

Henry Simon was born in Washington county, Penn., June 7, 1796, and in Alleghany county,

Md., on September 11, 1821, wedded Catherine Stemple, whose birth occurred in Preston

county, Va., July 10, 1798. In their family were the following children: Israel was born

October 5, 1822; Jonas, born January 16, 1824, died in Hancock county, Ohio, April 5,

1854; Mary, born November 20, 1825, first became the wife of Isaac Bunnell, but is now

Mrs. Joseph Beck, of Bairdstown, Ohio; Elias is next in order of birth; Abigail, born July 17,

1830, married Henry Carrell, of Wood county; Joshua, born February 17, 1833, died in

McComb, Ohio, May 16, 1890; Carolus, born July 18, 1835, died January 20, 1863, from

a wound received while a member of Company H, 49th O.V.I., during the Civil war. The

mother of these children died April 2, 1836, after a long illness, and was laid to rest in

Boardman township, Mahoning county. She was a faithful member of the Lutheran Church.

She had come to Ohio with her husband on horseback, bringing with her a set of

dishes which had been given her. The father was again married in Mahoning county,

March 11, 1842, the lady of his choice being Elizabeth Miner, and they became the

parents of seven children, namely: Catherine, who died in Wood county of membranous

croup while young; George, who was killed during the Civil war; David, who died in

Eaton county, Mich.; Gideon and Arminta, who died while young; Henry, who makes his

home in Eaton county, Mich.; and Maria, now Mrs. Gidner, of the same county.

The first land owned by Henry Simon was a tract of 100 acres in Mahoning county, for

which he paid \$400, and to its cultivation he devoted his time until November, 1844,

when he came to Bloom township, Wood county, here making his home until 1870,

when he removed to Eaton county, Mich. There he died May 15, 1872, and at the same

place his widow passed away in 1894. His first vote was cast for the Whig party and

he later became a staunch Republican.