

History of Perry County, Pennsylvania, Including Descriptions of Indian and Pioneer Life from the Time of Earliest Settlement Sketches of Its Noted Men and Women and Many Professional Men, By H. H. Hain, Harrisburg, Pa., 1922 - Hain-Moore Company, Publishers, Harrisburg, Pa.

Sypher, J. R. Author and War Correspondent. **Josiah Rhinehart Sypher** was born in Greenwood Township, in 1832, being a brother of **Gen. J. Hale Sypher**, whose biography appears earlier in these pages. The **Sypher** family came to America during the early part of the Eighteenth Century, settling in Chester County. Subsequently a branch of the family located in Pfoutz Valley, where these sons were born. **Josiah Rhinehart Sypher** attended the public schools and then entered Union College at Schenectady, New York, where he graduated in 1858. He read law with Thaddeus Stevens at Lancaster, and in 1862 was admitted to the Lancaster County Bar. He had in the meantime been doing corresponding for city newspapers, and when the Sectional War came on he went to the front as war correspondent of the New York Tribune. After the war he opened up the first Philadelphia office for that paper, and later was made an associate editor for the same. After the war, in connection with his newspaper work, he wrote and compiled the "History of the Pennsylvania Reserves" (1865) and a "School History of Pennsylvania" (1868). In connection with E. A. Apgar he also wrote and published a School History of New Jersey. He was also a temperance worker and writer. For many years thereafter, or until his death in 1902, he practiced law in Philadelphia, specializing along the lines of copyrights, trade-marks and patents.

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