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Potter, Ira. C., senior member of the firm of Potter & Co., dealers in wall paper, was born in Liverpool Township, Perry County, Pa., January 1, 1866, son of **Levi** and **Sarah (Bear) Potter**. The father was born in Buffalo Township, Perry County, September 12, 1832, son of the late **Jonas** and **Barbara (Stevens) Potter**. He received only a limited education in the district schools. For fifteen years he was a driver on the canal, after which he engaged in farming. He was married, in Buffalo Township, Perry County, June 18, 1854, to **Sarah Ann Bear**, and there have been born to them twelve children, of whom ten are living: **William Harrison**, **Alfred A.**, **Charles C.**, **Cordelia**, wife of **Peter Walk**, **Edwin S.**, **Oscar R.**, **Ira C.**, **Alice**, wife of **Hellorious Bodner**, **Catherine R.** and **Irvin L.** In his politics he is a Democrat, and attends the Lutheran Church. **Ira C.** spent his early life in his native township, and attended the public schools. He learned the trade of painter and paper hanger, which he followed for five years. After this he engaged in contracting, and since 1891 has been in the wall paper business. He was married, in Harrisburg, August 13, 1892, to **Eleanora Roberts**, daughter of **George Roberts**, and to them has been born one child, **Walter Monroe**. **Mr. Potter** is an active member of Cornplanter Tribe, No. 61, I. O. R. M., and of Harrisburg Council, No. 328, Jr. O. U. A. M. In politics **Mr. Potter** is with the Republican Party. He attends the United Brethren Church.