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Our Soldier Boys Came Marching Home.

Glorious Welcome Extended by Easton to Company F.--Reception at Opera House and Banquet at the Hotel Avon.--A Day of Rejoicing and Great Enthusiasm.

The re... facturing ... world, and ...her could not dampen le ... ...dor of our citizens Thursday in extending a royal welcome to the members of Company F, who for the past nine months have been in the service of their country. Elaborate preparations had been made for the reception, but owing to the unexpected hour of the arrival of the boys much of the program had to be omitted. The train from the South delayed the arrival at Baltimore, and consequently all along the line, and it was not until 2 o'clock Thursday morning that a special train on the D. & C. Railway brought them to Easton. A great crowd had collected at the depot early in the night and remained there for many long, weary hours for the train to arrive.

Given Three Cheers and a Tiger.

There was no lack of enthusiasm, no want of joy in their welcome. The people were glad to see them and showed it by the untiring patience with which they waited and the strength and vigor of their cheers when at last the train bearing the soldier boys rolled into sight, many hours overdue. A great cheer arose as the train stopped, and as the boys came off the train many were the hearty handshakes and lusty cheers given. The appearance of Captain Adams was the signal for an enthusiastic demonstration, and many were the hurrahs given for him, which cher... were renewed as his popular lieutensma... ...nts and officers appeared. It is safe ... say that old Easton has never ex... ...ded a heartier welcome to anyone ... to the boys of Company F.

...owing to the lateness of the hour ...e reception proper was deferred till ...hursday afternoon, when the com...any was assembled and, preceded ...y the band and Hicks Post, No. 24, ... A. R., marched around the public ...quare and thence to Music Hall.

The meeting in the hall was under ...e charge of Dr. Trippe and Joseph ... The former presided and ...alled ...ng to order in a few remarks. ... stated that about a ...ear ago he had presided at a meet...g called to raise recruits for the ...ited States army in her war with ...pain. He had watched with inter...st the career of the regiment and particularly of Company F, and had come to the conclusion that this company was the best one in the best regiment enlisted in the service. They were the best behaved, best drilled of all. That the meeting was the result of the pride of the people in our soldier boys and a desire to give a public acknowledgment and welcome on their return home. He closed his remarks by introducing

Hon. J. Frank Turner.

who said in part:

As one of those who a few months ago encouraged you to go forth to the defence of your country's honor and uphold by your courage and valor the dignity and glory of your country's flag, it is particularly gratifying to me as well as to your many friends here assembled that you return not with your ranks thinned and decimated by Spanish bullets or disease, but through a kind Providence, having dared all that man can dare, having offered up your lives as a willing sacrifice upon the altar of your country, that your country with honor might live, you are permitted to return to your homes, your families and friends and dear ones with full ranks and in perfect health. Let us, then, my friends, now and in this presence, offer up to Him who rules the destiny of nations and of men our thanksgiving and praise for His guidance and protection and watchful care over you while in your country's service.

In all ages of the world's history the highest degree of courage and patriotism has always been cheerfully given to to those who were willing to give their lives in defence of the State; when their country was in danger, were willing to bare their breasts to the storm and to offer up their lives that their country might live. Let it then be said—and said to your credit and honor—and I am proud as a citizen of Talbot county to say it—that at the first call of the President notifying the people of this land that men were needed to uphold the honor and to protect the flag of our country, you gentlemen of Co. F. responded with alacrity to that call. There are among you gentlemen of almost all professions and callings—farmers, lawyers, mechanics and merchants. The lawyer abandoned his clients, the farmer left his crops, the mechanic closed his shop and the merchant laid down his yardstick, and, unsheathing your swords and shouldering your muskets, you bade farewell to home and friends and boldly went forth to battle in your country's behalf.

Standing here to-day and looking back at the events which have taken place since the 15th day of February, 1898, when that act of treachery was consummated—and it would seem that the very wrath of Heaven and all the powers of darkness and of hell had lent their furies to your comrades' guns as they were turned loose on Spain on land and sea. No nation since time began ever received such terrible punishment as Spain did and in so short a time. During that period Spain has been completely swept from the Western Hemisphere and has lost forever her most valuable possessions in the Orient, while that flag that bears upon it those glorious stars and stripes—proud emblem of Liberty and Freedom and a nation's greatness and power wherever it floats on land and sea—commands more respect and admiration by the nations of the earth to day than ever before since it was unfurled to the breeze, and now at this very moment it waves in triumph over many islands in the Southern seas which lately floated the Spanish flag.

It was hoisted by General Miles at Porto Rico; at Santiago by Maryland's own sailor boy and hero, Admiral Schley, assisted by that grand old warrior and Confederate general, "Fighting Joe" Wheeler; at Havana by Virginia's great and noble son, Fitzhugh Lee, and by the immortal Dewey ten thousand miles away in the China Sea at Manila amid the shouts and cheers of millions of slaves but by that bag made freemen. And in that brief period our nation has stepped to the front as one of the great world moving powers of the earth, commanding an influence hitherto unknown in our histor.

As I look upon these events which will make the year 1898, forever memorable in our National life I do not wonder that President McKinley is willing to take the old Confederate by the hand and press him to his bosom as a brother and I do not wonder that the Grand Army of the Republic is ready and willing to open wide its doors to all the soldiers of the republic without regard to whether he wore the blue or wore the gray. I am glad I am an American citizen. I am proud that I live in a land where humanity and liberty and the rights of the citizen are placed above the sordid greed and gain of dollars and cents and in all this glory and splendid achievement which has placed us in the front rank among the nations of the world, you, and each of you gentlemen of Company F, have a share—for in the words of the hero of Santiago "there is glory enough to go around."

While we are proud of you gentlemen, proud of the record which you have made in being the best drilled company in your regiment and proud of your department and conduct in the regiment to which you belonged, we are glad to welcome you back home—to take you by the hand and to rejoice with you that peace and honorable peace and I trust a lasting peace has been made between our country and Spain.

In conclusion let me say to you gentlemen of Co. F, now that the war is over and you have each received your honorable discharge, lay aside your swords and your muskets and return as I feel sure you will, as good citizens of the State and our country to the pursuits of peace and let us all labor together in making our country, if it is not already, the greatest beneath God's sun and thereby demonstrate anew as we have so often as a nation and people shown in the past that "Peace hath her victories no less than War."

Col. Oswald Tilghman

followed, in which he said that he, too, had been in a war, was a high private in the rear ranks. That he was now one of the old men, who had stayed home during the late war with Spain, but that if our beloved country had been invaded by a foreign foe, the old men would have gone forth shoulder to shoulder with the younger defenders of the flag. The colonel introduced some of his quaint humor for which he is so well known and closed by reading a beautiful extract on "Peace at Last" from the book recently written and published by Dean E. R. Rich of Trinity Cathedral, which was received with great applause.

J. Harry Covington, Esq.,

was then introduced. He prefaced his remarks with an apology for what he termed his "unpreparedness," which, by the way, were out of place, as his address was decidedly a hit and was warmly applauded. He thought that it required nerve to enlist when a full-fledged war was going on, and regretted that some of us didn't have it and stayed at home. He said:

The committee having charge of this reception to you, our returned soldiers, have, it seems, provided as the first part of the festivities of the occasion a kind of intellectual menu, a feast of reason and a flow of inspiration as our newspaper reporters will grandiloquently describe it. This being so you must take the courses as are served, and as I see here with me some of Talbot's older and distinguished citizens to talk to you and serve you happy and well-chosen words of welcome, I fear it is for me to give you the one poor course of the banquet.

When I think of the possible effect of this course I am reminded of a little incident that took place in a New York court last week. A case was called for trial in the county court.

"I would like to ask, Your Honor, that this case go over until tomorrow," said one of the attorneys.

"On what ground?" said the Judge. "Too tired?"

"Yes, Your Honor, I have been arguing a case all day in The Supreme Court, and I am really too fatigued to go on with this trial."

"Very well, let the case go over. Call the next case."

"May it please Your Honor, I would like to ask that this case go over."

"For what reason?"

"I am too tired."

"You, too? What makes you tired?"

"I have been listening all day to my learned friend in The Supreme Court."

I must therefore appreciate and keep in mind what the effect of listening to a lawyer sometimes is. Yet if listening produced fatigue, fatigue produces a keen appreciation of a feast for the physical man, and as the second part of the program of welcome includes that very necessary element in a good time, then in a negative and indirect manner I may contribute to your enjoyment this evening. If I do even that much I shall be heartily happy, for, seriously and sincerely it is a very great pleasure to me to aid in the welcome to you men, soldiers of Company F.

The feeling of the good people of Talbot County toward those who, in the time of national peril and the speedy need of National defense, stepped boldly forward and tendered their services for the preservation of the stars and stripes, is a feeling of gratitude and good will, and just, true pride. I can assure you that it is a feeling that it exists among us all, it thrills alike the young and the old, and it knows no bounds save the bounds of our population. With the women, the fair women of Talbot, that feeling, as you so well know, early reached the pinnacle of intensity. From the time of your saddened departure from Easton to the time of your joyous return to day there have been continuous examples of feminine remembrance. It is almost idol for me to recount the deep interest these gentle women have taken in your welfare; the little reminders of their solicitude for you were with you in your camps. The happiness and glee which these fair women exhibit at this very moment shows you the fidelity and tenderness of their memories.

It is right too, that these feelings should all exist, for, from those early days at Pimlico to the final departure from Augusta the First Maryland Regiment sustained a great reputation in the service, and Company F was the crack Company of that Regiment.

And you may assure yourselves that during the ten months of absence you were never forgotten. Even among those who have no son, nor brother, nor sweetheart, within your ranks, there has been a continuous interest in you, and when the letters have appeared in our county papers detailing the movements of the First Regiment and relating the affairs of Company F in particular, many are the eyes that have eagerly sought out those letters and quickly become familiar with their contents.

I know that I can speak for all the people of this county when I say that we are really proud of you and are glad to see you returned unscathed by the ravages of tropic diseases or the disasters of actual fighting. It takes nerve to join the army when a real live war is in progress and though the few carping critics may traduce the soldier's honor, may question the sincerity of his purpose, may deny the depth of his patriotism yet the vast majority of mankind, here in Talbot as well as elsewhere, feel strong within their breasts a spirit of respect and admiration for the man who in his country's service is willing to face an enemy's guns. When you men enlisted in the service of the United States the first shot of the Spanish war had been fired; the end no man could tell. Your swords were buckled on and your muskets shouldered with a full realization of the responsibility assumed, of the dangers you might encounter, of the bravery required. And I am sure that I can say, it was with a full determination if the hour of supreme test came, to reflect glory upon Maryland, to hold aloft her fair name. Therefore it is both from a sense of fitness and feeling of real pleasure that you are welcomed home this evening. And this welcome is far more hearty and sincere than mere words can imply.

Aside from this let me say that it is not mere worldly acclaim and loud fulsome praise that is necessary to place upon you the badge of courage and patriotism, it is simply the innate sense of duty realized and performed, a deep feeling of the righteous course pursued, a knowledge within your own mind that you heard and answered your country's call, that alone records you on the roll of honor and puts you in the ranks of America's true and noble men.

Through the assignments of regiments, you were not brought face to face with the nation's enemy and no spectacular acts of heroism can call the attention of the outside world to you, yet heroism is but a step beyond bravery and patriotism for of the last two the first is born, and I doubt not that the barrenness of opportunity was all that prevented your records from matching those of the gallant boys whose deeds of valor are told in the story of Santiago. Again bravery, you know, is not merely found in those who possess a fearless recklessness. The man who in the hour of his country's travail puts behind him his great personal fear, who conceives as transcendent to it his duty to his flag, and who in a tremulous but determined manner shoulders his musket to face an enemy's fire is one of the bravest of the brave.

It is related that in one or the great battles of the civil war amid the sharp rattle of the muskets a company of men was hurrying across a field to engage in the thick of the fray. In its ranks was a man for whom the roar of battle was a genuine terror. As they pushed along in rapid fashion a timid rabbit came scurrying out of the hedge and away he ran. Said the man, that's right little "cotton tail" and if I didn't have a country and reputation to sustain I'd be going along with you. That man I say was truly brave. And so, men of Company F, the fact that your service was peaceful abates not one jot from your commendation.

We are glad then, truly glad, to welcome you to your homes, and are happy in the fact that your peaceful occupation of American soil has prevented any losses which could cause a tinge of sadness to be mingled with the joy at your return. And in future days Easton and this county can point with pride to the fact that their sons were so prompt and so brave in answering their country's call.

Dean Rich Receives an Ovation.

Dean Rich was next called for and received an ovation. He too had been a soldier and knew what it was to "get home" and that the boys had thoroughly earned all the comforts and luxuries that home could give them. In his opinion the First Maryland Regiment was the flower of all in the service of Uncle Sam, and that Company F. was the flower of that flower regiment. They had all performed their duty nobly and well and now that they had returned to the "battle of life" he hoped and was sure that if they do their duty now as they have done in the service their success will be even greater. At the conclusion of Dr. Rich's remarks calls for

Major William E. Stewart

were numerous and the dapper little Major came foward amid great enthusiasm. He said he had attended a sad meeting ten months ago in Easton, a meeting when it tested the fiber and the vigor of all men, to leave home and to go forth and bare there bosom in the country's defense. The men of Company F. had made as great sacrifice as any men could make to hold their country's flag alcof. He knew by experience what it was to enlist, to leave all we hold dear and go out into unknown dangers, to share unknown misery and perhaps to die. He loved a soldier and on the eve of the departure of Company F. when their parents parted with them in tears, he had bought an American flag, with its glourous stars and stripes and nailed it to his porch with the remark that he would let it stay there until Company F. came home again, "and it is there yet," said he "and I shall take it down to-night." He thought that the Spaniards must have known that the First Regiment was coming and surrendered in time. Although he had not been to Manila or Santiago, he had been having war here in Talbot ever since they left. Maryland is a peaceful state, a state of beauty and of industry, but when the time came the farmer left his plow, the merchant his store, the lawyer his practice and went out to uphold the honor of "Maryland, my Maryland" and their beloved county. It was the duty of every loyal citizen to take the boys by the hand and welcome them home again.

In closing the Major said that the boys will always find sweet consolation in the recollection that in the time of our country's need they had gone forth with the most determined to uphold her honor.

Mr. George E. Haddaway, the next speaker, said that while the boys did not capture Santiago they did take Augusta by storm, and while they had all done their duty he could not assure them that they would all get pensions. It was regreted that Mr. Hadaway would not occupy more time and entertain the audience with one of his ininitable speeches. On taking his seat the audience rose en masse calling on

The Gallant Captain Adams.

The captain came upon the stage while Mr. White waved a large flag. This caused the boys and the entire audience to applaud loud and long,

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THE FACTORY PROBLEM

Mr. S. K. Hamburger Gives His Views.

WANTS GARMENT MANUFACTORY

Such a Plant as Was Suggested by Mr. J. C. Godwin Could be Established Here at Small Cost--Great Benefit of Mr. Hamburger's Shirtwaist Industry.

THE movement now on foot to increase the manufacturing enterprises of Easton seems to have thoroughly aroused our citizens, and it is confidently expected that something tangible will result in the near future. The GAZETTE reporter sought an interview this week with Mr. S. K. Hamburger, whose experience and practical knowledge in certain lines enables him to speak with authority. Not being a citizen or a taxpayer, he felt a delicacy in advancing his views but on being pressed, said he was truly desirous of seeing Easton improve commercially.

"I am not in a position," he said, "to say if a basket factory, a furniture factory or an iron mill will not pay here. I can only talk of what I am somewhat familiar with, such as factories for manufacture of cotton goods, either for male or female attire. Such a factory as Mr. Godwin described at the meeting last week could in my opinion be operated very successfully here, provided there was proper management. Employment could be given to a large force both day and night, if necessary, all the year round.

"A factory of this nature could be started with less capital than any other enterprise giving employment to the same number of people. There are to-day any number of manufacturers that are not only working extensively themselves but are anxious to secure work by other factories, and a good many, I think, will contract to give work the year round. Success from a financial standpoint is practically assured. I do not care to give figures at present, but can prove what I say. The whole affair to be a success lies in the management. One who has charge must be a practical as well as an experienced manufacturer.

"It would surprise one not familiar with the work to know what a quantity of material is wasted by an inexperienced manager. You may enter such a factory and notice a half-spool of cotton on the floor. You would hardly think there is any great loss there, but if will consider there are hundreds of parts of spools as well as any amount of cloth, etc., only then will you begin to realize what it is to have an economical, practical and experienced manufacturer at the head."

TO LAY OUT A TOWN.

Mr. Edward H. Roe's Tuckahoe River Project.

Mr. Edward H. Roe, former Register of Wills of this county, has formed a syndicate which has purchased a large tract of land at the junction of the P. W. & B. and Queen Anne's railroads at the crossing of the Tuckahoe river, and proposes to lay out a town at that place. At this point three counties—Talbot, Caroline and Queen Anne's join each other, and the Tuckahoe river is navigable for steamers and light-draft sailing vessels, it being at the head of tide water. Two large canneries have already been erected and other manufacturing plants are contemplated. The village, which is named Queen Anne, has already considerable population, and the town of Hillsboro is only half a mile away. With the exception of Easton the situation is considered one of the best on the Eastern Shore.

Follow Easton's Example.

The stand taken by our citizens in regard to the building of new factories here is commended by the Chestertown *Enterprise*, which urges its people to take an example from Easton. It says: "The enterprising business men of Easton are making great efforts to induce manufacturing interests to locate in them. Here is an example which the public-spirited citizens of Chestertown might emulate. Manufacturing is the life of any town, and Chestertown, with its natural attractions and facilities, ought not to be left behind in the race for commercial growth and importance. Several factories employing 500 to 1000 hands would make a vast difference in the business life of our town, the effects of which would be felt throughout every branch of trade. The obtainment of such interests can be accomplished if our people put forth united and determined efforts to that end. We hope to see some action along this line in the near future."

Glorious News.

Comes from Dr. D. B. Cargile, of Washita, I. T. He writes: "Four bottles of Electric Bitters have cured Mrs. Brewer or scrofula, which had caused her great suffering for years. Terrible sores would break out on her head and face, and the best doctors could give no help; but her cure is complete and her health is excellent. This shows what thousands have proved,—that Electric Bitters is the best blood purifier known. It's the supreme remedy for eczema, tetter, salt rheum, ulcers, boils and running sores. It stimulates liver, kidneys and bowels, expels poisons, helps digestion builds up the strength. Only 50 cents. Sold at Dr. Councell's Pharmacy. Guaranteed.

TALBOT COUNTY ALMS HOUSE.

Report of State Lunacy Commission Concerning it.

The report of the State Lunacy commission has just been issued and contains some interesting statistics regarding Talbot county. The report of the Secretary on his visit to Talbot cites that "this almshouse is situated a few miles from the town of Easton. The main building is a substantial dwelling house, dating back a century or more. From time to time additions have been made to the original structure, so that it is now fairly well adapted to the purpose for which it is employed.

"The rooms are particularly neat and clean, and the whole institution showed that the management was exceptionally good. At the time of the Secretary's visit there were 8 cases coming under the Lunacy Act. Most of these cases, however, were chronic, requiring neither mechanical restraint nor seclusion. The superintendent is George W. Camper, and James B. Merritt, M.D., the physician.

The report also shows that from November 30, 1897 to November 30, 1898 there were admitted to the Talbot almshouse, one white woman and two colored women. During the same period of time there were four patients discharged from the house in an improved condition. On November 30, there remained three colored men and five colored women.

These figures, when compared to those of other counties, show that there is much less pauperism and fewer mental diseases than the majority of the other counties in the State.

JESSE E. SHANNAHAN DEAD.

A Member of the Baltimore Police Force for Some Years.

Jesse E. Shannahan, a native of Easton but since 1883 a member of the Baltimore police, died at his residence, 1328 North Mount street, of pneumonia Tuesday morning. Patrolman Shannahan slipped and fell on the ice on February 15, breaking his leg. He was taken to his home, where the immediate injury rapidly healed, but pneumonia developed. He was 47 years old and was appointed on the police force from this county on May 1, 1883. After serving in the Central district for some time he was transferred to the Northwestern, where he made a good record. He weighed nearly 300 pounds and was about 6 feet 3 inches in height.

He was a brother of William John and S. Kelly Shannahan. He was a Past Grand of Miller Lodge of Odd Fellows of Easton. He was buried in Spring Hill cemetery yesterday afternoon.

Suit to Annul Deeds.

Mr. J. Frank Turner, counsel for the heirs of the late Simeon Brady, who are sons of a former wife and live at Golden Bridges, N. Y., has filed a bill in equity in the Talbot County Circuit Court to set aside deeds made by Mr. Brady of his real estate in Talbot county to his second wife, now his widow. Three farms are involved, two near St. Michaels, and one, the balance of the Villa property, on Miles river, all worth, it is reported, about $20,000. The conveyances were made six years ago by Mr. Brady and wife to another person, and then by her to Mrs. Brady.

Easton's Factory Committee.

The committee of citizens appointed by the meeting held last week to investigate the manufacturing enterprises of other towns started on their tour Wednesday morning and expect to return home tonight. They will also make another trip next week. The committee are Michael B. Nichols, Wm. E. Shannahan, Alex. Fountain, M. M. Higgins.

He Fooled the Surgeons.

All doctors told Renick Hamilton, of West Jefferson, O., after suffering 18 months from Rectal Fistula, he would die unless a costly operation was performed; but he cured himself with five boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the surest Pile cure on Earth, and the best Salve in the World. 25 cents a box. Sold at Dr. Councell's Pharmacy.

"A Red-Headed Paper."

The Baltimore *Sun* says of last week's GAZETTE: "It has the distinction of being the only red-headed paper in Maryland. It is conspicuous this week among all our exchanges for the flaming letters of its title—giving it the appearance of wearing the cardinal's hat of Maryland journalism."

Advertised Letters.

Persons calling for letters in the following list will please say that they are advertised, otherwise they may not receive them.

Mrs. Kate Callahan, R. R. James Cotis, Mrs. Annie B. Coxen, William H. Freeman, Mrs. Susan Pain, Mrs. Sarah Pratt, Alfred Rodges, Thomas Smirt, Dr. B. B. Thompson.

JOSEPH H. WHITE, P. M.

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