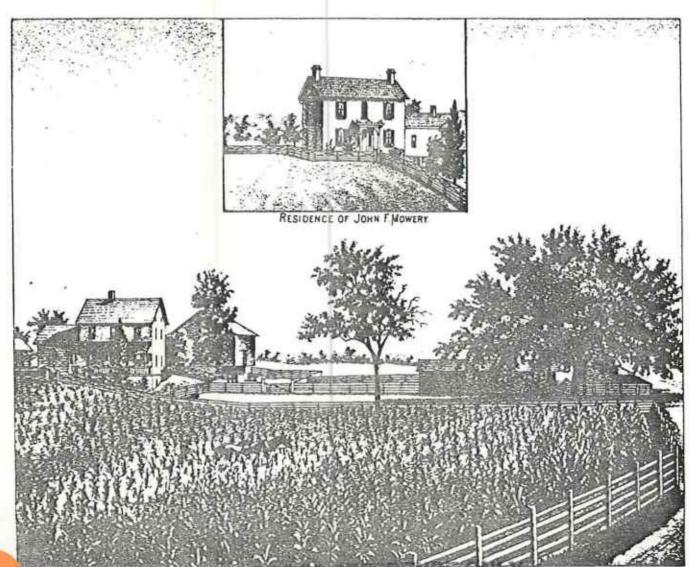


JOHN MOWERY, SR.





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was the youngest son of John Mowery, sr., and was born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, August 12, 1805. When five years of age, his parents emigrated to Ohio, and settled in Salt Creek, Pickaway county, where John F. Mowery now lives. His father made a purchase of land in sections eleven and fourtéen, and erected his dwelling in the southwest corner of section eleven. He died about a year after his settlement.

John Mowery, the subject of this sketch, married, September 27, 1827, Rachel Dunkel, daughter of George Dunkel, and took up his residence on the homestead which became his at his father's death, and which he occupied during his life. He died July 2, 1876. He was a prominent member of the Lutheran church, in Tarlton, and was a man of strict integrity. He was an industrious, hard-working farmer, and possessing a sound judgment, he accumulated a good property, owning at the time of his death between six and seven hundred acres of land.

Mrs. Mowery died October 8, 1878, aged sixty-nine years, nine months and eighteen days.

There were thirteen children born to John and Rachel Mowery, three of whom died in infancy, and the dates of their birth are not recorded. The others are as follows: Leannah, born March 9, 1828, married for her first husband Venus Reichelderfer, by whom she had two children. She is now the wife of Elias Crites, and lives in Allen county, Ohio; Catharine, born February 27, 1831, died May 3, 1862, was the first wife of her sister Leannah's present husband; Mary, born September 18, 1833, became the wife of Jonathan J. Stout (now deceased), and resides in Washington township; Rachel, born May 27, 1836, married Amos Reichelderfer, and now resides near Bucyrus, Ohio; Susannah, born January 18, 1839, is the wife of Peter Myers, and now lives near Stoutsville, Fairfield county; William H., born June 13, 1845, married Leahan Fetherolf, and now resides in Salt Creek, near Tarlton; John F., born February 3, 1848, married Mary Wolf, and now resides on the old homestead; Louisa Jane, born November 23, 1850, is the wife of William H. Housell, of Tarlton; George D., born May 10, 1853, married Alice Courtright, and lives at Stringtown; Allen S., born April 9, 1857 (unmarried), lives with his brother George. The four brothers, above mentioned, wishing to perpetuate the memory of their parents, have secured the insertion of their portraits, with a view of the old home, in connection with the history of Salt Creek.