

### Seth Minnich Household

<u>First Name</u>	<u>Last Name</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Relationship</u>	<u>Marital Status</u>
Seth	Minnich	White	M	30	Head	Married
Annie	Minnich	White	F	24	Wife	Married
Daniel	Minnich	White	M	2	Son	Single
Howard	Minnich	White	M	1	Son	Single

### Individual Information

1. **Seth Minnich** – Born September 13, 1849 in York County, PA (per death certificate), died October 30, 1925 in York County, PA (per death certificate) and buried at Red Lion Cemetery in Red Lion, York County, PA.
2. **Annie Smith** – Born August 4, 1856 in York County, PA (per death certificate), died either February 28, 1906 (per tombstone) or March 1, 1906 (per death certificate) in York County, PA and buried at Red Lion Cemetery in Red Lion, York County, PA.
3. **Daniel Minnich** – Born February 24, 1878 in Wood County, OH (per tombstone), died September 4, 1902 in York County, PA (per tombstone) and buried at Red Lion Cemetery in Red Lion, York County, PA. He married **Susan Grove** who was born October 22, 1877 in York County, PA (per social security records), died November 1967 in York County, PA (per social security records) and buried at Red Lion Cemetery in Red Lion, York County, PA.
4. **Howard Minnich** – Born April 24, 1880 in York County, PA (per death certificate), died January 22, 1948 in York County, PA (per death certificate) and buried at Red Lion Cemetery in Red Lion, York County, PA. He married **Nettie Smith** who was born May 19, 1883 in York County, PA (per social security records), died April 1976 in York County, PA (per social security records) and buried at Red Lion Cemetery in Red Lion, York County, PA.

### Location of residence

- Seth's house was located at what is now 162 N. Main St. Extensive renovations have been to the original home.



*Picture of Seth Minnich's Bee Hive Wallpaper Store and his home. The store is located at what is now 160 N Main St and the home is located at what is now 162 N Main St*

### Occupation and Civic Involvement in Red Lion

- Seth is listed as a carpenter in the 1880 census, and in 1886 he opened the Bee Hive Wallpaper store and operated that for the remainder of his life. Along with the wallpaper business, he also was active in the insurance and real estate business
- In 1873, Seth worked as a bookkeeper and foreman of a construction gang on the Peach Bottom Railway (later the Ma & Pa Railroad). After completion of the railroad, he clerked in Catherine Meyers general store and helped in laying out lots on her farm.
- Seth took a prominent role in the organization of the St. John's Reformed Church, helping Reverend E. G. Williams build the first pews. He also served as a Superintendent of the Sunday School and served on the Building Committees in both 1882 and 1905.
- In Red Lion's first borough election, he was elected to serve as Justice of the Peace, a position he held until 1898. From 1898 until 1903 he served as Deputy Revenue Collector of the Ninth District under H. L. Hershey of Lancaster. In 1909, he was again elected Justice of the Peace for Red Lion and served in that capacity until his death. Also, throughout his life, he served many terms on the Red Lion School Board as a Director.

- When Leo Independent Fire Company was organized in 1894, Seth was elected as a Trustee, became a charter member of the organization and was part of a committee appointed to obtain a charter for the organization.
- Seth helped the Red Lion Water Company obtain the land for which the original reservoir would be built upon.
- Daniel worked with his father according to the 1900 census and according to the book titled *1930 Red Lion PA Golden Jubilee Souvenir Book* he worked as a letter carrier at the time of his death in 1902. He was living at 227 W. High St at the time of his death.
- Howard worked with his father in the wallpaper, real estate and insurance business. He also worked briefly with David A. Horn in the cigar business before eventually operating the M&H Pure Foods Store in Red Lion. Howard lived first with his father at what is now 162 N Main St. Shortly after 1909, Seth moved next door to where the original wallpaper store was at what is now 160 N. Main St. and Howard and his family lived at 162 by themselves. Then shortly after 1915, Howard moved to what is now 164 N. Main St and then after 1920 he moved out of Red Lion to Windsor Twp. In the 1917 and 1919 city directories, Howard is listed as President of the Red Lion School Board.

#### **Miscellaneous Notes**

- N/A