

In the year 1854, May 5th, upon his father's farm in Tompkins county, N. Y., he was carrying a young lamb to a place of shelter during a thunderstorm, and while doing so he was struck by lightning and killed.

He was married to Miss Frances C. Peters, of Philadelphia, March 28, 1838. She is still living, an excellent and lovely woman, in Tompkins county, N. Y.

She belonged to a most highly esteemed family in Philadelphia of English descent and connection.

The children of this marriage were :

MARY CAROLINE, born February 3, 1839. She married Judge W. M. Boyer and lived in Winfield, Kan., when she died, 1879, aged thirty-nine. Their children were Richard Speed Boyer and Fanny Speed Boyer.

RICHARD PETERS SPEED, born February 23, 1841. He served in the Civil war under General Custer, and died from injuries received. No children.

ROBERT GOODLOE HARPER SPEED was a prominent and accomplished man in Tompkins county, N. Y. Graduate of Cornell University, full of enterprise and public spirit, and has been honored with a number of important positions of trust by his fellow-citizens. He married Miss Romelia Van Pelt, of Dryden, N. Y., in 1872. Their children were Robert L., Bessie, Mary Harper, Lorenzo D., and Emma R.

HENRY L. SPEED, born in 1847. He married Cora Lyman in 1872. Their children were E. Maude, James Richard and Winifred. They live at Caroline, Tompkins county, N. Y.

JESSIE HARPER SPEED married Henry A. Graham, December 18, 1878. They live at Enfield, Tompkins county, N. Y. Their children were Samuel Herbert and Fanny Speed.

SALLIE PETERS SPEED is unmarried and lives with her mother at Slaterville Springs, Tompkins county, N. Y. She visited Louisville in 1878, and it is to her industrious hand, warm heart and intelligent head that much of the material in this book is due.

JAMES RICHARD SPEED, youngest child of James Richard Speed, died a child.