

THOMAS PRESTLEY CAMPBELL, retired farmer of Young township, Indiana county, who now makes his home at West Lebanon, was born near Martinsburg, in Butler county, Pa., June 29, 1843, His grandfather, Joseph Campbell, settled in Westmoreland county, this State, later moving to Butler county, where he followed farming near Martinsburg the rest of his life, dying there. He was a member of the United Presbyterian Church. His wife's maiden name was Storey.

James Campbell, father of Thomas P. Campbell, was born in Butler county and grew to manhood on his father's farm there. For a time he was employed on the Erie canal, receiving fifty cents a day, and subsequently followed farming in Parker township, Butler county. In 1873 he sold his interests there and came to Indiana county, locating in Young township, where he bought the Elwood farm, a tract of 189 acres upon which he spent the remainder of his days, dying there April 19, 1891. He was buried in the West Union cemetery. Mr. Campbell followed farming and stock raising. In religion he was a member of the United Presbyterian Church. In Butler county he married Elizabeth Akins, who became the mother of four children: Jacob, who died when two years old; Thomas P.; Richard, who resides in the South; and Isaiah, who lives in Klickitat county, Wash. Mrs. Campbell died on the farm and Mr. Campbell married (second), Jane McClary, daughter of Thomas McClary. There were five children by this marriage: McClary, who died young; Amanda, who is now the widow of David George (he died in 1882) and resides at West Lebanon (she has had two children: Dora, deceased, and Perry Campbell, at home); Mary S., who married Charles George, of Young township; Joanna, residing in West Lebanon; and Nancy, who married Calvin McAdoo, of Indiana, Pa. the mother died Feb. 7, 1901, and is buried in the West Union cemetery.

Thomas Prestley Campbell obtained his education in the common schools of Parker township, Butler county. Until seventeen years of age he worked at home with his father, subsequently doing farm work for others and learning the trade of blacksmith at Brady's Bend, Armstrong county. On Sept. 3, 1863, he enlisted in the Union army, becoming a member of Company C, 65th Pennsylvania Heavy Artillery, under Capt. David Evans, of Pittsburg, and Colonel Barnes. He was stationed at Fort Ethan Allen, Fort Albany and Fort Ward, in Virginia, spending a year in the service, and was mustered out at Fort War, returning to Pennsylvania. Going to Butler county he worked in the oil fields for seven or eight years, as a blacksmith and driller. In 1873 he came to Indiana county and worked on his father's farm for a short time, until he settled on the John D. Hart place, a tract of 116 acres, where he carried on general farming and stock raising for the next thirty-five years, in 1908 renting the property and moving to West Lebanon. He has since lived retired, though he is active and enjoys good health. Mr. Campbell is an unassuming citizen, and though he has not taken any part in public matters is well known and like in this vicinity. He is a Republican in politics, and in religious connection a member of the United Presbyterian Church.

In 1880 Mr. Campbell married Belle J. Kier, daughter of James Kier, and she was also a member of the United Presbyterian Church. No children were

born to this union. Mrs. Campbell died Aug. 11, 1910, and is buried in the west Union cemetery in Armstrong township. Since her decease Mr. Campbell has made his home with his sister Joanna in West Lebanon.