HISTORICAL SKETCH OF PHILIPSBURG

EXTRACTS COMPILED FROM A. Y. CASSANOVA'S ARTICLES

FOUNDERS OF PHILIPSBURG

Who Were the Early Settlers-Some of the First Industries-Will Celebrate Old Home Week-Now a Thriving Town.

The citizens of Philipsburg are about data has taken the following extract from a "Gazetteer of the State of Pennsylvania," published by Thomas F. Gordon, of Philadelphia, in 1832:

"Philipsburg is the principal town of Rush township, Centre County, on the Moshannon creek, which separates it from Clearfield, and upon the Turnpike leading from Bellefonte to Franklin, 27 miles by the road from the former, 186 miles N. W. of W. C., 114 from Harrisburg, and about 20 miles from the confluence of the creek with the West Branch of the Susquehannah. This is a handsome village, containing about 50 dwellings, an Episcopal church, three taverns, several stores, a steam grist mill, a forge, wire and screw factory, all of which are carried on extensively. The screws are said to be superior in quality, and cheaper than those imported. The dwelling of Mr. Philips, on the border of the town, is large and neat. The Moshannon creek is navigable to the

"Philipsburg Forge, 15 miles from Bellefonte, on the waters of Big Moshannon, makes about 200 tons bar iron annually. The enterprising owners, Messrs. Hardman Philips & Co., have also a manufactory for making wood screws, which are in every way superior to those imported. They are made with great facility and in great quantities. To the screw factory is

attached a cupalo. "John Plumb, Jr., was postmaster of Philipsburg in 1832.

Statistical Table of Rush Township. "Greatest length, 19 miles; greatest breadth, 8 miles; area, 56,960 acres; mountainous; soil slatey; population in 1820, 173; in 1830, 410; taxables 81. Turnpikes.

"The Bellefonte and Philipsburg Turnpike was begun in 1820; 29 miles. The Philipsburg and Susquehanna Turnpike was begun in 1829; 19 miles.

From other sources Mr. Cassanova

has compiled the following: In studying the colonial history of in mind that the counties of this Commonwealth were organized at different dates. Centre county was organized February 13, 1800, and was formed of a part of Mifflin, Northumberflin was erganized in 1789, from a part of Cumberland and Northumberland. Northumberland was organized in 1772, from part of Lancaster, Cumberland, Berks, Bedford and Northampton. Lycoming in 1786 was from part gin'. of Bedford. Cumberland in 1750, of part of Lancaster, and Lancaster was organized in 1729 from part of Chester, which was one of the original counties established at the first settlement of the Province in 1682. As the dates run back, a research might entail a study of nearly all of the above counties, according to locality, in order to obtain the history of any given place. An early map of Pennsylvania, now before me shows Centre county to be occupied by the Shawanese Indians, having the Six Confederate Nations to the north. Parkman, in his delightful histories, tells of these "Romans of the New World."

Then again, townships vary in size and name. This portion of Centre county was included in Warrior Mark township, which in 1802 becomes Half Moon: in April 1814, Rush and Jenner, later, in 1815, Jenner becomes Half as Robert Irvin, driving two horses at-

for it is said that Penn required for- horses. eign names to be translated into English before patents of land were grant- mad effort to get away from the clinged. Such was the case with the Zimmermans who, on purchasing land, became Carpenters.

Now let us have apeep at our own locality. If my statements are erroneous it would please me to have them corrected, for my assertions are based on the information now at hand.

Philips and Baker, two Englishmen, became seized of a large body of wild land situate on the western slope of what was then known as the Allegheny Mountain, including tracts of land in the present counties of Centre, Clearfield, Cambria and Indiana. About 1794 these good gentlemen decided to make settlements upon their lands, and two agents were sent hither to lay out a town, which was eventually located here and was nam-'ed Moshannontown. Lynn and Mayhard give us a sketch of this first settlement, and enumerate the first houses built in the locality. When Hardman Philips arrived in 1809, he changed the name of the town to Philipsburg, in honor of his two brothers, James and Henry Philips, who

had preceded him. Philips had a sawmill and later built a forge on Cold Stream. The Mamous screw factory dates from 1821, and was located at Point Lookout, to which locality the grist mill and foundry were removed later. Philips dis-

returned to England. The first store of which we have crat. knowledge was that of Mr. Treziyulny, who was followed by a Mr. Wrigley, who in turn made way for John Lorain. The railroad came in 1863. Information comes to me that the first school appeared in 1819, when Charles The driver of the first horse, Gulick, Simler, a Revolutionary soldier, kept a night school. Subsequently a day his nose broken in two places as well school was started by Mrs. McClos-

John G. Shultz, who was followed by John Henry Simler. Then we have Wrigley, and about 1816, Jacob Test and James McGirk. The diary of James Allport, still in existence, tells us how on May 7, 1828, he reached Philipsburg, and that night slept two in a bed and four in a room at the Philipsburg Hotel, kept by James McGirk. On that visit Allport visited Philips, his forge and screw mill and the native beaver dams.

On November 12, 1820, a deed was executed by Hardman Philips and Sophia, his wife, to Hardman Philips, Jacob Test and James Collins, which conveyed a lot 200 feet on Presquisle street, and 200 feet deep on North 6th street, forming a square, on which was erected a church or meeting house, it ready for Old Home week, which will being part of a tract called "Oak be the largest celebration ever held in Grove," in trust for the use of all dethe enterprising borough across the nominations and sects of Christians as mountains. The history of this hust- a place of regious worship and burial ling town is filled with much that will ground for the inhabitants of Philipsinterest the people of Beliefonte as burg and vicinity, and for no other well as those over the county, because use or purpose whatever. The deed of their close relation. A. Y. Cassa- was recorded November 24, 1820. Regnova, of Washngton, D. C., who has been there searching for historical there for many years, and Sunday worship was rendered in full at the "Big House." The Methodists used the log house on Beaver street. School was also held in the Union church building.

Later on difficulties arose between Philips and the inhabitants as to the church, for he desired to use the church for certain purposes, claiming that he had furnished more money for its repairs than any other. The matter ended in an action at law, and residents won their point. In 1851 the Legislature passed an Act authorizing the qualified electors of Rush township to elect three trustees in the place and room of those originally appointed by Hardman Philips for the church and burying ground.

The early newspapers of the county were the American Patriot, which began publication in 1814; the Bellefonte Patriot, in 1818; The Centre Democrat, in 1827; the Bellefonte Free Press between 1830 and 1840; The Democratic Whig about 1840; and the Democratic Watchman in 1855. The issues of these newspapers are rare, and some of them may be found in the Pennsylvania Historical Society in Philadelphia. They are valuable as furnishing contemporaneous information.

This locality was then a vast, unbroken forest and was the hunting ground of the Indian, but few evidences of their company are to be found now. The tribe which roamed here was not overly fond of physical labor, and although we are told that there were Indian settlements on the right bank of Moshannon Creek, near the infant town, no monumental remains were left to tell of their occupancy.

Terrific Record-Breaking Ride. Flirting with death every minute of 18 years old, who refused to give his name, established a new record for long-distance ride-stealing on the Pennsylvania Railroad on Friday. He rode from Chicago to Altoona on one of the trucks under the combined car Pennsylvania it should ever be borne of the Chicago Limited, 585 miles all home of her sister near by

> "I beat it clear from Chicago," he said: "and, say, I never want another ride like dat! De way dat train flies made me t'ink every minit was me last. We took some curves dat I t'ough would surely land me 'mong the dead ones, and the way we flew over the ties made me dizzy. No more limiteds for yours truly. Dere's too much risk riding in' the brake rig-

> > Miner Injured.

Frank Johnson, aged about 18 years, while mining clay in the mines of the Pennsylvania Fire Brick company Wednesday of last week met with a serious injury. He had two dynamite caps in his left hand which he was about to place for a charge when in some manner they exploded with terrible force. The fingers of the hand were all more or less lacerated, the fore finger having much of the flesh torn from the bone. Frank cannot tell the cause of their explosion, but as he held them loose in his hand, turned upwards over the fingers, it is possible that a spark or dripping from the miner's lamp on his cap might have ignited them

Bees Sting Man and Team

At Ralston, Lycoming county, Satwere formed from Half Meon, and urday a dog upset a hive of bees just tached to a wagon, was passing. The Names of families very often change, enraged bees attacked Irvin and the

> The horses ran over half a mile in a ing, stinging insects, while the bees formed a hood over Irvin's face and head and stung him so badly that when he reached Dr. Mansel's office in town he was in a state of nausea, as though saturated with poison. He is in a critical condition from shocks and stings, his head being swollen as large as a peck measure.

Boy Foretells Death.

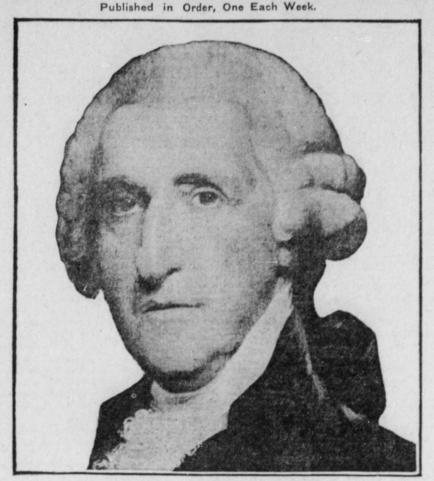
A remarkable case, in which Lawrence Rohrbaugh, a sixteen-year-old boy, is believed to have had a premonition of death, which was speedily verified, is reported from Glen Rock, York county. Recently, it is said, the boy, who had always been bright and cheerful, became subject to fits of melancholia, in which he would cry and say that he would have to die soon A week ago he was stricken with spinal meningitis, and Sunday his prophecy was borne out by his death.

Quick Results. C. H. Stover, of Aaronsburg, lost a valuable woman's coat, Tuesday afternoon, on returning from the Hecla picnic. Our fellow citizen, John Rishel, was the finder and reported same to advertise in Democrat, and an hour later the owner reported to us the losing of the garment and received our prompt notice of its finder. Wonposed of his interests here in 1844 and derful how quick results follow even when an ad. is left with the Demo-

Race Horse Dead During a 2.24 pace at the Clearfield races Maud Foster was coming in second and gaining on the first horse when Margaret W. collided with her. was thrown to the ground and had school was started by Mrs. McClos-key. The first tavern was spened by The horse was bruised.

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THOMAS M'KEAN-1799-1808.

Thomas McKean was born in 1734 in Londonderry, Chester county. He was admitted to practice law before he became of age. His first public office was that of clerk of the assembly. Mr. McKean was a member of the Colonial congress of 1765 and of the Continental congress of 1776 and was one of the committee which drew up the articles of confederation. He signed the Declaration of Independence. During the Revolutionary war he served as a colonel. A member of the Delaware constitutional convention, he accomplished the remarkable feat of preparing a constitution which was unanimously adopted by the convention. Mr. McKean was chief justice of Pennsylvania for twenty-two years, having been appointed in 1777. In the same year he was elected president of Delaware, continuing meanwhile to represent the latter state in congress. He was elected governor of Pennsylvania by the Democratic party and served for three terms. He died June 24, 1817.

The same Tuesday, the 21st day of September, A. D. 1909, by W. C. Hagan, Wm. H. Furey and L. T. Munson, under the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An early the commonwealth entitled

Left Sponge in Abdomen.

Mrs. Sadle Stitler, of Aiken, S. C., strength, but steadily grew worse and was performed and a sponge about 12 and stored similar to ice. inches square and 6 ply-thick, which the journey, a young hobo, not over had been overlooked, was removed. For a number of days the patient's case was considered hopeless, and her recovery has been slow, yet her complete restoration to health appears to be asured and that she will soon be able to leave the hospital to go to the

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Snow Instead of Ice.

Wm. R. Neff, of near Tusseyville, formerly of Newport, Perry county, stored away several loads of snow last who underwent an operation for inter- winter, which he took from the snow nal trouble in February 1, 1909, after banks along the roadside, as a substiwhich she did not regain her former tute for ice. His experiment proved of street railway from and through strength, but steadily grew worse and very satisfactory, as it was only a the Borough of Milesburg, in the came north entering Dr. Grubb's hos- short time ago that he was able to county of Centre, thence to and came north entering Dr. Grubb's hos- short time ago that he was able to pital at Punxsutawney, has just sub- use some of the snow to freeze a watmitted to a second operation which ermelon. The snow was cut into cubes Huntingdon Celebrates.

Huntingdon county this week with great demonstrations and a general home coming of former residents of the town. The festivities begin on the 5th and continue until the 11th of Septem-

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EXECUTORS NOTICE.

lary in the estate of Ediza J. Walker. late of Bellefonte Boro deceased, have been issued to the undersigned. All persons knowing them-selves to be indebted to the estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims against the estate will please present them duly authenticated to the undersigned. C. C. Shurr, Exr. Bellefonte, Pa.

W. HARRISON WALKER, Atty.

EXECUTORS NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Joel Struble, late of Walker township, deceased. have been issued to the undersigned. All persons knowing themselves to be indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the estate will please present them duly authenticated to the undersigned.

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W. HARRISON WALKER, Attorney for estate. X38

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In the Orphans' Court of Centre County.
In the matter of the estate of Henry D. Lee, late of Patton Township, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order Issued out of the Orphans' Court of Centre County upon the petition of all the heirs and legal representatives of Henry D. Lee, late of Patton Township, deceased. William Tressler was appointed Trustee, by the said Orphans' Court to sell the real estate of the said decedent for the purpose of distribution.
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Notice is hereby given that an ap-plication will be made to the Govern-or of the State of Pennsylvania on Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations approved May 14th, 1889, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation to be call-ed "CENTRE COUNTY TRACTION COMPANY," the character and ob-ject of which is the construction, maintenance and operation of a line county of Centre, thence to and through the Borough of Bellefonte, in said county, and thence to and through the Borough of State College in said county, by electric or any other motive power excepting steam power; and for these purposes to have, possess Old Home Week is being celebrated in and enjoy all the rights, benefits and untingdon county this week with privileges of the said Act of Assembly and its supplements.

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Notice is hereby given that an ap-plication will be made to the Honrable Ellis L. Orvis, Judge of said Court, on Monday, the 27th day of September, A. D. 1909, at 10 o'clock A. M., under the Act of Assembly which provides for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations, approved April 29th, A. D. 1874, and its supplements by W. F. Pock. and its supplements, by W. F. Rock-ey, J. B. Wirt, D. S. Glasgow, C. W. ey, J. B. Wirt, D. S. Giasgow, C. W. Swartz, W. R. Neff, H. W. Frantz, Samuel Klinefelter, E. C. Ripka, R. R. Rickert, E. C. Harter, M. F. Rossman, and C. E. Wert, for a charter of an intended corporation to be called "THE REFORMED AND LUTHER-AN CEMETERY ASSOCIATION" of Tusseyville, Centre county, Pennsylvania, the character and object of 25-42 ly which is to purchase land or receive the same by gift or otherwise, to lay out, sell, and dispose of burial lots, and to ornament the burial grounds, and to care for a place for the burial of the dead; and for these purposes to have, possess, and enjoy all the rights, benefits, and privileges con-ferred by said Act and its supple-WM. G. RUNKLE,

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