

SAMUEL HEILMAN. The late Samuel Heilman was one of the well-known farmers of Kittanning township, and was an honorable and honest man of excellent character and reputable standing. He was a son of Daniel and Lydia (Yount) Heilman, and was born in Kittanning township, Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, August 29, 1822. The Heilmans (name written Hileman and Hyleman in old documents and records) were among the pioneer families of Kittanning township. (See sketch of James Heilman.) They were among the substantial class of early settlers, and their names appear on the assessment lists of 1807 as owners of mills, distilleries and large tracts of land. The Younts (name written Yundt in old records) were early settlers and large land-holders in the township. Daniel Heilman, the father of the late Samuel Heilman, was of German descent, and came from his native county of Northampton in 1810 to Kittanning township, where he followed farming until his death, in 1832, at fifty years of age. He married Lydia Yount, by whom he had eleven children.

Samuel Heilman was reared in his native township, where he attended the schools of his neighborhood. When he commenced life for himself he engaged in farming, which he followed successfully as long as he lived. He owned a good farm, which he kept in good order and carefully cultivated.

On January 7, 1847, he married Martha Rupert, who is a daughter of Peter Rupert, who was a native of York county and an exemplary member of the Lutheran church, and came with his parents, at five years of age, to this county, where he died in 1855, at the age of seventy-eight years. To Mr. and Mrs. Heilman were born two sons and six daughters: Thomas, who married Julia Bailey and resides in Allegheny city; Emma, wife of J. J. Richard, of Gibbon, Lou, married to John Murphy, of Kittanning; Lydia, wife of William King; Mollie, wife of r. F. Everhart; Jennie, Maggie and Herman Co. the second son, Herman C., who has the management of the home farm, was reared and received his education in his native township. He is a young man of good business ability, and resides with his mother.

Samuel Heilman was a member of the Evangelical Lutheran church, in which he was serving as an elder at the time of his death. He was a strong adherent to the principles of the Democratic party, and had served as tax-collector and as a member of the school-board, of which he had been treasurer during a large part of his term of office. He was a man who made good and diligent use of his opportunities and lived an industrious and useful life. Respected as a citizen, and prudent and careful as a farmer, he enjoyed the good will of his neighbors and all who knew him. When in his sixty-sixth year he received the summons which must come to all sooner or later, and passed away on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1888. His remains rest in Hilman cemetery, but his memory is lovingly cherished by his family and a wide circle of friends.