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THE TWENTY-SECOND.

Pennsylvania Cavalry, in Which Were
Fulton County Men.

SKETCH FROM BATES HISTORY.

Did Valiant Service for Uncle Sam During
the Civil War and Had Plenty of Op-
portunity to "Smell Powder."

In this engagement, Major Work was sent with his command to flank the enemy and attack his rear, which was accomplished with the most gratifying success. After the union of the two commands at Hagerstown, the entire regiment, under command of Lieutenant Colonel Greenfield, advanced under General Averell to Martinsburg. On the 31st of August the division was attacked and after a severe engagement, was driven towards Falling Waters. On the 2d of September it again advanced to Darkesville, and boldly attacked, capturing the enemy's wagon train. On the 3d, at Bunker Hill, and on the 4th at Stephenson's Depot, it was engaged with largely superior forces of infantry and cavalry, and on the 7th, charged the enemy at Darkesville, driving him in confusion. On the 12th, it was again engaged in action at Bunker Hill, and on the 15th, in one at Buckletoe, in each of which the regiment bore itself gallantly.

Sheridan was now ready to move upon Early with all his forces, and on the 18th, the regiment charged the enemy at Martinsburg, checking him in the town and early on the following morning, pursued his retreating forces towards Winchester. Captain John H. Boring and Lieutenant Felix Boyle were wounded in this engagement. On this day Sheridan attacked at the Opequan and at evening, the Twenty-second, led by Major Troxell, joined in the cavalry charge which finally routed the rebel army, and sent him in flight and confusion through Winchester, the regiment capturing a battery and eighty men. Captain William F. Speer was among the wounded. Following the retreating enemy, it came up with him at Fisher's Hill, where it participated in the fierce fighting which again routed the enemy, Lieutenant George Gass being wounded, and on the 26th, pushed the advantage by attacking at Mount Vernon Forge. On the 27th, the division was surprised while in camp, by a superior force of the enemy. The Twenty-second rallied, under a severe fire, and delivered a most determined charge, driving the enemy back in disorder, and held the ground in face of an overwhelming force, thereby saving the entire division train. Its loss was very severe. Major Work, and Adjutant Joseph G. Isenberg, were among the severely wounded and Lieutenant C. L. Mercereau and Surgeon S. M. Finley were taken prisoners. The regiment was commanded here by Major Troxell, Lieutenant Colonel Greenfield being in command of the brigade the latter displaying both courage and ability in the disposition of his troops. At Cedar Creek, on the 19th of October, it was again fiercely engaged, losing a number in killed and wounded, Captain Martin Kuhn being of the latter.

A few days after the battle, the regiment was sent in charge of a train bearing the wounded to Martinsburg, where, after its arrival, it went into camp, and remained until the 20th of December. It was then ordered to New Creek, and during the winter, was engaged in active duty in the counties of Hardy, Hampshire and Pendleton, operating against roving bands of the enemy, which infested the mountains of that region, capturing and driving them away, and completely freeing the country from their presence. To accomplish this, the command was kept almost constantly in the saddle, and was exposed to great hardships and privations, in moving over the mountain roads covered with ice and

Fulton County Honored.

Fulton county has long been noted for buckwheat, hoop poles and Methodist preachers. The quality of the buckwheat has never been questioned; and while we have not had a full report of the hoop-poles, and cannot speak of them, we modestly say of the preachers that their work has been widely praised—many of them having been long enough in the field to make records that do great honor to their church, their conference, and their native county.

Two of these preachers, namely, Amos S. Baldwin and George W. Stevens, are now presiding elders in their conference—the Central Pennsylvania, the only brethren of the whole number that have been appointed to this office. That these brothers are serving their church and conference with increasing acceptability is proved by the fact that the conference, by a large vote, honors them with the responsibility of representing, as delegates, in the General Conference which meets next May in Los Angeles, Cal., in the interests of the Methodist Episcopal church; also, John F. Davis, a native of McConnellsburg, and an ex-county superintendent of Fulton, a prominent layman of our church in Williamsport Pa., was by the Lay Electoral Conference, elected a lay delegate to the General Conference.

The action of these two bodies does great honor to Fulton county.

J. D. W. D.

Donation Party.

About fifty members of the M. E. church in this place met in the Sunday school room last Wednesday evening and then proceeded to the parsonage to express their appreciation of the return of their pastor for another Conference year. Not only did they bring expressions of good will for him and family, but likewise an abundant, old-fashioned donation of many substantial articles of food—not even forgetting the parson's faithful horse. Many persons, unable to be present, sent greetings and well filled baskets.

The pastor, recently re-appointed, is in every way appreciative of this unexpected visit of his people to his home—not alone for the gifts, but for harmonious support in every way.

LOWER THOMPSON.

Cold and ground frozen this morning; hope summer will come by-and-by.

Mr. Amos Sharp, wife and two daughters, Dennis Everts and wife and two sons, and Charles Slacker were the guests of E. Gregory's last Sunday.

Frank Dishong and wife, Mrs. Harvey Lynch, Dock and Walker Carbaugh, Milly Lynch, Jno. Snyder and Miss Ida Shives were the guests of Isaac Peck recently.

Francis Gordon visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. Moses Gordon last Sunday.

Those contemplating building houses and barns this summer are David Gregory, John H. Brewer, Lewis Keefer, I. W. Zimmerman, G. W. Fisher, Eli Funk, Denton Everts, and Wm. Booth.

David Powell is having his house painted, which adds much to the appearance. Mr. Powell has also, built an end to his house.

snow and swept by wintry blasts.

In April, 1865, nearly one half of the men were mustered out of service, their term having expired. The remainder, under command of Lieutenant Colonel Greenfield, continued in service until near the close of June, when it was consolidated with a portion of the Eighteenth Regiment, forming the Third Provisional Cavalry. The new command was distributed at various points through West Virginia, and contributed largely to the restoration and maintenance of civil order. It was finally mustered out of service at Cumberland, Maryland on the 31st of October.

DAYS OF AULD LANG SYNE.

A Glimpse at the Earlier Half of the
Last Century.

WRITTEN BY "UNCLE" JAKE MILLER.

Tells of the Schools in His Boyhood Days,
and Weaves in Many Things of Interest
in his Auto-biography.

As several old men have, during late years, written out a sketch of their lives for publication in the News, I have concluded to try it too, and give some idea of how people got along in my early days and up to this time.

I was born at Sheppardstown, Virginia, September 20, 1827.—My father and mother moved from Sheppardstown to Burnt Cabins in 1831. My father was a blacksmith, and carried on that business at the Cabins for eight years. At that time there were no free schools, but in 1835 the free school system was established, and I went to the first one in the county—then Bedford county. Old Mr. William Pym taught the first school at the Cabins. The school was taught in a little old building just close to Mr. Charles McGehee's house. Mr. Pym owned the school house, and he also owned and lived in the brick house across the street from the school house, both of which are there yet.

At that time, and for a number of years after, there was no County superintendent. The directors examined the teachers, and some of them could not write. I never knew any one to apply for a school but that he got it. For a number of years there was only a three-months school term, and they taught every other Saturday. Boys that were working, like myself, would be kept at home to cut wood and do other work, and would lose six days out of the three months; but I would hardly give my bit of learning for some of those who go seven months.

Children labored under great disadvantages at school then.—Each scholar would be called up to recite his lesson by himself. Cobb's spelling book and the Testament were the principal books for small scholars, and Pike's, and Smiley's, arithmetics were used some. Girls did not study arithmetic. I do not know whether the directors thought they would get too smart or not—at any rate the girls never studied it while I went to school.

Mr. Johnson Neff was my second teacher at the Cabins, in the same old house; if you would happen to do something wrong, you might look out for a good licking, and if you went home and told your parents, you would get another. I tell you we kept mighty quiet at home about getting a licking. The parents did not run to the directors and have the teachers brought up for trial in those days. The houses were all built of logs, and they would get sash made 8x10 and just one glass wide, cut out a place between two logs and fit the sash in, having it nearly the whole length of the building on both sides and one end; and then they would bore holes in the logs and drive wooden pins in and lay a board on for a writing desk, and have slab seats with legs driven in with the bark on.

Well, when we boys and girls would be sitting along close together, with our backs to the teacher, trying to write, if one happened to slip a line or two to his best girl, and the teacher would see you, he would come along with a long rod and fetch it across your back, and sometimes lick a dozen for what one was guilty of,—but we would never squeal. People were all contented and happy.

We lived at Burnt Cabins eight years and then my father moved to the pike to what is known as the David Mann place. We lived there first under Walker's heirs, and then for some years under

OUR METHODIST PREACHERS.

The Fields in Which They Will Labor
During the Coming Conference Year.

Below will be found the names of ministers of the Methodist Episcopal church, who are natives of this county, or have been stationed here, and who are now members of the Central Pennsylvania Conference, together with the names of the places to which each has been assigned for the ensuing conference year:

William Moses, Belwood; Ellsworth M. Aller, Howard; George M. Shimer, New Millport; William C. Wallace, New Washington; George W. McInay, Penn Valley; John R. Melroy, Pleasant Gap; John B. Durkee, Port Matilda; Amos S. Baldwin, presiding elder, Danville district, Sunbury; Richard H. Gilbert, Berwick; George W. Stevens, presiding elder, Harrisburg district, Harrisburg; William A. Carver, Snyderstown; Henry F. Cares, Town Hill; William S. J. Dumville, Harrisonville; Bert A. Salter, Hustontown; Adolphus D. McCloskey, Liverpool; Joseph V. Adams, McConnellsburg; John Vrooman, Mercersburg; Lorenzo D. Ott, Newport; W. W. Evans, presiding elder, Juniata district, Lewisport; Joseph D. W. Deavor, Burnham; William W. Reese, Dudley; Alexander Lamberson, Everett; Edward E. A. Deavor, York; William J. Sheaffer, Reedsville; P. Franklin Eyer; Saxton; Bruce Hughes, Shirleysburg; C. H. Shull Waller; Gideon P. Sarvis, Thompson; Harry K. Ash, Three Springs; Owen Hicks, Cogan Valley; Harry W. Newman, Costello; Oliver S. Metzler, Emporium; John L. Leitch, Lock Haven; Elton H. Wallace, Montoursville; Henry M. Ash, Muncie Valley; George A. Duvall, Westport; Jonathan S. Phillips, Burnt Cabins.

Dr. West Will Stay.

After announcing a request to the Presbyterian congregation at McConnellsburg and at Greenhill that he desired a dissolution of pastoral relations to take place on the first of July, Dr. West received a letter from his son in Syria informing him that the latter would arrive in this country about the last of April, accompanied by his family and Miss Ruth West; and that the family would remain a year. After circumstances had thus shaped themselves, there was no occasion for a change of pastoral relations, and his delighted parishioners were only glad to pass resolutions begging him to remain, which the Doctor consented to do for the present.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Peck of Bellwood, spent several days last week among their many friends at Rays Hill.

David Mann. At that time all the store goods were hauled from Philadelphia to Pittsburg with wagons, and there were three lines of four-horse coaches hauling the mail and passengers.—There was a tavern and a big wagon yard at nearly every house. The teams were tied to the wagon trough, which was fastened to the tongue of the wagon. Teams were kept out winter and summer and were all blanketed in the winter. Many a night I held the light all night for my father to sharpen and drive shoes.

My brother Dan was the oldest and was kept at home in the shop all the time until he was about 17 years old. The teams that would stop along there would strike Siding Hill in the morning and would want their horses' shoes sharp for the ice on the mountain, and to accommodate them he would work many a night all night. Money was plenty. A landlord could get an liquor license for seven dollars, and sell a big water glass full for three cents. You could buy good, pure whisky for fifteen cents a gallon by the barrel, and buy it by retail at twenty-five cents a gallon.

Howard Hill and wife of Warfordsburg, spent Saturday evening with Mrs. Hill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Runyan.

REST FROM THEIR LABOR.

Had Lived Long Lives of Usefulness in
Their Respective Communities.

HENRY SPITZER. ISABEL MCCOY.

The Former Having Almost Reached the Age
of 86, and the Latter Would
Soon Have Been 79.

HENRY SPITZER.

Mr. Henry Spitzer died at the home of his nephew, Mr. A. G. Shoemaker, in Ayr township, last Wednesday afternoon at the advanced age of 85 years, 10 months and 28 days.

Mr. Spitzer spent many years of his long life at Burnt Cabins, but during the last seven or eight years made his home with Mr. Shoemaker.

Funeral services were conducted at his late residence Friday morning by Rev. Dr. West, and his remains were taken to Burnt Cabins for interment.

Three sons survive him, namely, D. Culbertson, of the Little Cove; John, Moundsville, W. Va., and David, somewhere in the West.

He was a consistent member of the Presbyterian church, and passed away peacefully.

ISABEL MCCOY.

In the person of Isabel McCoy Warren township, Franklin county, has lost another of its good citizens. Mrs. McCoy was the widow of Robert McCoy, who worked at the Big Cove Tannery years ago, and who, by his Christian life, made lasting impressions upon the minds of acquaintances and fellow workmen.

Mrs. McCoy was born in Carolina, Derry county, Ireland, in September, 1825. In 1849 she came to this country with her husband and spent many years in Warren township. She was a life-long member of the Reformed Presbyterian church, a devout Christian, an affectionate mother, a kind neighbor, and a good citizen. Not having regular divine service within the bounds of her home, she worshipped with the St. Mark's Lutheran and the Reformed congregations. Like her husband she made lasting impressions on the minds of her associates by her Christian bearing, kindly disposition, sympathetic spirit, and acts of good will.

She reached the age of 78 years and 5 months, and is survived by four daughters and one son living in Pennsylvania and Kansas. Her remains were laid to rest March 31st by the side of her husband's in the St. Mark's cemetery.

A. G. W.

NEEDMORE.

The annual May Meeting at this place will be held on the third Sunday of May. Services will begin the Friday preceding.

A. P. Hill of Blue Mound, Ill., spent last week among his friends here, and started on his return trip home Monday morning.

Mr. Israel Hill continues in declining health. He is now confined to his bed.

Charley Kershner and wife are on a trip to Cumberland, Md. It is supposed they are looking up a situation.

T. W. Peck, who has been on the sick list is slowly improving.

Mr. Ellis Sipes is smiling over a new boy.

Mrs. Effany Mann, who has been sick, is still not improving.

Mr. Palmer Mann of McConnellsburg, spent Friday night and Saturday with his mother.

Dennis Morgret spent Friday night and Saturday among friends in this vicinity.

A ripple of excitement passed over our village last Tuesday morning by a runaway team passing through which proved to be Eli Peck's headed for Emmaville, but it was caught and brought back without damage.

Dr. Hunter's New Quarters.

From "The Daily Sentinel," Lewisport.

Dr. and Mrs. Hunter are now located in their new home, formerly the Presbyterian parsonage, on North Main street. Since the purchase of the property it has been given over to the plumbers, painters and decorators and has been thoroughly renovated and decorated. A complete system of plumbing and electric lighting has been installed and every convenience to a modern home are to be found. By the newly made entrance on the left you enter the spacious reception room of the Doctor, which has been decorated and furnished in the most modern style; from this you enter the consulting room, which contains a conveniently arranged laboratory and library; to the rear of this is the operating room, which has been fitted up with the modern appliances used in surgery. The reception room and operating room are both connected with the main hall to the residence where you will find both the United and Bell phones. The doctor has spared no pains or expense to prepare a modern home for his family, as well as one of the best arranged physician's offices in the State for the convenience of his patients.

[The Dr. and Mrs. Hunter mentioned above are Dr. John R. Hunter a native of Wells Valley, and his wife, Mary C., daughter of Captain and Mrs. Harvey Wishart. The many friends of Dr. and Mrs. Hunter will read with pleasure this evidence of the Doctor's professional and financial success in the city of his adoption.—Editor.]

HUSTONTOWN.

George Deshong, having resigned his position in the Civil Service, returned to his home near this place last week, and will engage in farming this summer.

W. H. Raneck and family of Broadtop City, spent last week visiting relatives in this place.

Rev. A. L. Funk and wife of Shawsville, Pa., visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Kirk, of this place on Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

W. G. Wink made a business trip to Chambersburg last Friday.

Miss Dora Speck of Chambersburg, returned to this place last Friday, and expects to remain indefinitely.

W. F. Laidig expects to have his handsome new house under roof by the middle of next week.

Howard Swartz and family of West Virginia, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Swartz's sister, Mrs. C. J. Barton.

The Hustontown and Waterfall Mutual Telephone Company having staked off their line expect to begin digging holes Wednesday.

Our new pastor, Rev. Bert A. Salter is expected to arrive here on Thursday, Rev. Melroy moving on Wednesday.

Norman E. Laidig, who had the misfortune to have his heel smashed in Pitcairn a few weeks ago is still in the West Penn. Hospital at Pittsburg; but we are glad to say he is getting along very nicely.

Hon. S. W. Kirk and Frank P. Lynch, Esq., of McConnellsburg, were business callers in our town last Saturday.

Harvey Sipes, David Chesnut and John Woodcock expect to leave for Shippensburg next Monday, where they will attend the spring term of Normal.

Members of Washington Camp 554, P. O. S. of A., were very agreeably surprised on last Saturday night when at the close of camp, the camp room was invaded by a host of ladies carrying ice-cream freezers and cakes.—The feast having been prepared as a surprise to the members of the Order by the Ladies Aid Society assisted by Mrs. Benjamin Wilds and Mrs. Elliott Fraker of Fort Littleton. After a very enjoyable time all returned to their homes, some feeling that it was not good to have been there—(they having eaten too much.)

ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Snapshots at Their Movements, as They
Come and Go.

NAMES OF VISITORS AND VISITED.

Home for a Vacation, Away for an Outing, a
Trip for Business or Pleasure, You'll
Find It Right Here.

Mrs. Nancy McQuade of Altoona, is visiting her children in this county.

Lloyd Doyle and family have moved from Everett to Williamsburg, Blair county.

Mr. Alexander Mellott and brother, Isaiah, were in town a few hours last Saturday.

Mr. Aaron Knepper of Taylor township, was among the County Seat visitors last Wednesday.

Rev. George M. Shimer spent a day or two last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Shimer of this place.

Mrs. Emaline Chesnut of Taylor, who has been spending a few weeks with her daughters here, called at this office last Friday and extended her subscription another year.

Mr. Aaron Steele and family of Everett, have moved into one end of the Mrs. Allen property. We are informed that Mr. Steele is a coachmaker and intends to open a shop here.

Miss Minnie Reisner, and Messrs. Harry Irwin, Don Morton and Horace Sipes, are among those who are spending their Easter vacation at their respective homes in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson L. Nace, returned to Carlisle Monday; and during the next few days will experience the joys incident to moving and settling down to house-keeping in earnest.

Miss Elizabeth Bender of this place left last Saturday for York, to spend Easter with her sister Mary, who will then accompany Elizabeth to Philadelphia to visit their sister Mrs. Kane.

Mr. and Mrs. Abimaz Clevenger have moved from near Hancock to Thomas F. Sloan's farm in the Cove, and Henry Trittle, who has been living on the Sloan farm has moved to Franklin county.

Miss Nora Griffith of Wells, opened her new millinery store in Everett last week. She has new rooms, a new and beautiful line of the latest things in millinery, and will be glad to see her Fulton county friends when they visit Everett.

Mr. J. C. Fore and family, of Knobsville, left on Monday for Harrisburg, where they expect to reside. The many friends of Charlie and his family regret to see them go away from the county, and join in wishing them health and prosperity in their new home.

Geo. Huber, who for the past eighteen months has been foreman and job printer in the Republican office at Everett, has resigned his position and on Thursday morning moved his family to Hancock, Md. Mr. Huber has secured a more lucrative position in Washington, D. C.

The Sunday school which has lain dormant during the winter, will be reorganized at the Presbyterian church at Greenhill next Sunday morning at half-past nine o'clock. It is desired that all the friends of the school shall be present, and that the school shall have a good start-off for a successful summer's work.

Mr. John Barr, Jr., who recently had sale on the Brooks farm near Hancock and has quit farming, called at the office while in town Monday. He came in to thank us for persuading him to have one of our "big" bills for his sale. He says it did the work. There was a great crowd of buyers and he received value for his goods. He says a man makes a mistake when he tries to save money by skimping the advertising of his sale.