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## ADDING NEW ACCOUNTS AT THE Farmers National Bank.

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## ANNUAL REUNION.

Co. E. 209th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, Gather Around the Festive Board.

### JAMISON'S SPEECH.

The Annual reunion of Co. E. 209 Reg. P. V. was held at Orangeville April 2nd, 1907, in memory of the battle of Petersburg, Va. April 2nd, 1865.

The Co. were all Columbia Co. boys. A. C. Mensch, Capt. Russell Karns 1st Lieut. with 46 of the comrades are still living all in and around Columbia Co. except Capt. A. C. Mensch who lives in Delaware also C. Ammerman, Henry Long in California and Geo. Lazarus in Denver, Col., Camden Mears in New York. The meeting was well attended and some very fine speaking telling of the hard fought battles of 42 years ago at Fort Steadman and Petersburg from March 25th to April the 9th, 1865, when Gen. Lee surrendered.

The next meeting will be held at Jonestown, Pa., June 7th, 1908. The following officers were elected: Geo. W. Sterner, President; Ben W. Hess, 1st Vice President; Wm. B. McBride, 2nd Vice President; I. J. Jamison, Secretary.

The after-dinner speeches were good, the principal one being made by I. J. Jamison of New Columbus. Though lengthy, as it is of general interest, we print it in full.

In response to the toast "Our Fun and Trouble in Camp and on the March" Mr. Jamison said:

*Ladies, Gentlemen and Comrades:*

On this joyous and peaceful occasion, over forty years after our "little family jar," we are asked to recall the fun and trouble we had during the jarring that our southern brothers gave our family. The worthy toast master has not warned us to keep sweet, but we believe the time is at hand when we should all try to keep sweet even though we cannot entirely forget the past. We know that in our draft upon memory today we deviate too much from the text and in truth we are in danger of being thrown up in a blanket by comrades who have done the like before just for fun in midst of trouble. We know, too, that only unvarnished facts and honest truths about our fun and trouble are wanted, facts and scenes which are so indelibly impressed upon the memory that neither 40 nor 80 years of time can efface them. Nor can any political historian pervert either the cause or the effect of our family jar. We know the cause and have felt the effects ever since the war. We shall not try, therefore, to pervert or varnish to-day.

But to strike it straight at this late day may be doubly hard for me, since the fun and trouble we had during our first enlistment under Capt. Robert F. Clark, in Co. "C", 28th Regiment of State troops may get mixed with the fun and trouble we had under Capt. A. C. Mensch and Lieuts. Robbins and Karns, in Co. "E", 209th Regt. U. S. troops.

Without further prelude we will say that our first fun and trouble arose from a premature and futile attempt to enlist during the first invasion. During the first invasion into our State the war fever struck even young boys and we felt it our patriotic duty to tear ourselves away and bid our tearful friends good-bye. They told us they never expected to see us again in the flesh; that what the rebels left of us the southern turkey buzzards would surely get, and such like en-

couragement. About half believing them we mustered courage and cash enough to carry us to Camp Curtin, Harrisburg. Here the enrolling officer, after sizing us up, advised us to go home to our mother and grow some whiskers before we attempted to stand up under the mule-load of a soldier when fully equipped. While this advice hurt our pride it was likely best for the Government and ourselves; but it fell like a cool and wet blanket over our burning ardor to put down the rebellion. We regretted the war would still have to continue as we went home. And sure enough it continued.

But during the second rebel invasion into our State (we had grown some little fuzz in the meantime) we easily got into Capt. Clark's company referred to. We were the rawest kind of raw recruits, without drill, drummed together hurriedly under the persuasive eloquence of Doc. John, Chris Knapp, Davy Waller, John Grotz, Bob Clark, and even Charlie Buckalew, Col. Tate and other democrats, strange as it may seem, who met with republicans at the court-house to encourage us to go while they stayed at home.

While Col. Tate was of course not chief spokesman yet he is credited with saying in his sweet falsetto voice "Its too bad that our southern friends should thus invade and raid us, when we have so many able-bodied young men to defend us, who are willing to strike till the last armed foe expires. We struck for the altars of our sires while Doc. John, Col. Tate and the rest they stayed safe at home to look after the political fires, &c. when prices were inflated and profits big. Perhaps they were too old."

As our company had a flag, we looked upon this with swelling pride while wondering whether the rebels would shoot the flag and ourselves full of holes before we got home. Spurning to go as a hired substitute for any drafted man, we simply went in our boyish pride of our own volition and on our own hook to put down the rebellion, abolish slavery, and save the union. When the rebels heard of our coming we didn't know but they'd throw down their arms and go right home, but they didn't. They kept right on just the same as though we had never enlisted. This wounded our pride still more.

Being a mere apprentice boy from Dr. John's republican printing office, and at the age of 16, when boys are apt to be most augmentative and wise in their own conceit we were called a "black abolitionist" by Democratic comrades who shot all right but talked all wrong in our opinion, because they differed with us on the all-absorbing slave question.

It is true soldiers often differ in politics and sometimes quarrel over prevailing issues, such as "state sovereignty," "slavery," &c., in this land of the free and the home of the brave, which is sometimes misquoted as "the land of the spree and the home of the knave" We were troubled to notice that some argued with fervor upon the folly of our standing up to be shot down or be maimed for life just to free negroes, whom they claimed, as Senator Tillman of S. C., where the first jar took place, still claims, that negroes were born so much our inferiors by decree of Almighty God, that they are naturally slaves proper for the white man who is too lazy to work where the sun shines hot enough to make him earn his bread by the sweat of his brow even though the Almighty intended he should do so. We mean

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## COMPTROLLER'S CALL.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

## The Bloomsburg National Bank

At the Close of Business March 22nd, 1907.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Investments	\$540,518.08	Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	8,000.00	Surplus and Profits	44,449.46
Cash and Reserve	70,461.33	Circulation	98,800.00
		Bank Deposits	10,322.52
		Individual Deposits	365,497.43
	\$618,979.41		\$618,979.41

Wm. H. HIDLAY, Cashier.

A. Z. SCHOCH, President.

### TWO ARBOR DAYS.

Governor Stuart has issued a proclamation designating April 5 and 19 as Arbor days. The proclamation follows:

"The custom of observing Arbor day has become well established throughout the State of Pennsylvania. It has stimulated an interest in the planting and care of trees and created public sentiment in favor of the protection and restoration of our forests. The State now owns over 800,000 acres of forest lands.

"The frequent recurrence of destructive floods, the extension of parks as breathing places for the multitudes in our crowded cities, the opening of school grounds to children for purposes of play during vacation, and the dependence of man upon trees for use, for shade and for ornament emphasize the importance of the annual observance of Arbor day.

"For the purpose of perpetuating a custom which has been in vogue for several decades, and which has resulted in untold benefits, I, Edwin S. Stuart, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby, in accordance with law, issue this, my proclamation, designating Friday, April 5th and 19th, A. D., 1907, to be observed as Arbor days throughout the Commonwealth, the two days being named in view of the difference of climate, so that all sections of the State may find a day suitable for tree planting."

### ASTERS.

One of the very best annuals to be grown in the housewife's flower garden is the aster.

The wide range of size, color and season of blooming makes it an ideal flower for the small garden.

In the past few years there has been a great improvement in this flower, and now many plants will produce flowers which compare favorably with some of the better sorts of chrysanthemums. In the number are found many delicate shades of blue, which make it a desirable flower in many instances.

For July and August bloom the seed of the plant should be sown in the latter half of March, if possible. If not then, by all means during the first two weeks of April. The seed may be sown in a cold frame or in boxes in the living room if the weather is not favorable.

After all danger of frost is past, they may be transplanted to the desired location. If the weather is reasonably settled, as it usually is about the first of April, the China aster and a number of other varieties may be planted in the open.

The soil should be reasonably rich. If not very rich, it should receive a liberal application of well-rotted manure with which might be mixed a little hardwood ashes.

Spade up the ground to a depth of six or eight inches and thoroughly rake it till it is well pulverized. Make the drills about a half inch deep.

Many times excellent results are obtained by whitening the drills with airslacked lime. Then plant the seeds and cover them with a layer of fine dirt about one-fourth inch thick. The dirt should be applied by sifting it through a sieve. Fresh manure should never be applied to the bed.

The following mail remains in the post office at Bloomsburg, Pa.: Mr. Chas. Blecher, Bloomsburg Gum Co., Mr. G. G. Robinson, Mrs. Susie Sterner, Cards, Mr. Buce Houseknecht.

### PARISH MEETING.

We try Elected and Charter to Be Amended

The annual meeting of the congregation of St. Paul's P. E. church was held in the Parish House on Monday evening. The attendance was larger than it has been for some years—Rev. J. W. Diggles presided, and Paul E. Wirt was chosen secretary.

The first business before the meeting was the election of vestrymen. Mr. Duy nominated the following: Col. J. G. Freeze, J. R. Townsend, Geo. E. Elwell, Paul E. Wirt, C. W. Funston, J. G. Wells and Geo. S. Robbins. This is the same board as for several years previous, excepting Mr. Robbins, who was named in place of J. L. Dillon deceased.

Mr. Wirt positively declined a re-election, and A. Z. Schoch was nominated in his place. There being seven to elect, and only that number nominated, the secretary was authorized to cast the ballot, and the seven gentlemen named were elected. The Rector announced the appointment of Col. Freeze as senior warden.

After some discussion it was decided to authorize the vestry to amend the charter so as to increase the number of vestrymen to fourteen.

A meeting of the new vestry will be held some night next week for organization.

### Ex-Speaker Grow Dead.

Father of Homestead Act Succumbs to General Breakdown and Old Age.

Former Congressman Galusha A. Grow died at his home in Glenwood, Pa., on Sunday, as a result of a general breakdown attributed to old age.

Mr. Grow was elected to Congress from the Wilmot district of Pennsylvania as the youngest member of that body in 1851, and after retirement from public life for nearly forty years he re-entered the house of Representatives as congressman at large from Pennsylvania fourteen years ago. When he retired four years ago his public service in the house extended over the longest period of any man who ever sat in that body.

During the antebellum days he was one of the best known men in the United States, and in 1864 he came within one vote of being nominated for vice president in place of Andrew Johnson, who became president on the death of Abraham Lincoln.

Mr. Grow was elected speaker of the house of representatives in 1861 and occupied that position during the first two years of the war until his retirement from congress in 1863.

Zachariah Thomas has recently had his pension increased from \$12 to \$20 per month, under the recent Act of Congress, he being now over 70 years of age.

A fine Percheron stallion was recently shipped from T. E. Hyde's stock farm to a party in Mount Morris, N. Y.

H. J. Clark has begun the foundation for a new double dwelling on Center street on the rear of the lot occupied by his residence.

Miss Sarah Van Tassel is visiting relatives in Salem, Mass.

## Our Young Men's Suits.



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