



E. Walt Snyder, M. D., Liverpool, Perry County, Pa.

David Snyder, grandfather of **Dr. Snyder**, always spelled his name **Schneider**. He was born of German parentage in Mahantongo Valley, Pa., whence he removed to Wild Cat Valley, where he spent his life in farming, and where he died. He was a member of the Lutheran Church. **Charles Snyder**, father of **Dr. Snyder**, was born in Mahantongo Valley in 1836. His parents removed during his boyhood to Wild Cat Valley, where he attended school four months, and was reared on the farm. He learned carpentry, and followed that occupation, but for thirty-five years has been employed on the Pennsylvania canal. During the war, he served one year in Company K, Eighty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers. After his marriage, he resided at Liverpool. He married **Mary E. Dietrick**, of that borough, who died of nervous disease in 1894. Their children are: **Dr. E. Walt**; **Lillie (Mrs. Wagner)**, died aged twenty-five years; the

Next **two** children died in infancy, unnamed; **Lena (Mrs. Snyder)**, of Liverpool; **Sarah (Mrs. Welker)**, of Liverpool; **George**, of Liverpool; **Reif**, died young; and **Nina**, at home. **Mr. Snyder** is a Democrat.

Dr. E. Walt Snyder was born at Liverpool, Pa., August 18, 1857. Until he was ten years of age he attended school, and then engaged as clerk with his uncle, **George C. Snyder**, a merchant at Perryville, now a part of Liverpool, Pa., remaining until he was seventeen. The next winter he taught school, and in the following summer entered Millersville State Normal School. This course he repeated during the two ensuing summers, and was graduated from the normal school in 1879. During his second term, he was called home for one week, to take charge of the business of his uncle, who was then ill with pneumonia. During the following three years, **Mr. Snyder** taught school at Millerstown, Pa., and for four months during the summer season had charge of the normal school at that place. For the next four years, he taught at Liverpool, Pa., during which time he also had a summer school. Impaired health compelled him to relinquish teaching for the years 1881 and '82; in the former year, he made an extended tour through the west for the recovery of his health. He afterwards took a post-graduate course at Millersville State Normal School. In the meantime, he had done the reading and study preparatory to a medical course, and in 1887, he entered Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, from which he

was graduated in 1889. His opportunities for study and preparation for professional work had been most diligently improved, and had all been procured by money he had earned for himself. His reputation as a teacher was wide and well established. The first class in Perry County was graduated under him in April, 1884. One of his pupils is president of the Strasburg schools, another is president of Wiconisco schools, and one gets a salary of one thousand dollars as a teacher at Steelton, Pa. After securing his diploma as a physician, **Dr. Snyder** became a resident of his native town, Liverpool, Pa., where he had bought property, before going to college; and here his native and professional abilities and his popular manners have been factors in his well known success as a physician.

In 1884, **Dr. E. W. Snyder** was married to **Miss Laura Maynard**, of Strasburg, Lancaster County, Pa., daughter of **George** and **Sarah M. Maynard**. **Mrs. Snyder** was educated at home in vocal and instrumental music, in preparation for a career on the stage, and later was graduated from the State Normal School at Millersville. **Dr. Snyder** has been a lifelong Democrat, and is president of the school board. His religious faith and fellowship are with the United Brethren Church.

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