Democratic.

**Dr. David Beale Milliken** was first married, May 2, 1853, to **Elizabeth**, daughter of **Neal** and **Mary McCoy**, of McCoysville, Pa. Their only child is **Emma E. (Mrs. Robert C. Boden)**. **Mrs. Elizabeth Milliken** died February 20, 1856. The Doctor was again married, in 1858, to **Margaret J.**, daughter of **Daniel** and **Jane Okeson**; she died in 1889. He married, in 1891, **Rebecca C. Jones**, widow of the late **David Eaton**. The Doctor and his family attend the Presbyterian Church. His long and honorable careers as a physician, combined with his estimable personal qualities, have won for the Doctor not only many patients, but a large circle of friends.