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**J. F. Smith**, Mannsville, Pa., son of **Emanuel** and **Mary J. (Miller) Smith**, was born in Perry County, July 23, 1853. His grandfather, **Henry Smith**, a German farmer, had nine children; **Mary; Emanuel; Elizabeth; Henry; Kate; Amos; Sarah; Samuel;** and **John M.** The maternal grandparents of **J. F. Smith**, natives of Germany, farmers, were early settlers of Perry County. **Emanuel Smith**, also a farmer, was born in Perry County. He married **Mary J.**, daughter of **John Miller**; their children were: **Elizabeth; William H.; Catharine; J. F.; Ellen M.; Lucinda; Minnie A.; Lydia M.; Edwin; S. M.** **Mrs. Smith** died in December, 1868.

**J. F. Smith** was educated in the public schools and the Bloomfield and Millerstown Academies. He learned blacksmithing and shoemaking, worked at each for a time and also followed teaching school and farming. In the fall of 1893, he became brakeman on the Middle Division, Pennsylvania Railroad. Three years later he began business with **George Markel**, at Marysville, Perry County; but in January, 1887, the partnership was dissolved; **Mr. Smith** has since continued the business alone.

**Mr. Smith** was married April 4, 1878, to **Carrie N.**, daughter of **William F.** and **Salome (Freeburn) Patton**. Their children are: **Helen M.; Mary E.; Ray P.;** and **Carrie S.** **Robert M. Patton**, of Scotch-Irish descent, farmer in Perry County, married **Hannah Gilfillan**, and had six children: **Ezra; William; Nancy; Jane; Augusta;** and **Michael.** **Irwin Freeburn** married **Sarah Eshelman**. Their children were: **Mary; Salome F.; George S.; Jesse B.; Susan C.;** and **William H.** The family were Methodists. **William F. Patton** married **Salome**, daughter of **Irwin** and **Sarah (Eshelman) Patton**; their children are: **Sarah M.; Nannie C. Rebecca M.; James G.; William C.; Grant E.; Horace E.;** and **Jane E.**

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