

FAMILY MEMORIAL

OF

JOHN PHILLIP ACHENBACH

AND DESCENDANTS

IN THE

UNITED STATES.



MISS SARAH JANE KLINE.

Married to Rev. A. Houtz September 18. 1873.
Granddaughter of John Achenbach (2 Gen.)

IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. S. J. Houtz was born at Stillwater, Pa., January 19, 1848, but was reared on a farm near Orangeville, which she subsequently made her home. She was of good parentage. Her father, Col. H. R. Kline, was for many years an elder in the Presbyterian Church, and her mother, who was an Achenbach, was a staunch Reformed and ever remained loyal to the church

of her fathers. She enjoyed and improved the advantages of an early education, and when less than seventeen years of age she began to teach public school, which profession she successfully pursued eight or ten years. After attending a course of catechetical lectures she with six others, on December 18, 1869, knelt at the altar and received the solemn rite of confirmation. She never forgot her confirmation vows nor lost the solemn impressions of that hour. On September 18, 1873, she was united in holy wedlock to her pastor, Rev. A. Houtz. As she was true to her confirmation vows so she was true to her marriage vows. Few homes are blessed with more domestic happiness than was hers. As a wife she was true and devoted; as a mother she was loving and solicitous for the intellectual and religious culture of her three children; as a neighbor she was kind and considerate for the comforts of others; as a Christian she was established in the faith and her life was full of good works. She had force of character, intellectual ability, and a loving zeal for the cause of her Master. To the cause of Christ she devoted her means and her talents. Her ability for the Master's work was recognized by others, and she was freely accorded places of trust and honor. Besides the various positions she filled in her own congregation, she was President of the W. M. S. of Wyoming classes three terms and corresponding secretary of the W. M. S. of the General Synod three years. On a number of occasions she made public addresses on woman's work to large and important bodies with much credit to herself and the cause. She was a contributor to the columns of the "Woman's Journal." She was also an active temperance worker, having been President of the W. C. T. U. of her town several terms.

About eighteen months before her death she became conscious of having a cancer in her right breast. In a few days an operation was made for its removal. As the wound soon healed, it was hoped that a permanent cure was effected. But in a few months the dreaded disease was again manifesting itself, and in less than one year from the first operation we were induced to take her to the Johns Hopkins Hospital for treatment. Upon consultation the doctors decided that nothing could be done for her, the disease was too much scattered and too deeply seated.

The following is from Mrs. Houtz's memorandum:

"May 13. Mr. Houtz took me to the Johns Hopkins Hospital at Baltimore, Md., for examination and treatment.

"May 14. The doctors would not advise an operation as it is too deeply seated and too much scattered. It is the downfall of my last hope.

"May 25. I am now reconciled to whatever God in His wisdom sends."

About this time a cough and expectoration set in and continued reducing her to the end. She was confined to her bed about seven weeks and suffered much during her sickness. In the presence of her assembled family and friends she breathed her last, in hope of a glorious immortality, on November 17, 18—, at 2:20 P. M.

She was the compiler of this record of the Achenbach family and also of the Kline family. She commenced this work some five years ago.

REV. A. HOUTZ.

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“Honor thy father and thy mother as the Lord thy God hath commanded thee, that thy days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with thee in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.” Deut. 5-16.

Many things which are precious are neglected because the value of them lieth hid.

The following records have been gathered by Sarah Jane Houtz, of Orangeville, Pa., and H. R. Achenbach, Topeka, Kan.

MEMORANDUM.

My first purpose in gathering this record was to secure and preserve for my children the family ancestry. The older members of the family are gathering home, one by one, and in a very few years all will have crossed over. Feeling this, I interviewed the few remaining older people and noted the facts still remembered. It is a matter of regret that someone did not undertake the work earlier, as our forefathers could have given much valuable information that is now lost.

As the work went on, here and there, interest was manifested, and then came the desire that I print the work, that others may share in the fruits of my research. It has been a pleasure to thus serve our generation, and although the record may not be in every detail correct, I send it forth to keep green in your memories the virtues of our pious dead, as well as of the living.

S. J. H.

FAMILY MEMORIAL.

John Phillip Achenbach came to America from Wiehenstein, Westphalia, Prussia, in company (tradition says) with another brother. All trace of this brother has been lost sight of. We do not know the exact date of his coming,

but an old letter still in existence (now in my possession), and owned by Thomas Achenbach, Northampton Co., Pa., bearing the date of May 17, 1755, Kreiss Wiehenstein, Westphalia, Prussia, and addressed to John Phillip as "Lieben Bruder," leads us to infer that he may have been THE Phillip that Rupp speaks of in his "Thirty Thousand Germans" as having sailed on Nov. 7, 1754, from Amsterdam, in ship John and Elizabeth, ship laden with 330 passengers, from Wittenberg and the Polatinate, 120 Protestants and 11 Catholics.

History tells us that in 1751 Charles Frederick, grandson of Charles III., was elector and Grand Duke of Baden, in the reign of Marie Theresa, the Empress, and that "the times were troublous." Many left for the New World to escape going into the Land War that year, and the few succeeding years immigration was unusually large. King George II. of England held out strong inducements to many in Germany to settle in the American Colonies. They had to pass through the Prussian dominions. The King of Prussia, Frederick II., surnamed "The Great," envious of the valuable acquisitions of King George to his colonies, held out tempting inducements no less than the liberal offers made by the British government.

The Reformed Church was at this time, too, very much persecuted, which cause also induced the Palatines to come to America. For some time the old letter spoken of, which is 140 years old and yellow with age, was the only link that united us to the clan beyond the sea. At last, however, we are enabled to give some definite data of the family as given in the introductory record. Tradition says John Phillip was twice married, but inasmuch as there is no record of such marriage in this country it is probable that his first marriage took place in Germany, and that he came to the United States a widower.

The living of today can tell nothing concerning the parents of this ancestor of ours, or the clan beyond the sea. Who were his parents, how many brothers and sisters had he, are we of the same scion as the great painter, Oswald Achenbach, whose paintings at Chicago, in 1893, attracted so much attention, are questions that we fain would know before furnishing this work, but are doomed, we fear, to wait until we get "up there" to know each other.

We will for the present, then, confine ourselves to the descendants of this John Phillip. The old letter before spoken of is the only link that unites us to the clan beyond the sea. It is 138 years old, and yellow with age; written in German. The Rev. Robert Lisberger, of Bath, Pa., has translated it into Pennsylvania German for our benefit. From it we have been able to learn that they were followers of the lowly Jesus. The letter closes with the "Der wandest in der wahheit" and the scripture reference 1st John, 2-3 to 9, is given.

John Phillip was married to Anna Marie Boyer Engler (who was a widow with one child). Three children were the fruit of this marriage — Phillip, Daniel, and John, who were born in Plainfield, Northampton Co., Pa. A

fly-leaf from John Phillip's mercantile debit and credit book, dated Easton, Pa., 1774, shows him to have been a merchant at that place. This fly-leaf is now in possession of Miss Sarah Achenbach (daughter of John), Orangeville, Pa., and is highly prized, as it is the only heirloom left her. The letters are old English, and the execution fine. He seems to have lived and died in Northampton Co., Pa., and lies buried in the Cemetery of the Old Plainfield Reformed Church, of which he was a devoted member. His son Daniel and descendants remained in Northampton, where they still reside, while Phillip



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and John removed to Briar Creek, Columbia Co., Pa., bringing the widowed mother with them. She died at John's, in Briar Creek, and lies buried by the side of Phillip and his two wives in the cemetery of the Upper Briar Creek Church, a few miles west of Berwick, Pa. Her grave is marked with a grey sandstone, common in those days.

Phillip and his second wife died but a few weeks apart of typhoid fever, which was an epidemic. John, the youngest, after his mother's death, moved to Orangeville, Pa., where he lived and died at the age of 88.

ACHENBACH FAMILY REGISTER.

<i>Marriage.</i>	<i>Gen.</i>	<i>Family Name.</i>	<i>Birth.</i>	<i>Death.</i>
	1.	John Phillip Achenbach }	Feb. 17, 1732	Jan. 30, 1800
		Anna Marie Boyer }	Dec. 4, 1737	Aug. 30, 1817
	2.	Phillip	May 13, 1779	Sept. 20, 1823
		Daniel	Oct. 15, 1781	Oct. 20, 1860
May 5, 1805....		John	April 15, 1784	Nov. 1, 1872

Family tradition says that John Phillip Achenbach was married previously to his marriage with Anna Maria Boyer Engler. Inasmuch as there is no record of such marriage in this country, it is probable that his first marriage took place in Germany, and that he came to the United States a widower. His marriage to Anna Maria Boyer Engler undoubtedly took place in this country. Mrs. Engler was a widow with two sons and one or two daughters, at the time of her marriage to John P.

Daniel Achenbach, second son of John P., was born in Plainfield township, Northampton County, Pa., about three miles south of Wind Gap, on October 15, 1781. A clump of trees still marks the spot where stood the house in which he as well as Phillip and John were born. The house was a typical colonial structure, built of logs with an immense stone chimney extending from the ground on the outside of the house. This chimney stood for many years after the old house had been removed and a new and more modern one built some fifty rods east of the old one.

Here Daniel grew to manhood and married Elizabeth Hahn. This marriage was blessed with nine children, seven sons and two daughters, the youngest of whom, Elizabeth, remained under the parental roof until both parents had entered their eternal rest.

Daniel lived to the ripe old age of 79 years. His death was sudden. Leaving the house one day with the remark that he would walk to a chestnut tree near by to obtain a few chestnuts for mother (his wife), he was found near the tree in an unconscious condition and died soon after.

Daniel's wife, Elizabeth, survived him nearly eight years. She is still remembered by her grandchildren for her loving disposition, smiling countenance, and the kind words with which she always greeted everyone. She is now resting by the side of her husband in the Plainfield cemetery.

Well may we say that like a patriarch of old he lived and passed away on the original Achenbach homestead surrounded by his children and grandchildren. Seldom does it happen that a family even to the third or fourth generation remain so closely united.

Of Daniel's seven sons all became cultivators of the soil. Several began to practice various trades, but soon returned to that calling than which none is nobler or more virtuous.

Aaron Achenbach, the youngest son of Daniel, bought the old homestead at the death of his father and lived there until his death in 1895. at the age of 82. His wife, who still survives him, is now in possession and living in the homestead.



MRS. ANNA HILL.

<i>Marriage.</i>	<i>Gen.</i>	<i>Family Name.</i>	<i>Birth.</i>	<i>Death.</i>
	2	Phillip	May 13, 1779	Sep. 20, 1823
		Susanna Hahn	Oct. 7, 1780	Mar. 27, 1818
		Catherine Muma	Feb. 18, 1801	Aug. 11, 1823
	3.	John (drowned)	July 25, 1803	June 13, 1823
		Sarah (Sol Neyhard)	.....	July 21, 1885
		Samuel	Aug. 26, 1805	May 26, 1884
		Mary (Sam Conner)	Nov. 11, 1808	May 24, 1879
Feb. 20, 1833..		Anna (Jacob Hill)	Oct. 6, 1814	.....
		Charles	Mar. 12, 1812	Feb. 29, 1868

1st wife

<i>Marriage.</i>	<i>Gen.</i>	<i>Family Name.</i>	<i>Birth.</i>	<i>Death.</i>
April 4, 1844..	Deborah (J. Foulk) }	2d wife	.....	.....
	Stephen		Jan. 2, 1823	.....
	3. Samuel	}	Aug. 26, 1805	May 26, 1884
	Phoebe Kuder }		Sept. 11, 1809	April 6, 1879
Feb. 24, 1853..	4. Susan A. (Alfred Fellows)		Oct. 30, 1831	.....
Mar. 21, 1857..	Almon		July 11, 1833	July 26, 1885
	Phillip		Oct. 26, 1835	April 5, 1837
	Samuel, Jr.		Feb. 3, 1838	Dec. 18, 1864
Nov. 3, 1859..	Rebecca (Dr. O. A. Megargell)		May 2, 1840	.....
May 25, 1865..	Charles		April 6, 1842	.....
July 4, 1867..	Francis		Jan. 24, 1845	.....
	Mary Agnes (single)		Nov. 11, 1850	.....
Mar. 21, 1857..	4. Almon	}	July 11, 1833	July 26, 1885
	Angelique Young }		Oct. 18, 1836	.....
Dec. 24, 1880..	5. Lucy (Robert Russell)		Mar. 30, 1859	.....
Oct. 7, 1889..	Eugene		Oct. 6, 1860	.....
	Charles		May 27, 1864	.....
Feb. 13, 1889..	Edith (Roscoe Black)		Mar. 16, 1868	Jan. 10, 1890
	Mollie		Nov. 12, 1879	.....
Oct. 8, 1889..	5. Eugene	}	Oct. 6, 1860	.....
	Helen Hensel }		Aug. 6, 1866	.....
	6. Walter		Mar. 26, 1891	.....
Nov. 22, 1893..	5. Charles	}	May 27, 1864	.....
	Carrie Streter }		June 10, 1874	.....
	6. Edith		May 14, 1895	.....
	..4. Samuel, Jr.	}	Feb. 3, 1838	Dec. 18, 1864
	Eliza Laubaugh }	
	5. Eda Augusta		Jan. 17, 1864	Sep. 10, 1864

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<i>Marriage.</i>	<i>Gen.</i>	<i>Family Name.</i>	<i>Birth.</i>	<i>Death.</i>
May 25, 1865..	4.	Charles } Louie Barkley }	April 6, 1842
March 7, 1885..	5.	Hope F. } Clarence }	June 4, 1845	.....
		William	Feb. 19, 1866	.....
			July 21, 1870	.....
			May 5, 1875	.....



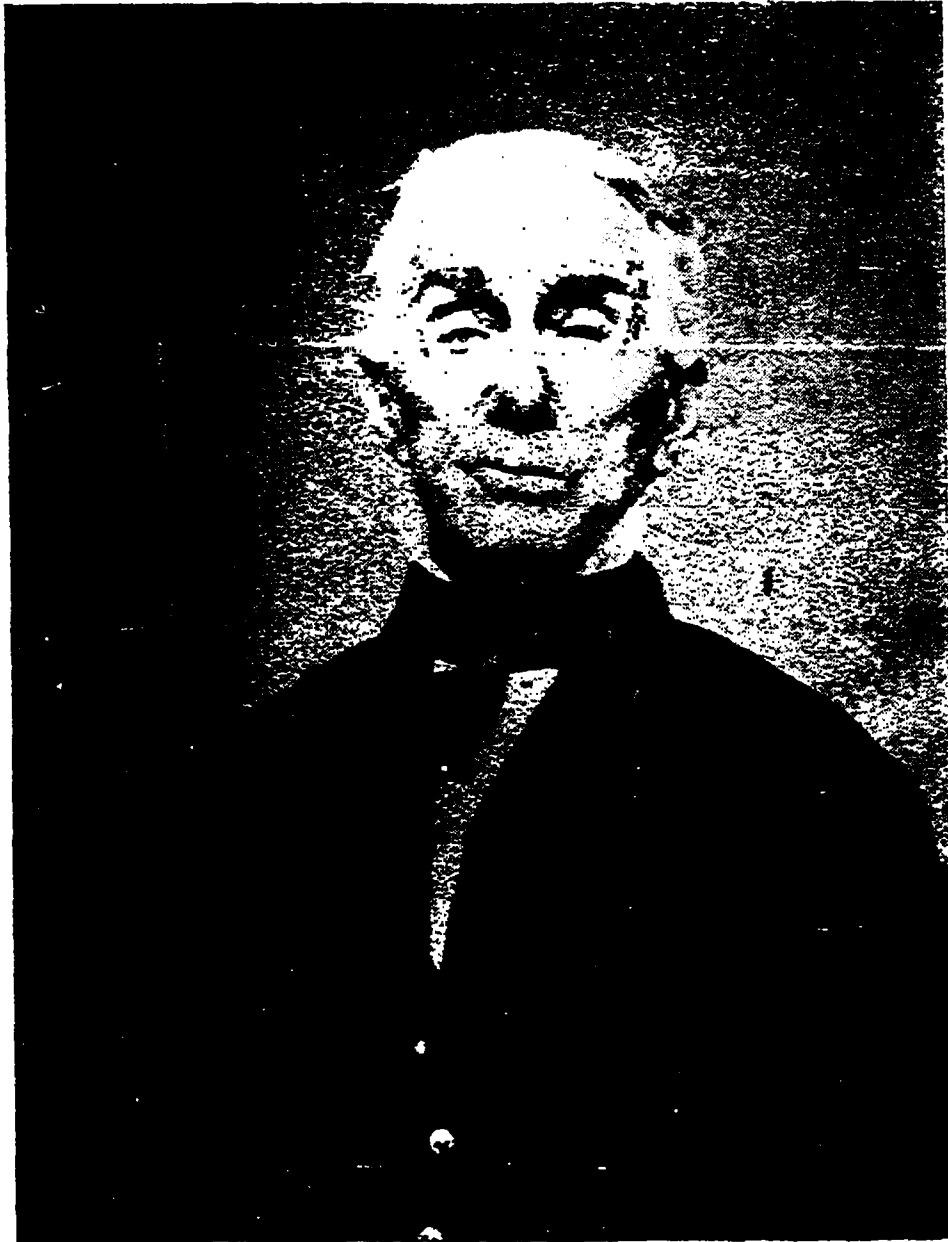
SAMUEL ACHENBACH.

March 7, 1885..	5.	Hope F. }	Feb. 19, 1866	.....
		Jane Wood }	Aug. 27, 1867	.....
	6.	Mary Ada	Dec. 29, 1888	.....
		Charles Henry	Dec. 22, 1890	.....

[It also contains the following: "Samuel Achenbach, Jr., member of Co. K, 112th Reg. P. V., was taken prisoner on the 29th of September last and died on the 18th of December in the horrible prison at Salisbury, N. C. He was a son of Samuel Achenbach of Orangeville and was taken prisoner while making an assault at Chapin's Bluff."]

<i>Marriage.</i>	<i>Gen.</i>	<i>Family Name.</i>	<i>Birth.</i>	<i>Death.</i>
July 4, 1867..	4.	Francis } Eliza Dickey }	Jan. 24, 1845 Jan. 22, 1847	..........
	5.	Cora	Mar. 24, 1868	.....
May 20, 1891..		Bertha (Byron Greenfield): Louie Jessie Harold Ray Samuel	Nov. 7, 1869 Dec. 15, 1871 Jan. 23, 1875 Nov. 22, 1876 Aug. 17, 1882 Dec. 31, 1888	..............................
	3.	Charles } Elizabeth Hagenbuch }	Mar. 12, 1812 Dec. 10, 1816	Feb. 29, 1868 Apl. 17, 1868
Aug. 20, 1857..	4.	Angeline (John Booth)	Jan. 7, 1838	.....
Dec. 22, 1861..		(Mr. Welch) Francis	..... July 27, 1840	..... Sept. 24, 1842
			[Fell in a well: died in 9 days.]	
Dec. 19, 1861..		Mary Elizabeth (Reub. Slote)	July 16, 1843	.....
Feb. 5, 1874..		(Wm. H. Snyder)		.....
April 28, 1868..		Albert	June 17, 1845	.....
Dec. 11, 1870..		Sarah Lavina (Lamb. Anstine)	Oct. 31, 1848	.....
May 2, 1886..		Charles <i>Edwin</i> Julia Ann (Cornelius Freeland) Andrew Peter	Nov. 3, 1850 April 10, 1853 Mar. 19, 1858	..... ..... Mar. 28, 1861
April 28, 1868..	4.	Albert } Christiana Sidler }	June 17, 1845.....	..........
	5.	Lula May	Mar. 30, 1871	.....
May 2, 1886..	4.	Charles <i>Edwin</i> } Kate Bullis }	Mar. 8, 1850.....	..........
	5.	Barnard Bertrand	April 29, 1888 April 29, 1888	..........
April 9, 1844..	3.	Stephen } Hester Hess }	Jan. 2, 1823 Nov. 3, 1823	..... Jan. 31, 1893
	4.	Charles H. Joseph W. James E. K.	Jan. 22, 1845 Nov. 22, 1847 Aug. 3, 1849	..... Feb. 19, 1849
Nov. 14, 1875..		Harry C. William W.	Mar. 26, 1851 Dec. 31, 1852	..........
March 9, 1875..		Clemuel B. Fannie E. Amelia E.	April 22, 1855 Sept. 3, 1857 Feb. 17, 1859 Aug. 21, 1864 June 6, 1863

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Nov. 14. 1875.	4.	Harry C.)	Mar. 26, 1851
		Nancy McNee)	Sept. 3. 1851
	5.	Ralph L.	Aug. 18. 1876
		R. Clyde	Feb. 10, 1879	Sep 23. 1897
		Jane H.	Sept. 6. 1885	.....
		Harry C., Jr.	Oct. 10, 1889	.....
		Lydia Ethel	July 9. 1892	.....



JOHN ACHENBACH.

Roy Clyde Achenbach, born in Clay Center, Kas., February 10, 1879, accidentally shot and instantly killed himself September 23, 1897; buried in City Cemetery, Clay Center, Kas.

"This accident terminates the earthly career of as promising a young man as this city could boast of—free from bad habits, bright as a business man, a good musician, and a general favorite in this community," etc.—Extract from Clay Center "Times."

<i>Marriage.</i>	<i>Gen.</i>	<i>Family Name.</i>	<i>Birth.</i>	<i>Death.</i>
March 9, 1875..	4.	Clemuel B. }	April 22, 1855	.....
		Lizzie Shaffer }	.....	.....
	5.	Harry J.	Aug. 14, 1877	... ..
April 10, 1806..	2.	Daniel }	Oct. 15, 1781	Oct. 20, 1860
		Elizabeth Hahn }	April 17, 1783	Oct. 8, 1868
April 10, 1833..	3.	George	Mar. 30, 1807	June 14, 1882
Jan. 3, 1836..		Jacob	April 24, 1809	Jan. 3, 1896
		Frederick	Sept. 11, 1811	May 16, 1873
		Phillip	Feb. 11, 1814	June 2, 1879
June 24, 1848..		Mary Ann (Ch. Eichenberg)	May 27, 1816	.....
		John (Eliza Ruhff)	Oct. 20, 1818	May 20, 1895
July 28, 1866..		Thomas	Jan. 9, 1821	.....
May 14, 1849..		Aaron (Sallie Stauffer)	Mar. 30, 1823	April 5, 1895
Jan. 1, 1870..		Elizabeth (David Kistler)	Aug. 8, 1826	.....

John Achenbach, a retired farmer, died at his home in Nazareth Tuesday morning of general debility, aged seventy-six years. He was a highly esteemed citizen and well known. His wife survives, also two brothers, Jacob and Thomas Achenbach, and two sisters, Mrs. Mary A., of Plainfield, widow of the late Rev. Eichenberg, and Mrs. Elizabeth Kistler, of Allentown. The funeral will be held this morning. Interment at Plainfield church.

April 10, 1833..	3.	George }	Mar. 30, 1807	June 14, 1882
		Maria Fellenser }	Nov. 27, 1814	Oct. 4, 1874
Feb. 25, 1860..	4.	Elizabeth (Sam Willarner)	Oct. 23, 1833	.....
		Sarah (died single)	Nov. 22, 1836	Oct. 14, 1881
		Sabina	Mar. 29, 1839	.....
Sept. 21, 1861..		Mary (David Metz)	Aug. 22, 1841	.....
		Richard	Nov. 18, 1843	.....
		Charles	July 30, 1846	.....
		Catherine S.	Feb. 23, 1849	.....
		Yetta S.	Mar. 26, 1851	.....
		Daniel	Aug. 19, 1853	.....
Oct. 14, 1882..		Matilda (Richard Schively)	Jan. 24, 1858	.....

Dec. 23, 1876..	4.	Charles }	July 30, 1846	.....
		Amanda Nicholas }	Mar. 24, 1846	.....
	5.	Mary	Aug. 29, 1882	.....

Dec. 7, 1878..	4.	Daniel }	Aug. 19, 1853	.....
		Alice Bitz }	July 3, 1859	.....
	5.	Ellen L.	Nov. 26, 1880	.....
		William T.	June 12, 1883	.....

<i>Marriage.</i>	<i>Gen.</i>	<i>Family Name.</i>	<i>Birth.</i>	<i>Death.</i>
Jan. 3, 1836..	3.	Jacob)	April 24, 1809	Jan. 3, 1896
		Sabina Moyer)	Oct. 25, 1812	Oct. 11, 1891
	4.	Samuel	Jan. 22, 1837	.....
		Michael	Mar. 29, 1838	.....
		David	Feb. 11, 1841	.....
Dec. 31, 1863..		Elizabeth (Enos Wetzel)	Oct. 28, 1841	Jan. 30, 1893



MRS. ELIZABETH F. ACHENBACH .

June 24, 1873..	William M. (Abbie Bright)	Dec. 6, 1843	.....
	Joel	Dec. 17, 1845	.....
Mar. 20, 1873..	Christina (Wm. Fructchy)	Mar. 10, 1848	Apr. 27, 1888
Aug. 5, 1876..	Emma (James Roth)	Jan. 2, 1850	.....
	Ellen S.	Jan. 2, 1850	.....
	S. Louisa	Sept. 9, 1851	Feb. 22, 1866
June 19, 1879..	Caroline (Wm. Fahnestock)	April 25, 1856	.....
	Peter Daniel	Dec. 29, 1857	.....

<i>Marriage.</i>	<i>Gen.</i>	<i>Family Name.</i>	<i>Birth.</i>	<i>Death.</i>
Sept. 15, 1859.	4.	Samuel) Catharine Schook (	Jan. 22, 1837	
			April 28, 1839	
	5.	Minerva	Aug. 7, 1859	Sept. ., 1859
		Uriah S.	July 19, 1861	
		Amos	July 3, 1864	June 1, 1884
		Jacob D.	Sept. 17, 1866	
		George W.	Dec. 6, 1875	
Oct. 3, 1883.	5.	Uriah S.) Sallie Warman (	July 19, 1861	
			Oct. 4, 1859	
	6.	Jennie P.	June 19, 1885	
		Lena R.	Jan. 2, 1887	Aug. 7, 1887
		Mabel C.	Feb. 5, 1889	July 31, 1889
		A. Warren	Mar. 10, 1892	Nov. 16, 1892
Oct. 12, 1887.	5.	Jacob D.) Lizzie Snyder (	Sept. 17, 1866	
			April 12, 1867	
	6.	William S.	Sept. 6, 1890	Aug. -, 1894
		Annie E.	April 11, 1892	
Feb. 2, 1865.	4.	Michael) Emma S. Lehr (	Mar. 29, 1838	
			Mar. 28, 1843	
	5.	Jacob E.	Nov. 2, 1865	Nov. 26, 1865
		Annie S.	Dec. 24, 1866	July 6, 1868
		William L.	Mar. 20, 1873	
	4.	David) Sabina Ruth (	Feb. 11, 1840	
			Dec. 16, 1844	
Nov. 29, 1885.	5.	Lucinda S. (E. Gum)	Mar. 21, 1865	
		Edwin S.	Jan. 2, 1867	
Nov. 2, 1889.		Mary C. (Wm. Freeman)	Oct. 1, 1868	
		Lewis P.	Feb. 14, 1871	
		Abbie L.	Aug. 18, 1873	Oct. 16, 1892
		Minnie S.	Aug. 30, 1875	
		Enos D.	July 27, 1881	
Aug. 17, 1889.	5.	Edwin T.) Lillie Edinger (Jan. 2, 1867	
			June 15, 1874	
	6.	Floyd	Jan. 5, 1890	

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<i>Marriage.</i>	<i>Gen.</i>	<i>Family Name.</i>	<i>Birth.</i>	<i>Death.</i>
June 24, 1873..	4.	William M. }	Dec. 6, 1843
		Abbie Bright {	Dec. 17, 1848
	5.	Mary B.	July 26, 1874	.....
		Naomi	Aug. 19, 1878	.....
		E. Elizabeth	Mar. 22, 1881	.....



REBECCA ACHENBACH.

Married to Col. H. R. Kline.

Oct 28, 1871..	4.	Joel	Dec. 7, 1845	.....
		Amanda Hahn {	Mar. 18, 1852	.....
	5.	Annie S.	Dec. 18, 1872	.....
		Eugene H.	Sept. 4, 1875	.....
		Susan S.	Aug. 28, 1884	.....

<i>Marriage.</i>	<i>Gen.</i>	<i>Family Name.</i>	<i>Birth.</i>	<i>Death.</i>
Feb. 10, 1849..	3.	Phillip) Catharine Keim }	Feb. 11, 1814	June 2, 1879
Nov. 16, 1867..	4.	Ellen R. (James Bender)	Jan. 12, 1825	Aug. 1, 1881
		Mary A.	Jan. 20, 1850	.....
Aug. 13, 1870..		Catharine E. (James Miller)	Feb. 10, 1851	.....
		Emoranda	June 26, 1853	.....
June 3, 1876..		Amanda (Silas Young)	Aug. 26, 1855	.....
May 19, 1877..		Susannah (Jacob Houck)	Mar. 31, 1856	.....
Oct. 7, 1882..		Reuben F.	Dec. 16, 1858	.....
Oct. 1, 1882..		Francis	July 19, 1860	.....
May 14, 1887..		George P.	May 23, 1863	.....
May 17, 1887..		Julia (James Houck)	Nov. 6, 1865	.....
			June 25, 1867	.....
Oct. 7, 1882..	4.	Reuben F.)	July 19, 1860	.....
		Alice Teel }	April 16, 1862	.....
	5.	Rosa E.	Jan. 8, 1883	.....
		Emma C.	July 21, 1884	.....
		William F.	March 8, 1890	.....
Oct. 1, 1882..	4.	Francis)	May 23, 1863	.....
		Amanda Frantz }	Feb. 1, 1864	.....
	5.	Clayton	May 23, 1884	.....
		Elmer A.	Feb. 26, 1886	.....
		Flora M.	Oct. 10, 1887	.....
		Mamie	July 4, 1892	.....
May 14, 1887..	4.	George P.)	Nov. 5, 1865	.....
		Ellen Haney }	Oct. 26, 1866	.....
	5.	Robert	Oct. 27, 1887	.....
		Flöyd	Jan. 2, 1889	.....
		Oscar	Feb. 27, 1890	.....
		Charles	Dec. 5, 1892	.....
		Mabel	Aug. 2, 1893	Dec. 18, 1893
July 28, 1866..	3.	Thomas)	Jan. 9, 1821	.....
		Ellen Flory }	Nov. 11, 1845	.....
	4.	John D.	May 16, 1867	.....
		Frederick Joseph	Sept. 17, 1868	.....
June 22, 1893..		Lizzie (Rev. Peter E. Heimer)	Nov. 23, 1870	.....
		Ellen S. (L. H. Seiple)	May 31, 1874	.....
		Solomon T.	Dec. 17, 1877	.....
		Jennie C.	Feb. 18, 1879	.....

<i>Marriage.</i>	<i>Gen.</i>	<i>Family Name.</i>	<i>Birth.</i>	<i>Death.</i>
Nov. 29, 1890..	4.	John D.)	May 16, 1867	.....
		Cora Wright }	Sept. 7, 1870	.....
	5.	Aaron M.	Mar. 4, 1893	.....



MISS SARAH ACHENBACH.

Aug. 2, 1888..	4.	Frederick I.)	Sept. 17, 1868	.....
		Annie Fehr }	.....	.....
	5.	Harry O.	Mar. 24, 1890	.....
		Louisa D.	April 16, 1891	.....

BIOGRAPHY OF JOHN ACHENBACH.

John Achenbach was born in Plainfield township, Northampton county, Pa., on the 15th of April, 1784, and was the third son of John Phillip Achenbach. On the 15th day of May, 1805 he and Miss Elizabeth Fehr were united in holy wedlock. This union was blessed with twelve children.

About 1812 Mr. Achenbach and his brother Philip, with their families and their widowed mother moved to Brier Creek township, Columbia county. Here he was engaged for a number of years in farming. While residing in the valley his aged mother died and was buried in the Brier Creek graveyard. About the year 1850 Mr. Achenbach disposed of his farm and moved to Orangeville. During a brief period of about two years he was associated in that village with Mr. C. S. Rickets in the mercantile business. He then purchased a farm near Orangeville, located on Fishing Creek, and again resumed the peaceful occupation of a tiller of the soil. Becoming aged, he quit this occupation in 1863 and subsequently lived a retired life at Orangeville.

Mr. Achenbach was a man of medium size and was stout. He walked with a firm step and was soldierly and dignified in his bearing. He inherited from his father, who was evidently a merchant, good business qualities. He was considered a good accountant, a good manager and a reliable man. When he made an engagement of any kind, he could be depended upon. He maintained the reputation of being a man of his word.

The social qualities of father Achenbach were good. Being naturally sociable, he had many friends. The hospitality of his home was known near and far, and was shared by many. Much credit should also be given to his amiable wife and to "Aunt Sara," who always tried to make it pleasant to those who tarried under their domestic roof. The latch-string always hanging out, many, perhaps too many, took advantage of the kind invitation. As kind words and deeds cannot die, so the kindness of this generous man and his family shall live in the memory of those who shared their hospitality.

Early in youth he received catechetical instruction and was received by confirmation into full membership of the Reformed Church at Plainfield. He was loyal to his church and became an active worker in it. He served on various committees of church work and for years filled the offices of deacon and elder. He was also sent several times as a delegate to the annual meeting of classes. The pastor always found in father Achenbach a good counselor and a hearty supporter in all worthy church enterprises.

In the year 1863 it was his privilege and pleasure to attend the centennial of the Plainfield congregation. In attending this joyous celebration he was accompanied by his two daughters, Mrs. Rebecca Kline and Miss Sara Achenbach. He was one of a very few who survived its early history, and we can well imagine what mingled joy and sorrow flooded his soul as he called up the memories of the past.

Mr. Achenbach was a man of strong religious conviction. He firmly stood by his church, and was unshaken in his confidence in God and his Savior.

Being possessed with a sound body and mind, he lived to a good old age and was gathered to his people. He lived a life of usefulness; he generously ministered to the necessities of others, and with a calm and trustful heart he waited the coming of his Lord. He, too, is now sharing the hospitality of our Father's House. Farewell, departed sire. We hope to meet thee in the fellowship of Heaven.

A. Houtz, Pastor.

IN MEMORIAM.

Elizabeth F. Fehr Achenbach, wife of John Achenbach, was the daughter of John and Eva Geist Fehr, and was born at Tinicum, Bucks county, Pa.,



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and was one of nine children. Her brothers were Peter, George, John and Michael. Her sisters were Polly Bowman, Catherine Wright, Eva Yohe and Eliza Mohn. How the memory of Grandmother Achenbach, as she was familiarly called by everyone, clings to us, and how pleasant the recollec-

tions. It seemed to us, her grandchildren, as we so often visited her in her home, that her purity and gentleness were unequalled, and how often we have wished her mantle like Elijah of old could have fallen upon us, and that we could wear it with the same dignity and grace. She was the mother of twelve children, two of whom still live. Truly they could "rise up and call her blessed." Her kindly greetings and smiling face, combined with her wit and humor, which was so ready, made her a friend to all within reach.

Man dies and the world moves on, and although appearances indicate the dead as forgotten, it is nevertheless not the case of her who shared the toils and cares of her husband in pioneer times, and lived to the good old age of 88 years.

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Her daughter Anna Maria was married to Dr. G. W. Lott. This union was blessed with five children. Hester, a maiden; Phoebe, intermarried with C. P. Sloan, of Bloomsburg; Capt. George G. Lott, of Ken; Rebecca Jane, intermarried with James Chamberlain, Wilkesbarre, Pa., and Dr. Howard Lott, of Buffalo, Wyoming.

Rebecca married Col. H. R. Kline. Their children are Mary E., wife of Jos. K. Moyer, Center county, Pa.; Sarah J., wife of Rev. A. Houtz; John Howard, of Weston, Ohio, and Harriet, wife of J. F. Mingle, Orangeville, Pa.; Sarah (a maiden lady).

<i>Marriage.</i>	<i>Gen.</i>	<i>Family Name.</i>	<i>Birth.</i>	<i>Death.</i>
May 5, 1804..	2.	John }	April 15, 1784	Nov. 1, 1872
		Elizabeth Fehr }	Oct. 13, 1786	Sept. 8, 1874
April 6, 1830..	3.	Peter	June 4, 1805	Aug. 29, 1852
Feb. 28, 1833..		David	Jan. 7, 1807	Sept. 22, 1884
Sept. 24, 1835..		Anna Marie (Dr. G. W. Lott)	July 1, 1809	April 28, 1854
June 16, 1837..		Phillip	July 3, 1811	Sept. 10, 1895
		Francis (died single)	Oct. 3, 1813	Aug. 1, 1846
Sept 30, 1840..		George A.	Sept. 22, 1815	Nov. 17, 1886
Oct. 31, 1843..		Rebecca (H. R. Kline)	Dec. 25, 1817	.....
		Hiram (died single)	Mar. 13, 1820	Oct. 31, 1844
		Hester (died single)	June 13, 1822	Oct. 29, 1824
		Sarah	Sept. 15, 1824	.....
		John F. (died single)	Sept. 22, 1827	March 7, 1832
		Harriet Eve (died single)	June 28, 1830	Dec. 19, 1850
April 6, 1830..	3.	Peter }	June 4, 1805	Aug. 29, 1852
		Lydia Moore }	June 8, 1812	Sept. 13, 1891
	4.	Isaiah Thomas Moore	July 22, 1831	May 25, 1888
		Erastus B.	Oct. 4, 1835	Sept. 24, 1838
		Rebecca Ann	April 27, 1842	Nov. 25, 1845
		Francis L. (Mary E. Tibbitts)	May 23, 1846	.....

David Achenbach and Judith Hayman were married February 28, 1833, at Orangeville, Pa. Mr. Achenbach was at the time engaged as distiller for Rickitts & Bro. at Orangeville for a number of years and then moved to Hayman's mill near Rohrsburg and entered into partnership with James Hayman in the distilling business for several years. In 1839, or thereabout, he moved



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on a farm owned by his father, John Achenbach, and farmed for him until about the year 1859, when he bought the east half of the farm known as the Geo. Rutter farm and continued to farm the same place nearly 30 years, until his death. After which his widow lived on the same place until she was called home several years later. His family consisted of five sons and four daughters, of which six are living.

FAMILY MEMORIAL,
IN MEMORIAM.

The subject of this sketch, Isaiah Thomas Moore Achenbach, who died at his residence in Riverview Park, Washington, Kan., at 9:30 A. M., Friday, May 25, 1888, was born at Orangeville, Columbia County, Penn., July 22, 1831, and was therefore 56 years 10 months and three days old at the time of his decease. He was baptised in infancy and had the advantage of Christian training and such educational facilities as the times afforded. His earlier years were passed without special incident and at twenty-two he married Miss Susanna Seidle. Death claimed her three months afterward and Mr. Achenbach shortly removed to Ohio, and from there to Indiana, where he engaged in the milling business near Union City, and two years after the death of his first wife he married in Ohio, Miss Louisa Bowersox, who survives him. Four children were born to them, all of whom are living. In 1867 Mr. Achenbach removed his family to Illinois and from there brought them to Kansas in 1869, locating on the splendid farm west of the city, where he has lived and labored to successfully build up a pleasant home, and where his family still reside. By his persevering energy, grit, thrift and fair dealing he prospered and rapidly became known as one of the most solid and substantial farmers and business men of the county. His sterling integrity and well known character for uprightness and honesty recommended him as the proper man to place in charge of the county finances. Mr. Achenbach, although a staunch Democrat, was accordingly put forward in 1874 and although the county was overwhelmingly Republican, he was triumphantly elected. He was again elected in 1876 as a further mark of the people's confidence and a reward for his faithful and honest performance of his duty. After his retirement from office he again turned his attention to farming and stock raising, doing much in the last named industry to advance and improve that branch by his liberal expenditure of money in the introduction of blooded cattle. He always managed his own affairs well and successfully and found time and gave generously toward every worthy project calculated to benefit and advance the interests of his town and county. His enterprise, good, sound, common sense, judgment and liberal financial support were eagerly sought and promptly and cheerfully given to every plausible scheme for public improvement and progress. His vigorous and enthusiastic faith in Washington placed him in the front rank of energetic workers for her prosperity and we but voice the heartfelt sentiment of all when we say that his loss is not his family's alone, but the entire community's. He lived respected, honored and beloved by all and died in the joyous hope of glorious immortality. The funeral, which took place Sunday, was under Masonic auspices, after the sermon by Rev. Hageman at the residence, and was the most largely attended that ever took place in Washington, thus betokening the universal esteem in which he was held by all.

<i>Marriage.</i>	<i>Gen.</i>	<i>Family Name.</i>		<i>Birth.</i>	<i>Death.</i>
1855..4.	Isaiah Thomas Moore	} 1st wife	July 22, 1831	May 25, 1888	
	Susanna Seidel		Feb. 19, 1836	April 12, 1855	



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Apr. 16, 1857....	Margeretta Louise Bowersox	Oct. 11, 1835
Feb. 3. 1878..5.	Kate (A. W. Moore)	July 30, 1853
	5. George B.) Family	Dec. 12, 1860	.....
	John Jacob) with	Aug. 26, 1863	.....
	Anna Zoe) 2d wife	Mar. 20, 1870	.....

Dec. 24, 1867..4.	Francis L.	May 23, 1846	.....
	Mary Elizabeth Tibbitts	May 10, 1849	.....

<i>Marriage.</i>	<i>Gen.</i>	<i>Family Name.</i>	<i>Birth.</i>	<i>Death.</i>
Feb. 28, 1833.	3.	David { Judith Hayman }	Jan. 7, 1807 Feb. 28, 1813	Sept. 22, 1884 Oct. 24, 1895
	4.	Albert Cook (single)	Dec. 9, 1833	
Dec. 31, 1857..		Oscar.	May 20, 1836	
Nov. 17, 1864..		Calvin (Jennie Cathcart)	Mar. 29, 1839	Jan. 10, 1869
Dec. 24, 1868..		Sophia E. (Hiram L. Murray)	Dec. 13, 1840	
		Harriet L. (died single)	Dec. 13, 1840	Dec. 13, 1860
Dec. 26, 1867..		Rebecca J. (M. M. Megargell)	July 1, 1844	
		John Jay	May 22, 1846	Nov. 23, 1883
		Anna Mary (single)	May 17, 1850	
Jan. 2, 1879..		William Moore	July 25, 1852	
Dec. 31, 1857..	4.	Oscar { Sarah Kline }	May 20, 1836 Nov. 20, 1833	..... Oct. 6, 1892
	5.	Jennie	Aug. 17, 1859	Oct. 4, 1859
June 16, 1886..		G. Calvin	July 9, 1860	.....
June 18, 1896..		Newton M.	Feb. 25, 1863	.....
May 10, 1894..		Harry D.	Mar. 22, 1864	.....
June 16, 1886..	5.	G. Calvin { Ida Nichols }	July 9, 1860 Jan. 17, 1863	..........
	6.	Helen	Aug. 24, 1888	.....
June 18, 1896..	5.	Newton M. { Margaret C. Steck }	Feb. 25, 1863 May 6, 1863	..........
May 10, 1894..	5.	Harry D. { Ida T. Milnor }	Mar. 22, 1864 April 19, 1865	..........
		Bruce Milnor	Aug. 7, 1895	.....
	4.	John Jay { Harriet Bower }	May 27, 1846 Nov. 13, 1846	Nov. 23, 1883
Jan. 24, 1891..		Elizabeth (Irwin Smoyer)	Aug. 25, 1870	.....
	5.	George B.	July 17, 1872	July 30, 1874
July 3, 1895..		Jessie Maud (George Smoyer)	Dec. 1, 1874	.....
		Grace	April 2, 1877	.....

<i>Marriage.</i>	<i>Gen.</i>	<i>Family Name.</i>	<i>Birth.</i>	<i>Death.</i>
Jan. 2, 1879..	4.	William Moore }	July 25, 1852	.....
		Harriet A. Seibert }	April 13, 1851	.....
	5.	Ray Samuel	Jan. 8, 1880	Jan. 13, 1880
		David Scott	Aug. 12, 1881	.....
		Paul Stanley	May 31, 1883	.....
		Frank Sloan	Feb. 21, 1887	.....



HON. GEORGE A. ACHENBACH.

June 16, 1837..	3.	Phillip }	July 3, 1811	Sept. 10, 1895
		Sarah Harman }	Dec. 10, 1818	.....
Oct. 28, 1862..	4.	Clarence Frick	Sept. 5, 1839	Oct. 23, 1871
Jan. 27, 1866..		Mary (William Robison)	June 1, 1841	March 4, 1869
Jan. 3, 1867..		Sarah J. (William W. Moore)	June 13, 1844	.....
Feb. 1, 1877..		Dennis Harvey	Oct. 13, 1847	.....
Sept. 11, 1873..		Ellen Eliza (Wm. H. Blosser)	Sept. 15, 1849	.....
Sept. 15, 1880..		George Warren	July 22, 1852	Aug. 16, 1890

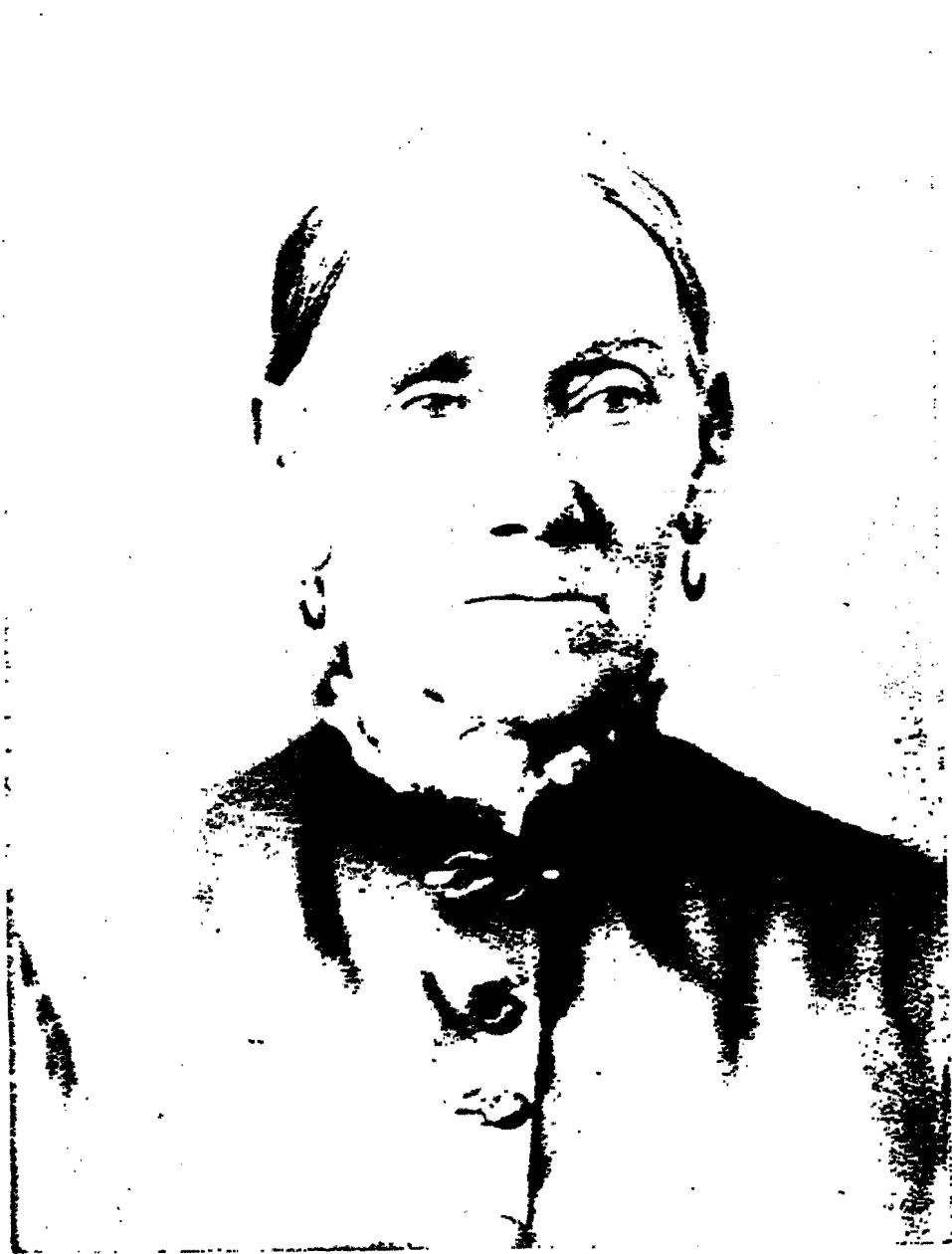
Phillip Achenbach and wife.—Married June 16, 1837, at Orangeville. Pa. Lived at this place two years, then removed to a farm at Summerhill and remained here 16 years, when they moved on a farm near Espy and lived there a number of years. Their third home was on a farm at Milton, where they resided about 20 years. Then we find them at Freeport, Illinois, and their home has been here for the last 18 years. Mr. Achenbach died September 10, 1895, leaving his widow surviving him. MINNIE BLOSSER.

<i>Marriage.</i>	<i>Gen.</i>	<i>Family Name</i>	<i>Birth.</i>	<i>Death.</i>
Oct. 28, 1862..	4.	Clarence F. }	Sept. 5, 1839	Oct. 27, 1871
		Elizabeth Jane Miller }	Nov. 22, 1842	.....
Oct. 25, 1887..	5.	Belle (P. Fred. Harting)	Oct, 28, 1866	.....

Feb. 1, 1877..	4.	Dennis Harvey }	Oct, 13, 1847	
		Mary A. Shultz }	Dec. 28, 1846	
	5.	S. Moore	Mar. 21, 1878	

Sep. 15, 1880..	4.	George Warren }	July 22, 1852	Aug. 16, 1890
		Lillian Race }	Aug. 29, 1861	.....
	5.	Clarence R.	Jan. 3, 1882	
		George W.	Oct. 30, 1883	
		Lillian May	Apr. 11, 1886	
		Isabelle M.	Aug. 2, 1888	

Sept. 30, 1840..	3.	George A. }	Sept. 22, 1815	Nov. 17, 1886
		Catharine Kleckner }	Sept 30, 1817	
Mar. 15, 1865..	4.	Sarah E. (Samuel B. Snook)	Mar. 30, 1841	
Dec. 24, 1868..		Agnes J. (John F. Brosius)	Jan. 21, 1843	
June 24, 1869..		Hiram R.	Dec. 5, 1844	
Oct. 25, 1873..		Ambrose F.	Jan. 12, 1847	
May 25, 1871..		Othelia S. (Geo. Brill)	Dec. 26, 1848	
Nov. 19, 1874..		Regina I. (J. Perry Sheets)	May 11, 1851	
Mar. 3, 1892..		Grace V. (John Miller)	June 17, 1853	
Mar. 2, 1880..		Byron C.	Dec, 2, 1856	
		Mary A.	Mar, 30, 1859	April 8, 1859
		William Goodrich	Mar. 24, 1860	Nov. 27, 1864



MRS. CATHERINE K. ACHENBACH.

GEORGE A. ACHENBACH.

George A. Achenbach, Representative from Clinton county, is a gentleman of influence on the Democratic side of the House. He was born in Columbia county, October 22, 1815, before the birth of the common school system, consequently was educated at the subscription schools in vogue in his early days. At the age of twelve or thirteen he found himself a clerk in a store, and in 1836 moved to Sugar Valley, then Center, but now Clinton county, and was engaged to manage the mercantile interests of a furnace company. In 1860

he was elected to the Legislature from Clinton and Lycoming counties, and he served his people with such integrity and profound intelligence that they sent him as their delegate to the Constitutional convention in 1873, where he faithfully served them on the two important committees of legislature and industrial interests and labor. He never assumed to be anything but a plain and unassuming man, and his compeers always know where to find him — at the post of duty. He is emphatically a business legislator, and no honorable gentleman attends more regularly to his legislative duties.

In personal appearance Mr. Achenbach is about the medium, and rather stoutly built, yet with nothing resembling corpulency. He has a large head, gray hair, face cleanly shaven, and an expression of countenance indicating great good nature. Socially he is every inch a man, and although he takes no talking part, he is morally and mentally a match for the mightiest in voting for measures of substantial reform.

DEATH OF HON. GEO. A. ACHENBACH.

It becomes our painful duty today to announce the death of Hon. Geo. A. Achenbach, of Logansville, which sad event occurred Wednesday night at half past 7 o'clock. Mr. Achenbach was born October 22, 1815, and dying November 17, 1886, was consequently 70 years, 1 month and 25 days old. The deceased was one of the best known and most respected citizens of Clinton county and his death will be widely lamented. He had been in bad health for a long time, his disease being more a general breaking down of the system than any one thing in particular. He had lived in retirement at his pleasant home in Logansville for many years, and had so withdrawn himself from public life that he had been practically forgotten by his former political friends and associates. Personally, however, George A. Achenbach was always affectionately remembered and warmly greeted by all.

Mr. Achenbach represented Clinton county in the State Legislature at Harrisburg in 1875. He previously had been a member of the constitutional convention and his name was always the first one called on the roll. It was said of him that the Democratic members of that body always waited to see how Achenbach voted and then they followed suit as he was always right. He was not a speechmaker, but a well informed and level-headed man, and his judgment and ability were highly respected, even by such men as Judge Jeremiah Black, Gov. A. G. Curtin and other distinguished members of that convention. In the years of 1867 and 1868 Mr. Achenbach was the revenue assessor for this district.

He was an active and ardent Democrat during the political period of his life, and his influence was perhaps greater than that of many others in that

county. He was bold and outspoken, frank and earnest in everything he did, and no man was ever more beloved and esteemed by the people generally.

The funeral of the late Hon. G. A. Achenbach at Logansville on Saturday, November 20, 1886, was attended by a large number of relatives and friends from this and adjoining counties. Religious services over the remains were conducted in the Reformed and Lutheran church by Rev. J. H. Miller, and assisted by Rev. R. C. Goodland—all of which were very solemn and touching. The interment was made in the cemetery by the church, and as the body was lowered into its resting place the universal sentiment was that one of the best of men had been hidden from sight forever. He was missed by the poor as he always had a kind word for them. The following named neighbors acted as pallbearers: Jacob Kiester, John Weaver, Samuel Wohlford, Samuel Stamm, John Morris and D. M. Morris.

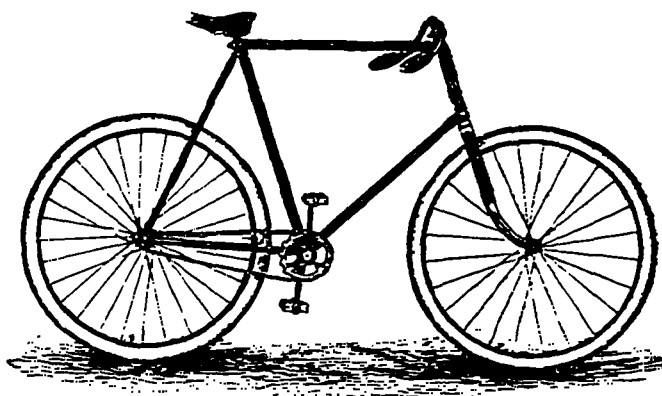


M. ELIZABETH, HARRY S. and JAMES P. ACHENBACH.

<i>Marriage.</i>	<i>Gen.</i>	<i>Family Name.</i>	<i>Birth.</i>	<i>Death.</i>
June 24, 1869.	4.	Hiram Randolph)	Dec. 5, 1844	
		Annie E. Ayars)	Sept. 12, 1846	
	5.	Mary Elizabeth	July 26, 1870	
		Preston Ayars	Aug. 31, 1872	Oct. 1, 1873
		Harry Shephard	Jan. 4, 1875	
		James Pomeroy	Mar. 29, 1881	

<i>Marriage.</i>	<i>Gen.</i>	<i>Family Name.</i>	<i>Birth</i>	<i>Death.</i>
Oct. 25, 1873..	4.	Ambrose Fisher }	Jan. 12, 1847	
		Hattie R. Gish }	July 24, 1849	
	5.	George W.	July 17, 1875	
		Maude	Feb. 17, 1879	July 6. 1879
		Glenroy R	Aug. 27, 1880	
		Bert H.	Nov. 22, 1885	
		Daisy V.	Oct. 3, 1887	

Mar. 2, 1880..	4	Byron Carroll }	Dec. 2, 1856	
		Inez Hall }	Dec. 31, 1858	
	5	Guy Hall	July 2, 1881	
		Clarence Herbert	April 28, 1884	
		Byron Earl	July 31, 1889	



FROM TOPEKA TO PHILADELPHIA.

Harry S. Achenbach, on a Barnes White Flyer, rides from Topeka to Philadelphia by way of Syracuse, N. Y., a distance of 1,514 miles, and gives the story of his trip to the *Cycler* readers. It is as follows:

After one year of hard planning and three weeks waiting for good roads, I finally got started on my eastern trip, Saturday the sixth day of June, 1896. It was a hard matter to leave the old Sun flower State and my many friends in Topeka to land in a state of rocks and hills.

I was up at day-break on Saturday, after bidding my folks good-bye I proceeded to the Topeka Cycle Co., where the "Barnes push" met me. It was a difficult matter to tell whether I would go as far as North Topeka or all the way. I could have gotten any number of 16 to 1 bets that I would be back by night, but I knew as long as my health lasted I would pull through all O. K.

I was escorted as far as Rock Creek, when the push said they had enough, so I had nothing to do but go it alone. After bidding the boys (who were none other than Mr. Lew Wyman, Al. Boyle, James Boyle, "Shad" Bartell and Ray Perine) good-bye I began to think of what lay before me. I never wanted to see Topeka so bad as I did then, but it was no use to turn at such an early hour. I proceeded on to Valley Falls where I took dinner with a friend, after which I "sallied forth" to Farmington where I remained all night among friends, it being the town where I passed my boyhood days. My



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cyclometer registered 65 miles for the first day's ride. After spending a few days at Farmington I left on Wednesday for St. Joe, Mo., going through Atchison, the distance being 37 miles. and bad roads from Atchison.

After spending some time in St. Joe. I left on Monday the 15th, my route laying through Missouri to Quincy, Ill. I had 270 miles of "Misery" land to go through, so I divided it into three days. I found the roads very good the first day out and got as far as Chillicothe, a distance of 102 miles—this made my first century but not my last. Next day, Tuesday, I arrived at Clarence, a distance of 88 miles, and nearly dead. I was told that I had 80 miles for

the next day's work so I went to bed at once, it being 8 o'clock p. m. I got an early start next morning, Wednesday, and arrived at Quincy at 3:30 p. m. safe and sound.

I found out by this time that it paid to get all the rest one could and get up with the chickens and commence riding. I followed what they called the State road running along the Burlington rail road.

At Quincy I got my route layed out to Chicago by way of Peoria, Ill. After spending a pleasant afternoon and evening in Quincy I went early to bed to be prepared for another century the next day, Thursday. I was told that I was to have the best road in Central Illinois. It was to my notion a very good road. I got a 5 a. m. start and was in Macomb, a distance of 65 miles for dinner, then I rested at noon and started at 3 p. m. and landed in Ellisville at 7:30 with 43 miles more to my credit, making a run of 108 miles, my second century. I was pretty tired but able to eat and sleep.

I had 19 miles yet before reaching Peoria, which I rode the next day. I arrived at Peoria Friday and was the guest of Harry Juelg for a week. He is the agent for the Barnes and a good fellow. He and myself made a mile on a Barnes tandem in the small space of one minute, so the Peoria papers said, not that I knew anything of it.

But we did go from Peoria to Chillicothe, 20 miles, in one hour. The last record was what the papers referred to. The old time was one hour 10 minutes. On the 25th of June the National circuit races were held at Peoria with such men as Otto Zeigler, Tom Cooper, Sanger, Gardner, Bliss and 100 others. It was my first chance to see such men of note race, and I was pleased with this opportunity to see them. In regard to tracks I think Peoria has one of the best half-mile tracks in the west. It is as smooth as a floor and properly banked. Their grand stand and bleachers will seat 25,000 people. There is no use giving an account of the races or who won them, as all persons interested have read about them. Cooper was by far the best man, as in a majority of the trial heats and finals he was first, with Sanger second and Zeigler third. It seemed as though they were glued to these places and could not pass each other.

I also met Archie Woodleaf, our Kansas Cyclone. He failed to win anything but put up a good showing for a young rider. He seemed to be in the best of health but needed a little more training.

The Peoria bicycle club gave all L. A. W. members a good time. They had a parade Wednesday night of which I participated on a Barnes tandem. There were about 3,000 in line. They also gave a club run Wednesday morning.

Thursday morning they gave the trial heats to which all L. A. W. members were admitted free.

Thursday night they had a steamboat excursion free. Friday morning trial heats were run, with a dance and reception in the evening.

Saturday morning they gave trial heats followed with a smoker that lasted

till late Saturday night, at which the prizes were distributed. It was a regular old Kansas smoker, like the one we had in '95.

I started for Chicago Monday morning of June 29th with 165 miles before me, which I made in two days and a few hours. It took me all Wednesday morning to get where I wished to go in Chicago.

Chicago is the wheelman's paradise with all its grand boulevards and paved streets.

It was just time to see the great Pullman road race with over 400 starters.

It occurred on the 4th of July and a scorching hot day it was. It was the first large race of the kind I ever saw and it was a sight; it takes some good managing to start such an army of cyclers but they got them off without a flaw.



GUY H., BYRON E. and CLARENCE H. ACHENBACH.

I was out to see a railroad collision in the afternoon which was a great sight. I also saw the two days of racing in which Cooper and Bald rode, but there was nothing in the way of record breaking. Chicago has not the track it ought to have according to the size of the town.

I was through the Morgan & Wright factory; also Palmer factory; was out to see the Western Wheel Factory, where they make the Crescent and went through the Rambler and Featherstone factories. While in Chicago I took a run out to Freeport, Ill., (125 miles west), which took me two days, as

it is a hard matter for one not acquainted to get out of Chicago and make a century. I was in Freeport a week and while there went through the Phoenix factory. On my return to Chicago I made the 125 miles in 10 hrs. 25 min. From Freeport to Rockford it is 28 miles—their time for the distance is 2:05, I made it in 1:55 flat. Had pace from Freeport for 12 miles and the rest alone. Had dusty roads to contend with but a slight wind in favor. While in Chicago I visited the Libby Prison, Masonic Temple, Lincoln, Jackson and Washington Parks; also went around on the Ferris wheel. I attended one day the Democratic convention and saw Messrs. Bryan, Sewell and many others. The Cottage Grove cable barns burned while I was there which was only six blocks from where I stayed. Six hundred cars, 22 horses and 3 men perished in the flames. After visiting in Chicago 2 weeks, I left on Thursday, July 16, by steamer for Benton Harbor, Michigan, arriving there in the afternoon. I found a cyclist friend on the boat who was going as far as Detroit so I joined with him and we went together. It was 198 miles across Michigan. We went as far as Jackson, 108 miles, and next day (Saturday) arrived in Detroit, making 90 miles.

After my friend left me I took a stroll around town and in the course of my walk found that I could go to Cleveland, Ohio, by steamer that night and as I felt tired and weary I concluded I would like a night on the lake, so after buying my ticket I left by boat at 9 p. m., arriving at Cleveland at 6 a. m. with a very bad cold. Cleveland is one of the prettiest cities I was ever in. It has many lovely parks which were not so large as Chicago's but much nicer. Cleveland was just celebrating her anniversary and was in her glory. I spent Sunday and Monday there. On Monday I met four young men from Galion, Ohio, who were going to New York City by my route, so I had company the rest of my trip to Syracuse.

We left Cleveland Tuesday morning, July 21. My friends, or chums, as I should call them were: Harley J. Burgert, alias Hodac; Frank R. Green, alias Munk; O. G. Petris, alias Fuz; John G. Westerman, (Marks), all of whom were from Galion, Ohio. We all had a nickname and mine was "Barnes" or sometimes "Vim," which ever they could think of first. After leaving Cleveland I didn't keep track of how many miles I rode. There being five of us we stopped so many places and rode around towns so that I could not keep correct mileage. We arrived at Erie, Pa., on Thursday afternoon and left next morning for Buffalo, N. Y., arriving Friday evening. Buffalo is the home of Eddie Bald and an excellent city for the wheel.

While there I met Smith, the long distance rider who held the record between Chicago and New York. We left Saturday morning for Niagara Falls which is a 2 hours ride on pavement. While at the Falls I visited Goat Island, Cave of the Winds, crossed the suspension bridge and reached the Canadian side, saw the barrel that a man used to go over the Falls in. We stayed at the Falls over Saturday and on Sunday morning started on our way eastward over the Ridge road to Rochester which was 88 miles. Had the

pleasure of riding the canal path. While on our way to Rochester we went through Lockport which is famous for its great canal locks.

We spent Monday at Rochester and went to see the parks and drives, also to Lake Ontario beach. Had a swim in the lake and "shot the shoots."

Tuesday morning July 28 we left for Syracuse. This day I met with my first accident. Everything went smooth until along in the afternoon, we had begun to get hilly country and fine coasting. Some of the hills were a mile long. As we came in at Camillus, a small village eight miles west of Syracuse we came to a grade, or mountain I would call it. It started on top of the mountain and wound around for a mile and a half and ended upon the principal street of Camillus. I was the last one of the five and went along all right until I got to the bottom where I saw the rest of the way was straight and clear, so I took my foot off the front wheel, as I had been using it as a break. I was going at a 2:30 gait. When at the bottom, the rest had stopped, I applied my foot to slack up, pressed too hard and my foot ran up in the fork crown which made the wheel stop instantly and I landed on my face. It cut a bad gash above my left eye and also bruised my hands. My handle bars were bent and some spokes broken out. After getting my eye fixed up I took the train for Syracuse and went up to the Barnes factory to get my wheel repaired, but instead of repairing my old one they gave me a new one. I went through their factory which is the largest cycle factory in the city, also saw their ten-seated machine. After bidding good-bye to my chums from Galion, O., started for Williamsport, Pa., where I intended to make a visit before going on to Philadelphia.

There is one thing I miss here and that is our level country. there is nothing but hills and mountains. It is no pleasure owning a wheel here to one who is not used to hill climbing. As I have said all I can think of at present I will say farewell.

HARRY S. ACHENBACH.

P. S.—While at Peoria I met one of Topeka's old-time riders, Billy Caniff, who holds the record for riding down the state house steps on an ordinary. He sends regards to all Topeka boys.

GERMAN LETTER.

ARFELD, February 6, 1896.

Highly Honored Mrs. Houtz:—

Your writing dated January 7 was received 19th.

In reply I will say, that it is a very difficult matter for me to give all the information that you wish to have.

The family of Achenbach is in existence since 1665 where the name of Andreas and Oswald are recorded; farther information I cannot give.

In the year 1690 there are four Achenbach brothers recorded here : Hans Herman, John Herman, John Ernst, and John Christian

From John Herman's wife, Anna Marie, there is (1) one son, John David. From John David's wife, Anna Catherine. there are the following sons :

John Phillip, John Kasper, John George, John David. The last two names I overlooked, therefore were not mentioned in my last writing, but the one I mentioned, brother John Jost, is false and belongs to another family (Achenbach). * * *

A more extensive information about the brothers of John, Phillip, I could not give because they left here and away and got married, on that account I couldn't give you that desired information.

I beg leave to find out what all that inquiry is for ? Is it probable to get in possession of some property ? Please answer * * *. My family is the derivation of John Ernst, brother of John Herman, your predecessor, therefore a relationship since 1690.

I am the last of the Achenbach family, after my death the name Achenbach ceases.

My wife, Bertha Hastlitz, the last blood from that family is married the third time in that family. Achenbach. We have two children, Minnie and Emma. Should there be a late inheritance, and me as far off relative to be taken in as a joint inheritor, I shall be ready, at any time, to give all the information at my expense in the above matter.

I shall also be pleased to tell you all about their brothers and sisters, of John Phillip, as much as it is in my power.

I must confess to you that from now on all information is for me much trouble and expense, because all information I must gather from a distance.

1. The question whether there were any children baptized on the same day they were born, yes.

2. Whether John Phillip got married in Germany, no ; the church record says nothing about it.

3. Whether I am a relative to Andrew and Oswald Achenbach, I do not know, they are recorded 1665, further information is not to be found.

4. A picture from the old church I couldn't send you nowhere.

5. My religion is Evangelist (about the same as Protestant Church). My age 53, my wife's 47.

I shall translate the German into English language as soon possible.

Your pleasing answer, anticipate,

Very truly yours,

HERMAN ACHENBACH.

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