MEDICINE AND MEDICAL MEN.

Homoeopathy.—According to the transactions of the World’s Homoeopathic Convention of 1875, we find that homoeopathy was “first introduced into this county by Dr. Ehman, now of Louisville, Ky., about the year 1847 or 1848. He located at Lancaster, the county-seat, and remained several years. Dr. J. Marie McCalister located here about 1851.”

“Dr. Hamilton, now of the State of Ohio, located at Columbia in 1850, but remained only one year, when he was succeeded by Dr. Smith Armor.”

The homoeopathic physicians who reside in the city and county have organized themselves into a society; the following are members of the same:

Dr. O. T. Huebener, of Lancaster, is a native of Tuscawas, Ohio, and the son of the Rev. Samuel R. Huebener. He attended Nazareth Hall, and afterwards became a teacher in this institution.

He studied under Dr. Joseph Hark, and in 1868 graduated at the Hahnemann Medical College, Philadelphia. After graduation he located at Lititz, where he remained until 1880, when he moved to Lancaster. He is a member of the State Homoeopathic Society, and at present president of the County Homoeopathic Society.

Daniel W. Harner was born in Juniata County, Pa., June 10, 1855, and was the son of Abraham Harner, a clergyman of the United Brethren Church. He obtained his education at the district school and the normal school at Thompsonville. He matriculated at the Cleveland (Ohio) Homoeopathic Hospital College in 1878, and in the spring of that year began practice at New Holland, Lancaster Co., where he has since resided.

George W. Reich, M.D.—The great-grandfather of Dr. Reich emigrated from Bavaria, Germany, when a lad. His son, Adam, was probably a native of York County, Pa., where he was a potter, and conducted a large and flourishing establishment. He was united in marriage to a Miss Kepler, and became the father of two sons and two daughters. His son, George, was born in York, Pa., March 4, 1804. When sufficiently advanced in years, his father placed him in a Lutheran theological seminary preparatory to entering the ministry of the Lutheran Church. His inclinations having led him to abandon his studies at the seminary, he became associated with the Evangelical Association, otherwise known as the German Methodists, as an itinerant, in which connection he served for five years. He was, in May, 1825, married to Miss Mary, daughter of Harman Long, whose father emigrated from Switzerland when a lad (probably more than a century and a half ago) and later became owner of a large tract of land embracing the present Conoy and East Donegal townships, acquired under Cook’s patent.

In 1827 Mr. Reich retired from the ministry and began the study of medicine, graduating from a medical college in New York City in 1831. He continued in practice, though not in later life actively engaged, until his death, which occurred Feb. 17, 1876, in his seventy-first year.

The children of Dr. and Mrs. Reich were Mary (Mrs. Brose), Harman L., Lizzie (Mrs. Bowman), Annie (Mrs. Heisey), George W., Benjamin F. (a physician at York, Pa.), and Sallie.

Their son George W. was born Jan. 8, 1844, in Conoy Township, Lancaster Co. When but a lad, having access to the library of his father, he began the study of medicine, which was continued, with an interval spent at the normal school at Millerville, and also at Pittsburgh, Pa. He attended lectures during the years 1868, ’69, ’70, ’71, and ’72, and graduated in the latter year at the Homoeopathic Medical College of New York. Marietta having offered an attractive field of labor, he made it his residence, where he has since been an active practitioner. He has been signally successful, and won an enviable rank in the profession in this portion of the county, where he is the only representative of the homoeopathic school of medicine.

He is especially interested in educational projects, and is a member of the board of education of the borough. He is a Republican in politics, though not specially interested in political contests. His belief is in harmony with the creed of the Protestant Episcopal Church, of which Mrs. Reich is a member.

Dr. Reich was married Aug. 28, 1876, to Miss Ella C., daughter of Jacob Roth, of Marietta. Their children are two sons,—George R. and Albert M.

John B. Kohler, M.D., for ten years a practicing physician at New Holland, was born in that village Feb. 1, 1851. His father, Rev. John Kohler (a native of Snyder County), was for many years pastor of the New Holland Lutheran Church, and was in that pastorate when the house of worship used by that society was erected. He is at present principal of the primary department of the Muhlenberg College at Allentown. Rev. John Kohler married Louisa Ann Baum. Their children numbered nine, and all are now living. Charles S. is a Lutheran minister of Rochester, N. Y., Frederick W. a minister in the Lutheran Church in Franklin, Venango Co., Pa., Martin L. is an attorney in Philadelphia.

John B. Kohler was educated at Washington Hall, Trappe, Montgomery Co., and upon the completion of his school days entered a store as a clerk. His desire turned toward a medical career, but his parents were not able to send him to college, and so, taking early to his heart the lesson of self-reliance, he determined to earn money enough to fit him for his chosen profession. It was no slight task that he had set before him, but ambitious zeal gave him strength, and thus urging his way slowly, and applying himself to his labors with diligence and untiring energy, he soon saw his way clear. Studying at first with
Dr. Joseph W. Royer, at Trappe, he entered the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania in 1869, and after attending three courses of lectures graduated at that institution in March, 1873. August 23d of that year he located at New Holland, and although he found the field liberally occupied, he faced the situation with a determination to win success if success could be won. Patience and perseverance were his watchwords, and indeed they needed to be, for he found his progress slow and uncertain at first, and discouragements many. He had, however, come to stay, and so he conquered adverse circumstances at last, and found the assured place that he had sought for. His practice has steadily increased year by year, and to-day requires his constant attention and the full bent of his energies. Since 1879 he has been a member of the Lancaster County Medical Society. He was reared in the Lutheran faith for upwards of seventeen years, has been a member of that church, and for two years a deacon therein. Oct. 5, 1881, he was married to Ella L., daughter of T. M. Storb, one of New Holland's prominent citizens.

Dr. William G. Taylor, of Columbia, is a native of Darby, Delaware Co., Pa. He graduated at the Hahnemann Medical College in 1870, and soon afterwards located at Columbia. He is a member of the Homœopathic Medical Society of the county.

Dr. F. M. Harry, of Mount Joy, is a native of Lionville, Chester Co., Pa., and a graduate of the Hahnemann Medical College of Philadelphia. He located at Mount Joy soon after graduation, and is a member of the Homœopathic Medical Society of the county.

Dr. Smith Armor, of Columbia, is a native of Delaware. He graduated at the Homœopathic Medical College, Pennsylvania, in 1851, and soon afterwards located at his present place of practice.

Dr. John Angstadt located at Milton Grove, came originally from Reading. He is not a graduate in medicine, but is a member of the County Homœopathic Medical Society.

Dr. F. F. Frantz, of Lancaster, is the son of Jacob Frantz, of Lancaster township. In 1869 he graduated at the Jefferson Medical College, and in 1876 took the degree of M.D. at the Hahnemann Medical College. He is a member of the Homœopathic Society of the county.

Dr. William D. Bollinger, of Lancaster, is a native of Pimber, Ill. In 1867 he graduated at the Pennsylvania College of Homœopathic Medicine, and later connected himself with the Homœopathic Medical Society of the county.

Dr. Samuel H. Metzgar, of Lancaster, is a native of the city and a graduate in homœopathic medicine at the Pennsylvania Homœopathic College in the class of 1881. While he is considered a homœopathic physician, yet he is not a member of the society, since his liberality is incompatible with the exclusiveness of homœopathic doctrines.