

CHANGES THAT WILL FOLLOW

WHAT THE RECENT PROMOTION OF OFFICERS MEANS.

Position of Battalions Will Be Reversed and There Will Also Be a Change in the Color Company. Brief Sketches of the Officers Who Have Been Promoted by Governor Hastings—Death of Private Keith is Greatly Regretted—Gossip of the Camp.

Special to the Scranton Tribune.

Camp Meade, Middletown, Pa., Oct. 23.—The certainty of the promotions of several new officers in the Thirtieth at present absorbs all other topics of interest. The boys have discussed the matter over and over again and have not failed to note the fact that a precedent has already been established, namely, that in cases of a vacancy the position of any commissioned officer is to be filled, not by a popular election as was the custom heretofore, but by appointment from the governor of the state. The commissions for the new appointees have not been received, but in all probability they will be here before the regiment leaves for Philadelphia next week.

The officers who have been fortunate to receive the honors of promotion are Major F. W. Stillwell of the First Battalion, who was noted a week ago, as the most probable successor to C. C. Mattes, becomes, Lieutenant Colonel, Lieutenant Colonel Stillwell has a splendid record as a soldier and his promotion to his present high position gives general satisfaction throughout the regiment. He enlisted as a private in Company A, in January 1885, was promoted to corporals in July 1886 and to the rank of sergeant in January 1888. From that time his rise was rapid and constant. He was elected second lieutenant of his company January 14, 1889, and as a further proof of his popularity and ability became its captain on the 23d of January, 1894. On January 12th, 1897, he became major and received his commission in the volunteer army of the United States on May 5, 1898.

MEMBER OF RIFLE TEAM.

He was an active and efficient member of the Pennsylvania state rifle team, which won honors at Sea Girt, N. J., in 1892, and again in 1894. Personally Col. Stillwell is very quiet and easily approached, but, nevertheless, he is a thorough soldier and knows his business from beginning to end. Under his direction the First Battalion has reached a degree of perfection which it never excelled before. Lieutenant Colonel Stillwell will step into his new office with the best wishes of the men of the Thirtieth.

Captain, now Major, Eugene D. Fellows, entered the national guard as a member of Company D, on May 17th, 1880, becoming corporal August 11, 1881, and Sergeant on March 29, 1883. He was elected second lieutenant January 22, 1886, first lieutenant May 29, 1888, and captain on June 17, 1890. He volunteered with the Thirtieth on May 22, of the present year, though his commission as a captain of the volunteer army bears date of May 5.

Major Fellows at the time of his promotion was the senior captain of the regiment and was well liked by the members of his company, which

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FIRST LIEUTENANT DAVIS.

First Lieutenant David J. Davis is one of the best known and most respected officers in the Thirtieth. His record is as follows: Private in Company F, January 2, 1884, corporal, March 10, 1886, second lieutenant, July 14, 1886; second lieutenant United States Volunteers, May 5, 1888. Lieutenant Davis is one of the few lawyer members of the regiment and it will be remembered that he was assistant city solicitor during the incumbency of J. H. Torrey, esq. He is now acting regimental adjutant during the absence of Adjutant L. T. Mattes, who is home on sick leave, and his promotion is more than an ordinarily popular one.

Lieutenant William S. Freeman succeeds to the place made vacant by the advancement of Lieutenant Davis. He has been first sergeant of F for some time and was the senior sergeant of the entire regiment. He enlisted in the National Guard nine years ago as a member of Company D and was transferred with the rank of corporal to F, with which he has since been identified. If his record as first sergeant is to be taken as a criterion of his future worth he will be an excellent second lieutenant.

There is a noticeable coincidence in these three promotions in F company. Major Fellows was senior captain in the regiment, Captain Decker, senior first lieutenant, and Lieutenant Freeman senior sergeant.

These promotions have still another significance. They result, so to speak, in turning the regiment upside down. Till yesterday the order of the companies according to the rank and seniority of their captains was as follows: First Battalion—B, C, D, A; Second Battalion—F, H, G, E. The marching order was: B, D, A, C, F, G, E, H, D was the color company. Now the order, according to the rank and seniority of their captains will be: First Battalion—H, G, E, F; Second Battalion—B, C, D, A; and the marching order will be: H, E, F, G, B, D, A, C, E Company having the honor of bearing the colors. From this it will be noticed that the order of the companies has become the reverse of what it was before. These inversions are due to the co-ordination of rank, which is the very basis of military life.

DEATH OF PRIVATE KEITH.

The passing away of another member of the regiment, Private Frank E. Keith, of Company A, adds one more name to the list of those for whom eternal taps have been sounded. The deceased was in the prime of manhood, and was quite a favorite in his company. His quiet demeanor and attention to duty at all times were striking features of his soldier life. He was a carpenter by trade. While home three weeks ago he became a member of the Simpson Methodist church. He was not long here, however, till insidious typhoid began to make itself felt. The patient was taken to regimental hospital on the 8th, and on the 12th had to be removed to the division hospital, where the tide of life began to ebb by degrees. It was only a question of time and of endurance, and, therefore, from the first the doctors had very little hope. The parents of the deceased were sent for, and remained till death came.

Colonel H. A. Coursen has gone home to visit his wife, who is still seriously sick.

Private Morris Thomas, of C, attached to division headquarters as a mounted orderly, is the possessor of a beautiful pair of spurs which he prizes very much. They were presented to him by Lieutenant Colonel C. C. Mattes the day he left camp for home.

Acting Quartermaster Sergeant Albert Sloan, of A, has returned from a seven days' furlough. During his absence his place was filled by Corporal George Millet.

Private Barrett, of G Company, left camp last night for the home of his parents at Lake View, Susquehanna county. He will be away three days.

The wife of Assistant Chief McManus, of the Scranton fire department, who is visiting in Harrisburg, paid a visit to camp last night for the home of his parents at Lake View, Susquehanna county. He will be away three days.

Private E. J. White and John Battle, of A Company, are home on furlough.

Private William J. Donohue, of Dushore, Sullivan county, and Frank Williams, of Blinghamton, N. Y., both members of Company C, returned to camp last night after an absence of two months. They were taken down with typhoid at Dunn Loring, Va.

Friday afternoon Private John Stanton, of D, received a telegraphic message that his mother, Mrs. Stanton, of Pleasant street, Scranton, was dead. She was here two weeks ago, having

come on the excursion to visit her son, and was then in good health. Private Stanton received the sympathy of his friends when the sad news reached him. He left for home yesterday.

Acting adjutant of the Second Battalion, Sergeant Latimer Reese, of F, and Corporal Charles Troop, away ten same company, left for home on a four days' furlough this afternoon.

Richard J. Bourke.

BACK FROM PHILADELPHIA.

General Graham Has Issued Final Orders for Trip to the Jubilee.

By Associated Press.

Camp Meade, Middletown, Pa., Oct. 23.—Major General Graham returned this afternoon from Philadelphia and immediately issued final orders for the movement of the troops to Philadelphia to take part in the peace jubilee procession. He is much pleased with the arrangements which have been made for the care and comfort of his men, the route of the parade and the general plans for the festivities. Ten thousand troops will go from here to the jubilee and they will start early Wednesday morning, so that all may reach the Quaker city before night.

General Graham has ordered an investigation into the "spread-eagling" of the three West Virginia privates. The deposition of Lieutenant Colonel Moore, who ordered the men punished for refusing to work, and other officers of the regiment have been taken by Major Brown, inspector general of the Second division.

The movement of the corps south will begin Nov. 10 and General Graham expects to have the troops away ten days later. Governor Bushnell, of Ohio, will visit the camp tomorrow morning and a review of the Ninth Ohio colored battalion and Tenth Ohio will be given in his honor.

The order issued by the war department yesterday to muster out the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Pennsylvania regiments has not yet reached here.

A riot occurred in Harrisburg last night between privates from the Fourteenth and Fifteenth and Second and Second New York regiments. The rioters were arrested and will be given a hearing in the morning by Mayor Patterson. Nobody was badly hurt, although a Second Tennessee man tried to shoot two colored policemen who were called in to quell the disturbance.

THAT BOY, WHO SHALL HAVE HIM

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tion of young Americans who are hardened rogues before they are the size of a man. Out of 100 rascals 57 are headless boys. There are more criminals in this class than church members. Out of 2,250 arrests in New York in one year, 1,050 were under 14. In Kentucky in one year 100 convicts imprisoned were between the ages of 16 to 21. These are appalling facts.

The speaker then referred to a recent case in our court where a dozen boys were arrested for stoning two men, and spoke of the probable advent of the hoodlum to this vicinity and the fact that no one could have a fruit tree in the city safe from their despoiling hands.

The home should save these boys from the trap of the harlot, from the atmosphere of skepticism, from the father's care, the sister's love. The church should have the stalwart support of that boy.

SERMON TO KNIGHTS OF MALTA

Delivered by Rev. Thomas DeGruchy in Jackson Street Church.

The service of last evening at the Jackson Street Baptist church was specially devoted to the members of the Ancient and Illustrious Order Knights of Malta. The two commanders of the West Side, Electric City, No. 17, and Washington, No. 22, attended in a body and uniform. There were also several members from the central city commanderies in attendance.

The choir sang several special selections. Two large American flags were artistically draped about the pulpit. The pastor, Rev. Thomas DeGruchy, who is a member of the order, preached a special sermon. In part, it follows herewith:

I have no time this evening to give you a history of our noble order; for since the year 1876, our brethren have played no small part in the defence of the faith which today is the inheritance of the nineteenth century.

Among the great events of European history, none were for a longer time in the past the home of her comators, the Jews, and the center of their history; and afterwards the scene of the life and death and resurrection of her divine founder, Jerusalem became more and more the holy city. To go to Jerusalem, to visit the Mt. of Olives and Calvary, the tomb of Jesus, was to the earlier Christians a divine mission. And when, under Constantine, Christianity had ascended from the cross to the throne, Jerusalem had fresh attractions for Christian faith and curiosity. Christian temples were erected and surrounded the holy sepulchre, and nearly all the places that Jesus had consecrated by His presence were adorned by churches and chapels, dedicated to His memory.

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But events soon rendered the pilgrimage to Jerusalem difficult and for some time impossible. Judea was invaded by the Persians, who captured the city of Jerusalem, and for fourteen years the Christians were faithful captives of the enemies of the cross of Christ. After these years of patient enduring, Jerusalem once more fell into the hands of the Christians who planted the banner of the cross on Mt. Calvary, and the pilgrimages to Jerusalem resumed their course. But presently at this epoch there appeared an enemy far more formidable to the Christians than the secretaries of Zoroaster.

The Mohammedans sent two generals to Jerusalem, one, to the Mussulmans also, Jerusalem was a holy city since they claimed that from there Mahomet ascended to heaven. The siege lasted four months, and the Christians were forced to surrender to superior force. How heroic were those men, they surrendered to Omar, they knelt down with their faces toward Calvary, and without surrendering their swords they pledged themselves to God, and though defeated, they pledged their lives to the defense of Christ and His cross. Their enemies showed no mercy to them, they were driven from their own houses and the fanatical Mussulman and Saracens robbed them of the children and led them away captives, making them their slaves. They cruelly murdered them to suit their own ends. On the site of Temple Solomon, they saw erected the Mosque of Omar.

The Christians of Jerusalem soon attracted the sympathy of the Christian world and Charlemagne pitying their humiliation and poverty, sent his Christian army beyond the seas, to Syria, Egypt and Jerusalem, and the Christians were there was a Christian living in poverty and oppression. On all sides arose chivalries and appeals to the warlike ardor of the faithful. Stories of distress and cruelties reached the west and seemed to inspire them with pity for their unfortunate brethren in the east, and of wrath against the oppressors. Letters were sent in the name of the church of Jerusalem to the church universal to take up arms as soldiers of Christ and to deliver the Christians from the insults and tyranny of the infidel.

We have thus far studied the worthy spirit of knighthood, it was a spirit that soared above all selfishness toward the ideal of Christian virtue, and a desire to keep and protect the faith. A great many of us have heard of knights, and what it is to become a knight, we are knighting on the outside, that is, we are recognized, better as Knights of Malta, when we appear in public decked with the cross and in our hands the sword. That is about all some of us know of a knight, it having never dawned on many of us that we are made knights first in the very center of our being, and that the spirit of the Gospel of Christ can only make us such. First, one should be a Christian at heart or he is not a knight.

A knight was ever distinguished by his moral and Christian bearing. He was a child of the church, and a child of God. They stood before the world as men that had pledged their destinies to God. I press upon you as your brother, to become knights and prove to your daily life those true and noble purposes of our order. You belong to the true spiritual aristocracy. The ideals are before us, we are the knights of the world.

Brethren be pure of heart and clean of hands lest you defile the holy thing you are called to administer within the confines of your lodges, brethren. Be fearful lest you take the name of God in vain and pollute the very name you have pledged yourselves to honor and revere. Be faithful to him who is no longer a man with you and whose empty chair remains one of the Christ who died for our sins. Let the principles of our order permeate our very life. Let heaven blush and we deceive ourselves.

Our order is the child of the tempest and we were cradled in seas of blood. We are called away from the world as men that represent a fighting faith which has been the most sublime faith on earth. And it is for us to pattern after those noble types of manhood, men who subdued their passion, and who lived a life of self-denial and prayer, who went forward in the defense of the truth as if kings had been their hired servants. They died in the cross of Christ as "in hoc signo vinces" thus they conquered. Bearing scars for or as soldiers of the cross, we are assured that the banner of the cross was moving forward.

AWFUL SKIN HUMOR

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