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MAJOR HESS DEAD.

Was a Native of Ayr Township, and One of Fulton's Most Distinguished Military Sons.

DIED IN FLORIDA NOVEMBER 16th.

Lieutenant Colonel Frank W. Hess, died at St. Petersburg, Florida on Saturday afternoon, November 16, 1907.

Col. Hess was a son of the late Jonathan Hess, and was born on the old Hess homestead on the creek below Big Cove Tanery. The echoes of the guns fired on Fort Sumpter had scarcely died away, until Frank, then a boy scarcely out of his teens, started out to interest men in going to the defence of the flag. Being a young man of fine physique and pleasant address, he, in a very few days, succeeded in raising a company of men in Bellefonte, Pa., and these men with Frank as their captain, were mustered into service on the 20th of April, 1861, as Company I, 15th Regiment, Pa. Vols. As most people in the North thought it would be only a "before breakfast job" to whip the South, men were only asked to enlist for ninety days. But when the ninety days were ended, the war was not over, and the then Captain Hess at once re-enlisted, and was mustered in as 1st Lieutenant, company I, 60th regiment, Pa. Vols. November 4, 1861, he was promoted to Captain, company M, 60th regiment, Pa. Vols. July 8, 1862 to Major of battalion, and with one promotion after another, he remained in the service until the last gun was fired, in 1865 and peace had been declared. Two years after the close of the Civil War, he joined the regular army, and remained in the service until retired a few years ago with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, when he reached the age limit.

Col. Hess had been a great sufferer for several years with Bright's Disease; and while his home had been in San Diego California, he decided to spend this winter in Florida in the hope that his health might be benefited. But he had been in Florida only a few weeks, when the end came.

His daughter Miss Rose and son Frank were with him at the time of his death.

His remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at St. Petersburg, the services being conducted by the local order of Masons, assisted by the 111th Company of Regulars from Fort Dade and Company G. of St. Petersburg and the G. A. R. veterans. The hearse was draped with a big silken flag.

Major Hess was a brother of Mrs. Scott Tittle, of the Cove, and of Miss Lib. Mrs. Hill, and Mrs. Bragonier in Iowa.

DANIEL MOCK.

Daniel Mock died at his home in Tod township last Friday night after an illness of several months, at the age of 68 years, and 4 days. He is survived by a wife, four daughters, Mary—Mrs. Sinnott of Philadelphia, Maggie—Mrs. Geo. Everhart; Annie, Mrs. Capp, Allentown, Pa., and Miss Minnie, at home; also, two sons, Fred in Pittsburg and George in the Cove. Funeral services occurred on Monday afternoon at his late residence and were in charge of his pastor, Rev. Fassold, who took for his text I Cor. 13:12.

Mr. Mock came from an old and highly respected family. His ancestry having settled in the Cove years ago. As a citizen, neighbor and friend, he was highly respected and will be greatly missed. He was a devoted and honored member of the Lutheran Church and was serving on its council at the time of his death.

He served at his country's call in the 82d Pa. Vol. Inf., Co. I, and was honorably discharged at the close of service.

Farewell! Father, neighbor, friend; thou art enrolled for higher service. By THE PASTOR.

INDIAN HEAD.

James D. Deahong, Former Teacher of This County, Gives Much Information of a Very Interesting Place.

(Continued from last week.)

It is in the isolation of Indian Head that lies its value as a testing place for explosives and exploding apparatus, and the site on the Potomac was selected because of its seclusion. For years the Naval ordnance proving grounds were situated at Annapolis, but the gradually extending limits of that ancient city soon dangerously encompassed the reservation, while the increase in the range of the big guns tried on the place became a menace to the safety of vessels plying the waters of Annapolis roads. It was about 17 years ago that Uncle Sam packed up his experimental paraphernalia and betook himself for further research to the undisturbed location on the Potomac.

Here the specialists in the art of war can pound away and blaze away deafeningly and serenely without fear of plugging holes in the sides of schoolhouses or in the craft of friendly mariners engaged in their peaceful and honorable pursuits.

Since Indian Head became the official testing grounds of the navy there have been great improvements in the trial process, and there are now sundry adjuncts to the establishment which were unthought of when it made the outskirts of Annapolis its home. Of the modern accessories, chief in interest is the powder plant, an extensive institution, with its several buildings somewhat removed from the scene of the tests.

But of first importance is the proving grounds proper, that hill flanked vale with its fringe of cannon mounds skirting an area littered with debris. The tests conducted in this place cover every character of arm and every species of ammunition used in the navy and a great many that are not used, for those that do not measure up to the requirements of the service and to the standard of excellence that must be maintained to insure an untarnished efficiency are promptly discarded and blacklisted or returned to the sources from which they come with recommendation for improvement.

A PLACE OF ARMS.

Big and little guns, rapid-fire machines, shells that stand the height of a man's head, projectiles that weigh half a ton, long bands and magazines of small cartridges that are discharged in "bunches," powder, smokeless and smoky, and of almost every imaginable size and shape; explosives of peculiar names and highly dangerous characteristics armor plate as thick as the wall of an office building and a few score other warlike contrivances are included in the category of things testable and tested at Indian Head.

Each and every test is conducted with the utmost regard for detail. Each particular is looked after with exactitude and precision. A record is made and preserved of the minutest feature of each step toward the accomplishment of the test.

Let it be a giant 12 inch gun which is to be mounted in the turret of a battleship. A thorough study is made of the composition of the metals of which it is constructed, of the manner in which its several bands are united, of its rifling, of the mechanism of its breech, of its mount, of its firing apparatus, to say nothing of careful notations of its various dimensions, the bore being sufficiently large to permit a man to crawl through it easily. This gun is tested for its throwing power, the accuracy of its bore and for its ability to withstand the tremendous pressure that is exerted on it whenever it is placed in action.

It will be found that this gun,

BIG COON FAMILY.

Fort Littleton Hunters Capture Enough to Supply the Neighborhood for Thanksgiving.

Fort Littleton, Dec. 2.—On Monday morning of last week, five of our hunters—W. Chae, Will Brubaker, Baldwin Fraker, and David and Beaver Fraker started out on a deer hunt. Finding no deer, they came to an oak tree, and by the way the bark had been chewed, it occurred to the hunters that the tree contained bear, coon, or some other kind of varmints. So, Baldwin was dispatched for an ax, while the others kept watch over the tree, to see that nothing escaped, or that the inmates got no outside help. In due time Baldwin returned with an ax, and soon the tree was swaying ready to come down with a crash, and spilt its occupants. "Shoot low, boys," said Baldwin, as the tree was falling, and as it reached the ground, out came an old Mr. Coon, but the well directed fire of the hunters soon terminated his existence, and then came the Madame Coon, and closely following were several younger members of the coon family—all to meet the same fate as their paternal ancestor.

A long pole was secured, the coons swung across it, and the ends borne on the shoulders of two of the hunters, the party returned to the town with the trophies of their hunt. At a little distance, they might have been taken for Caleb and Joshua's party returning with the load of grapes from the land of Canaan. Something less than a dozen of the coons escaped and got to the mountain.

Plumbers Busy.

The Schollenberger people, of Hamburg, Pa., who have been doing nearly all the plumbing in town for a long time, are busy this week placing new bathroom fixtures in M. R. Shaffer's house on South Second street, in Mrs. M. B. Trout's house at the drug store, and overhauling the heating plant at the City Hotel. They have recently completed one of the finest heating plants in this part of the State—that in the new Public School Building. The Water Company has made it possible for the people of this town to enjoy the luxury and convenience of plenty of pure soft water, and at a cost not unreasonable. With the beginning of this month all water rents are paid to C. R. Spangler.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Wible who had been over on this side of the mountain visiting among their many friends, returned to their home near Chambersburg last week.

or breech-loading rifle, as everybody in the navy from the freshest midshipman at Annapolis to the highest admiral calls it, will withstand a pressure during firing of 15 tons to the square inch, under a load of 575 pounds of powder and throwing a projectile weighing 1,200 pounds. As the projectile speeds from the muzzle of the rifle it will be traveling at the rate of 2,400 feet a second. When, after traversing some seven or eight miles, its velocity has been reduced to about 1,800 feet a second, it will penetrate a hardened faced steel plate 17 inches thick. In securing this data with the necessary precision puns are taken to measure and weigh powder and projectile to the veriest fraction and the most delicate mechanisms are employed to ascertain the results. The interior pressure is determined by an arrangement which is the product of the most advanced mathematical and mechanical endeavors. The speed of the projectile is discovered through a system of delicate electrically wired screens placed at carefully selected distances in the progress of the missile.

FORTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

Of the Teachers' County Institute, Being Held in the Court House This Week.

ALL TEACHERS PRESENT MONDAY.

The fortieth annual session of the Teachers' Institute of this county opened Monday afternoon. After the singing of America by the institute, Rev. Dr. West conducted the devotional exercises. After the election of officers, Superintendent Lamberson made an address to the teachers.

Dr. Boyer, of the Clarion State Normal School was then introduced and made a very interesting talk upon the topic, "Toward the Top." Among the points made, were, "Everybody wants to climb to the top of his profession." "Be a real teacher." "Develop ability to make the most out of others." Prof. Rife of the Cumberland Valley Normal School occupied the next period on the "Country and the School." The problem of the country school is the problem of education in Pennsylvania. The country school is the center of interest in the community. Teach the fundamentals thoroughly and you have a foundation for broader work.

Dr. Becht, of the Clarion Normal, then spoke on "Live Teachers and Live Teaching." His talk was lively and instructive.

L. H. Wible, Esq., on behalf of the school directors of McConnellsburg, invited the teachers to visit our new school building.

The Lecturer, Hon. George D. Alden, of New York, in his subject "Needs of the Hour, did the occasion justice. He has a mission and a message. No audience can sit under the sound of his voice and not be inspired and elevated.

TUESDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. C. Fassold, of the Lutheran Church.

Singing.

Mr. Schaffer of the Tri-State Business College made the offer of a free scholarship to the college, and also expressed the thanks of Mr. Alvah B. Gordon, who won the scholarship last year, and who now holds a good position in West Virginia. The next period was taken up by Prof. Rife of Shippensburg S. N. S., whose subject, "The Puritan Movement in Relation to Literature." This subject was tastefully handled, making it interesting as well as instructive to the institute.

Singing.

The period after intermission was occupied by Dr. Boyer, subject, "In Tune with the Infinite in Teaching." His talk was full of advice which could be used in our schools.

Singing.

The next period was occupied by Dr. Becht, subject, "The Rational Treatment of Children." This was a very practical talk and the way in which Dr. Boyer handled his subject shows that he knows what he is talking about.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

Institute opened by singing.

The next period was occupied by Prof. Rife. Subject—"History." Prof. Rife handled this subject well and then bade the institute good-bye.

Singing.

The next was an instrumental solo, by Miss Sipes.

Dr. Becht occupied the next period. Subject—"Spelling." This subject was handled in a skillful way by the speaker.

Singing.

The next period was occupied by Dr. Boyer. Subject—"The child's health in the public school."

TUESDAY EVENING.

The Lecturer of the evening was Hon. Alfred Ellison, who took for his subject "Which Way." Despite the stormy condition of the weather, a well filled house greeted Judge Ellison, who need no introduction to our people. The applause with which the lecturer met, showed that the Superintendent made no mistake in

TWENTY YEARS AGO.

Names of the Teachers Who Had Charge of the Schools in This County a Score of Years Ago.

Twenty years ago, the editor of the News was serving his first year as County Superintendent of the schools of this county, and holding his first County Institute. In looking into the faces of the teachers as they sit in the Court House this week, he sees but few who were in the work then. It may be of interest to others, as it is interesting to the Editor, to recall the names of those who had charge of the schools in the respective districts in this county that winter.

Ayr.—Kate Sheets, Nettie A. Hunter, W. C. Patterson, J. S. Hunter, U. G. Humbert, Rachel Humbert, Jennie Morton, Georgia Morton, Alice Hendershot.

Belfast.—Jesse A. Peck, W. G. Wink, D. A. Mellott, Mrs. Sadie A. Sharpe, Rev. A. Overlander, Amanda Palmer, Sallie Hoop, Emery Thomas, Elmer Zimmerman.

Bethel.—Rose Brooks, Mattie E. Daniels, Alice V. Lewis, Oliver Lafferty, Joe Charlton, James T. Hill, Frank P. Lynch.

Brush Creek.—Lettie N. Richards, Frank P. Diehl, Burton Sipes, J. C. Lodge, Lizzie Akers.

Dublin.—A. C. Mathas, Ada McGowan, T. Scott Hershey, Sander Chise, Emma Fraker, Clem Chesnut, Alice Wogan, J. A. Comer.

Licking Creek.—Philip J. Barton, Walter Decker, Reuben Sipes, Nannie Sipes, P. J. Bernhardt, J. A. Myers, Frank E. W. Scott.

McConnellsburg.—H. H. Wood at, J. Grant Hanks, Sadie A. Dunlap.

Taylor.—Brown C. Dawney, M. L. Kirk, N. E. M. Hoover, Nannie Witter, Florence Cutchall, Annie Sipes, John Hess.

Thompson.—Barbara Truax, Sadie Sipes, L. U. Powell, W. W. Douglas, A. J. Pittman, Jennie Bailey, J. L. Winger.

Tod.—Rolla B. Fore, L. H. Wible, Wm. T. Greer.

Union.—M. M. Boor, Cecil Barnhart, Geo. O. Lynch, Chas. W. Lynch.

Wells.—S. W. Kirk, Miss M. J. Miller, John R. Lockard, Harry A. Thompson.

In glancing over the above list, the names of two two ex-County Superintendents appear; the names of two lawyers, two doctors, one ex Representative in the Pennsylvania Legislature, one present member of the legislature, two editors, and five who are still engaged in teaching, namely, Miss Kate Sheets in the High School in Lancaster, Mr. Hoover, in Bedford county, and W. G. Wink, Emery Thomas, and T. Scott Hershey, in this county.

At least, six of the teachers of that year are dead, namely, Rachel Humbert, Alice Hendershot, Rose Brooks, Mattie Daniels, H. H. Woodard, and A. J. Pittman. securing him. His address was full of wit, truth and advice. He led the crowd from loud applause to absolute silence, at will.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

Singing.

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. Groves, of U. P. church.

The first period was taken up by Dr. Becht. Subject—"Devices in Teaching." In his instructive talk, Dr. Becht gave many good devices that could be profitably used by the teachers.

Singing.

After intermission, the first period was taken up by Dr. Hull, of Millersville S. N. S. Subject—"Arithmetic." Dr. Hull handled his subject well, being along practical lines of school work.

Dr. Boyer occupied the next period. Subject—"The Will of the Pupil." In this talk, the speaker illustrated some good ways in which to deal with the pupil.

LEWIS HARRIS, Secretary.

LETTER FROM M. L. HANN.

Now of Los Angeles, California. He and His Brother William Live There.

The many friends of the Hann boys, formerly of Saluvia, will enjoy reading a letter written on the 18th ult. The letter reads: "I see by the label on my paper that one more year has rolled by, and if I want the News, it is up to me to send the Editor a little of the needful. Mr. Peck, I assure you that the News from our old native county, is very much enjoyed by my wife and myself, and Brother Billy, and as we get the news items from the various parts of the county, old memories are often awakened by seeing some familiar name, not but that we have correspondents in the county, but the News tells the news.

"Well, business is still good on the Coast; but on account of so many of the copper mines being shut down in the intermountain states, and the number of people that have come to California this fall from the eastern states, California seems pretty full of laboring men just now. But that is all right. In a few months they will be settled and California can care for thousands more (white people I mean) California does not need the Japs and Koreans. They are not the people that make good American citizens, and we that meet them daily, realize it only too well.

"Just at present this part of the coast is well guarded, as four of Uncle Sam's war ships are anchored off shore, about one mile from Long Beach, a suburb of Los Angeles. The ships are the Colorado, Maryland, West Virginia, and Pennsylvania. Of course, we natives visited the Pennsylvania, and it is a sight not easily forgotten by a lands man.

"Los Angeles is growing constantly, and is climbing fast as one of the best cities in the United States. The city itself covers many miles of land, and has a fine surrounding territory. It has about 700 miles of electric car lines in the city, and connects adjoining towns. Los Angeles will soon need more water, and she is now building an aqueduct 270 miles long to bring the Owens river from Ingo county to Los Angeles—and it will be some water. They propose to bring a volume of water 14 feet wide and 9 feet deep, running at the rate of 6 miles an hour. Fifty miles north of Los Angeles is a fall of 1500 feet, where they will install power houses, and generate 96,000 horse power of electric power for lights and commercial use; and the water not needed for the city, will be used for irrigation. Los Angeles owns her own water system, so all resident tax payers are interested, as we, really, are the owners.

M. L. HANN.

Rev. Dr. West Resigns.

Rev. Dr. West, who had been serving the Presbyterian congregation here and at Greenhill during the past seven years and a half, with a lute in of, perhaps, six months, has severed his relations with the churches named, and on last Sunday evening, preached his closing sermon and declared the pulpit vacant. As a parting courtesy to the venerable Doctor, the pastors of the Lutheran and Methodist churches dispensed with their Sunday evening gift service, and with their congregations, attended the service at the Presbyterian church, and the pastors took part in the services. The large room was filled to the limit of its seating capacity, and general regret was expressed that the Doctor was leaving.

He expects to retire from the active work of the ministry and make his home with his daughter Mrs. R. Sharpe Patterson, at Newville, Pa.

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DEER PLENTIFUL.

Hunters are Having a Good Season. It Protected a Few Years the Woods Will Be Full of Deer.

Hunters are having more than ordinary success in getting deer this year, and it is said that the number seen in the woods exceeds that for many years. This, no doubt, comes from the protection thrown about the animals. It is to be hoped that hunters will use every precaution to protect this noble game, and they will be rewarded by greater possibilities for the sport in a few years to come. Among those who have gotten deer are B. Frank Henry, of this place, Samuel Mellott, of Ayr, Norman Akers, George Daniels, and Milton Mellott, of Sipes Mill; Andy Fore, of Burnt Cabins, and, no doubt, many others, whose names have not been given to us.

Boden—Henline.

A very pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Boden, of Buck Valley, on Wednesday, November 20th, at noon, when their daughter Rhoda, and Mr. Arlington Henline, were united in the bonds of holy matrimony by Rev. A. R. Garland, in the presence of a number of relatives and friends.

A fine reception was given and enjoyed by all. They received many handsome presents.

The bride is an accomplished young lady, and their many friends wish them a prosperous and happy future. After a short visit among friends and relatives they will reside in Brunswick, Md., where the groom is employed on the B. & O.

Recipe Mixed Often.

Some remarkable stories are being told about town and among the country people coming in, of this simple home made mixture curing Rheumatism and Kidney trouble. Here is the recipe and directions for taking: Mix by shaking well in a bottle one half ounce Fluid Extract Dandelion, one ounce Compound Kargon, three ounces Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla. Take as a dose one teaspoonful after meals and at bedtime.

No change need be made in your usual diet, but drink plenty of good water.

This mixture, writes one authority in a leading Philadelphia newspaper, has a peculiar tonic effect upon the kidneys; cleansing the clogged up pores of the eliminative tissues, forcing the kidneys to sift and strain from the blood the uric acid, and other poisonous waste matter, overcoming Rheumatism, Bladder and Urinary troubles in a short while.

A New York druggist who has had hundreds of calls for these ingredients since the first announcement in the newspapers last October stated that the people who orce try it "swear by it," especially those who have Urinary and Kidney trouble and suffer with Rheumatism.

The druggists in this neighborhood say they can supply the ingredients, which are easily mixed at home. There is said to be no better blood cleansing agent or system tonic known, and certainly none more harmless or simple to use.

The fifth educational meeting of Ayr township was held at Jughtown last Friday evening. The meeting was called to order by the teacher, Miss Mary Stenger. The questions "Reviews—How given and to what extent?" "Aims of the Teacher" were discussed by the teachers and Supt. Lamberson. Teachers present—Mary Stenger, Mary Houston, Mary Ott, Prof. Thomas, Russell Nelson, Mr. Everhart and Rhoda Kendall. A number of songs, recitations and select readings were well rendered.—Rhoda E. Kendall, Secretary.