



THE STAMM FAMILY.

One Branch of a Potter Township Family near McConnell, Ill.

In the early history of Potter township, in the beginning of the nineteenth century the name Stamm was a familiar one in Potter township, this county, since then the great majority of the descendants have migrated elsewhere, and in a communication, J. H. Jordan, of McConnell, Ill., tells of the descendants of one branch of the old tree—Adam Stamm, who lived at Tussey Sink and reared a notable family.

Adam Stamm and his wife (Elizabeth Keen) lived near Tussey Sink, and reared a family of fourteen children—five boys and nine girls. George Stamm the third son and fifth child, is the particular branch mentioned here. George was born at Tussey Sink, July 2, 1808, and in 1832 was married to Mary Price, a daughter of Jacob Price, of Centre county, Pa. The result of this union was nine children—six boys and three girls.

Mr. Stamm lived in Centre county until 1842, when he bought a farm near McAlevy's Fort, Huntingdon county, and in 1854 sold the same tract of land and moved about one mile west to Rebecca Forge.

It was in 1855 that George Stamm emigrated to Berrien county, Michigan, taking with him his entire family except one daughter, Catharine, who was married to E. Musser, and one son, George, who died March 1851. At that place he lived until March 17, 1856, when he moved to Stephenson county, Illinois, locating four or five miles north of Freeport at Waddams, which lies near McConnell. Here he bought eighty acres of land, and made that spot his home until his death, which occurred April 13, 1871, and was followed to the beyond by his wife in 1889.

Now a few lines in reference to the location, marriage, etc., of the children of this noted Pennsylvania family.

Elizabeth, 1858, married Jacob Wittenmeyer, now residents of Cedarville, Illinois, whose family consists of five sons and two daughters. Catharine married Elias Musser in 1853, and are now located in Huntingdon county. Children, four sons and three daughters. David married in 1871; three sons and two daughters. Adam F. married in 1866, no children. Isaac married in 1873, children, four boys, six girls. David, Adam, and Isaac reside on farms near McConnell. Sarah H. married Charles McNitt in 1865; child ren, four girls, live on a farm in Dallas county, Iowa. Jonathan M., married in 1879; children, two sons, two daughters; located in McConnell and engaged in the mercantile business. Jacob W., married in 1880; children, four daughters, live on a farm near McConnell.

David, Adam, Isaac and Jacob, upon the death of their parents, purchased the old homestead, and divided it among themselves which with the lands previously owned by them makes about three hundred and sixty acres, lying in one square, thus the four brothers lived within half a mile of each other. Their farm land is worth at least eighty or ninety dollars per acre. Besides this they own lands in Wisconsin and Minnesota and town properties.

Jacob W. Stamm holds the office of town clerk for the tenth year. In Illinois this is an important office. Jonathan M. also held the same office for several years. Adam F. has been commissioner of highways, and for two terms assessor. The family is prominently identified with the United Brethren church.

LOCALS.

D. A. Boozer will until October 1 sell for cash harness, whips, blankets, robes collars, and all goods in stock, at a reduction of 20 per cent. from former prices.

At a meeting of the Milesburg School Board last week Miss Madge Orris, of Central City, was elected teacher of the intermediate school, in room of Miss Nina McCloskey, who resigned to accept a position as teacher of the Grammar school in Patton.

Simon P. Moyer and daughter Mamie, of Womelsdorf, Berks county, are the guests of D. J. Meyer and family. Mr. Moyer, about eighteen years ago, was engaged in the lumber business in the vicinity of Centre Hall, and cut the timber off the Coburn tract, which is now the M. M. Decker farm. Mr. Moyer is at present engaged in the manufacture of cigar boxes, on a large scale.

The Philadelphia Press figures that the Twenty-first Congressional district composed of Centre, Clearfield, Cameron and McKean counties, gave President McKinley a majority of 5,983 votes, and that in 1901, for state treasurer, it gave a Democratic majority of 395. The Republicans are much aroused over the prospects of the Democrats being successful in supplanting Republican Congressmen.

IMPERIALISM AND EDUCATION.

Money Spent for Higher Education Compared with that Spent for Army and Navy.

The cost of imperialism, as it affects great educational interests, is figured out by "Harper's Weekly." Referring to the necessity of maintaining a large army in the Philippines, it points out that the maintenance of a regiment of a thousand men costs as much as the maintenance of a great university like Columbia. Extending its researches farther, the "Weekly" says:

Nine thousand men on garrison duty in the Philippines, making no allowance for campaigns, use up as much money as all the colleges and universities in New England and the Middle states combined, including Harvard, Yale, Columbia, Cornell, Princeton, the University of Pennsylvania and Johns Hopkins. When the promised reduction is made we shall have brought home 52,000 men from our Philippine army in a little over two years. That means a saving two and a half times as great as the cost of maintaining all the universities and colleges in the United States, and one-third as great as the combined salaries of all the public school teachers in the country.

This is on the supposition that we will be able to get along in the Philippines with an army of 18,000 men which is twice the size of the regular army of the United States a few years ago, before imperialism took possession of the government. Further says "the journal of civilization": "We are not a military people, and we think that we are particularly partial to education. It may surprise some of us to know that we spent in round numbers last year six times as much for the army and four times as much for the navy as for higher education, and that the aggregate of our expenditure for these two military objects was about twice our total outlay on education of every kind, from the kindergarten to the university."

YOUNG MEN AT STATE.

Centre Hall Has Three Students and One Professor at that Institution.

Centre Hall is well represented at State College, having three students there and one former graduate holding a professorship for the second year. This young man is A. Miles Arney, who led the class of 1901, and is now an instructor in the electrical department.

The students from Centre Hall and other parts of Penns Valley, and the course they are pursuing, are as follows:

- P. Hoffer Dale, Centre Hall, '93, Biological.
- W. R. Musser, Millheim, '94, civil engineering.
- Hanull Bathgate, Leont, '94, electrical.
- Paul Murray, Centre Hall, '95, electrical.
- Claude K. Stahl, Centre Hall, '96, mining engineering.

The Tenant Farmer.

The tenant farmer first made his appearance in this country in the census of twenty years ago, when it was found that one-quarter of the farms in the country were worked by tenants, or 25 per cent. In the last census—1902—a little over one-third are in the hands of tenants, or 35 3 per cent.

This steady increase is evidently to go on until a large portion of the land in this country is held by tenants as in any other. A number of farms operated by owners only increased one-quarter in the past twenty years. Those held by cash tenants increased one and one-third, and tenants on shares 51 per cent.

This change has taken place in part in the South, where it marks the advance of the negro, but in the broad line of fertile land which stretches from this State to Iowa there has been for twenty years a steady movement of farmers from the country into the town, where they live on the rent of their farms.

If lighter taxation were to be imposed on land which a man owns and cultivates with his hand than on a tenant farm the State would be doing its share to prevent a change not to its advantage. Every change from the farmer who cultivates the land he owns to the tenant who cultivates the land some one else owns is to the loss of the State, and needs to be prevented by all legitimate means.

Camp Notes.

There are more tenters on the ground than for several years past.

The exhibits are of a better class than heretofore.

The fruit exhibit was decidedly fine. The names of exhibitors will be given next week.

Splendid order was observed during the entire week.

Witmer, a little son of Mrs. Emma P. Wilson, of Bellefonte, is ill with scarlet fever.

PENNYPACKER SELF CONDEMNED.

Autocratic Head of the Odious Machine Has Put Forth a Candidate Who is the Boss' Very Own.

The light has been turned on and the people of Pennsylvania may now know the plain truth concerning Mr. Quay's latest confidence game. No fair-minded and patriotic citizen, no matter what his partisan or factional views, can read the remarkable story given in our news columns without surprise, indignation and shame. Here is calmly presented the cold facts that show Samuel W. Pennypacker to be utterly unworthy the confidence and support of the people of the great state he has so deeply discredited. Here is an indictment against which no successful defense can be made. It is shown, beyond all doubt, that again the autocratic head of the odious machine has put forth a candidate for governor who is the boss' very own. It must be clear to every voter that if this masquerading pretender would thus serve his would-be master before and after election as a candidate, if elected he would be under his absolute and degraded control. If this is done in the green tree, what would be done in the dry?

If it be true, as has been so loudly claimed, that ex-Judge Pennypacker represents personal and family honor, professional and official probity, elevated public spirit, the case becomes all the more enigmatical from the standpoint of the good citizen who abhors the ways of political outlaws. It is pertinently asked, how could a man imbued with right ideas, enamored of pure ideals, desirous of maintaining the honor of the commonwealth, deliberately and ostentatiously become the public apologist for and defender and eulogist of Quayism and all that it stands for, and this, too, while holding a place supposed to be wholly removed from the influence of partisan politics?

Ex-Judge Pennypacker not only sees none of the multiplied and mountainous sins of Quayism; he even has the audacity to speak admiringly of him as "Pennsylvania's most distinguished statesman, whose fame is assured as one who has served his country well." What a monstrous injustice to the long historic line of eminent publicists and pure patriots, from Benjamin Franklin to "Pig Iron" Kelley and the intrepid Randall, not one of whom would have been guilty of any of the manifold offenses against civic righteousness which have darkened the career of this political free-booter during the past 30 years. Such an unpardonable insult to the intelligence, patriotism and virtue of the people of Pennsylvania never was put forth. It should and will be resented at every freestone where there is abiding reverence for truth, patriotism and justice.

The machine candidate stands hopelessly self-condemned. According to his own words and acts, Pennypackerism and Quayism mean one and the same thing. Thus the supreme issue is presented. A vote for Pennypacker will justly be taken as meaning a vote of unqualified endorsement of Quayism, a declaration for its indefinite continuance in state, municipal and local government in Pennsylvania. There is no escape from this conclusion.

Colyer.

Mrs. Eve Strohler and Miss Jennie Bodtorf, of Tusseyville, visited at Calvin Bodtorf's on Wednesday.

Miss Myra Moyer and niece Miss Myra Rocky spent several days at the home of the former's brother Wm. Moyer, of Milroy.

Miss Sudie Bodtorf returned home after spending the summer at George Lee's.

Mrs. W. Alfred Reiber, of Johnstown, returned home, after spending some time visiting at Centre Hall, Colyer and other places.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Thall, of Bellefonte, spent Sunday with Mrs. Thall's mother, Mrs. Holderman.

Mr. and Mrs. John Spangler, of Tusseyville, spent Sunday at J. H. Moyer's.

Quite a number of people attended Grange picnic.

J. S. Housman transacted business at Bellefonte Thursday.

Mrs. Della Broom and children, of Milesburg, visited her mother Mrs. Mary Wingard.

Miss Bessie Cooney spent Sunday at home.

Miss Nannie Meiss was in Bellefonte Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Runkle, of Tusseyville, spent Sunday at the home of their son James Runkle.

LEAKS ON THE FARM.

Farming Could be Made Pay Better by Wasting Less.

One of the chief reasons why farming does not pay better is that too much is wasted—fruit, grain, hay, straw, fertilizers, and everything produced on the farm, is, in many cases, recklessly handled.

The one item of fruit represents a large amount of money, fully one-third of which is wasted on the average farm in this neighborhood. As proof of this an instance is cited where apples were put to their best use and turned into money by Wm. Goodhart, of near Spring Mills.

The refuse apples, those not fit for storing for winter use last season, netted that gentleman the nice sum of eighty-five dollars. The apples were evaporated in a small evaporator. Eighty-five dollars represents the wheat crop of six acres of wheat, yielding twenty bushels per acre, at seventy cents per bushel. The cost of growing six acres of wheat is many times more than the cost of evaporating eighty-five dollar's worth of apples, yet the average tiller of the soil, year after year permits more money's value to go to waste in his orchard than he can realize on the crop he works at while the other is rotting.

This season many acres of the finest clover will remain uncut, which if cured could be profitably fed into cattle and the soil not lose in fertility. Every season enough corn fodder is wasted on the average farm to feed from three to ten head of cattle during the entire winter.

Clean, bright wheat and oats straw contain too much food value to be lavishly wasted for bedding. Thousands of young cattle thrive with no other provender than straw and a balanced ration of grain in localities where intense farming is practiced.

The leaks on the farm are almost innumerable, and most of them could be stopped, and farming made to pay better.

LOCALS.

Philip Durst, a short time ago, spent several days with his son John Durst at Glen Iron.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Phillips, of New York, are spending some time with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Duck, of Spring Mills.

Charles C. Homan, son of Henry Homan, has a clerkship at 387 Lycoming St., Williamsport. Heretofore he was in a feed store at 41 Eldred St.

John and Samuel Kimport are butchering in Boalsburg. They sold their butcher stand in Altoona and bought out Messrs. Segner and Ishler.

Ed. J. Wolf, whose marriage to Miss Katherine Crebo took place last Thursday at Eureka, Kansas, is assistant cashier of the Citizen's National Bank of that place.

D. W. Reynolds, of Reedsville, came over to hear Pennypacker and his associates talk at Grange Park. He is postmaster at Reedsville and is anxious that the g. o. b. live forever.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff. Shaffer, of Lewisport, are the guests of Lanson Berris, west of Centre Hall. Mr. Shaffer is engaged at the Burnham steel works, and has plenty of work at living wages.

Frost visited many places in the valley Sunday morning, but no damage was done. Monday morning "Jack" again put in his appearance, but did no particular harm.

Mrs. Cyrus Goss, formerly of this place, is no longer matron at the Chester Springs Orphan's School, but is matron in a similar school at West New Brighton, Staten Island, New York.

Dr. W. E. Park leaves this, (Thursday) morning for Nelson, Toga Co., where he intends locating, returning about the 15th of Oct. for his family and household goods.

Dr. W. E. Park requests all people who have accounts with him to please call and settle before Oct. 15th when the accounts will be placed in the hands of his attorney for collection. It

Mrs. Mary P. Jackson, of State College, Mrs. L. E. Reber, and the latter's two sons are going to Florida for the winter. The boys will enter a preparatory school and Mrs. Reber and her mother are going to enter as special students at the same institution.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lipton, of Kansas, passed through Bellefonte on their way to Roland where they will visit friends, says the Daily News. Mr. Lipton was at one time a resident of Bellefonte, being prothonotary from 1863 to 69.

Miss May Lesher, of Northumberland, is the guest of her former playmate Miss Mabel Arney. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Lesher, who were resident of this town some years ago, when Mr. Lesher conducted lumber operations in the Seven Mountains.

THE FIRST GUN A BLANK.

The Effort to Create Enthusiasm for the Republican Ticket a Dismal Failure. It was a blank shot.

In his brief address on the occasion of the opening of the Republican meeting at Grange Park Tuesday, General Hastings said Centre county always got the best of everything, and that the first official gun in the Pennypacker campaign would be fired in Penns Valley. It was a blank shot; devoid of the least semblance of enthusiasm. Only once or twice was there anything like a hearty applause, and that followed the extolling of the American soldier at Santiago and the heroic Dewey. This applause was not confined to Republicans alone, but was participated in by all, because the American soldier is neither a Republican or a Democrat, but an American.

Mr. Pennypacker was the first speaker introduced, and he opened his remarks by indirectly referring to the Pennypacker parrot cartoon in the North American, and said he felt the audience knew him by a comparison of the picture with himself. The speaker then credited to the Republican party every good deed performed under the sun.

Reduced Rates to Washington.

For the thirty-sixth National Encampment, G. A. R., to be held at Washington, D. C., October 6 to 11, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell round-trip tickets to Washington from all points on its lines at rate of single fare for the round trip. Tickets will be on sale from October 4 to 7, inclusive, and good to return until October 14, inclusive. By depositing ticket with the Joint Agent at Washington between October 7 and 14, and the payment of 50 cents, an extension of the return limit to November 3 may be obtained.

For specific rates and further information apply to nearest ticket agent.

LOCALS.

The first annual convention of the Woman's Missionary Society of West Susquehanna Classis of the Reformed church, will be held at Aaronsburg, October 2 and 3.

George Smull and J. W. Hackenberg, were among the Republicans of Miles township who represented their district at the Republican meeting Tuesday. It may be noted that they are both residents of Smullton.

There is possibly nothing more distasteful to Mr. Strohm, the Republican candidate for the Legislature, to hear than the oft repeated remark that he should link arms with Mr. Gramley and go on the road to lecture on "the pleasures of holding office."

Prof. J. Frank Meyer, of Penn Hall, will open the Ardmore school and occupy that position until the opening of the University of Pennsylvania. Mr. Emerson, Mr. Meyer's successor at Ardmore, is in a hospital being treated for appendicitis.

Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts and Senator Paris Gibson of Montana contribute to the September National strong articles on two public problems of the first class. Senator Lodge takes occasion in his National article to interpret for the general understanding the terms of the Philippine civil government bill.

The Republicans were not content with having a Republican representative like Mr. Allison in Harrisburg. Mr. Allison did not vote for every Republican measure before the House, and for that reason he was laid aside and James B. Strohm substituted. No one will accuse Mr. Strohm of wishing to vote for anything but Republican measures, and a straight out Republican for the United States Senate.

The official reports make out the Boer war to have been a much greater undertaking than has been judged by Americans and English. A parliamentary document just made public puts the grand total of British troops sent to South Africa since 1899 at 386,081, besides 52,414 men raised in South Africa. The final casualty figures are: Killed 5,774; wounded, 23,029; died of wounds or disease, 16,168.

The European papers attach much more importance to President Roosevelt's speeches on the trusts than is done in this country. Both the continental and English papers assume that he is engaged in a great war against the trusts, which forecasts their destruction. We do not see that the President's speeches have had any such effect in this country. His anti-trust declamation, very uncertain and indecisive, is set down to politics and campaigning needs. The London Star says the President has "fairly thrown the gauntlet to the giant evil," and that the "whole world will watch with breathless interest," but it puts in the saving clause that "the Republican power is built upon the support of the trusts." That is true, and it is the power to which the President will bow in submission.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Opening: chestnut burrs.

District Attorney N. B. Spangler started on a business trip to Colorado.

Small pox has caused the opening of the Du Bois schools to be postponed.

Owing to the absence of Rev. G. W. Kershner the pulpit of the Reformed church will be vacant until Oct. 15th.

Perry Alters, assistant at the Hecla Park station on the Central R. R., is home for the week. Perry will make a good railroad man, and is beginning to master the telegraph instrument.

The contract for building the new auditorium at State College has been awarded to George F. Payne & Co., of Philadelphia. Work will be commenced at once.

Gettysburg college opened with a freshman class of fifty-seven, and a preparatory class of sixty-five. Both sophomore and junior classes were increased by new members.

Farmers about Belleville, Mifflin county, are harvesting a fine crop of clover seed, but complain about apples dropping since the dry weather set in, and potatoes and vegetables decaying.

Miss Carrie Lingle, of Cherokee, Iowa, is visiting her grandmother Mrs. Elizabeth Lingle, and other relatives in this section. Miss Carrie is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce S. Lingle, who are well known here.

The home of ex-State Senator M. L. McQuown, at Clearfield, was the scene of a beautiful wedding Wednesday, when his daughter, Alice, was married to Frederick R. Barbles, supervisor for the New York Central railroad.

The life-size portrait of Rev. J. W. White, deceased, late of Milroy, is to adorn the walls of the library room of State College, along with that of Gen. Beaver, of Bellefonte, being the artistic work of Lansay & Autrim, Philadelphia.

The works of the Standard Scale and Supply Company are to be removed from Bellefonte, where the industry was started about ten years ago. While the new location is not definitely known, it is supposed the plant will be taken to Greensburg.

Ex-Sheriff Condo, of Millheim, was a guest at the Tyler house, Mill Hall, last week, says the Lock Haven Democrat. Mr. Condo is a jolly good fellow and can exchange yarns with the best of them. He will in the near future locate in Baltimore as his permanent residence.

C. C. Clark, of Mt. Ephraim, New Jersey, is stopping with D. C. Keller long enough to gather up a car load of cows, and other stock. Mr. Clark is the senior member of the firm of Clark & Son, who conduct a large implement store at Mt. Ephraim, and also deal in cattle and fertilizers.

The Lewistown Gazette says: Joe, the eight year-old son of Merchant Tailor Anderson, who swallowed a penny when a child, last week went five better by letting a nickel go down his throat. After dieting on crackers for two days and a half the coin passed from him, having turned to a black color.

The borough public schools are closed this week. The Encampment has too many attractions for the school children not to divert their attention from studies. When school opens Monday those having children under their care should see that they are in the school room, and that they attend regularly.

The new stone walk in front of the Presbyterian church and parsonage was completed Friday of last week. The walk is a fine one and adds much to the appearance of the surroundings of the church home. Dr. J. F. Alexander is the agent for the Ohio lime stone used, and he will be pleased to receive further orders.

Mrs. Lillie D. Showers and Mrs. John Bilger, of Pleasant Gap, were callers one day last week. Mrs. Showers advertises public sale of her household goods, etc., Tuesday, October 14. After the sale Mrs. Showers will make her home in Altoona, where her son Orrie is employed as a fireman on the Pennsylvania railroad. The young man previous to becoming a fireman was engaged with a cable company, and crossed the Atlantic to England.

The vicious attack by the Republican press on Sheriff Brungart illustrates the attitude of the Republicans toward the Democratic office holder, yet at the same time these organs are asking Democrats to forsake their own candidates and vote for a Republican. The fact of the matter is Sheriff Brungart is all right, but his politics, in the minds of the Republicans, is all wrong. The slurs cast on Sheriff Brungart are meant for Democrats in general, and should be met with contempt.