JAMES C. MOORE, head of the J. C. Moore Hardware & Supply Company, of Saltsburg, Indiana county, is one of the leading business men of that borough. He has been interested in his present line since 1875, all that period connected with the same establishment. Mr. Moore is a native of Saltsburg, born Dec. 19, 1848, son of William and Jane (Robinson) Moore, and is of Scotch-Irish descent.

William Moore, the father, was born in 1810 in Butler county, Pa., one of a family of nine children, and came to Saltsburg when a young man, making a permanent home here. He engaged in the tinning business, which he continued to follow throughout his active years, widening his interests until he was the principal partner in one of the largest and most successful business houses in Saltsburg. He died there Jan. 1, 1892. he was a highly esteemed citizen, a leading member of the Presbyterian Church, which he served officially as elder, and a Prohibitionist in political association. His wife, Jane (Robinson), was born near Nowrytown, Indiana county, was one of the ten children of John and Jane Robinson, and died in 1884, aged seventy-two years. Mr. and Mrs. Moore had four children, namely: James C., Sarah E., Kate J. and R. Mary.

James C. Moore grew up at Saltsburg and received his education in the public schools and academy there. In 1871 he went to Baltimore and became a time clerk in the office of the Northern Central railroad Company, holding that position until 1875, when he was obliged to resign because of impaired health. Accordingly he returned to Saltsburg, where he became associated with his father in the store and tinning business, shortly afterward adding a large stock of hardware. The firm was William Moore & Son until January, 1886, when Ira C. Ewing, became a partner, the name changing to William Moore, Son 7 Co.; Mr. Ewing was connected with the business six years. James C. Moore is the only one of those three partners now connected with the business, which is now conducted by the J. C. Moore Hardware & Supply Company (not incorporated), his associates being his son Logan R. Moore, J. F. Piper and F. E. Shupe. The stock originally carried was valued at \$1,500, but has been extended in various lines until \$22,000 worth of goods are now kept on hand to supply a trade which is highly creditable to this progressive house. They are wholesale and retail dealers in hardware, paints, oil, glass, etc.; have a complete assortment of tin, copper and sheet iron ware, and another department for stoves, grates and various house furnishings, having a large patronage in every line, their customers coming from a wide territory around Saltsburg. They also make a specialty of all kinds of roofing.

Though he has been obliged to give a large part of his attention to business to attain success, Mr. Moore has found time to interest himself in local affairs, pertaining to the general welfare. He has served as secretary of the board of trustees of Saltsburg; and has long been a prominent member of the Saltsburg Presbyterian Church, which he formerly served as treasurer; he has been superintendent of the Sunday school for twenty-three years. He was at one time a member of the Knights of Honor, Junior Order of the United American Mechanics and Knights of the Golden Earle, but at present he is connected with no secret order except the Masons. Though formerly a Republican in politics, in a democratic community, he was elected to serve as member of the school board and in various other offices, and he was burgess for five years. At present he is supporting the Prohibition party. Of recent years he has been spending the winter in Florida, where he has a cottage in De Land, 110 miles south of Jacksonville.

In February, 1875, Mr. Moore married Maggie G. Logan, daughter of David and Margaret J. Logan, of Parker City, Armstrong Co., Pa.; she died Oct. 18, 1886. They had three children: (1) Alice has become well known all over the United States as a capable worker in the Young Women's Christian Association, and is now preparing to go to Oakland, Cal. (2) Logan R., who is in business with his father, married Helen Robinson, daughter of Harry Robinson, and they have two children, Elizabeth and Mary,. (3) Mary has spent seven years as a missionary in China, where she married Myron Peck, then professor in a college in that country, now living at Oakland, Cal. He is at present engaged as harbor engineer. They have two children, Gladys and Albert Carlton.

On May 2, 1888, Mr. Moore married (second) Jennie E. Ewing, daughter of Matthew and Elizabeth Ewing, of Jacksonville, Indiana Co., Pa., and they have had three children: Helen, a graduate of Wooster University, 1907, now the wife of O. C. Kelly, of Bloomfield, N. J., employed by the Westinghouse Company; Ralph, born in 1891, who is now attending State College; and Edward, who died in infancy.