

George Dallas Raffensperger, (5 Sep 1845 – 19 Feb 1933), Newspaper Clipping, The Perry Historians

George D. Raffesnperger, probably the oldest citizen of Juniata Township, died on Sunday morning, Feb. 19, 1933, at his home on Newport R. D. 1.

He was a son of **William** and **Elizabeth (Frantz) Raffensperger** and was born Sept 5, 1845. He was the last of a large family, twelve or more children. In early life, he spent a year as a canal boatman between Williamsport and Philadelphia. In 1863, he began as a trackman on the Pennsylvania Railroad. Later he conducted a grocery store a shore time. In 1868 he learned the stone mason trade and followed that and farming thereafter until he retired.

In April 1869 he married **Sarah E. Wise**, who died several years ago. They had the following children: **Ora S., Price O., Carrie M. (Mrs. John McBride) Austin A., Harry L, Warner G., Millard P., Annie O., (Mrs. Foster Zang), and Tamar S. (Mrs. Clayton Gross).**

Mr. Raffensperger was a member of St. Samuel's Lutheran Church for many years.

The funeral services were held in the Newport Lutheran Church on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, his pastor, Rev L. Stoy Spangler officiating. Interment was in Newport Cemetery.

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