

THEODORE M. DONAHEY, of Tunnelton, Indiana county, general merchant and farmer, has a high reputation in his section for business ability and honor. He is a native of the county, born Feb. 17, 1856, in Young township, son of Samuel C. Donahey and grandson of William and Sarah (Clawson) Donahey, who had a large family, namely: Samuel C., Richard, Benjamin, Joseph, Andrew, Ross, Ellis, William, Mary Ann, Rebecca, Sarah and Jane.

Samuel C. Donahey was born Feb. 6, 1822, in Young township, this county, and there followed farming and stock raising all his life, for many years also dealing in live stock, shipping to Philadelphia. He cultivated a farm of nearly two hundred acres, and was a successful and progressive man, though quiet in disposition and thoroughly unassuming. He was interested in anything he believed would contribute to the general good, and was a generous supporter of the Hopewell M. E. Church in Blacklick township. He was a strong believer in the principles of the Democratic party. On March 5, 1846, Mr. Donahey married Lavina Clawson, who was born in Young township, July 15, 1825, and died June 10, 1897. Mr. Donahey survived her, passing away Dec. 24, 1907. They are buried in the Hopewell M. E. Church cemetery. Children as follows were born to them: (1) William Albert, born Jan. 9, 1847, married Sarah Thompson and (second) Sarah Ann Rosenberger. He resides at Tunnelton. (2) Sarah Jane, born Jan. 12, 1849, died Jan. 9, 1911, unmarried. (3) Richard Milton, born July 9, 1852, died Sept. 14, 1870. (4) Theodore M. is mentioned below. (5) Anna Mary, born Oct. 28, 1858, married Robert Montgomery Sheffler, a blacksmith and farmer living at West Lebanon, this county. (6) Samuel Henry, born Nov. 13, 1861, married Anna Belle Morton. (7) John Clark, born Feb. 6, 1867, married Sarah M. Fulton, daughter of Joseph H. and Elizabeth (Coulter) Fulton, and they have one son, Arthur LeRoy, born April 19, 1894. Mr. Donahey is in the trucking business in the borough of Indiana, in partnership with his brother Samuel.

Theodore M. Donahey first attended the common schools in Young township, and later continued his studies at the Eldersridge academy and the Indiana (Pa.) State normal school. He was engaged in teaching school for fourteen years, in Young township, Clarksburg, this county, Armstrong township, Conemaugh township and Jacksonville—all in Indiana county. He then (during the administration of President Cleveland) moved to Petersburg, Va., and for a period of six years carried on the mercantile business there, in 1898 returning to Young township, Indiana Co., Pa. After devoting himself to farming for a short time he moved to Tunnelton, in Conemaugh township, where he bought the general store of David Duncan, and has since been doing a thriving business at that point as butcher and general merchant. He owns a farm of sixty-two acres near by, which he cultivates, and he raises a large number of fine horses, in which line he has been highly successful. In fact, he has done well in all his undertakings, and is one of the most prosperous citizens in his section. He is a Democrat in politics and a Presbyterian in religion.

Mr. Donahey was married in September, 1895, to Levina Logan Gould, daughter of Josiah Gould, of Petersbrug, Va. They have no children.