

JOSEPH CROZIER, farmer, section 15, Union Township, came to this county in October, 1841, and first settled on the farm now owned by Elijah Krick. He lived on that farm two years, then entered his present farm from the Government, and has occupied it since that time. It was then in a perfectly wild state. He built his log cabin which stood on the site of his present barn.

Mr. Crozier was born in Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, October 5, 1816, and when he was a child was taken by his parents to Perry County, same State, where he grew to manhood. He was married in Stark County, Ohio, May 19, 1839 to Miss Christina Raver, who was born in that county September 11, 1821. After their marriage they lived in Stark County until their removal to this county. Mrs. Crozier died June 10, 1858, leaving seven children - Samuel, born December 4, 1842; George, born February 10, 1845; Elias, born March 16, 1846; James, born September 2, 1848; Joseph, born July 7, 1850; William, born February 15, 1852, and Sarah Jane, born February 10, 1856. Samuel died in hospital, while in the army, in New Orleans, in February, 1865, being a member of the Forty-seventh Indiana Infantry. George died at home. Elias also died at home February 22, 1873. William Henry and Elizabeth died in infancy.

August 10, 1858, Mr. Crozier was married to Anna Trimble, who was born in Crawford County, Ohio, August 27, 1826, where she passed her childhood. She removed with her mother to Van Wert County, where the latter died February 15, 1873, at the age of seventy-seven years. She was born in Muskingum County in 1796. The father died in Crawford County, when Mrs. Crozier was quite young, aged over seventy years. There were eight children in her father's family, Mrs. Crozier being the third child; only two of the children are living - Mrs. Ensworth, of Union Township, and Mrs. Crozier.

Mr. Crozier's parents were Samuel I. and Mary (Lear) Crozier. The father was born in Pennsylvania in 1786 and served in the war of 1812. He died in Allen County, Indiana, in July, 1872, and is buried near Mapleton. He was a blacksmith by trade, and followed blacksmithing most of his life. The mother was born in Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, and died in Allen County, this State, about 1857, aged sixty years. Mr. Crozier and his present wife have had no children. His grandfather Crozier was born in Ireland, came to America and settled on the Susquehanna River in Pennsylvania. He died in that State. The Lears were of German ancestry. Mr. Crozier's grandparents, Hugh and Mary Trimble, died in Crawford County, Ohio. They were of Irish descent. Mr. Crozier was the oldest of eight children in his father's family.