

GEORGE A. BLOSE, M.D., who has been in the active and successful practice of his chosen profession at Eddyville since 1883, is a son of David and Rachel (Cochrane) Blose, and was born in Perry township, Jefferson county, Pennsylvania, June 23, 1855. The Blose family is of German descent, and one of its members, George Blose (great-grandfather), was one of the pioneer farmers of Westmoreland count, but later in life moved to Jefferson county, where he died. One of his sons, Boaz Blose (grandfather), was born about 1802. He is a farmer by occupation and a republican in politics. He married Sarah Jane Murphy, of near Irwin, Westmoreland county, by whom he had six children, five sons and one daughter, and two of his sons served in the late civil war. David Blose (father) was born near Perrysville, Jefferson county, about 1834, and has been a farmer and lumberman of his native county for many years. He resides at Perrysville and is a republican in politics. He married Rachel Cochrane, a granddaughter of Matthew Cochrane, of Indiana county, and a daughter of James Cochrane (maternal grandfather), who was a farmer of Indiana county and married a Miss Miller, by whom he had one son and four daughters. After her death Mr. Cochrane married Jane Walkup, and his third wife was a Miss Curry. To David and Rachel Cochrane were born eight children, three sons and five daughters: Dr. George A., Mary, James, who married Maggie Adams, and is a farmer; Addison, married to Ida Moser and engaged in farming; Laura, wife of Eltoen Smith, a farmer of Jefferson county; Melissa, Ida and Cora.

Dr. George A. Blose was reared on his father's farm and after attending the academy at Perrysville, read medicine and entered Jefferson Medical college, of Philadelphia, from which he was graduated in April, 1883. in June of that year he commenced the practice of medicine at Eddyville, where he has a very good practice, which is constantly increasing and rapidly extending over a large area of surrounding country.

On August 4, 1885, he united in marriage with Laura Smith, daughter of John W. Smith, a farm of Red Bank township. Dr. and Mrs. Blose have two children: John Barthalow, born May 29, 1887, and Matthew S., born October 29, 1889. Dr. Blose and his wife are members of the Eddyville Reformed church. He is a republican in politics, but not strenuous in political matters. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Sterling Lodge, No. 245, Knights of Pythias, and the Senior Order of United American Mechanics.