

ARMORY DEDICATION IN HONESDALE

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the New York 8th for years—both in peace and in war time. Greeley, had an excellent war record, but for the most part in the cavalry. Bone had been a soldier. Waits had marched and fought in the old Sixth Corps, and Schoonmaker was also among the Vets. Some of the young men had been to military schools. The great trouble was that not one of the whole number "had quite forgotten Hardee, nor quite learned Upton," as Captain Wilson defined the situation. Nothing was more common, nor can anything to a military eye look more singular, than to see an officer trying to drill a squad, and becoming hopelessly puzzled over some simple movement, have to pull out his pocket companion, Upton, refresh his memory, and start anew.

We drilled at least thirty evenings before our arms came,—although toward the very last we used some Remingtons, loaned us by the Del. & Hud. Canal Co. Of course our drills were limited to such exercises in the school of the soldier, and of the company, as could be executed without arms. It was time well spent—those drills in company movements, marching, etc. They were the direct means of causing "Steadiness remarkable" to be placed in our rating at the first State inspection.

Early in November the company were uniformed. The first suit completed was W. J. Ward's, and Captain Bentley had him wear it at drill the next night, in order to invite criticism and inspection. The uniforms were made at Chambers', and fitted, something rare in the Guard then.

The Thirteenth Regiment had been organized, and we were assigned to it. In December we were ordered to Scranton for inspection, and a magnificent one we passed. A Co. gave a reception that night. From the date of that inspection, the E then can reckon their military history. None who were present will forget it—and the incidents connected with it; even to the sensation of the evening before, when five of our number suddenly fainted in the ranks. Big John Wood "keeled over" first, then Scott Salmon, and three others. It soon transpired, however, that the trouble was caused by the fumes arising from some vile composition which a number of the boys had used to blacken their belts. The old, worn-out things needed it badly enough, but the consequences were rather startling.

The company's material was tested in January of the following year, the inauguration of Governor Hoyt. The Thirteenth was ordered to Harrisburg, with the rest of the Guard. There was not an overcoat in the company, and the thermometer registered 15 degrees below zero, the day they started; but when they turned, two days later, no one could say that he had not had a good one. Deaths were caused in the regiment by that exposure, and in Co. W. H. Perham, one of our very best, never again saw a well day. It was his last trip. After a long illness he died, his disease aggravated, not produced, by the trip.

Had he lived he would have attained high rank in the Guard. Few men have died, but those few could never be replaced.

As has been stated the military r was unique. It unquestionably led much to the prestige and general welfare of the company, and demonstrated that all Honesdale was with the soldier boys. It is interesting at this late day to scan the list of committees co-operating twenty years ago for the good of the Guard. Any of the persons named below have passed away; many others are living and still working for the advancement of the Guard.

The committee list follows: The Honesdale company has a record to which it may well point with pride. As a unit of the National Guard, it has participated in all of encampments and maneuvers during the period of the Spanish-American War, the Thirteenth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, of which was a part, served for a longer time than any other command of the Guard, excepting the Tenth, which

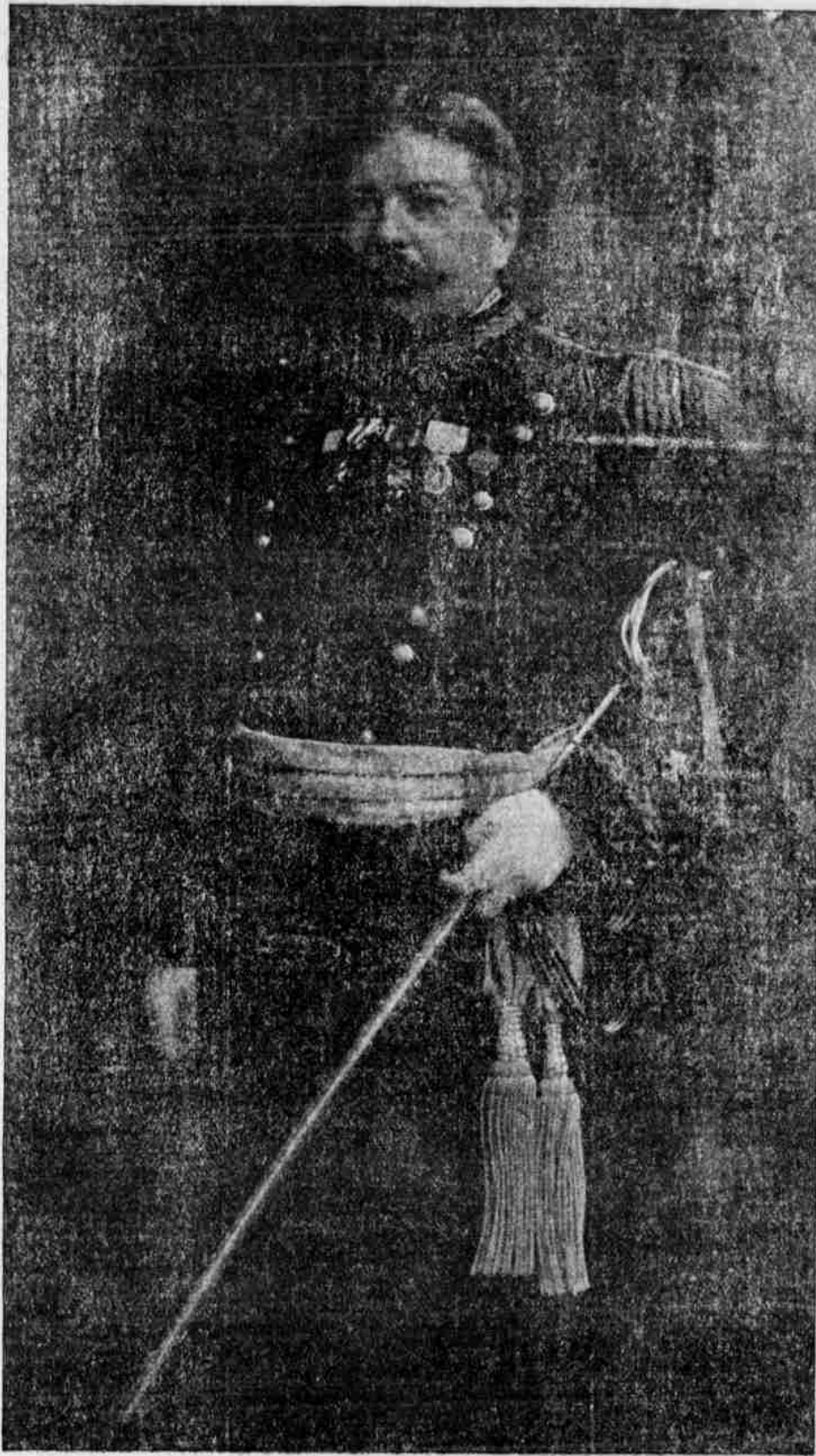
was sent to the Philippines. The company has attended the recent inaugurations, both of Governors and Presidents. Upon its return from the inauguration of President Taft, in March, 1909, it was found necessary upon the arrival of the company at Scranton, owing to the severe snow storm of that period, to attach two engines to a single day coach to draw the men to their home station. Company E participated in the Founders' Week celebration at Philadelphia in 1908, and has likewise taken part in other historic occasions. The present excellent standing of the company is due to a tremendous ex-

In addition to other prestige, the company has achieved an excellent reputation for its work in rifle practice and likewise for its splendid basketball teams. The men of Wayne county are natural-born rifle men, and the company has always been rated high in this department, as well as at all inspections. Its basketball achievements have won the plaudits of the entire Guard, and in 1903 the company was the champion of the State.

Captain George F. Bentley, the first captain of Company E, died in 1881. He is still well remembered as one of the chief citizens of Honesdale. He was born at Montrose, June 9, 1842, and attended school at Montrose, later at Honesdale, finishing his education at the High School in Aurora, N. Y. At one time he intended to go into business, and was employed in a store in his native place, but changed his plans and commenced the study of

county for the congressional nomination in the Fourteenth district. While transacting a general law practice, Mr. Greene has of late years devoted himself largely to literary work and, as a writer of fiction, enjoys a reputation among readers that is international. He has also been a writer of poetry of much merit and his productions are eagerly sought by the leading publishers and magazines throughout the United States. Among the most popular is the beautiful poem, "What My Lover Said," which has been going the rounds of the newspaper press for the past thirty years and is preserved in many poetical collections. A prose story, "The Blind Brother," won the Youth's Companion's \$1500 prize a few years ago. Mr. Greene is a director of the National Bank and is one of the substantial and most respected citizens of Honesdale.

Capt. Myron E. Simons, who has



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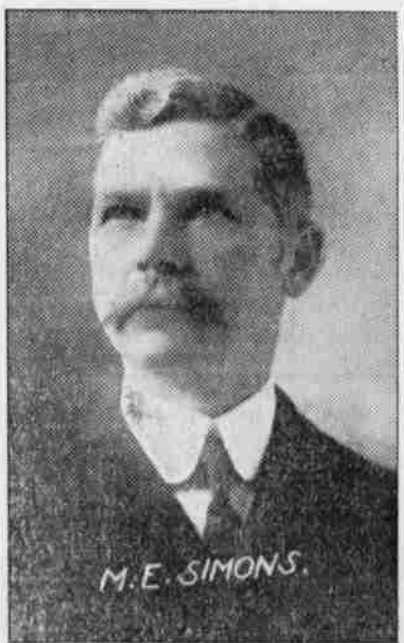
ment, to the hard work of Captain Carroll J. Kelley, who has been in command for several years. Captain Kelley is one of the most painstaking, progressive and popular officers of the National Guard. He has been ably supported in his efforts by First Lieutenant W. H. Mumford and Second Lieutenant Edward F. Doney, who are likewise appreciated as unusually active and efficient officers.

law in Honesdale, with C. P. & G. G. Waller, in 1864. On the 6th of February, 1866, he was admitted to the bar, and soon after became a member of the firm. Of necessity his legal reputation grew rapidly, until the young lawyer was known everywhere as a man who could be utterly trusted.

He saw some service during the Civil War, and was the first name suggested for captain when Company E was organized. When Mr. Bentley was asked to enlist he at first refused, but upon being urged, he did so with the understanding that he was to be a private. Mr. Hand and Mr. Greeley were probably honest in their agreement to this; but when the election came, the office, the men, and everybody demanded him and would not be refused. Company E's first victory was over its Captain, but he took immediate command and kept it to the end. Captain Bentley always demanded and expected strict obedience to orders and had it. The discipline exacted at the beginning, soon told in the rapid progress made in drill and general military knowledge. In three months, when the company passed its first inspection, it astonished the Adjutant General, and the success of our Captain was assured. From that time on he was a marked man, ranking among the best officers in our National Guard.

Homer Greene, who is a member of the local Armory Board, is a former member of Company E, and has at all times been an enthusiastic advocate of all movements which sought to advance the National Guard. He is one of the leading lawyers of Wayne county, and has been so ever since he was admitted to the bar in 1881. Mr. Greene is a native of Wayne county, and after attending the public schools, spent two years as a student at Riverview Military Academy, at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. He then attended the Union College, obtaining his degree with the class of 1879, and later graduated from the Albany Law School. In 1881, he was elected District Attorney of Wayne county, and served a term, declining the nomination for re-election. He has always been a staunch Republican, and is a campaign speaker of no little ability. Thrice he has been named as the choice of the Republicans of Wayne

been active in the citizens' movement to secure the new Armory for Honesdale, is one of the leading lawyers of Northeastern Pennsylvania. He is a native of Wayne county, and obtained his early education at the public schools, and at Bloomsburg State Normal School. After engaging in the profession of teaching for several years, he read law at Montrose, Pa., and was admitted to the Susquehanna county bar in 1884, and two years later to that of Wayne county. He has been active in Republican politics for years. He has been chairman of the



Former Captain of Company "E."

Republican county executive committee and from 1885 to 1891 was clerk of the board of commissioners. He also served as deputy under county treasurer, W. C. Norton, from 1892 to 1895. Captain Simons was one of the incorporators and was elected president of the new Farmers' & Mechanics' Bank and

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DAMES AND DAUGHTERS.

Mrs. Clara Driscoll Sevier, president of the Texas club of New York, is the woman who is responsible for the preservation of the Alamo.

Miss Florence Jackson is at the head of the Women's Educational and Industrial union of Boston, which seeks to find places of all sorts for educated women except teachers.

Miss Winifred Stoner of Pittsburgh is thought to be the youngest author in this country. She was a student of poetry and typewriting at three, published a book of verse at seven and at the age of nine speaks five languages.

Mrs. Matthew T. Scott, president general of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, is the owner of a tract of 10,000 acres of land in Illinois on which she is conducting a back-to-the-farm enterprise.

Mrs. Eva W. White is the only woman member of the homestead commission of Massachusetts. For several years she has been head worker at the Elizabeth Peabody settlement house in Boston. She favors the scheme whereby the state will sell to workmen houses and lots on easy installments.

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