### THE SURVIVORS' CLUB

## By Albert K. Hostetter

It was fifty-six years ago, last Saturday, that a little group of prominent

gentlemen of this city, numbering twenty-two, most of whom were Civil War veterans, were called together at three o'clock P. M., at the Leopard

Hotel, Nos. 105-107 East King Street, by Edgar C. Reed, attorney-at-law.

After he had stated the purpose of the meeting, an organization was affected by the election of John Johns as President, John D. Skiles as Vice-President, E. C. Reed, Secretary, and Johnathan Sprecher, Treasurer. A very beautiful letter, written by Charles G. Leland, the celebrated

author, in response to an inquiry by Secretary Reed, spoke about the last

man's association, and suggested for this organization a number of appropriate names, among them being the name "Survivors," which, meeting with the approval of all present, was adopted. It was agreed that a large punch-bowl be ordered, with the name of the club and the date of organization inscribed thereon in gilt, also that a dinnerplate, cup and saucer be provided for each member, with his name similarly

inscribed thereon.

It was further agreed that an annual meeting of the club be held on Washington's birthday, or if that day happens on a Sunday, either the pre-

ceeding or the following day be substituted. February 22, 1868. The first annual meeting of the Club after their

organization was held at the Leopard Hotel at eight o'clock P. M., with the full membership present. The President in his address presented the happy thought of having

twenty-two members present on so memorable an occasion as the twentysecond of February.

Eli Landis, dairyman, responded to the toast, "The Milkman's Best Friend-The Pump." Appropriate remarks were made by all the members,

vocal selections were rendered by Messrs. Rupley and McGrann, and the jolly group adjourned to meet one year hence.

February 22, 1869. The second annual meeting was held with twenty members in attendance, Messrs. Rupley and Weidler being unable to attend on account of illness. A letter from Mr. Leland to Mr. Reed, full of wit

and humor, was read to the society, and warmly received.

February 22, 1870. The same members responded to the roll-call, the same two reported sick as last year. Many conjectures were made as to the probable last member. Toasts were drank to the young bachelors and were responded to with much jollity.

1871-Here we find the usually jovial feeling turned to grief, when the President announced that death had invaded their membership for the first time, and taken away their sweet singer, Mr. Charles D. Rupley. It was

directed that his plate be draped.

Mr. Sener, having returned home the previous day from a trip to the Pacific coast, entertained the meeting with a description of his trip across

the continent. 1872-All previous meetings having been held at the Leopard Hotel,

this one was held at the Park House on the New Holland pike. Again the

meeting was overcast with a cloud when Vice-President Skiles announced their second death as that of their beloved President, Mr. Johns, delivering a very touching eulogy, which was followed by numerous others, similarly pathetic. The decedent's plate having been draped, the presidential vacancy was filled by the election of John D. Skiles, with William S. Shirk as Vice-President.

plates in drapery, occasioned by the death of E. C. Reed, the Secretary, and John K. Rutter, the only two lawyers in the membership. J. K. Barr was elected Secretary to fill the vacancy. 1874-The fifth death was announced as that of S. E. Leaman. Toasts were drank in silence to the departed brothers. Capt. W. D. Stauffer, the newly elected Mayor of our city, was called on for a speech, and made an appropriate response. 1875-No deaths were reported at this meeting, but five plates were in Tributes of respect were given to all departed members. 1876-Two deaths were reported, viz: Johnathan Sprecher, the Treasurer, and E. Landis. John Copeland was elected to fill vacancy as Treasurer. 1877—The number is dwindling, only twelve members responding to rollcall. John McGrann, who had missed a number of meetings, made amends for his absence by giving an excellent song and dance entertainment for the evening. 1878—Sympathies were extended to Ex-Mayor Stauffer, on account of the death of his little boy Charlie. 1879—President Skiles, the oldest member, is the only absentee. Col. Weidler offers toast to J. K. Barr, the new alderman of the Third Ward. 1880—Dr. Whiteside's death was reported at the meeting. 1881—Two more obituaries are reported in the club, viz. C. H. Sprecher and E. A. Sener. 1882-Only routine work. 1883—The death of John J. McGrann reduces the membership to one-half. 1884—Singing by Messrs. Sprenger and Barr. 1885-1886—Major Muhlenberg is reported United States Paymaster in Arizona, and Col. Weidler United States Internal Revenue Collector, for Portland, Oregon. Both send regrets. 1887 -1888—Major Muhlenberg now stationed in San Antonio, Texas. 1889—The death of George F. Sprenger and A. S. Landis was reported. 1890—Major Muhlenberg now reports from Vancouver Barracks, Washington Territory. The death of John Copeland, the host of the club since 1873, and its Treasurer since 1876, was announced, and Isaac W. Slocom succeeded him in the last named vacancy. Hotel Copeland is now conducted by a Mr. Dougherty.

1873-At this meeting, held at Hotel Copeland, we find two additional

be next to follow. 1892—Secretary Barr was reported critically ill with Brights disease, and not expected to recover. 1893-Major Muhlenberg, after an absence of fifteen years, was present, and gave a very interesting account of his travels, congratulating the club upon its twenty-fifth anniversary. The new host at Hotel Copeland, Col. John Murphy, has now named the hostelry "The Ashland House."

the various toasts, the one "Our Departed Brothers" was very impressively responded to, with the remark-"It's Nip and Tuck" as to the one who will

1891—At this meeting there were two tables, one with fourteen plates. heavily draped, in memory of those who had passed to the unknown land. and presented a solemn contrast to the other table with its surviving occupants, five of which spelled their family names with an "S."

Among

Secretary, J. K. Barr, which brought forth a tribute from every member present. During the banquet a telegram was received from Col. Weidler, Portland, Oregon, which read, "Pop! Pop! Sizz! Sizz! Health and long life to all the boys." It is needless to say the "Boys" drank a toast to the health of Col. Weidler. Captain Stauffer was chosen Secretary to fill

the vacancy. 1895—The membership now having dwindled down to seven, and the

1894—Ashland House. President Skiles announced the death of our late

Hon. J. Hay Brown, Major B. Frank Brenneman, and Hon. W. U. Hensel 1897—Smallest meeting ever held, only three members being present. 1898-Three members present. President Skiles being away on his wedding trip, a bottle of "Mumms" was drank to the health of the bride and groom. 1899—President Skiles was host of the evening at a wine dinner in cele-

average attendance even less, a resolution was passed, privileging each mem-

It was recommended that the cups and saucers of deceased members be given to their widows or nearest relatives, also that a copy of the menu

1896-The place of meeting was changed to Hotel Lancaster. There were six members present and four guests, as follows: John I. Hartman

bration of his recent wedding, and gave an interesting account of his trip. Major Muhlenberg reported from the Paymaster's Department in Cuba.

1900— 1901— 1902. 1903—The death of Mr. Slocom was announced. Capt. P. L. Sprecher was chosen Treasurer to fill the vacancy. 1904-Secretary Stauffer was requested to write to Col. Weidler, at

Portland, and Major Muhlenberg, at Omaha, requesting their attendance at the next meeting, for all the other members have been advanced to officers ranks, and there are no privates here for the rear ranks.

1905— 1906— 1907. 1908—Four members present, two missing. Weidler and Muhlenberg send regrets, the latter from San Francisco.

ber to invite a guest to the future meetings.

be sent to each such survivor.

**1909**— **1910**— **1911**. 1912—The meeting this year was held at the "Wenditz."

1914-The death of President Skiles was fittingly recorded and com-

mented upon. W. S. Shirk succeeded him in office. 1915-President Shirk is very ill with rheumatism.

1916-Again the office of President has become vacant, owing to the

death of Mr. Shirk, only Sprecher and Stauffer being present.

1917—Meeting held at Sprecher's boarding-house at Ephrata, the home of Rebecca Sharp. Another death, that of Major Muhlenberg, at San Fran-

cisco, reduces the membership to three old Civil War veterans, all of whom served in the same company and regiment: Company B, 1st Regiment,

Penna. Vol. Res. 1918—Sprecher and Stauffer met at Ephrata.

1919—Capt. Stauffer is very ill and cannot attend. Capt. Sprecher was the only member present, Henry Sharp being his guest. 1920-Capt. Sprecher was the only member present, and with six guests

had his banquet at Ephrata. Capt. Stauffer is too ill to attend, and Col.

Weidler too far away. 1921-Capt. Sprecher dined by himself. Capt. Stauffer died since the

last meeting. I quote from these minutes as follows: "All bills have been paid by me. The plates of the Society are to be given to some historical

society, when the last member passes away. I am not well just now, but trust in God and the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen."

1922-Col. Weidler died February 19, 1922. In the final minutes of the club appears the following: "The last one of the club, which had, September 27, 1867, twenty-two members. Had a banquet on Washington's birthday,

every year. I am now past eighty-two years. Will soon follow the ones that have passed away. Hope to meet my former friends. God bless us

all. Amen. CAPT. P. L. SPRECHER, Survivor,

"Am sick." These last minutes indicate a very feeble condition on the part of the writer, having been written with a trembling hand.

The following is a list of the members, with a brief sketch each.

JACOB K. BARR Born December 8, 1841 Died March 6, 1893

A son of John and Barbara Barr, was born at "Woodlawn," his father's home at Lampeter Square, received his education in the Bishop Bowman School and at Beck's Academy.

He enlisted in the 79th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, mustered with Company B, September 5, 1861, which was assigned to the 7th Brigade, 2nd Division, Army of Ohio, afterward the Army of the Cumberland. He re-

and bivision, Army of Ohio, afterward the Army of the Cumberland. He reenlisted in 1864, served much of his time as clerk for the late Col. Hambright, and was mustered out of service in 1865. In 1879 he was elected alderman for the Third Ward, and as such con-

tinued in office for a number of terms, giving much of his time to procuring pensions for his brother veterans and their dependants. His active interest

in politics, G. A. R. and Masonic affairs made him one of the most popular men of the county, having been an active worker in Post No. 84 and Lodge No. 43 F. & A. M.

In the days of the volunteer fire service, he was President of the American Fire Company of this city. He was clerk of City Councils for twenty-

one years.

He was buried in full military order, in the Woodward Hill cemetery.

JOHN COPELAND Born August 30, 1835 Died March 2, 1889

A son of Thomas Copeland of Strasburg. In his early life he became a printer, and worked for William B. Wiley, who was then the publisher of the School Journal, his office being on North Duke Street, opposite the Court House. In later years, he conducted restaurants, and became the most popular caterer in this city. This business having grown to large proportions, it became necessary to enlarge his quarters, and he purchased the property on North Queen Street, adjoining Howell's row, where he conducted a very prosperous business for many years.

He was buried with Masonic honors, in Woodward Hill cemetery.

JOHN JOHNS
Born August 6, 1820
Died December 7, 1871

He was a native of Lancaster township.

In 1857 he was elected Register of Wills for one term, after which he served as Deputy Register for three successive terms. He was then elected a Justice of the Peace, having been continued in that office until the time of his death.

He was buried in the Lancaster cemetery.

ABRAHAM S. LANDIS

Born March 26, 1830

Died October 20, 1888

In 1718 his first American ancestor settled on a farm near Landis' warehouse in East Lampeter township, which descended in family ownership until it became the property of Henry M. Landis (Abraham's father). It was here

He became afflicted with "Bright's" disease, and on the day of his death, fell off his chair, unconscious, having died a few hours later.

#### ELI LANDIS

Born February 28, 1842 Died December 11, 1875

Was born in Lancaster township, a son of Abraham Landis, and son-inlaw of John Johns (previously referred to).

He conducted a dairy on the property adjoining the old city mill. On the day of death, he was hauling a three-ton load of feed toward his home, and while descending the Poor House hill, he tried to mount the saddle horse, but he slipped and fell, the wheels passing over his body, crushing his chest.

SAMUEL E. LEAMAN Born June 10, 1830 Died March 2, 1873

Died at his home, 234 East King Street, this city.

He died while being carried upstairs at his home.

IOHN JAMES McGRANN Born March 11, 1845 Died February 18, 1883, in Kentucky

J. CAMERON MUHLENBERG

## Born July 21, 1848

Died March 12, 1918, at Washington, D. C.

He was a son of our noted physician, Dr. Henry E. Muhlenberg. After having finished his public school education, he was entered as a cadet at

the Annapolis Naval Academy, at which institution he remained for several years, when, in 1869, he was elected Treasurer of the Inland Insurance & Deposit Company, a banking institution of which his father was president,

located on the S. E. corner of Penn Square and South Queen Street, succeeding in said office, John W. Jackson This company liquidated its affairs in 1874. He then entered the regular army, beginning as clerk in the pay corps, afterwards becoming paymaster at the important posts in the United States and its accessions. After twenty-five years in this service, he retired and went to live in California.

He was a brother to Mayor Muhlenberg of this city, took a great interest in Lancaster County politics, and loved to visit his old-time friends hereabouts. He was affiliated with our various Masonic bodies and often visited the annual outings of the Tuquan Club.

> EDGAR C. REED, ESQ. Born December 3, 1843

Died September 12, 1872

He was a son of John K. Reed, living on East King Street above Ann. He entered the United States service as a private, in Co. I, 122nd Regiment, Penna. Volunteers, and was severely wounded at Chancellorsville. He was

highly commended for his gallant and soldierly conduct in the service. He studied law, and in 1866 was admitted to the Lancaster County Bar,

was unusually talented, very cultured, and had bright prospects as a lawyer. During the latter part of 1870 he took a trip to California, returned February 21, 1871. The following evening, at the annual banquet of the Survivors Club, he entertained the members with a very interesting description of his trip. His remains lie buried in the cemetery adjoining Carpenter's Church, near Earlville, now Talmage.

CHARLES D. RUPLEY
Born October 16, 1841
Died August 3, 1870

This death was the first one to occur in the club.

He was a printer and bookbinder, serving most of his time with Lippin-cott & Company, of Philadelphia, and the Examiner Publishing Company,

of this city.

He is said to have been one of the sweetest vocalists of his time.

CAPT. JOHN K. RUTTER Born February 3, 1839 Died August 11, 1872

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He came to Lancaster in 1860, and entered the office of Samuel H. Reynolds as a law student. At the outbreak of the Civil War, he enlisted in the Old Union Guards as a private, serving his full term. After being

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in the shoulder, which caused his retirement for a while, but as soon as he was able, he rejoined his company, and remained with them until the war ended. He then resumed his law studies, and was admitted to the bar in 1867. In 1869 he was made Chief of Police by Mayor William A. Atlee, and was loved by all his subordinates.

During his service in the army, he contracted dropsy, and suffered intensely prior to death. On account of his loyalty to the Union he became

estranged from his family, who were of rebel proclivities. They were very

bitter in their feeling toward him, and refused to recognize him as a member, not even coming to his death-bed; however, they did attend his funeral. The Knights of Pythias provided for his burial at New Holland.

EDWARD A. SENER Born February 12, 1845

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Died December 30, 1880
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He was a son of Gottlieb Sener, who was the senior member of G. Sener & Sons, of which firm Edward was also a member. They conducted

a lumber business on the banks of the Conestoga. In 1834 they changed their business to North Prince Street, where, in 1855, they added the retail coal business to their lumber interests. This firm has been one of the most successful in our city, and continues at this time by the succeeding genera-

tions of the family. In addition to the above referred to business, the firm also conducted a similar trade at Ephrata, which was sold out of the Sener family a few years ago. It was in that office where the writer of this paper served his first two years as bookkeeper, in 1883-1885.

Edward's mother was a daughter of Godfried Zahm, who was formerly

Edward's mother was a daughter of Godfried Zahm, who was formerly a prominent brush manufacturer in this city.

At the annual meeting of the Survivors in 1874, Mr. Sener being the

only bachelor member, he was requested to join the army of "Benedicts" before the next meeting, but there appears no record to show that he complied with the request.

He died at the home of his parents, No. 220 North Prince Street, and was buried in Woodward Hill cemetery.

## WILLIAM SWEIGART SHIRK

Born September 10, 1829 Died June 12, 1915

He was a son of Jacob S. Shirk, and was born at Shoenack. In the earlier years of his career, he conducted stores of general merchandise in

reminiscent along that line of conversation.

Terre Hill and Sorrel Horse.

1863 he was elected prison-keeper, which position he filled for three years. He was an important factor in Republican politics, and was always

He was of a retiring and modest disposition, always charitable without ostentation. He attended every meeting of the Survivors to the time of his

death, except the one held in 1915, which he was unable to attend on account of sickness.

Nearly all the years of his business career were devoted to the live stock business, until 1903, when he retired. He died at his home, No. 232 East King Street, from the effects of a paralytic stroke with which he was afflicted about a week previously.

# JOHN D. SKILES Born April 29, 1829, in Leacock Township Died October 18, 1913

Mechanics' Building and Loan Association, a Trustee of Franklin and Mar-

In 1850, he embarked in the grocery business, corner of East King and Duke Streets. In 1865 bought a dry-goods store on East King Street, and continued there until 1878. In 1861, his brother-in-law, Mr. Frey, and he formed the partnership of Skiles & Frey, which firm for many years was the leading tobacco packing firm in this county, usually packing about five

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Was very prominent in the organization of local industries and institutions. He was one of the incorporators of the Lancaster Trust Company and the Fulton National Bank, having been a Director in both, and President of the latter for many years. He was Treasurer of the American

or six thousand cases each year.

He was a member of Lodge No. 43 F. & A. M. Commandery, No. 13 K. T. and of Perfection Lodge.

In 1884 was elected Prothonotary on the Republican ticket. He served as Common Councilman for many years, and President of the same for

shall College and the Theological Seminary.

one year.

ISAAC W. SLOCUM Born June 26, 1841 Died January 30, 1903

He was a son of Samuel and Mary Walker Slocum, of English ancestry; he was born and educated at Christiana, Pa., where, in later years, he became President of the Christiana National Bank. He was always active in Re-

publican politics.

CHARLES H. SPRECHER

Born, March 4, 1847

# Born March 4, 1847 Died May 26, 1880

He was a son of George D. Sprecher, and at one time was in the hardware business with his father in this city. In later years he went West, and located in Breckenridge, Colorado, where he embarked in the cigar business until his death

### IOHNATHAN SPRECHER

He died August 21, 1875, at the Park House, this city, which was then his place of residence, his death having been brought on by tuberculosis. He was a son of Lewis Sprecher.

## CAPT. PHILIP L. SPRECHER Born September 12, 1839

Died September 16, 1922

He was a native of New Holland, where he spent his boyhood days on his father's farm, after which he clerked in the store of his two half-brothers in this city, until the war broke out. He enlisted June 4, 1861, and was mustered into the United States service at West Chester in the First Pennsylvania Reserve. His record as a soldier was very fine, and on August 17,

1861, he was made a corporal. On October 18th following, he was promoted On March 1, 1863, he was advanced to 1st Lieutenant for meritorious service. His term of enlistment expired June 13, 1864, when he

received his honorable discharge. July 20th, 1864, he re-enlisted and was commissioned Captain of Company G, 195th Regiment, Penna. Volunteer Infantry. After serving in numerous engagements with great credit, he received his final discharge at the close of the war, at Harrisburg, June 21, 1865, as brevet major. After that he filled a position in the hardware store of A. W. Russel for some time, and later in the Leopard Hotel. In 1866, he assumed charge of the Lititz Springs Hotel, after which he became proprietor of the Neffsville Hotel. In 1873, he served two terms as Chief of Police, after which he operated a very successful detective bureau. He captured Pennsylvania's most notorious horse thief, John Frankford, and was accountable for a nineteen year sentence in the Eastern Penitentiary for him. He was helpful in breaking up

ware salesman, and twice served as an officer in the United States Internal Revenue Department. He was a very unpretentious gentleman, greatly respected by all, when in a communicative mood, his conversation was replete with memories of

the Buzzard gang, and worked up the case that led to the conviction of James E. Pennell, the wife-murderer, who, however, cheated the gallows by committing suicide. After leaving the detective service, he became a hard-

many great and important occurrences, which were intensely interesting.

## CAPT. GEORGE F. SPRENGER

Born January 6, 1842 Died April 17, 1888

He was a son of John A. Sprenger, of this city. As a young man he embarked in the brewery business, in Columbia, with Edward Wiley, and in the bottling business in the basement of Excelsior Hall.

When the war broke out, he enlisted in the 122nd Regiment as First Sergeant of Company "K." They were mustered out May 15th, 1863. He was of a very literary turn of mind, and in 1885, issued a "Concise History of Camp and Field Life of the 122nd Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers," compiled from notes in his diary. This was the only history of that regiment, and was eagerly welcomed. Mr. Sprenger began his diary in November, 1861, when a cadet military

company was formed in "Mechanics Hall" on South Queen Street, the rear part of the first floor of said building having been converted into an armory several years previously by an association of young men known as the Jackson Rifles. They entered the national service under the first call for This new company, of which Mr. Sprenger, a former member of the Jackson Rifles, was the leading and master spirit, immediately effected an organization under the name of "First City Zouaves." Great enthusiasm

ball was a wonderful success, and the most ardent hopes of the boys was realized. Immediately thereafter, the company adopted a handsome blue uniform, neatly finished with red trimmings, also leggings and other accompaniments. I. K. Smailing, merchant tailor, furnishing these uniforms. Through the influence of Senator Bertram A. Sheaffer, of our county, and Henry E. Leaman, the company was provided with rifles from Mr. Leaman's rifle works, and on July 4, 1862, the company, numbering fifty-six young men, fully

was shown by the company and citizens, and on April 1, 1862, they were ready to render military service, but having neither uniforms nor arms, the citizens, with rousing patriotism, decided to hold a "Benefit Citizens Dress. Ball." which was held on the night of April 8, 1862, in Fulton Hall. This

equipped, made its first appearance on the streets, exciting great admiration and the most hearty congratulations of our citizens. An entirely new organization was now affected, and the new company was entertained at a brilliant social function at the home of Senator Sheaffer, when a very commendable address was made by the Senator. On July 12,

a call was issued by President Lincoln for volunteers, and Lieutenant Sprenger was promptly instructed to offer the services of his company, which was then known as the Sheaffer Zonaves. The offer was accepted, and the company, which was speedily filled to the number of ninety-one men, was at once mustered into service, and became the nucleus from which the 122nd Regiment was started. They were ordered into a "Camp of Instruction," which was located in East Lampeter township, near Bridgeport, on the Philadelphia pike. Here they had their first experience in camp life, during which they "Lived off the fat of the land," many rations being supplied by their patriotic friends from the rich Lancaster county farms of the locality. But a sudden change came, when, on August 15, they were ordered to break camp and report at once at Harrisburg. At six A. M. of that day, they accordingly marched into the city and were halted in front of Gyger's Banking House, now known as the First National Bank Building, where each member was given a bounty of \$40.00; the Lancaster County Bible Society donated a copy of the New Testament to each member, after which they

left on the Pennsylvania Railroad for Harrisburg, thence via Washington

There are probably few who remember this departure, but many of us saw heart-rendering scenes under similar departures during the late World

War, when we sent, with heavy hearts, our dear boys to the fields of carnage. Mr. Sprenger's diary is a wonderfully well-kept record of the daily occurrences of his regiment and could be enlarged upon with much interest in this sketch if time would permit. CAPT. WILLIAM D. STAUFFER

to the Virginia battlefields, for actual service.

# Born March 20, 1840, in Earl Township

Died September 23, 1921

Came to Lancaster in 1856. He enlisted in the "Union Guards" May 6, 1861, mustered the company into United States service as "Company B, First Regi-

ment, Penna. Reserves." He served for three years, when he was promoted to rank of Captain. He participated in some of the heaviest engagements of the War, including the Seven Days peninsular campaign, Second Battle of Bull Run, South Mountain, Antietam, Fredericksburg, and Gettysburg. In May, 1864, when the Army of the Potomac was re-organized under the command of General Grant, he again participated and continued in service

until the close of the war. Returning home, for the first time in three years, he assisted in raising a company for the 195th Regiment and became First Lieutenant and afterwards was made Captain of Company H, of the same regiment. He was

mustered out of service with his company, January 31, 1866, with an excel-

He was a son of Dr. Isaac C. Weidler, of Upper Leacock township, where he was born and raised.

After having received an honorable discharge from war service, he went "West," and chose Portland, Oregon, for his future home, where he became very active in public affairs.

DR. WILLIAM M. WHITESIDE

Born December 19, 1832
Died January 31, 1880

He was a son of James Whiteside, of Leacock township, was educated at Oak Hill Academy, near Leaman Place. He chose dentistry as his profession, and as such became very prominent, practicing in this city and Philadelphia. At the outbreak of the war, he assisted in organizing the 79th Regiment, Penna. Volunteers. He was made Captain of Company I.

After the war he resumed his practice in this city. He died of heart

ALBERT K. HOSTETTER.

disease at his home on East King Street, next door to the Court House.

lent record. He then became active in politics, was elected Prothonotary, served 1869-1872. He was elected Mayor in 1873 and again in 1875, served until 1877. He was the youngest official that ever served in that capacity in this city. He was a member of the school board for many years. He was prominent in Masonry, Odd-fellowship and the G. A. R., and served as

COL. MILTON W. WEIDLER Born October 14, 1840 Died February 19, 1922

Post Commander of General George H. Thomas Post No. 84.

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