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HISTORICAL ADDRESS.
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FELLOW-CITIZENS OF SOMERSET COUNTY.—The Centennial Anniversary of the organization of Somerset county occurred on the 17th day of April last. The citizens of this county, animated by a patriotic sentiment, resolved to celebrate the day with appropriate ceremonies. To best suit the convenience of the people of the county it was deemed advisable to postpone the observance of this interesting event until this day, when they could celebrate not only the day when Somerset county was organized, but the day when the Continental Congress proclaimed to the world their immortal Declaration of Independence, by which they absolved themselves from all allegiance to the British Government and declared their independence and their right to be free and independent states.

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its place. Sometime near the beginning of the War of Independence Captain Statter left his home in Lancaster county and moved out along the Forbes road. He located at a point near the top of the Allegheny mountain on its western slope. The following account of this place is by his son, the late Samuel Statter, Esq.:
"From about 1781 I can recollect events very readily. Our place was quite public; scarcely a night passed that we had not lodgers. Soldiers, packers, traders, emigrants and travelers frequently stopped with us. Large bodies of soldiers passed up during St. Clair's and Wagoner's expeditions against the Indians on the western frontier.
The Federal troops on their way to suppress the whisky insurrection passed Statter's place, and on their return halted there a few days. Among the prisoners they had in charge were Robert Piltson and Herman Husband.
After the turnpike was finished the Statters opened another establishment for the accommodation of increasing travel which the new road brought, which became widely known as the "Statter" stand in the days of wagoning and staging from forty to fifty years ago.
The Lambert family, connected with the Statter family, came into the north of the county about the same time.
A man by the name of Burket also came about the same time and settled on what is now the Pittsburg pike, at a point near the "Forbes" road.
Shortly after these parties had come to this county, Frederick Mosteller came from Northumberland county along the "Forbes" road and settled at a point near Freedom Station, Somerset township, where George Heitz lived.
He was the father of John Mosteller, who afterwards represented the county several times in the Legislature, and the great grand-father of David and John Mosteller, whose living, and the latter of whom received a medal for distinguished services in the late war.
Among the first settlers in the north of the county was John Bell, father of David Bell, who was an honored citizen of this county and who died several years ago at an advanced age. John Bell came from York county, settled in the wilderness at a place which afterwards became the Griffith settlement and lived there a number of years, until another family followed from the same county. They did not know of any person living in that section, except a family living near where Stoyestown now is and another family across the mountain near what is now Schellville. These two families they learned to know by having to go to Heitz's Run, now Everett, eight miles east of Bedford, at which point their nearest grist-mill. The trip generally took three days and at night they had to lie down under a tree at a place where there was grass for their horses. They had no meat, but wild game, such as deer, was abundant.
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This was his second improvement and the buildings were of course better than those of the first, and are thus described. The house was large, consisting of two buildings of hewed logs, one-half used as a kitchen and the other half as a sitting room and bed room, with three windows of four lights and passage-way between the two buildings, with a door on either side. All the floors were laid with hewed logs and were nicely finished, and a ladder led to a second story. A clapboard roof, kept in place by poles and props from pole to pole. Wooden doors, put together with wooden pins and wooden hinges and wooden latches. Not a nail or bit of iron in the whole structure. There was no need of duty on iron those days. The barn was made of logs and in it were stored the old winnowed, wooden, mould-boarded plows, which were made in Dutch style. It must be remembered that all this was a great improvement on the first cabin home. The experience of the Bell family in going to mail was the same as experienced by all the early settlers.
Daniel Stoy was the founder of the Daniel Stoy of Stoyestown, and lived and died about one mile west of that place. He was among the first settlers in the north of the county and lived to a good old age and was fond of relating the most interesting and exciting incidents of his life in the wilderness.
Among the early settlers in the south of the county was James Hanna, who was the father of Hon. John Hanna, who was an associate judge of our courts and who is now deceased, and of Major Alex. Hanna, who is also deceased. He was a member of the Legislature and always traveled to and from Harrisburg on horseback, and on one occasion he was taken sick at Berlin and had to be carried home on a stretcher. He was a native of Ireland, came to this country about 1790, died in 1819, and has left many descendants in the county besides those I have named.
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