

### HENRY P. METZ.

Henry P. Metz, a farmer of section 18, Sharon township, Richland county, Ohio, whose postoffice is Shelby, was born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, March 26, 1857, and is a son of Alexander Metz, born in the same county February 23, 1829, and died in Pennsylvania in 1897. The mother of our subject, Elizabeth Jane Shibeley, was born in Perry county in 1831, and was married in November, 1855. She and her husband lived forty-five years on their forty-acre farm in the valley, he working most of the time at his blacksmith forge. They were the parents of six children,—four sons and two daughters,—as follows: Henry P., the subject of this sketch; Oscar Jerome, a farmer of Cass township, Richland county, Ohio, who is married and has five children; Ida V., the wife of Stephen Worcester, of Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, and who has a family of one son and one daughter; Allen I.; John, living on the old farm in Perry county, Pennsylvania, upon which the father settled forty-seven years ago, and has a family of four children; and Annie, living with her mother, who is still an active woman, in Perry county, Pennsylvania.

Henry P. Metz was given a good common-school education, left home when twenty years of age, locating in Sharon township, Richland county, Ohio, and working by the month for a farmer during the years 1878 and 1879. He was married, November 25, 1879, to Elnora Castor, who was born in 1853, in Plymouth township, and who is a daughter of Thompson and Rachel Castor, the former of Pennsylvania and the latter of Ohio, both of whom are now deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. Metz have one child, Charles Clarence, now in his twentieth year and living at home. Mr. Metz purchased his present eighty-acre farm in February, 1895. It is a fertile farm with much choice fruit upon it. He keeps two horses, and from twelve to seventeen head of cattle.

Mr. Metz is an Odd Fellow, is a Patron of Husbandry, and in politics a Republican. In every way he has been and is a model citizen of the republic, and is highly esteemed by all.