

his present place. He and wife are members of the German Baptist Church. He married November, 1868, Sarah, daughter of John S. Deeter, who was born within sight of her present home. Of the two sons and one daughter born to this union, the two sons have died.

**GEORGE LOUDENSLAYER**, farmer; P. O. Pleasant Hill; born in Pennsylvania in 1833; is the son of John L. and Susan (Dishon) Loudenslayer, both of Pennsylvania; his grandfathers were natives of Germany; John L. was a shoemaker by trade; he died in 1835, leaving two daughters and one son; Mrs. L. afterward emigrated to Ohio, where her death occurred in 1861. The subject of this sketch was not 3 years old when his father died, and at the age of 7 years was bound out for his board and clothes; at the age of 15 he began working for wages during the summer, and attending school during the winter months; at 18, he apprenticed himself to the carpenter trade, which he followed two years; he then immigrated to this county, locating in Monroe Township; he remained here till 1864, when he removed to Moses Doner's farm, two and a half miles southwest of Milton; at the end of four years, he purchased his present place of 80 acres, now under the best of improvements. As a farmer, he is a success; as a member of society, he is pleasant and affable. His religious views find expression in the Brethren in Christ Church, of which he and his wife are members. Married in June, 1857, to Elizabeth Hullacher, of Montgomery Co., born March, 1837, her father coming originally from Pennsylvania; of their nine children, three are deceased.

**SAMPSON A. MARSHALL**, farmer; P. O. Laura; born in this county in 1834, of English descent; his father, William, and mother, Charity Wright, were from South Carolina, the latter born June 11, 1801; they made the journey of 700 miles, to Ohio, in a wagon, with four sons; he first located on the Stillwater, but died at his home in Darke Co., Nov. 10, 1837, leaving ten children—John, born March 25, 1818, died Jan. 9, 1854; William, born Sept. 5, 1819; Thomas, born Feb. 25, 1822, died in 1871; Ahab, born Oct. 7, 1825, died June 18, 1851; Sarah, born June 15, 1828; Jane, born July 6, 1830; Mary and Rachel, twins, born Nov. 15, 1832—the former died Sept. 20, 1854, the latter, June 20, 1853; Sampson, born Oct. 7, 1834, and Charity, born Aug. 14, 1836, died Dec. 18, 1857. Sampson A. learned the carpenter trade, and continued the business until 1857, since which time he has followed farming; he cleared a farm of 32 acres in Darke Co., and in 1878 came to his present place. Aug. 19, 1857, married Mary, daughter of Samuel and Amelia (Hall) Rhodehamel; Samuel was born in Pennsylvania May 3, 1803; his father, John R., was born in Saxony, and his mother, Maria Miller, in Breisen; they came to the United States in 1800, locating in Pennsylvania; in 1804, to Montgomery Co., Ohio, and in 1820 to Union Township, where John R. died, aged 76, and Maria at 90 years. Of twelve children, two survive; Samuel was raised to farm labor, obtaining a limited education; except a short interval, he has lived upon his present place since 1826. May 11, 1822, he married Amelia Hall, her father, Amos, being an early settler; she died July 15, 1878; their children were—Orel, born June 13, 1858; Sarah E., born April 14, 1861; John H., born Sept. 25, 1863; Jane, born Dec. 23, 1865; William, born May 4, 1868; Frank A., born Feb. 25, 1875, and Omer, born Oct. 8, 1877. Samuel R. has been a member of the Christian Church for forty years; of his ten children, three now survive.

**WILLIAM MILES**, farmer; P. O. Pleasant Hill; was born Nov. 7, 1807, in this township; he is the son of Jonathan Miles, who was born in South Carolina, and married Miss Mary Pearson; early in the beginning of the present century, he fell in with the tide of immigration which was flowing into Ohio, from the Southern States. Accompanied by his family and parents, Mr. Miles traveled until he reached the present township of Newton, where he located, on Sec. 31; his father, William, settled in the same township, where his death occurred soon after. Jonathan reared a family of nine children; he lived to the advanced age of 90 years, when he was gathered to his fathers; his wife preceded him some fifteen years; for fifteen years before her death, she was an invalid, caused by a paralytic stroke. Our