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Amos Rebert, a retired agriculturist, of York County, who is making his residence in Jefferson borough, Codorus Township, was born in North Codorus Township, Feb. 5, 1841, son of **Samuel Rebert** and grandson of **Jonas Rebert**.

Jonas Rebert was a farmer, and also carried on distilling in Codorus Township, where he owned 475 acres of land. He later went to Adams County, where he died, owning a 175 acre farm. He is interred at Hanover, in the old Reformed Church graveyard. He married **Christene Eyster**, who is buried beside her husband. They had eleven children: **John**, who married **Christene Leib**; **Daniel**, who died young; **Henry**, who married **Elizabeth Weist**, and died at Jefferson; **Samuel**; **Jacob**; **Andrew**, who died in Ohio; **Charles**, who married **Eliza Wiest**; **William**, who married **Lucinda Shue**; **Edward**, who married **Catherine Hoke**; **Jonas M.**, who married **Peggy Hoke**; and another daughter, **Mrs. Moses Senft**. **Samuel Rebert**, father of **Amos**, was a farmer in North Codorus Township, where he was born. In 1853 he removed to Adams County, where he farmed until his death. He married **Nancy Rife**, and she died at the age of twenty-six years, being buried at Lischy's Church, North Codorus Township. They had these children: **John**, who married **Louisa Geiselman**, and is a retired farmer of Adams County; two that died in infancy: **Amos**; and **Jonas**, a retired farmer of New Oxford, Adams Co. **Samuel Rebert** married (second) **Lydia Senft**, by whom he had children as follows **Elizabeth**, wife of **Abraham Keagey**, living at Littlestown, Adams County; **Lucinda**, wife of **Rufus Hartman**, of Littlestown; **Samuel**, a resident of Littlestown; two that died in infancy; and **Delia**, the wife of **William Gitt**. **Samuel Rebert** died at the age of sixty-seven years, and was buried in Littlestown.

Amos Rebert went with his father to Adams County when eleven years old and there received his education, attending school until seventeen years of age. He then learned the tanning trade with an uncle, **Henry Rebert**, which he followed for two years at Jefferson borough. He then turned his attention to farming, and until 1868 operated a fine farm of 150 acres, in this year he sold out and came to his present home in Jefferson borough, where he owns thirty-two acres, twenty-five of which are cleared, and the rest woodland. **Mr. Rebert** married (first) **Lucinda Brillhart**, daughter of **Samuel Brillhart** (a sketch of whom will be found elsewhere), and she died Aug. 24, 1897, at Jefferson borough, where she is buried. In 1898, at Harrisburg, **Mr. Rebert** married (second) **Mrs. Susan C. Smith**, widow of **Oliver B. Smith**, and daughter of **John** and granddaughter of **William Van Newkirk**, who came from Amsterdam, Holland, and settled in Baltimore, where he died. **John Van Newkirk** was born in Baltimore, Md., and was a cooper by trade, following that occupation and day laboring until going to Perry County, Pa., where, after locating in Howe Township, he died, aged forty two years. He was very well known in that locality and highly respected. He married **Charlotte Beatty**, daughter of **John Beatty**, of Carlisle, Pa., of Scotch-Irish descent, and a member of a family of early settlers of Cumberland County. No children have been born to **Mr. and Mrs. Rebert**. By her marriage with **Mr. Smith**, **Mrs. Rebert** had three children, **Ed. B.**, **Frank M.**, and one that died in infancy. **Mr. and Mrs. Rebert** are rearing **Charlotte Smith**, a tot of three years, who is a granddaughter of **Mrs. Rebert**, and daughter of her son, **Frank M.** **Amos Rebert** is a Democrat, and served the borough as chief burgess. He is now a councilman and school director, and is capably filling the

duties of both of these offices. Religiously he is a consistent member of the Lutheran Church, in which he and his wife take a very active part. **Mr. Rebert** has a number of business interests, among which may be mentioned the Codorus Canning factory, in which he holds stock, as he does also in the Drovers' and Mechanics' Bank of York, the People's Bank of Hanover and the Hanover Market House. He has always been a man of industrious habits, and the result is shown in his present sound financial condition. He is most highly respected in Codorus Township.

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