

IN THE CIVIL WAR. 148th Regiment, Pennsylvania

Volunteers.

GENERAL REVIEW OF MAJOR AND MI-NOR EVENTS.

Experiences of the Rank and File-Anecdotes and Observations. By T. P. Meyer, Sergeant Co. A., 148th

Regiment, P. V. [To be Continued.]

On Jap. 16th one hundred and twenty of us from the 148th P. V. were sent on picket duty to the Rappahannock cold; yet at midnight three Johnnie saying that they had been impressed he became strangely entangled. into the Confederate service, but they had resolved not to fight for secession; that there were some twenty more ed hour and they would not wait for

On Jan. 19th marching orders were again circulated through the entire army to be ready for extended move and next morning the Left Grand Division, under Maj. General Franklin, whose camps were five miles below us scarcely knew of such a thing as geogbegan to move by and through our camp, north on all available roads and open fields, presenting a magnificent ed his path, ever aloof from his own while the others dragged fighting Malsight. Endless columns of soldiers race, on the alert for the strange scenes achi across the mountain. That was with flags and banners; ponton bridge which encompas ed him day by day. trains; wagon trains, the head and rear extending out of sight lost in woods and hills in the distance; all wagons Malachi Boyer camped on the shores alike, with white canvas covers; battery after battery of artillery moved laboriously along the muddy roads.

occupants maintained a quasi-inter-That very evening heavy rains set in and continued all night and next Sometimes old Chief O ko-cho would day, rendering the roads absolutely bring gifts of corn to Malachi, who in impassable. The roads were canals of turn presented the chieftain with a liquid mud, axle deep. Just above our hunting knife of truest steel. And in camp a heavy field gun stuck in the mud, and twenty-four horses could and more of his time about the Indian not, or would not, pull it out; the camps, only keeping his distance at horses were all taken away. An inch night and during religious ceremonies. and a half rope one hundred and fifty feet long was attached and a regiment of soldiers lined up on both sides of the rope, in mud almost knee deep, and took hold; for a few minutes they stood quietly in the mud; on seeing that all were ready the colonel gave the command-Go ! The rope straightened like an iron rod, and the cannon began to move; and, though the axle now and then pushed the mud, then rising high over rock or root, to plunge down on one or both sides, the agles loudly knocking in the hub box, it halted not till it stood on solid ground off the road; in this way the whole battery was taken out of the mud. This was the only way the heavy guns were or could be moved through .r out of deep mud, or up steep hills. But it was wonderful how a regiment would move those heavy guns through mud of any depth or up any hill. On Jan. 21st orders instituting this campaign were countermanded, and the entire movement was halted; the army could not be supplied in this the glances, and often did the hand- "Nita-nee, Nita-nee!" condition; they must get out of the mud or starve; therefore, on January 22ad the troops were ordered back to their former camps; to get back was as big a job as to go on. It rained every day until the evening of the 28th when the rain changed into snow, and on the morning of the 29th we had a snow eight inches deep, and the weather turned very cold; the snow began to thaw on the 31st and by the evening of Feb. 2nd was all gone into mud, which was something astounding; two weeks passed before the army was again fully settled in their former 8th and 9th. It did not spread by con- burg Lutheran church. camps, and this movement went into tagion, but seemed to attack all at the history as "Burnsides Campaign in the Mud." The appearance and condition of the soldiers can not be imagined or described; they were soaked from head to foot and so completely plastered Captain Forster appointed comrade with mud that they realized that no Henry Crouse as nurse; he escaped Renovo, agad sixty-six years. She was no effort to avoid it whether it was with his coat off, and his white hair of this county. shoe deep or knee deep.

The Story as Told by an Old Seneca Indian in "Wild Life in

Western Pennsylvania" by H. W. Shoemaker, N. Y. In the days when the West Branch | some pair meet in the mossy ravines

THE LEGEND OF PENN'S CAVE.

The Centre

Valley was a trackless wilderness of de- near the camp ground. But this was fiant pines and submissive helmlocks, all clandestine love, for friendly as Intwenty-five years before the first pion- dian and white might be in social ineer had attempted a permanent lodg- tercourse, never could a marriage be ment beyond Sunbury, a young Penn- tolerated, until-there always is a turn- below. sylvabia Frenchman from Lancaster ing point in romance-the black-haired County, named Malachi Boyer, alone wanderer and the beautiful Nita-nee and unaided, pierced the jungle to the resolved to spend their lives together, point where Bellefonte now stands. and one moonless night started for the The history of his travels has never more habitable east. All night long been written, partly because he had no they threaded their silent way, climbwhite companion to observe them, and ing the mountain ridges, gliding river. The weather was exceedingly partly because he himself was unable through the velvet soiled hemlock to write. His very indentity would glades, and wading, hand in hand, the Rebels swam and waded the icy waters now be forgotten were it not for tradi- splashing, resolute torrents. When of the Rappahannock and surrendered, tions of the Indians, with whose lives morning came they breakfasted on

dried meat and huckleberries, and A short, stockily built fellow was bathed their faces in a mineral spring. Malachi Boyer, with unusually prom- Until-there always is a turning point inent black eyes, and black hair that in romance-seven tall, stealthy forms, who had agreed to come with them hung in ribbon-like strands over his like animated mountain pines, stepped but failed to be on hand at the appoint- broad, low forehead. Fearless, yet from the gloom and surrounded the conciliatory, he escaped a thousand eloping couple. Malachi drew a huntthem. We made coffee for them and times from Indian cunning and treach- ing knife, identical with the one he fed them full of crackers and pork, and ery, and as months went by and he had given to Chief O-ko-cho, and seizsent them to the rear to Headquarters, penetrated further into the forests he ing Nita-nee around the waist, stabbed numbered the redskins among his right and left at his would-be captors. The first stroke pierced Hum-kin's Why he explored these boundless heart, and uncomplaining he sank wilds he could not explain, for it was down dying. The six remaining

not in the interest of science, as he brothers, although all recieved stab wounds, caught Malachi in their combined grasp and disarmed him ; then he lived by the way. But on he forc- one brother held sobbing Nita-nee, the last the lovers saw of one another. Below the mountain lay a broad valley, from the center of which rose a circular hillock, and it was to this mound the savage brothers led their victim. As they approached, a yawning cavern met their eyes, filled with greenish limestone water. There is a ledge at the mouth of the cave, about six feet higher than the water, above which the arched roof rises thirty feet, and it was from here they shoved Malachi this way Malachi came to spend more for a moment, but when he rose to the surface, commenced to swim. He approached the ledge but the brothers beat him back, so he turned and made

These were Made Known The ninth annual meeting of the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the United Evangelical church, in session at Baltimore closed Tuesday night with the announcement of as-

ASSIGNMENT OF MINISTERS,

Central Pennsylvania Body Adjourns when

CENTRE HALL, PA., THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 1903.

signments of the ministers to the various stations, a list of which appears YORK DISTRICT. J. W. Messenger, presiding elder. York, Grace-J. Hartzler. Baltimore, Grace-M. A. Kennally. Shrewsbury-F. H. Foss. Loganville-J. D. Stover. East Prospect-E. D. Keen. Red Lion-C. W. Finkbinder

CARLISLE DISTRICT J. C. Reeser, presiding elder. Mount Holly Springs-B. Hengst. Dillsburg-W. W. Rhoads. Hellam-L. E. Crumbling. Wrightsville-A. Stapleton Marysville-D. L. Kepner. CENTER DISTRICT.

E. Crumbling, presiding elder. Altoona-M. I. Jamison Bellwood-C. F. Garrett. Milesburg-W. K. Shultz Bellefonte-W. H. Brown Howard-D. A. Artman. Nittany-J. M. Price. Sugar Valley-A. S. Baumgardner, Rebersburg-S. Smith. Centre Hall-J. F. Shultz. Spring Mills-W. C. Bierley. Millheim-I. N. Bair. Millmont-S. Aurand and E. I. Confer. Mifflinburg-C. C. Mizener. Buffalo-L. Dice. New Berlin-S. E. Koontz. Centerville-N. J. Dubs. Middleburg-J. Womelsdorf McClure-A. D. Gramley. Port Treverton-H. T. Searle.

Lewistown-N. Young. Patterson-S. S. Mumey Dr. A. E. Gobble, of Albright College, member of New Berlin Quarterly Conference. George Josephs, member of Lewistown Quarter-LEWISBURG DISTRICT.

W. F. Swengel, presiding elder. Lewisburg-J. W. Thompson. Milton-J. D. Shortess Milton Circuit-J. A. Foss Berwick-H. W. Buck. Nescopec-D. F. Young. WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT.

S. P. Remér, presiding elder. Williamsport, Newberry-G. W. Currin. Williamsport, Circuit-J. M. King. Hughesville-J. J. Lohr. White Deer-C. H. Goodling and H. C. Walker. Lock Haven-J. F. Dunlap. Lock Haven, Circuit-W. N. Wallis.

Old O-ko-cho's chief pride was cen- for some dry land in the rear of the day in March 1904. The selection of a ence should convene the first Thurs-

LOCALS.

Advertise in the Reporter.

In unity there is strength.

Sent Back to the Senate Committee on Judiciary General To Be Amended,

TEACHERS' BILL RECOMMITTED

eporter.

With an inimical Senate determined to harry it to death if its passage was insisted upon without amendments, ment store at Mill Hall. the friends of the Snyder bill fixing a month discreetly outflanked the movement Tuesday and by quick work succeeded in having the bill sent back gess of Huntingdon. to the Committee on Judiciary General, where an effort will be made so to amend it that it will meet any objections that are now made to it.

This was not done, however, until it was developed that the opposition had materially strengthened its lines, and that there was some secret force working that the friends were at first unable to locate. Later it was known that the silent force was the Legislative Committee of the State Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, through whose influence in the April Delineator, are a number resolutions have been adopted in the of valuable suggestions for keeping the local granges and sent to the various house pure. Senators protesting against fixing the salaries at \$35. These protests are print- M. Parrish and Miss Rose Fox, of ed and in the form of resolutions, and Bellefonte, their marriage to take place there are hundreds of them to come. in the near future. Hundreds have already arrived, and they are having their effect.

in full below. The same was endorsed Derr, at Laurelton. by nearly every local and County Grange in the State and sent to the State Senator of their district.

We, citizens of Pennsylvania engaged in agriculture, organized into Granges authorized to address your Honorable body, respectfully protes against the passage of the Teachers' Minimum Salary Bill, as it would be a usurpation of the rights of local self government guaranteed under our State Constitution and would establish precedent in depriving the people locally of the right of "Home Rule" for which the people of the Colonies fought in resenting the exactions of the British crown of "taxation without represen

The people of the local governments have some rights and qualifications to administer their own affairs, without the right of centralized State interference and in a majority of the counties th salaries paid teachers are commensurate with the resources of the counties, and where teacher have had the requisite qualifications the salaries have been raised to meet the qualifications and in many instances exceed that named in this It was decided that the next confer- keep open the schools the requisite number of months required by law owing to want of resources to tax, as in a number; of townships in the in an unconscious condition. nountainous portion of the state lands have only

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

NO. 11.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

The Manns will erect a large depart-

Christ Keller, of Penn Hall, was a the minimum salary for teachers at \$35 caller Saturday to renew the Reporter. H. W. Petrikin, Esq., is the first Democrat who was ever elected bur-

Miss Virna Emerick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Emerick, of near town, visited Bellefonte last week.

Miss Katie Keller, who for the past few months had been at Munson and Osceola, returned home a few days ago. Mrs. John A. Slack and Miss Blanche Durst, both of Potters Mills, visited in Bellefonte the latter part of last week.

Under the head of Child Training,

The engagement is announced of C.

Prof. H. F. Bitner, of the Millersville Normal School, Monday attended The resolution referred to is printed the funeral of his uncle, George L.

> Miss Flora Love, Friday of last week went to Watsontown where she was the guest of Mrs. Foster, wife of Rev. W. K. Foster, until Monday.

Wm. Brooks, of Linden Hall, was a pleasant caller Tuesday. He is planning out his spring campaign on the farm and is anxious for an early spring.

District Attorney N. B. Spangler and Attorney Thomas Sexton will move their office to Crider's Exchange, recently occupied by W. E. Gray, Esq., deceased.

Ellis Horner, of near Pleasant Gap, will become a citizen of Bellefonte, where he will be employed at the furnace. His sons have also secured employment.

J. B. Shuman, of State College, was bill. Should the Legislature pass this bill it will considerably injured by being struck deprive a number of townships of the ability to by a wagon to which a runaway horse was hitched. He was picked up

campaign of all.

fires; cold, our shoes full of snow, mud in the history of the regiment. which it required weeks to cure.

of February.

tered in his seven staiwart sous, Hum- cavern. Two brothers ran from the kin, Ho-ko-lin, Too-chin, Os-tin, entrance over the ridge to where there posed of the presiding elders. ves into a guard of honor for their sis- or any other avenue of escape. Every from the adjoining sub-tribe of the absent. Hunger became unbearable, though firmly repuised her numerous he would not let the redskins see him should give her in marriage to one futhermost labyrinths, Malachi Boyer

cherished friends.

raphy, and it was not for trading, as

One beautiful Springtime, there is

no one can tell the exact year, found

of Spring Creek, Near the Mammoth

Spring was an Indian camp whose

course with the pale-faced stranger.

Thus ran the course of Indian life Two days afterward the brothers enwhen Malachi Boyer made his bed of tered the cave and discovered his body hemlock boughs by the gargling wa- They touched not the coins in his ters of Spring Creek. And it was the pockets, but weighted him with stones first sight of her, washing a deer skin and dropped him into the greenish in the stream, that led him to prolong limestone water. And after these his stay and ingratiate himself with many years those who have heard this her father's tribe.

Few were the words which passed nights an unaccountable echo rings

A Rave Bargain

Our regular \$4.50 Cabinets for a short time for \$3 00. A discoupt of 331 per cent. This is not an advertising dodge but a straight tip. If you want Centre Hall every Friday except Fri- sown previous to the latter part of the day, the 13.

W. W. SMITH.

the army about the 8th-10th of the pany hospital the second day, and ten Chase, Jr., is the other candidate. men were carried and led into it, and

parted down the middle of the back of F. M. Crawford, salesman for the This was the most demoralizing his head, brushed down tight to the Botter-Hoy hardware company, Belle-

included, plodded through the eight ever, every tent was a hospital; there particularly well suited to his business, inch snow and the deep mud under it, were hardly enough soldiers remain- and applies himself very closely to four miles down along the Rappahan- ing well to take care of the sick and his work. nock river on picket duty; we remain- bury the dead, and we had none for

An epidemic of sickness broke out in Grove and Simon Stover.

Chaw-kee-bin, A-ha-kin, Ko-io-pa-kin is another small opening, but though and his Biana-like daughter, Nita-nee. Malachi tried his best, in the impene-The seven brothers resolved themsel- trable darkness he could not find this ter, who had many suitors, among day for a week he renewed his efforts whom was the young chief, E-faw, of escape, but the brothers were never A-caw-ko-taws. But Nita-nee gently his strength gave way but he vowed suitors, until such time as her father die, so forcing himself into one of the some other day. breathed his last.

legend declare that on the still summer

between Malachi and Nita-nee, many through the cave which sounds like of his personal property Saturday aft-

LOCALS.

Considerable garden truck was planted last week in Northumberland

week.

The marriage of Miss Harriet R. Felty and Harry Shugerts, both of near C. Rossman. month, a malignant fever and for some Boalsburg, occurred Wednesday of last time the soldiers died rapidly in great week. The ceremony was performed of all sort, are bringing fair prices at numbers; in the 148th it broke out the by Rev. Stoneeypher, of the Boals-

John H. Martin has not yet been horses or cattle. same time; very few escaped. The regimental hospital was soon full, and It has been decided to leave it to a held at the hotel Wednesday morning. Sented in South Dakota. The eight indicates and surgery. Charlie and Miss Louise, Charlie and Miss Louise,

Mrs. Elizabeth Hall Reed died in

more could hang on and they no long- throughout, and many of the hoys re- the widow of Prof. John T. Reed, and morning went to Harrisburg, where the State and unnaturalized foreigner ga. He is a popular young fellow, and member seeing and hearing him coax daughter of the late T. Miller Hall, of she will remain several days prior to resident hunters to procure a license reflects credit on the ancestral "boot." lute indifference through it, making and tussel with his delirious patients; Milesburg, who at one time was sheriff going to New York City and Hart- before hunting in the State. ford, Conn. She will be absent for

scalp, working day and night with his fonte, was one of the callers at this of-

The Pitisburg Dispatch gives free a for blanks.

place was referred to a committee com-

The members of the Conference visited Washington Wednesday and were received by the President.

Rain, rain, go away; come back

Mrs. Ed. Robison will not move to Pittsburg, but will occupy the Oden-

kirk property after April 1st. There will be no new state at least until after the assembling of the new congress in December next.

stair builder by a large contractor.

Rev. G. W. Kershner will make sale ernoon at the Reformed parsonage.

Evangelical church owing to illness.

Mrs. John C. Bible, of Centre Hill, Saturday returned from York, where she visited her daughter, Mrs. Daniel

Horses, cattle, machinery and wares public sales. No particular fancy prices have been paid thus far for either

every company established a company vote of the people of Clearfield. They The applicants were Messrs. James S. mountable, to vanish. will vote on March 14th. John M. Stahl, James Decker, P. Fisher Keller, Wm. F. Floray, D. Keller and Wm.

F. Keller. Miss Roxanna Briabin Tuesday

some time.

Wednesday went to Union county in full pay instead of half pay. On Sunday morning, Feb. 1st a troublesome patients without a mur- fice who willfully planked down sub- the interest of his business. Mr. heavy detail from the 148th, myself mur. In forty-eight hours more, how- scription money. Mr. Crawford is Strohmeier ships monuments, etc., to various points outside of his home territory on account of the cheapness and superiority of the work.

Rev. W. E. Fischer, D. D., of Shaed on post twenty-four hours, without "duty." This was the darkest period Mother Goose Paint Book to children mokin, was tendered a call to the who secure five persons to take The Lutheran church at Ardmore, a short and water; it took us the greater part During this epidemic and resulting Sunday Dispatch for ten weeks. You time ago, but the proposition was not of the day following to get home, effects the regiment lost nearly one don't have to collect any money from considered by him. Dr. Fischer was through the awful mud and complete- hundred men in dead and permanent- the subscribers. The book is-a great present at a special meeting held in ly worn out; many contracting colds ly debilitated. Among the dead were educational novelty and solid at \$1.50 the interest of Foreign Missions, and the following members of Co. "A :" each. Every shild should have one, the congregation was so much pleased Rain and snow alternated rapidly, Henry Wolf, Griffin Garret, Geo. E. and anyone can get five persons to take with his manner that without hearing with a few fair days until the middle Lose, Samuel Crape, James Beirley, Pittsburg's great Sunday newspaper him preach, he was given the call. Samuel Wolf, Daniel Shaffer, Martin for ten weeks. Write to The Dispatch The congregation has now secured a pastor in Rev. Mullen, of Watsontown.

ninal market value and the rate of taxation is already up to the maximum allowed by law. Therefore, if the State by this bill will take away the Boalsburg Academy, April 13th from the local government the right to manage its schools within its own resources, then it will become necessary for the State to assume the additional cost arbitrarily imposed.

We would therefore respectfully petition your Honorable body to leave it to the intelligence, liberality and resources of the people in the several townships to govern their schools as may best serve their educational advancement.

WENT WEST. John A. Strank and Wm, Homan Seek Homes in the West,

Two tamilies, well known in Penns Valley, today (Thursday) are about Knoxville Land Improvement Comsettling in their new western homes. pany, and together some weeks ago Samuel F. Snyder Monday returned One is John A. Strunk, of Pleasant visited Centre Hall. to Pittsburg where he is engaged as a Gap, the other Wm. Homan, of near Aaronsburg. The former selected Ver- week moved to Centre Hall, from non, Kansas, the latter Scottland, Spring Mills, is more than pleased South Dakota.

tion on his visit to Kansas last spring. came to his home and engaged per-Rev. J. F. Shultz Monday returned The section has a good house, and manent quarters. from the Conference of the United "barn" such as is needed in that locality. Mr. Strunk took with him some is the guest of her cousin, Miss Laura Miss Sallie Lee, of Linden Hall, for implements, a cow, hogs and house- Runkle, in this place. Miss Runkle, county, In Montgomery county some several days this week was the guest hold goods. He made the tour with who is a daughter of John Runkle, pictures now is your opportunity. At marmers had their entire oats crop of Miss Margie Strohm, at Centre Hill. his goods, while his wife and son trav- one of the most progressive merchants eled as first-class passengers.

The other family, that of Wm. Homan, brother of Henry Homan, of Old Fort, consisted of wife and eight robust children. Mr. Homan had also was a passenger to Bellefonte Monday visited his new home last spring, and while there rented a farm. Mr. and Centre County Medical Association. Mrs. Homan are especially well pre- Dr. Musser is wrapped in his profession, pared to seize the opportunities pre-Success to both parties.

Bills Passed the Senate.

Requiring nonresident hunters of furlough from the School Ship Sarato-

Amending the Judges' disability act so that Judges retired because of phys-H. G. Strohmeier, the marble cutter, ical or mental disability shall receive

Marriage Licenses.

Clarence Stover, Penn Hall. Jennie Moyer, Penn Hall. Stuart Dillen, Julian. Flora Boyer, Julian. James C. Markle, Warriors Mark. Lera Way, Stormstown. John T. Wagner, Bellefonte. Gertrude E. Meyer, Boalsburg. Charles Davis, Butler. Effle M. Kramer, Aaronsburg. Jacob B. Houser, State College, Carrie I. Houser, Rebersburg. Clarence Heimes, Potters Mills. Mary E. Parker, Potters Mills.

S. Ward Gramley, graduate of Gettysburg, will open the spring term of -two courses, one a preparatory for college, the other a normal course for teachers.

The fact that F. W. Sweetwood, of Symerton, Illinois, renewed his paper for another year, is evidence that he has not fallen out with the world, and is content with his lot in his Illinois home.

In another column is a poem by Wm. Grimm, of Pittsburg, dedicated to Wm. L. Runkle, formerly of this place. Both are connected with the

Harry Fye, who Tuesday of last with his new home since Sunday Mr. Strunk purchased a quarter sec- morning, at which time a little girl

> Miss Maude Runkle, of Middleburg, in Snyder county, is a very amiable young lady, and, well, pretty.

Dr. S. C. Musser, of Aaronsburg, to attend the regular meeting of the takes great interest in the local society sented in South Dakota. The eight and is in step with the advance in

> Charlie and Miss Louise, son and daughter of Wm. R. Brachbill, of Bellefonte, Sunday were entertained by Miss Laura Runkle, at the Centre Hall hotel. Mr. Brachbill is off on a

John D. Lucas, of Potters Mills, whose marriage to Miss Blanche Heckman took place last week, was a caller Monday to have the Reporter ordered to Spring Mills where he will take up housekeeping within a few days. Mr. Lucas is a carpenter by trade, and is one of those young men who has push and energy.

A prominent feature of commencement at Pennsylvania State College this year will be the Class Day exercises to be conducted by the Seniors. Class Day has been observed by some former classes but has been omitted for several years. The committee in charge consists of E. R. Norris, North East; S. E. Miller, Lancaster; C. S. Freeman; Pittsburg; R. R. Baillie, Millersburg; B. H. Sharpe, West Chester; I. C. Palmer, Manito; and R. L. Streeter, Medix Run.