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George Zeiter, Shermansdale, Perry County, Pa. was born in Dauphin County, Pa., June 23, 1835. He is a son of **George** and **Sophia (Cassel) Zeiter**. His paternal grandparents were natives of Germany. His maternal grandparents were natives of Dauphin County, where his grandfather, **Michael Cassel**, was a farmer. **Mr. Cassel** was married to **Elizabeth**, daughter of **John Ebersole**. They had four children: **Henry; Jacob; Daniel;** and **Sophia**. **Mr. Zeiter's** parents were natives of Dauphin County. His father, **George Zeiter**, was a wagon maker, but after working at his trade for many years, he turned his attention to farming, and about ten years before his death retired from business. **Mr. George Zeiter** was married, to **Sophia**, daughter of **Michael** and **Elizabeth (Ebersole) Cassel**, who was born in Dauphin County. Their children are: **Mary Ann (Mrs. Samuel Meehan); David; Jacob; George; William; Frederick; Cyrus; Elizabeth (Mrs. John Ebersole); Michael; Henry; Solomon; Sarah;** and **four** who died in infancy. **Mr. George Zeiter** and his wife were members of the Lutheran Church, in which he held various offices. Both **Mr.** and **Mrs. Zeiter** died at the age of eighty-four. **George Zeiter** received his education in the public schools of Dauphin County. He grew up on his father's farm and remained at home working with his father until he was twenty. He learned milling and worked at the trade for a short time, but his health failing, he turned his attention to farming. In 1871, he removed to Perry County, to the farm on which he now resides. **Mr. Zeiter** is highly esteemed in the county. He is a Democrat, actively interested in local politics, and has served as inspector of elections and as supervisor of Carroll Township.

George Zeiter was married to **Elizabeth**, daughter of **Jacob** and **Catherine (Swiles) Hoover**. They have eleven children: **Mary J. (Mrs. Peter Smith); William H,** married **Mary Callender;** **Jacob W.,** married **Alice Johnson; Kate; Edward O.,** married **Esther Stine; Sarah E. (Mrs. Charles Adams); John; James,** married **Annie M. Morrow; Albert; Agnes;** and **Joseph C.** **Mr. George Zeiter** is a member of the United Brethren Church, in which he is a class-leader, and superintendent of the Sunday-school.

Mrs. Zeiter's parents were natives of Dauphin County. Her father, **Jacob Hoover**, was a weaver, and although engaged in farming, never abandoned his trade. He was married to Miss **Catharine Swiles**. Their children are: **Elizabeth (Mrs. George Zeiter); Sarah,** widow of **Jacob Hoover; Lydia,** widow of **Frederick Minich; Peter ; Rebecca (Mrs. John Cassel); Cyrus; Linda (Mrs. Samuel L. Lease); Valentine; Mitchell; Simon;** and **one** who died in infancy. **Mr. Hoover** died in 1883; aged sixty-three years.

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