

JOHN A. LOGAN, a former justice of the peace and a worthy citizen of Manor township, is a son of Thomas and Esther (Hood) Logan, and was born at Logansport, Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, December 19, 1840. John Logan (grandfather) was born in county Cork, Ireland, in 1756, and in early life settled in Pine township, Allegheny county, where he engaged in farming. He died in 1852, when he was in the ninety-sixth year of his age. One of his sons, Thomas Logan (father), was born in Allegheny county in 1799. When a young man he was engaged in distilling whiskey, but becoming convinced of the evils of intemperance he abandoned the manufacture of liquor and gave his attention to carding wool. He afterwards removed to Logansport and purchased at that place a tract of four hundred and fifty acres, which he tilled for many years. He died July 16, 1882, aged eighty-three years. He was a successful business man, a life-long whig and republican, and an esteemed member of the Presbyterian church. He was widely known as an enthusiastic Sunday-school worker when Sunday-schools were a new and not a thoroughly appreciated institution in this section of Armstrong county. He married Esther Hood, a native of county Antrim, Ireland, by whom he had nine children, six sons and three daughters. His wife was a member of the Presbyterian church, and died August 20, 1869, in the sixty-seventh year of her age.

John A. Logan was reared at Logansport and attended the public schools of that township. He has always followed farming since leaving school. He now owns some seventy-three acres of well-improved land in Manor township, upon which he resides.

On October 30, 1866, Mr. Logan married Jannetta Gibson, daughter of Charles Gibson, of Allegheny county, and to them was born one child, a daughter, Jannetta, who is still living. After the death of Mrs. Logan, in 1868, Mr. Logan, February 16, 1871, married Sarah Bailey, daughter of Richard Bailey, of Armstrong county. To this second marriage have been born two children: a son, Charles Bailey, who died aged two years, and a daughter, Lydia Martha.

John A. Logan is a worthy, energetic citizen, a consistent member of the Presbyterian church and a prominent republican. He served one year as constable, was elected justice of the peace in 1879, and held that office until 1884. Mr. Logan raises some stock in addition to farming. He has learned much by observation and reading, and has intelligent and decided opinions upon agricultural, political and religious affairs.