

MARCUS D. WAYMAN, of Ford City, who has been interested in the plate-glass business for twenty years, has made more machinery for plate-glass works than any other man in the United States. He is a son of Garey and Nancy (Shellers) Wayman, and was born in Washington county, State of Indiana, March 10, 1830. Garey Wayman was born in 1809, in Maryland, and when a young man went to Lexington, Ky., where he entered and served for some time in a printing establishment. He then removed to New Albany, Indiana, where he made his home until his death, in the fall of 1843, when he was only thirty-eight years of age. He was a member of the Baptist church, and married Nancy Shellers, a daughter of John Shellers, of Frankfort, Ky., by whom he had six children. Mrs. Wayman was born in Frankfort in 1809, is a member of the Methodist church, and now resides with her son, the subject of this sketch.

Marcus D. Wayman was principally reared in Kentucky, where he received a common-school education and learned the trade of foundryman. In 1850 he and nineteen other young men crossed the plains, with ox-teams, to the gold regions of California. After five years' successful experience in gold-digging, he returned to Louisville and purchased a foundry, which he has operated ever since. In this foundry he built the machinery for a large number of steamboats, and has fitted out as high as eleven steamboats a year. During the late civil war he had charge of the government works at Cairo, Ill., and since 1870 Mr. Wayman has been connected with Mr. Ford in the manufacture of plate-glass. In 1870, under a contract with J. B. Ford, of New Albany, Indiana, he built the first machinery made in the United States for a plate-glass works, and since that time has constructed the machinery for the following plate-glass works: The Crystal works of St. Louis, Mo., the Louisville plant, the Jeffersonville plant, the Creighton plant, the Tarentum plant and the two plate-glass works at Ford City. In 1880 he moved from Louisville, Ky., to Tarentum, Pa., and ten years later to Ford City, where he has resided ever since.

On Sept. 20, 1871, he married Margaret Mongavin, daughter of Thomas Mongavin, of Louisville, Ky. To their union have been born six sons and four daughters: Mary, Albert, Marcus D., Jr., Samuel, Thomas, Garey, Margareta, Ruth, Ruby and Kenneth.

Marcus D. Wayman is a liberal republican in politics. He is chairman of the board of trustees of the Ford City Methodist Episcopal church, of which he is a member. Mr. Wayman is the pioneer in the manufacture of American plate-glass machinery, and is known as an energetic, practical business man.