

ALONZO D. BIRCHARD, physician, Cambridgeboro, was born in Vernon Township, this county, February 28, 1836, son of Levi G. and Elizabeth (Gross) Birchard, and grandson of James Birchard, who settled in what is now Cambridge Township, this county, in 1813. Our subject was reared on a farm and received his early education at the common schools. He afterward attended select schools at Cambridgeboro and Meadville, Penn., and in 1860 was a student at Allegheny College, Meadville. In 1861 he began the study of medicine with Dr. William J. Gamble, of Mosiertown, Penn., where he remained three years. In 1864 he received his diploma from the Bellevue Hospital Medical College, New York, and began the practice of his profession with Dr. Gamble, of Mosiertown, the same year, remaining with him two years. In 1866 he located in Cambridgeboro, where he has since been in active practice. He was married December 15, 1864, to Hannah F., daughter of John W. and Lodeika (Rockwell) McFadden, early settlers of Cambridge Township, this county, and by this union there are five children: George G., Clarence C., Bessie B., Alonzo D., Jr. and Louisa A. Dr. Birchard and wife are members of the Presbyterian Church. He is a member of the K. of H. and the A. O. U. W.

EDWARD L. BIRCHARD, druggist and jeweler, Cambridgeboro, was born in Cambridge Township, this county, February 3, 1852, son of Darius D. and Caroline (Parker) Birchard. Darius D., son of James Birchard, was one of the ten children who came with their parents from Becket, Mass., and settled in what is now Cambridge Township, this county, in 1813. Edward L. Birchard, our subject, learned the jeweler's trade at Warren, Ohio, going there in 1873. In 1875 he opened a jewelry store in Geneva, Ohio, where he remained till 1876, when he came to Cambridge and engaged in the same business here. In 1883 he bought the drug business of A. K. Fever, which he is carrying on in connection with his jewelry trade. He is a member of the Masonic order, Lodge 473, of Cambridge, and is Treasurer, Collector and a member of the Council. In politics he is a Republican.

PETER CATLING, farmer, P. O. Cambridgeboro, was born in the County of Suffolk, England, February 20, 1826; son of John and Mary (Page) Catling, of that locality. He came to America in 1853, and located in Wayne Township, Erie County, where he resided eight years, and in 1861 settled in Rockdale Township, this county. Here he lived until 1869, when he moved to Cambridge Township, where he now resides. He was married November 16, 1848, to Margaret, daughter of Edward and Elizabeth (Jones) Edwards, of North Wales. By this union there are three children: Mary, born in England, wife of Sylvester Mitchell (they reside in this township); Jane A., wife of Andrew Frisbie, in LeBoeuff, Erie Co., Penn.; Edward J., married to Virginia Anderson (they reside on the home farm with his father). Mr. and Mrs. Catling are members of the Christian Church at McLallen's Corners, Erie County. He is now serving his fourth term as Auditor of his Township. In politics he is a Democrat.

CHARLES F. CHAMBERLAIN, late County Superintendent Schools, Cambridgeboro, was born in Strongsville, Cuyahoga Co., Ohio, March 5, 1844; son of Uriah T. and Sarah (Sanborn) Chamberlain, who settled in Conneaut Township in 1853. Uriah T. was a son of Deacon Isaac and Amy (Benton) Chamberlain, the former an extensive farmer in central New York State; one of the leaders in the temperance reform, and at the time of its first agitation he kept a prominent hotel, which was the first, and for a long time the only temperance house known in that region. His wife, a relative of Hon. Thomas Benton, was of Puritanic origin, whose ancestors came over in the "May-

flower," and several relics of that historic voyage are still preserved in the family as heirlooms. Uriah T. graduated from Oberlin College in 1838; was ordained and installed as pastor of the Congregational Church of Fitchville, Ohio, the same year. His last pastorate was with the Congregational Church at Hartford, Trumbull Co., Ohio, where he preached regularly one-half the time till the last Sabbath in October, 1878, at which time his health failing, he was obliged to discontinue his labors. He died at the residence of his son, in Cambridge, January 10, 1880, in his seventy-first year; his widow survives him at the age of seventy-five and resides with her son, Charles F. They had seven children: Mary F. (deceased), Isaac D., now in Nebraska, Ebenezer B., New York; Charles F.; Sarah S., married to C. S. Carr, in Michigan; Uriah T. Jr. (deceased) and George A. (deceased). Our subject married, December 4, 1870, Flora, daughter of Deacon Seth and Irene (Smith) Waid, of Randolph Township, this county. They have one child, Anna L. Mr. Chamberlain has been a prominent resident of Cambridgeboro since 1875. He began teaching in the common schools at the age of seventeen. He was teacher in the public school at Riceville three years, beginning in 1864; in 1867-68 he was Principal of the graded school at Mosiertown, and in 1869 went to Hydetown, where he was Principal of the graded school six consecutive years. In 1875 our subject came to Cambridgeboro, and was Principal of the high school three years; in 1878 he was elected Superintendent of the common schools of this county, and is now serving his second term. He is Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Pennsylvania State Teachers' Association; in 1876 was associated with D. P. Robbins, M. D., in the publication of the *Cambridge Index*. Our subject and wife are members of the Congregational Church. In politics he is a Republican. He has always been an active worker in the cause of temperance, and for two years was President of the Cambridgeboro Christian Temperance Union. Since the above was written our subject, on June 1, 1884, closed his second term of office as Superintendent of the schools of Crawford County, and in July following moved with his family to Humboldt, Richardson Co., Neb., having been previously elected to the position of Superintendent and Principal of the schools of that city, and since his arrival there he has been unanimously elected President of the Teachers' Association of Richardson County for the ensuing year.

RICHARD D. CROSLLEY, mason, Cambridgeboro, was born in Collins, Steuben Co., N. Y., November 5, 1825; son of Moses and Catherine (Ayers) Crosley, who settled in Hayfield Township, this county, in 1834. Only four of the eleven children born to them are now living: James in Cortland County, N. Y., Edwin, in Illinois, Moses, in Hayfield Township, this county, and Richard D., who resided in Hayfield Township, this county, till he was twenty-five years of age. He learned his trade at Conneautville, and in 1858 located in Cambridge, where he has lived ever since. Our subject has been twice married; on the first occasion, December 29, 1860, to Mary L., daughter of Samuel St. John, of Washington Township, Erie Co., Penn., by whom there were two children: Mary C., wife of Derastus Closson, of Cussewago Township, this county, and Miles R. His second marriage, May 30, 1875, was with Martha Collins, a native of Delaware, of German descent, and a daughter of Samuel H. and Eliza R. (Cole) Collins, of South Carolina. Mr. Crosley has been a School Director of Hayfield, and has held other minor offices. In politics he is a Republican.

JACKSON DOCTOR, farmer, P. O. Cambridgeboro, was born in Cambridge Township, this county, October 25, 1840; son of James and Mary (Humes) Doctor, the former a son of Leonard and Elizabeth (Humes) Doctor,