There is only one exception to the above rule, and the reason for this will be understood when you read the facts. It is the case of the family of John Stouffer, of the second generation, whose daughter Maria married Wm. Pingle. They had three sons. Theodore William and Frederick died unmarried. Harry Walter, the second son, married Alice Ann Dalziel, to whom were born four children, only two of whom—Clara Louise Pingle and Frank Choate Pingle—are living, neither of them as yet being married.

As by the aid of history we see that our family started out very auspiciously, and that to this day it has flourished and grown in a commendable way, so may it continue to grow in physical, intellectual and moral power, taking its full share of the activities and responsibilities of life, which make for the betterment of this world.

It would be a great satisfaction and joy to us all if we could, in this booklet, show the pictures of Abraham and Elizabeth Stouffer—the central figures in our family history, but in their day photographs were unknown.