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SNYDER

This branch of the **Snyder** family traces to a German ancestor, who on coming to this country settled in Perry County, Pennsylvania. He there engaged in farming until his death. He married and had issue, including a son **George**.

(II) **George Snyder** was born in Liverpool, Perry County, Pennsylvania, and died there, after a long life of usefulness. He learned the saddler's trade, also the art of tanning leather. He built a tannery, operated in part by steam, in the operation of which he was assisted by his son, **Henry**. He prospered in business and held high rank in his community. He married **Matilda Spicer**, and had issue: **Henry Clay**, of further mention; **Simeon**, a lawyer, who practiced in the west; **John**, a captain in the civil war, wounded at Fredericksburg, now deceased.

(III) **Henry Clay**, son of **George** and **Matilda (Spicer) Snyder**, was born in Perry County, Pennsylvania. He was educated in the public school, and for several years was associated with his father in the tannery, and later conducted the same business for himself. He developed considerable talent as a musician and was locally famed as a teacher as well as a performer. He enlisted in the United States signal corps during the civil war, rose to the rank of captain, and served until the war closed. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and his funeral services were conducted by U. S. Grant Post, of Chicago. He married (first) **Emma Huggins**, (second) **Laura Jane**, sister of his first wife; they were daughters of **John Huggins**, of Liverpool, Pennsylvania, who also had sons: **Charles**, now living in Chicago, and **Thomas**, who settled further west. His third daughter, **Kate**, married **John Dietrick**, a blacksmith, of Liverpool, and a civil war veteran. **Laura Jane (Huggins) Snyder** survived her husband and was for many years postmistress at Liverpool. Children of second wife: **Charles H.**, of whom further; **George**, now a railroad employee, living in Philadelphia. By his first wife he had a daughter **Annie**, who died young.

(IV) **Charles H.**, son of **Henry Clay** and **Laura Jane (Huggins) Snyder**, was born in Liverpool, Perry County, Pennsylvania, September 18, 1877. He was educated in the public schools, and for several years was in the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad. In the year 1900 he built and equipped a shirt factory at Liverpool, beginning with a few machines and employees. He prospered from the first and has continually added to his equipment and force of workers until he now employs about sixty-five persons. His goods are well established in the market, the demand therefor at times exceeding the supply. His plant is modern and well conducted, **Mr. Snyder** giving his entire time and energy to its operation and to the two farms he owns nearby. He is a member of Lock Haven Lodge, No. 199, Free and Accepted Masons; Corinthian Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; the Commandery, Knights Templar; Lulu Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine (Philadelphia), and Lock Haven Lodge, No. 182, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In political faith he is a Republican, and in religion is a Methodist.

He married, June 12, 1902, **Mary E.**, daughter of **O. D.** and **Frances Wingert**—he a merchant of Millerstown, Pennsylvania. **Mr.** and **Mrs. Snyder** have one child, **Frances Louise**, born April 16, 1905.