

CAPTAIN WINFIELD S. BARR, ex-deputy sheriff of Armstrong county, and the present postmaster of Parker City (P.O. Parker's Landing), is one of the surviving captains of the old 105<sup>th</sup> regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers. He was born at Brookville, Jefferson county, Pennsylvania, November 28, 1841, and is a son of Thomas M. and Sarah C. (Corbett) Barr. His paternal grandfather, Alexander Barr, was born and reared in Scotland, from which he came to Pennsylvania when quite a young man. He first settled in Dauphin county, but subsequently removed to Indiana county, where he remained but a short time, and then went to Preble county, Ohio, in which he died. He was a farmer by occupation, and one of the sons born to him in Dauphin county was Thomas M. Barr, the father of the subject of this sketch. Thomas M. Barr was born in November, 1803, and moved, in 1830, to Brookville, where he resided until his death, July 4, 1889, at eighty-three years of age. He was a bricklayer, stone-mason and building contractor by occupation. He was a republican politically, had been a ruling elder for forty-five years in the Presbyterian church at the time of his death, and during his unusually long life he had never been sued or brought suit against any one. He married Sarah C. Corbett, daughter of William Corbett, of Lewistown, Mifflin county. She was reared, however, in Clarion and Jefferson counties, was a devoted presbyterian, and died at her home in Brookville, July 4, 1876, when in the seventy-eighth year of her age. Mr. and Mrs. Barr reared a family of four sons and two daughters, all of whom are living.

Winfield S. Barr was reared at Brookville, Jefferson county, and received his education in the schools of that town and county. Leaving school, he worked on his father's farm until April 19, 1861, when he enlisted for three months as a private in Co. I, 8<sup>th</sup> regt., Pa. Vols. He served his term, and re-enlisted on August 26, 1861, entering Co. B, 105<sup>th</sup> regt., Pa. Vols, as a private, but was raised by successive promotions, until he was commissioned captain for meritorious conduct at the battle of Gettysburg. He commanded his company until its time of service had expired, January 1, 1864, when he and the most of his men re-enlisted. He served until he was discharged May 15, 1865, from the hospital at Philadelphia on account of wounds. He was slightly wounded at Fredericksburg, then received a minie ball in his knee at Gettysburg, and was shot in the head at Deep Bottom, Va., August 16, 1864. From the last wound he carries an ugly scar. When he was discharged he returned to Brookville, where he remained until 1869. In July of that year he came to Parker City, and entered the oil business, in which he has continued ever since. He has been engaged on the pipe lines.

In 1865, Capt. Barr married Hannah R. Emery, daughter of Jacob Emery, of Brookville, Pa. Capt. and Mrs. Barr have two sons and four daughters: Amy, wife of Henry E. Kelly; Winifred, Alice, Cad M., Bessie and Ralph.

Capt. Winfield S. Barr is a republican politically, has served as chief of police of Parker City, and deputy sheriff of Armstrong county, and has held many other offices of trust and responsibility. He is a member of the Parker City Council, No. 179, Royal Arcanum, and Col. C. A. Craig Post, No. 75, Grand Army of the Republic. On July 12, 1890, Capt. Barr was appointed postmaster of Parker's Landing, Pa., by President Harrison. As an officer he was well liked in the army, as a public official he always discharged his duties so as to command the confidence of the public, and as a business man he is honorable and trustworthy.