

WILLIAM S. DAUGHERTY, ex-deputy sheriff and ex-prothonotary of Indiana county, and the proprietor of the well-known Daugherty planing-mill, is one of the active and progressive business men of the borough. He is a son of James R. and Mary A. (Hart) Daugherty, and was born at Saltsburg, Indiana county, Pennsylvania, January 22, 1846. His paternal grandfather, Hugh Daugherty, was a native of Lycoming county, Pa., and removed in 1799 to Westmoreland county, this State, where he settled on the site of Irwin, what is now North Huntingdon township. His maternal grandfather, William Hart, was of Scotch descent, and settled in Indiana county, where he resided till his death. James R. Daugherty (father) was born and reared in Westmoreland county until he was fourteen years of age, when he came to the site of Saltsburg to work upon the construction of the old Pennsylvania canal, and there are but few men living now who were engaged upon that work. In 1863 he was elected sheriff and removed to Indiana, where he has resided ever since. In 1866 he became a member of the firm of Coleman, Ewing & Co., who were engaged in the planning-mill business, but withdrew in 1872 to fill a second term as sheriff, and three years later purchased the planning-mill of which he formerly been part owner. In 1889 he disposed of this mill property to his son, the subject of this sketch. He is a member of the Presbyterian church and a staunch republican, and had held important offices of Indiana borough. He has also been a trustee of the Indiana Normal school. For sixteen years. For nearly thirty years he has been one of the leading citizens and prominent business men of the county. In 1839 he married Mary A. Hart, daughter of William Hart, and who was born in 1820, and is a member of the Presbyterian church. Their family consists of eight children: Robert J., a member of Co. C, 9th regiment Pa. Vols, who died of exhaustion in the Seven Days' five; William S., Martha, wife of John P. St.Clair; James, Frank, Annie, John and Silas C.

William S. Daugherty was reared in the county and received his education in the common schools and Saltsburg academy. Leaving school, he learned the trade of carpenter, which he followed for three years. At the end of this time he embarked in the drug business, in which he was engaged, with more or less regularity, until 1872, when he became deputy sheriff under his father, and at the expiration of the term of the latter he was successively employed in the same capacity by sheriffs William C. Brown and Daniel Ansley. His third term as deputy sheriff having expired in 1881, he was elected prothonotary of Indiana county in that year, and re-elected in 1884. In 1888 he retired from the prothonotary's office, and in 1778 became superintendent of the erection of the West Indiana school building. Late in the fall of the last-named year he purchased his present planing-mill from his father, and since then has devoted his time and energies principally to supplying the wants of his many patrons and meeting the demands of his constantly-increasing trade. This planing-mill is a large two-story frame building, which was erected in 1856, and has been greatly enlarged and much improved since. The power is furnished by a thirty horse-power engine; eight men are constantly employed, and the large quantity of work which is turned out is first-class in every particular. The building is fitted throughout with all needed conveniences for the planing-mill and lumber business. Mr. Daugherty manufactures and deals in rough and worked lumber of all kinds, consisting of flooring, weather-boarding, ceiling and bill lumber. He also handles doors, sash, mouldings and brackets, and furnishes, on short notice, anything that can be made in a well-regulated planing-mill. He not only enjoys a home trade, but ships work to many points throughout the southern part of the county.

On September 19, 1876, he married Martha V. Sansom, daughter of John Sansom, and sister of James B. Sansom, late editor of the *Indiana Democrat*. They have two children, Hart B. and Ross S.

William S. Daugherty is a member of Palladium Lodge, No. 346, I.O.O.F., Indiana Lodge, No. 21, A.O.U.W., and Indiana Lodge, No. 346, F. and A. M. In the Masonic fraternity he is also a member of Zerubabel Chapter, No. 162, and Pittsburgh Commandery, No. 1. In politics Mr. Daugherty is an influential republican, who, besides the county offices which he has satisfactorily filled, has served his borough for ten years as school director. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and is one of the leading citizens and foremost business men of the county.