

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Letter from the "Silver Grays."

CAMP CURTIN, Jan'y. 6, 1862.

Correspondence of The Alleghanian.

Having promised you an occasional letter from "camp," I embrace the opportunity of giving you a brief communication, by way of "opening the ball." The surroundings are by no means the best for inditing a sketch descriptive of camp life, as well as of the "pomp and circumstance of glorious war." Officers' quarters have not yet been provided for those of the Silver Grays, else your humble correspondent, notwithstanding his position is only that of "high private," might avail himself of the retirement that such a locality would supply. I write amid the noise and bustle incident to a general boarding tent, in which can be distinguished the Irish brogue, the sweet German accent, and the crackling Welsh, beautifully interspersed with the euphonious English. It is really a strange medley, and, if reduced to a system by some adept in the science of acoustics, would furnish something new in this age of progress and invention.

Since my arrival, the camp has been all bustle and excitement, caused by the marching out of the regiments commanded by Colonels Murray and Lewis. Since their withdrawal, I estimate the number now here who wear Uncle Sam's livery and eat his pork and beans to be about two thousand. It is reported that another regiment (Col. Wilson's) has received marching orders. This expected departure will diminish our number materially, and render Camp Curtin less a place of interest than it has been.

But why rack the brain in summoning words to express views of so little interest to your readers, so long as the welfare, the prospects, the condition and the character of the Silver Grays furnish a theme for the pen of your correspondent! Then to my task.

The Silver Grays, numbering between sixty and seventy men, regularly mustered into the service of the United States, are comfortably quartered in frame barracks, and are in the enjoyment of all the accommodations that can be furnished by the Quartermaster and Commissary of the camp. No member of the company came here expecting to find a Continental or Metropolitan Hotel open for his reception. On the contrary, each one knew that the luxuries of life belong not to the soldier's career. So long as the necessaries are furnished, however, there can be no ground for complaint. Of the latter we have an abundance, and of the very best quality. I have never eaten better bread, fresh and salt meat, beans, rice, and other substantial, nor drank better coffee, than I have had set before me in these quarters. As to the clothing, it is of good quality and well made. Take it all in all, there is no room for the exercise of the gambler's occupation. All are satisfied with their lot, and will manifest their appreciation of the protecting care of their country by an exhibition of a loyal devotion to its Flag.

The Silver Grays enjoy a reputation that is rendered the brighter by contrast. Most other companies are made up of young men who are playing the "Bold Soldier Boy" and "sowing wild oats" at one and the same time. It is an adage as true as it is true, that you "cannot expect to find an old head on young shoulders." These men, now in their halcyon days, will sober down in the face of the enemy, and do good service in the protection and vindication of the Right. They possess courage and patriotism, the necessary essentials that should distinguish the soldier of the Republic. But, without any disparagement to them, all will and do admit, after taking a cool and dispassionate view of the questions at issue, and of the importance to all future generations that this Union be maintained in its integrity, that the Silver Grays are just the kind of men from whom the younger volunteer will take example. There is a deeply rooted sentiment of respect to age which imbues the human heart. It is manifest in this camp. Officers and privates pay all deference to the whitened locks of many of the members of our company. Were old John Burgoon to perambulate the camp grounds, he would receive more sincere and heartfelt salutations than would be awarded to the chief officer in command. As conclusions drawn from these premises, you will admit that the mingling of such as are the Silver Grays with the youth of our army will have a salutary effect in more ways than one; that it will be convincing proof that the patriotism of '76 yet lives; and that those who are about

stepping off the stage of life are not indifferent as to the future of their country.

There are various speculations in reference to what may be the location assigned the Silver Grays. Some say one thing, and some another. Until something definite be determined upon, however, I will forbear speculating or giving an opinion.

Justice demands that I shall incorporate in this communication the remark that Captain William Palmer, thro' whose indefatigable exertions the company was raised, is most deservedly popular with the rank and file. He is incessant in his efforts to make one and all contented and comfortable. If any favors are going, he has an eye to diverting them to the benefit of his company. And, indeed, it appears that since he has been in camp he has so gained upon the esteem of those who direct the distribution of supplies that he can procure our full share (if not more) of all that is circulating. I will speak of Lieutenant Murray in my next.

Now, Mr. Editor! I think I have arrived at the proper point in my hasty communication to discharge a duty which has been imposed upon me by the officers and privates composing the Silver Grays. It is simply to express their sincere gratitude to you for the present of that keg of tobacco. It was a most timely donation. It was natural to expect that the "boys," just breaking away from the apron-strings of their maternal guardians, would at first feel a little homesick. The tobacco's assuaging properties dispelled regrets, until now we are completely "weaned." We think of home with the composure of philosophers, and have left off pining and "snooping." One and all send you their kindest regards.

Let me conclude by appealing to the old men of Cambria, who can conveniently do so, to hasten to marshal themselves under the banner of the Silver Grays.—Let it be made a maximum company: a minimum one it will be before Saturday. HIGH PRIVATE.

LOCAL ETCHINGS.—The Holidays in this vicinity passed off pleasantly though quietly. The weather proved propitious during the entire week, and everybody enjoyed himself to the utmost of his ability. The prevailing pastimes seemed to be sleighriding and Turkey-ing.—The Altoona Tribune came out last week in a new dress, looking smiling and pleasant as a basket of chips. We are glad to see this evidence of the prosperity of our cotemporary.—The season in which it is lawful to kill deer, pheasants, rabbits, &c., expired on the 31st ult. The law on this point, however, appears to be pretty much a dead letter hereabouts, inasmuch as about the same quantity of game is killed after the first of January as before. This is wrong. Remember the sorrowful experience of "Mordicai and Sunna Vagun" in the matter of their illegal deer-hunt, and save all possible trouble in the premises.

We see it stated in several papers that the Governor has detailed the "Silver Grays" as a guard to take charge of the Arsenal and the Warehouse containing the public stores in Harrisburg. They will be equal to the undertaking.—Speaking of the Silver Grays, we understand that Capt. Palmer has received and has now under consideration a proposition to attach his company to the 11th regiment, P. V., Col. Dick Coulter, now stationed at Annapolis, Md.—On our outside this week will be found a couple of communications, which, although slightly antiquated, may still possess some interest to our readers.

MARRIED.—In this place, on Tuesday, 31st ultimo, by Rev. D. Harbison, Mr. ROBERT DAVIS to Miss SARAH RICHARDS, both of Ebensburg.

And still they go! In these bleeding, seceding times, it is refreshing to have such palpable evidence as the above of sterling Patriotism. For, —unlike his namesake, the unhung Jeff—doth not our friend, the bridegroom, by these presents prove himself to be a true and sincere friend of Union? Aye, and of the very strongest sort.

We tender our congratulations, etc., etc., to the happy couple, hoping they may live forever.

APOLOGETIC.—No paper was issued from this office last week, for the reason that the entire establishment, devil and all, were engaged during the Holiday period in living up to our Pictorial Platform of Principles. In other words, in having a "Hi-Old-Time." Kind reader, accept our regrets.

THE MAILS.—The following is the time of the closing of the mails in the Ebensburg Post Office: Eastern, daily, at 3 o'clock, P. M. Western, daily, at 8 o'clock, P. M.

Co. C, 19TH REGULAR INFANTRY.—Through the kindness of Sergeant Thomas Davis, we are enabled to herewith present our readers with the muster-roll of Co. C, 19th regular infantry, Capt. Williams.—This company was recruited almost entirely in Cambria county:

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS: Captain, Thomas C. Williams. First Lieutenant, Louis Snyder. Second Lieutenant, John B. Hays. NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS: Sergeants, Thomas Davis, A. Lemmon, E. H. Bennett, Reuben D. Jones, A. W. Smith. Corporals, John Shroat, H. B. Shaffer, Geo. S. Paul, Samuel Dibert, Charles Craver, S. Burkhardt, James M. Singer, Benj. Davis.

MUSICALS: Christ. Bennett, Joseph Bennett. PRIVATES: Anderson Robert, Albough Joseph, Albough Isaac, Ankeny Henry, Bennett Elisha, Jr., Bender Theodore, Brookbank David, Bracken James, Burkey Elijah, Bennett Aaron, Barnes John W., Clements Patrick, Cobough Phythian, Crum David, Crum Nathan, Condon Christopher, Crossley Jacob, Davis Thomas E., Dunmire A., Evans John C., Evans Samuel, Enos Alexander, Elliot Elton, Edwards David, Emig George A., Ferguson Elliot, Frankhouser A., Grubb William A., Gochmour Levi, Griffith Joseph, Hunt Cornelius, Harndon J. L. B., Hayes Thomas F., Harrison John, Jones Timothy, Jones George, Jones Samuel D., Leydig George, Longenecker John, Lyster John, Metzler Cyrus, McGwin George, McKim Oliver, Michaels H. B., Orth George, O'Neill Patrick, Plummer Isaac, Parker John, Rowland Robert, Jr., Rupp John, Rager Francis, Rager Thomas M., Reese John, Sney Samuel, Shearer William, Shultz Henry, Snyder Aaron, Sproul Jacob R., Sweetzer Simon, Steineberger John, Steineberger Aloysius, Tarbel Eli M., Wendell John, Williams George A., Ward Ceylon W.

COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT.—On Monday last, Mr. William Scott, formerly of Johnstown but at present of this place, received his commission as Superintendent of the Common Schools of Cambria county. He will fill the unexpired term of Col. James M. Swank, resigned. Mr. Scott has held the position of Superintendent of the Ebensburg Union School during the past two or three months, and has given universal satisfaction. He is a ripe scholar, a gentleman as well, and will prove himself a worthy custodian of the great Common School interest in this county. Success attend him!

DIED.—At Portage, Cambria county, on Friday morning, Nov. 15, 1861, of diphtheria, WILLIE, son of Andrew J. and Catharine Brookbank, aged 3 years and 10 months.

On Friday, Dec. 20, 1861, of diphtheria, JAMES THOMAS, son of Andrew J. and Catharine Brookbank, aged 2 years and 8 days.

Chapter xxxvii of "Cambria county" will appear next week.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

EBENSBURG HARDWARE AND STOVE DEPOT. BARGAINS TO BE HAD! The undersigned has just received a large and splendid assortment of Hardware and Cutlery, Cooking, Parlor and Heating Stoves, Nails, Window Glass, Hoop Iron, Carbon Oil Lamps and pure Carbon Oil, Japanned and Britannia Ware, Glass Ware, &c., &c., all of which he will sell very low for CASH or exchange for Country Produce.

Also: He still continues to manufacture Tin and Sheet Iron Ware of all descriptions, for sale either by the Wholesale or Retail. Repairing done on short notice. He returns his sincere thanks to his old friends and customers for the patronage extended him, and begs leave to hope that they will come forward and settle up their accounts of long standing, and commence the new year "on the square." He must have money to enable him to keep up his stock. Prices low, to suit the times. GEO. HUNTLEY. Ebensburg, Jan'y. 9, 1862.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.—The undersigned auditor, appointed by the Orphans' Court of Cambria county, to hear, decide and report upon the exceptions filed to the account of Joseph Miller, executor of the estate of Robert Flinn, deceased, notifies all persons interested that he will attend to the duties of said appointment at his office, in Ebensburg, on SATURDAY, the 1st day of FEBRUARY, 1862, at one o'clock, P. M., when and where, if they see proper, they can attend. PHIL S. NOON, Auditor. Ebensburg, Jan'y. 9, 1862-31.

ADMINISTRATORS' NOTICE.—The undersigned give notice that they have taken out Letters of Administration on the Estate of THOMAS RUSSELL, late of White Township, Cambria county, deceased, and all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate are hereby notified to come forward and settle the same, and all persons having claims against said estate are notified to present them properly authenticated for settlement. PHILIP W. BRIDENBAUGH, MICHAEL BRIDENBAUGH. D-c. 2, 1861-62.

EBENSBURG & CRESSON RAILROAD COMPANY. NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS. Notice is hereby given to the Stockholders of the Ebensburg & Cresson Railroad Company, that the annual election for a President and Twelve Directors of said Company, will be held at the office of the Company, at Ebensburg, on the second Monday—13th day—of January, 1862, beginning at the hour of one and closing at four o'clock, P. M. A. C. MULLIN, Sec'y. Ebensburg, Dec. 12, 1861.



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These, and many other descriptions of Goods, too numerous to here mention, constantly on hand.

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A. A. BARKER. Dec. 5, 1861.

NOTICE.—

All persons indebted to R. S. Benn are requested to call and make settlements immediately. Otherwise their accounts will be left with the proper authorities for collection. Ebensburg, Sept. 26. R. S. BUNN.

NOTICE.—

All persons knowing themselves indebted to Clinton R. Jones are hereby notified that his Books, Notes, &c., are in the hands of D. H. Roberts, Esq., and are hereby requested to call and make immediate settlement and save costs. Dec. 12, 1861. C. R. JONES.

NEW TAILOR SHOP.—

The undersigned having opened out a Tailoring Establishment, over the store room occupied by D. J. Evans & Son, respectfully informs the public that the business will there be carried on in all its branches. All work will be done in the latest style, with neatness and dispatch, and upon the most reasonable terms. ROBT. D. THOMAS Ebensburg, April 4, 1861.

THE PROTECTION MUTUAL FIRE Insurance Company of Cambria County.—

Notice is hereby given to the members of said Company, that the annual election for a Board of Directors will be held at the office of the Company, in Ebensburg, on the second Monday—13th day—of January, A. D. 1862, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M. A. C. MULLIN, Sec'y. Ebensburg, Dec. 12, 1861.

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N. B.—All persons indebted to me, or to the late firm of Davis & Lloyd, are requested to come forward and settle their accounts immediately. W. D. Ebensburg, Dec. 5, 1861-31.

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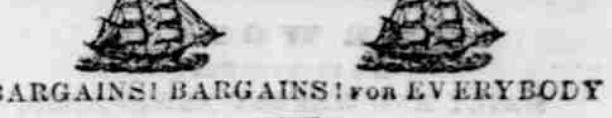
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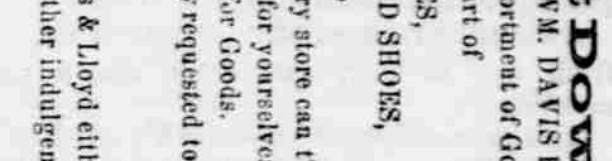
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