

BARNET HOMER.

Upon a farm on section 13, Monroe township, Barnet Homer resides, his time and attention being given to the cultivation of his land. He was born in Adams county, Pennsylvania, near Gettysburg, on the 12th of September, 1827, his parents being John and Eliza Homer, who were natives of the same locality. In 1837 they left the Keystone state and with their family came to Ohio, locating in Holmes county, where the father spent his remaining days. He first purchased forty acres of land and later added to this until, in connection with his sons, he owned one hundred and ninety-six acres. He had passed the eighty-second milestone on life's journey when called to his final rest.

Barnet Homer remained in Holmes county until 1863, when he came to Monroe township. For ten years he rented land and then purchased his present farm, comprising one hundred and one acres. When he took possession of this place it was but little improved. There was a small log cabin, into which he moved, and then, with characteristic energy, began the further development of his land. He has eighty acres under a high state of cultivation and has good buildings which furnish shelter for grain and stock. His methods are at once practical and progressive and have resulted in bringing to him a gratifying success.

Mr. Homer was united in marriage to Miss Eliza Wyneman, and they had two children, of whom one is living, Margaret, now the wife of John Oswald. Mr. Homer, as the result of his investigation of political questions, gives his support to the Republican party, but has never sought office, his attention being fully occupied by his business affairs. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, in which he has served as an elder. All his business affairs have been conducted in an honorable, straightforward manner that has commended him to the confidence and regard of those with whom he has come in contact. He has been the architect of his own fortunes and has builded wisely and well. His life stands in exemplification of the opportunities that are afforded in this country to men of determined purpose who are willing to improve their advantages and labor earnestly for the prosperity which all men desire.