Regiment, P. V.

## CENTRE COUNTY 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

> [To be Continued.] CHAPTER II.

The three Meyers stood together, hesitating like the rest: I said to Henry and William, "lets run"! All right! they answered. So we turned to the right, toward the "White House," and the United States Ford road, and ran like startled gazelles. As we started we yelled, all who want to escape come this way. The entire column instantly joined in the rush. Lieutenant S. S. Wolf of Company "A" shout- friend to friend since the occurrence lawyer in this important branch of ed. Halt !! But there was no time for Sunday morning. a "halt." Every man for himself; we ran through brush and briar and over fallen trees like belated ghosts at break of day. The few officers remaining brought up the rear. But it is due to them to say that they, also, did some very good running. Lieutenant S. S. Wolf astonished us when he followed in our wake with the speed of a "White Head" on the plains of the "wild and wooly west," puffing and sweating like a runaway contraband. The clatter we made in brush and leaves was wonderful, something similar to the sweep of a hurricane.

It happened that all kept the shelter life. of the woods excepting the three Meyers, who led the van by odds and rushed into the field where we manoeuvred the first day. As we did so we saw a column of the enemy run down the yer and citizen of Bellefonte, was born old road we had just left. Had we in Haines township, Centre county, been five minutes later we would all Penn., April 20, 1849, a son of Jacob have been numbered among the killed, Bower, who was a prosperous and well wounded and captured. As it was, to do farmer living near the village of with a place on the Electoral ticket. they captured Lieutenant Colonel Mc- Woodward. The mother was a In 1894 he was unanimously nomina-Creary, of the 145th P. V. together daughter of Jacob Motz, of Woodward; ted by his party for President Judge with two full companies of his Regi- both parents being members of two of of the 49th Judicial District, then ment on the same line, and within a the oldest and most prominent fami- comprised of the counties of Centre few minutes of our escape.

Company "A" boys to escape.

only two hundred men to an army of the bar he was offered and accepted an and is at present district and county narrative.

as the guns could be worked.

from our former position. The "Reb- retired from the Bench he chose him Furst and Love, and is the President ly burned. el Yell" and the shouts of battle had as his law partner. The law firm of of the board. ern part of the clearing where we one of the leading law firms of Penn- lly on the extreme eastern end of Linn nections,

C. M. Bower, Esq., is dead.

The death of Mr. Bower took place just about completed teaching his class when he felt severe pains in his head. He sat down, and almost instantly became unconscious. Physicians were hurriedly summoned, but they could do nothing to prolong life. John Bower, an only son, reached his father's side a few moments prior to his death. Mrs. Bower was at home ill in bed, in which condition she had been for some weeks, and was unable to go to witness the last scenes of her husband's

The "Commemorative Blographical Record" says of Mr. Bower:

"Calvin M. Bower, a prominent lawlies of that section of the country.

General Hancock, in a conversation "The subject of this sketch spent his campaign of that year he was defeated of inquiry with Col. James F. Weaver, early days as a farmer's boy, working with the rest of the Democratic candiof the 148th P. V. afterwards greatly on his father's farm during the sum- dates, but he ran 1,529 votes ahead of censured Col. McCreary for not re- mers and attending the public schools his ticket in the district. In the fol- a day. treating at a time when it was so clear- during the winter months. In No- lowing year the Democratic County ly the proper thing to do, orders or no vember, 1868, he entered the Aarons- Committee instructed the delegates orders. Gen. Hancock greatly exer- burg Academy to prepare for college. from Centre county to present Mr. cised over the matter, said that he In the following spring he went back Bower's name before the State Concared not so much to lose Col. Mc- to his father's farm, and remained vention for the nomination of Justice companies of good men and that Mc- turned to the academy and spent the resolution instructing the delegates to ship within the county. Creary and his men had the same winter at his studies. In the spring of use all honorable means to secure his chance to get out as the boys of the 1868 he again returned to the farm, nomination. Huntingdon and other 148th P. V. and should have done so. and remained at work (except for five counties took similar action, and it If the paper is late in reaching you, it Orders to "fall back" had been sent months spent in teaching a term of soon became evident that there was a is no fault of the publisher. but failed to reach the right of the school in the neighborhood) until Au- strong sentiment in his favor in variline, which we held. Col McCreary gust, 1870, when he entered Central ous sections of the State. His friends products by deleterious substances and said to be the largest funeral witnessand his men were too timid to act Pennsylvania College, at New Berlin, made a strong fight for his nomina- imposing a penalty of not less than ed for a long time in that community. without orders. Ten men of Compa- Penn. During the time spent on the tion, and he was only defeated by an \$50 nor more than \$100 for violation of ny "A" 148th P. V., of whom I can farm he was a faithful student, mak- unfortunate ruling of the chairman of the act. now recall only William C. Meyer, ing use of his spare time in finishing the Convention, which gave the nom-Henry Meyer, Charles A. Wolf and his preparations for college. He re- ination to Judge Magee, of Pittsburg. companies shall not issue policies Nathaniel Boob, in response to a call mained at college until October, 1871, "Mr. Bower is a prominent and an agreeing to pay more than \$10 a week for ten volunteers, about dusk on Sat- when he went to Bellefonte to begin active member of the Reformed in the case of sickness, accident or disleft," on Sunday and escaped with the studies with the same zeal that char- church. While he is thoroughly debar of Centre county.

ment cases tried in Centre county, and That was the word passed from he is recognized as a well-equipped the law. The records of the court in in the central part of the state show in the Sunday school room connected the extent of his practice, and the suwith the Reformed church. He had supreme court reports, for years, attest his prominence at the bar, showing that he frequently appeared before that tribunal in the leading cases from the courts to which his practice extended.

"Mr. Bower has always been an un-

compromising Democrat, faithfully devoted to the principles of his party. These principles, as laid down by Jefferson, Jackson and Tilden, have always found in him an earnest and faithful supporter. As early as 1875 he was chairman of the Democratic County Committee, and by his untiring work succeeded in effecting an organization that brought out a full party vote, resulting in a majority of 1,-500 in the county for the Democratic nominee for governor. He has frequently been a delegate to State Conventions, and in 1880 he was honored and Huntingdon. In the disastrous

urday evening (May 2nd) went down the study of law. He entered the law church. Frequently he has been a ablement, not more than \$250 in event to assist Col. McCreary's men, then in office of Orvis & Alexander, then one delegate to Classis and Synods, and of death. a furious fight, to hold their line, left of the most noted law firms in central has filled various other positions with them on the call of "assemble on the Pennsylvania. There he pursued his credit to himself and honor to the Company as related. Col. McCreary's acterized his school work, and in Devoted to his church, he is interested in men had equal chances with these ten cember, 1873, he was admitted to the the cause of religion without regard to denominational lines. He has also What, one might ask, is the loss of "Immediately upon his admission to been active in Sunday-school work, taxable property. over one hundred thousand? Well, interest in the law firm with whom he chairman of the State Sabbath-school suppose three hundred dollars was had been a student, and in January, Association. Mr. Bower has the dispaid for each three year recruit at that 1874, he became a member of the firm tinction of being the only layman time, and twenty-five dollars for each of Orvis, Alexander & Bower. When elected president of the West Susqueman's outfit, then the loss to the Gov- Judge Orvis, the senior member of the hanna Classis of the Reformed church. ernment was sixty-five thousand dol- firm, was appointed to the bench, the He has also been an active worker in lars; beside, the turning over of two remaining members of the firm con- the cause of education. For years he hundred new Springfield rifles, to be tinued the practice under the firm has been a member of the board of used against the Union cause. Fur- name of Alexander & Bower. This trustees of Franklin and Marshall resent Potter township as jurors at the thermore, the pay and all allowances partnership continued for a period of College, at Lancaster, Penn., and as a April Court. for these two hundred men, over six eleven years, during which time they mark of appreciation of his work for thousand dollars a month, continued were engaged in most of the important the college, and his literary attain- the Bell Telephone exchange, has during captivity. We return to the cases tried in Centre county. Mr. ments, that institution some years ago been ill for the past week. Miss Grace in the vicinity of Lock Haven are on ing been shipped here by various Bower was soon recognized as a care- conferred upon him the degree of Just as we rushed into the great ful and conscientious lawyer, and soon Master of Arts. He owns one of the ator. clearing we saw probably twenty attained an influential position at the finest libraries in Bellefonte, and by thousand of our soldiers moving across bar. He early acquired a large prac- earnest and careful study he has bethe plain, apparently without forma- tice at the Orphans' Court, and was come as prominent in literary circles tion, and massing on high ground just looked upon especially strong in this as he has in his profession. Judge outside the woods on the opposite side class of cases. The firm during its ex- Orvis, when on bench, fittingly recogof the field, in solid columns, and just istence had a large practice, and tak- nized Mr. Rower's legal and literary in front of them a line of artillery clear ing an active part in the work soon attainments by appointing him a across the field, as near to each other became one of the leading lawyers of member of the examining committee; the county. One of the strongest evi- and he is in point of service the oldest fire to the hay. Carl, Gardner's sev- Lancaster, witnessed the burial rites. and in addition gives its readers nine This indicated disaster. It was a dences of Mr. Bower's ability as a law- member of that committee, having on-year-old son, was burned to death, A large number of Free Masons were sprightly stories and a forty-page new position for the army, way back yer is the fact that when Judge Orvis been re-appointed by Judges Hoy,

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THE NEW ROAD BILL.

A Newspaper Man Estimates the Benefit to

His Township. Wilmer Atkinson, editor of the Farm Journal, has been figuring out the extent of the local advantages to be derived from the Sproul good roads not be sufficient to warrant any townimprove the highways.

Mr. Atkinson applies his calculations to Upper Dublin township, Montgomery county, in which he resides, and sets forth the result in an article published in the Ambler Gazette.

This is what he says: ute their share among the townships, if applied for, and all conditions are make application, but if they do, not many miles of roads will be built in a township the size of Upper Dublin, which is about the average size in the

"There are said to be 10,000 miles of roads in the State, the \$1,000,000 available in the first two years would serve to macadamize 250 miles-not more. Upper Dublin's share of the funds would cover less than 900 feet.

"There are 5280 feet in a mile. Of the whole \$6,000,000 to be appropriated our portion, providing all other counties claim their share, would enable our township to macadamize one mile of road. If we are able to do more than this it will be because other districts do not apply for State aid to which they are entitled. The extent of such default no one can do more than guess.

"So the idea may as well be dismissed that the township may abandon good roads and wait for State aid. We will get our share of State aid, but the amount of it that we are likely to obtain has not the least bearing upon the present duty of progressive citizens to go to work and build roads without waiting any longer for outside help."

Bills Signed.

Increasing the pay of the chaplains f the Senate and House from \$3 to \$6

Authorizing chief burgesses to administer oaths in matters pertaining to borough affairs.

Authorizing County commissioners to accept as a county bridge any bridge Creary, but was very sorry to lose two there until the fall of 1867, when he re- of the Superior Court, and passed a maintained by any borough or town-

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Providing that health insurance

Validating the incurring of debt or increase of indebtedness of second class and broke the shafts. townships by supervisors for the purpose of macadamizing roads and high-

LOCALS.

Centre Reporter, \$1.00 per year, in

Several crossings are being built, lumber camp at Cross Forks. There is need of several more.

Miss Edna Murray, an operator in May 3rd. Smith is temporarily acting as oper- a strike. The Harbison-Walker com- nursery men. Farmers are beginning

has engaged Carpenter Aaron Thomas exceptions to their men belonging to ley that are wholesome and toothsome, to erect for him a handsome porch the Union. that will extend on two sides of his dwelling.

all died out. All was quiet. All was Orvis, Bower & Orvis, consisting of "Mrs. Bower is a daughter of John sented at the Odd Fellows' gathering the funeral. suspense. Birds were sweetly singing Judge Orvis, Mr. Bower, and Ellis L. Meyer, of near Rebersburg, and a lady at Milton Tuesday. The members of among the trees and once more we en- Orvis, was organized January 1, 1885 of culture and refinement. She is par- of the organization in this Valley were joyed the beautiful spring day. We This partnership at once came into ticularly noted for her love of plants unable to participate in the ceremomade for a clump of trees in the east- prominence, and was recognized as and flowers, and the home of the fam- nies on account of lack of railroad con-

meaning of the term.

DEATHS. JOHN FOX.

At the age of eighty years, John Fox, of near Boalsburg, passed to the other world. Interment was made in the Boalsburg cemetery, Rev. A. A. Black officiating. He was a man highlaw, just enacted. He finds they will ly regarded by his neighbors. He leaves two sisters, namely, Mrs. Sallie ship in easing up in its own efforts to Ramels and Mary. The latter is an invalid. The demased was a bachelor.

AN INFANT.

The infant babe of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Kerlin, of this place, born April 13, died Sunday forenoon. Interment was made Monday afternoon, "The first year \$500,000 is to be dis- the casket being carried and lowered tributed among the different counties, in the grave by four little girls, namely, general line of merchandise. if applied for, the counties to distrib- Bertha Strohmeier, Margaret Jacobs, Nellie Smith and Freda Bailey. The tre Hall, called last week to advance services were conducted by Rev. J. M. the subscription to the Reporter. complied with. It is not likely that Rearick assisted by Rev. J. F. Shultz. Frank Naginey, the Bellefonte all the townships in the State will Suganna May Karling Jurniture dealer and undertaker, last

MRS. MARY GLENN. Mrs. Mary Henderson Glenn, the beloved wife of Dr. William S. Glenn, twenty-two weeks.

She is survived by the bereaved husband and six sorrowing children, as Reese, and Mrs. Carrie Krader, all of follows: Bessie, Annie, Ollie, Harold, Bellefonte, are guests of Mrs. Edward Grover and Willie.

Funeral services at the house on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by Revs. Heckman, Denniston and travagantly inclined public officials, Gill. The funeral was one of the larg- was a caller Monday. est ever held at State College, showing the esteem in which the deceased was debted to W. Harrison Walker, Esq., held by a host of sorrowing friends.

RUDOLPH PAGE.

Linden Hall, Thursday evening of enty-nine years, ten months and three great grandmother Mrs. Nancy Yeager. the present strenuous movement for days. Interment took place at Rock Hill Sunday morning, Rev. J. F. Shultz officiating.

Mr. Page was a member of Company G, 148th Regiment, P. V., and did much hard service during his enlistment. During his younger days he was a man of great physical endurance, although a man of slight build and under-size in stature. He was exceedingly industrious, and while providing for a large family of children, he managed to acquire a home which

he continuously occupied. berger, Jeannette; Minnie, wife of after by the employes. Wm. Stover, Boalsburg; George at Eaago. His aged wife survives.

morning was largely attended by vet- the owner of a splendid organ. erans, friends and relatives. It was

LOCALS.

Court news in another column.

Wanted-In a small family, good porter office.

While driving through town Tuesday, Frank Pennington's horse fell

Shook Brothers, Spring Mills, appreciate the value of advertising. Read ways to an amount not to exceed two the Sharpless Tubular Cream Separa- barley have been sown. The ground per cent. upon the assessed value of tor advertisement which appears else- plows hard, having been firmly set-

> living four miles west of Millhall, has winds. a well developed case of small pox. He was ill when he came home from a

He expects to take charge Sunday,

bine that practically own all the large to realize that there are many kinds George H. Emerick, east of town, brick manufacturing industries, took of fruit that can be grown in this val-

The funeral of C. M. Bower, Wednesday, was largely attended. Men of Boys playing with matches Tuesday prominence from various parts of the maintains its customary breadth of in Amos Gardner's stable, Tyrone, set state, particularly Philadelphia and view and variety of interesting topics, and six-year-old Fred Haag was fatal- also present. There were many floral World's Fair Dedication Souvenirtributes. Mrs. Bower, who had been this latter the most complete and au-Nittany Valley was largely repre- ill for some time, was able to attend thentic advance story of the Louisiana

> Misses Myra and Letitia Goodhart, and will remain for several weeks. | ment exercises.

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Plant a tree.

Is there a waste place on your premses that will support a tree?

Mrs. A. E. Kerlin, who had been eriously ill, has much improved.

There is one union that might become popular: the union of churches. Miss Breeze Benner is home from Philadelphia where she had been for several months.

Merchant Ripka, of the Spring Mills Cash Store, this week advertises a

Mrs. Frank W. Decker, of near Cen-

week returned from a trip through

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Strohmeier were died on Thursday morning last at one in Bellefonte Monday. Mr. Stroho'clock, after a lingering illness of meier was a witness on the Mott-Johnon case.

> Misses Lettie Hartman and Irene Robinson. . C. B. Houser, of near Linden Hall,

> who could set a good example to ex-The readers of the Reporter are in-

> for the proceedings of court. The report can be relied upon to be correct. Miss Beatrice Ray, of near town, re-

Rudolph Page died at his home near cently returned from Bellefonte where she visited her parents. Miss last week at the advanced age of sev- Beatrice makes her home with her Miss Emma Wolf, daughter of J.

Witmer Wolf, of Ardmore, has been selected pianist of the Ardmore High School. The Philadelphia Inquirer gave a splendid portrait of her a short time ago.

Rev. Ward K. Shultz Sunday evening performed his first marriage ceremony, when he united in marriage at the home of the groom, Nelson Mc-Kinley and Miss Margaret Letterman,

both of Milesburg. A half dozen labor unions have been He was the father of the following organized in Bellefonte within the children: Julia, wife of David Bar- past week. All a business man has to lett, Bellefonte; Annie, wife of W. T. do now is to furnish the capital, the Noll, and Lena, wife of David Harsh- balance of the business will be looked

Miss Mabel Zeigler, an operator in gleville; John, Rebersburg; Joshua, at the Commercial telephone exchange, home. Joseph died about five years Millheim, was remembered in the will of Mrs. Julia Brown, deceased, of The funeral of the deceased Sunday Hubbersburg, and accordingly became

> In "The Progress of the World," for May, the editor of the Review of Reprosperity, on the Northern Securities case, and on the question of "smashing versus regulating combinations."

Mrs. Scott Lambert, of near Beilehelp. Good wages. Address the Re- fonte, fell through the barn floor Friday evening, and broke the bone in one of her ankles. The broken bone protruded from the flesh when she was taken to the Bellefonte hospital.

Farmers have had ten days of uninterrupted farm work, and they made good use of it. Considerable cats and tled by the recent heavy rains and Irvin Bitner, a son of George Bitner, later relieved of moisture by the high

Rev. W. J. Wagner, of Glasgow, Cambria county, last week visited his sister, Mrs. A. E. Kerlin, and father, Rev. Illingworth circulated among Jacob Wagner, in this place, on his Messrs. J. F. Smith, J. R. Strong, his friends at Spring Mills a few days way to Danville where he filled ap-Wm. H. Lee and Emanuel Smith rep- ago. He has accepted a call from the pointments Sunday in the Buckhorn Presbyterian church of Tionesta, Pa. Lutheran charge, a country charge near the city named.

A large number of fruit trees have been distributed from this point, havthat heretofore they have purchased from the groceryman.

The National Magazine for May Purchase Exposition that has ever been put in print.

daughters of Mr. and Mrs. William | Harry Bitner, son of Prof. H. F. Goodhart, of near Spring Mills, were Bitner, of Millersville Normal School, callers Tuesday. The Reporter was has secured a position as reporter on pleased to receive the information that the Pittsburg Times. Mr. Bitner will found one of the finest springs of wa- sylvania. Mr. Bower has always tak- street is one of the finest in Bellefonte. Station Agent W. S. Musser and Mr. Goodhart has practically recover- graduate from Franklin and Marshall ter imaginable, flowing a strong stream en an active and prominent part in The grounds surrounding the house Merchant H. F. Rossman, of Spring ed from a severe illness, and Monday College in June, having pursued studglear as crystal and ice cold. Oh, what their practice, and his success has are one mass of vines and flowers, all Mills, were in town Tuesday evening was able to walk out of the house. Mr. les to specially fit him for the newsa treat to thirsty men! We drank placed him prominently among the under the immediate care of Mrs. to attend a special meeting of the Free Goodhart's daughter, Miss Sarah, who paper business. He will begin active-"by wholesale," filled our canteens, leading lawyers of the state. For Bower. The only child, John Jacob Masons. Messrs. Musser and Ross- for a number of years has lived in ly on the Times May 12, and return to then drank over again. It was the many years he was concerned in the Bower, is a student of Franklin and Marshall for commence-

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trial of many of the important eject-

1 Death was accused by Child's Grandmother giving her the mother's medicine by mistake-