

ELBIE E. CREPS was born on a farm in Rayne township, Indiana Co., Pa., Feb. 20, 1886, and is the son of J. A. and Minnie A. Creps, nee Ray, the daughter of Robert Ray, of Rayne township. Jacob Creps, the grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was prominent in the affairs of Indiana county during his lifetime, having held the office of sheriff of the county, and was a member for two terms of the Legislature of the State, and having served with distinction in the Civil war as captain of Company A. 61<sup>st</sup> Pennsylvania Volunteers, besides being connected with many business enterprises in the county. He died in 1891, at the age of fifty-four years. His son, J. A. Creps, father of Elbie E. Creps, died April 8, 1913, aged fifty years, while in the auditor general's department of the State, with which he had been connected for a period of eight years. His widow Minnie A. Creps, and these children survive him: Mrs. James Manners, Elbie E., Howard D. and Florence Creps.

The subject of this sketch received his early education in the old "Creps school" in Rayne township, and upon removing to Indiana, Pa., with his family, entered the high school, from which he graduated in 1901. He completed the course at the Indiana State normal school in 1904, and later attended Pennsylvania College, at Gettysburg, Pa., for two years. He was for two years a student in the law department of the University of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia, and in October, 1912, was admitted to the bar of the Supreme court. He is now engaged in the practice of law at Indiana, Pa., being a member of the firm of Langham, Elkin & Creps.