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Railroad Time Table.

LACKAWANNA & BLOOMSBURG R. R.
Going North. Going South.
625 A. M. 625 P. M.
CATAWISKA R. R. FROM RUFERT STATION
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TOWN IMPROVEMENT.—The property holders on East street, with great unanimity, petitioned the Council in favor of paving, and the prayer of the petitioners was granted at a recent meeting. This action will result in the grading and paving of that street, on both sides from Main street to the railroad, and will make it the most pleasant and desirable street in town until others go and do likewise.

A majority of the property holders on Centre street have petitioned the Council to grade that street, and the petition has been granted. The foundry of SHARPLESS & HARMON has been torn down and the street is now fully open from Main street to Lackawanna Avenue. It ought to be paved on both sides, but a majority of the property holders are at present opposed to doing it at their own expense, and it is, therefore, not likely to be accomplished very soon.

It is a mistake to suppose that a sidewalk is of advantage only to the persons along whose property it passes. Every citizen of the town is equally interested, not only for convenience, utility and pleasure, but the value of all property in the town is enhanced by general paving. The town is there rendered more desirable, people are attracted to it, business is induced, labor and population are increased, and worthy enterprise in variety are stimulated. What is for the public benefit should be at least assisted and encouraged by the public. A system of paving which gives the builder a credit on the town books, against which his local taxes are annually charged, is an easy and equitable mode of obtaining general paving. Grading the streets is a part of road making and ought to be done by the town authorities at public expense. A street once well graded will not require much work to keep it in order afterwards. It is, in fact, the cheapest system of road making. The natural drainage of this town is so perfect that there is no excuse for mud holes in any part of it. Energetic action would soon make Bloomsburg one of the most desirable towns in the State.

"The dearest spot on earth," it is said, is the store where they don't advertise.

HUMANITY should be displayed toward horses and animals during the heat of Summer.

The Lehigh Valley iron works are now all in blast again, as well as those about Danville.

The great question now is, whether the people of these States are to live under a government of law, or a government of bayonets.

"MEN smoke, and boys must be like men, hence it is that we see so many cigars going around the street with bayonets attached to them."

"The dearest spot on earth" has at last been located. These wishing to find that "spot" will find it at the store that does not advertise.

Don't waste the soap suds, but apply it to garden, vines, bushes, evergreens, or lawn. It is far too valuable to be turned out at the back door.

The editor is indebted to Mr. S. C. Shreve for a stem of very fine cherries, many of which measured three inches in circumference. Name of variety not given.

A GARDEN, well kept, with flowers well tended, and the beds, borders and walks neat and clean, is always indicative of industry and good taste in a family.

CROPS.—The wheat crop of this country is housed, or nearly so. The yield will prove heavy. The oats has made extraordinary growth during the past two weeks, and now promises an average crop. Corn is also growing finely.

WHEAT the wheat crop is unusually heavy in Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia, it is a partial failure in the West. The yield throughout the country will not be more than an average, if so much, and the prospect is that prices will be fair.

THOSE who are dull times for daily editors may be inferred from a local in a city daily which chronicles the planting of a telegraph pole, to "take the place of a smaller one." We expect soon to read that a boy has studded his toe, or a little girl picked up a paper of pins on the street.

WEST BRANCH CAMP MEETING.—The officers of the West Branch Camp Meeting Association give notice that all persons residing along the line of the L. & R. R., desiring to attend the West Branch Camp Meeting in August next, can, on application at their office, receive orders (free), on which they can purchase "half rate tickets" at any of the principal stations along the route, direct all letters to the West Branch Camp Meeting Association, Lock Haven Penna.

THE Harrisburg Patriot says: Our fish eating readers will learn with pleasure that the Legislature finally passed a law for the preservation of fish in the Delaware and Susquehanna rivers, and their tributaries. It is unlawful to put fish baskets and fish dams in any of these streams, and it is made the duty of the sheriffs of the several counties to abate these dams and baskets under a heavy penalty. Let the sheriffs watch the men who destroy the fish with these nuisances, and let the people see that the sheriffs sternly execute this salutary law.

A WISCONSIN estimator writes to Washington for "some eternal written statement" giving him "several facts for them." Exchange.

That is about the quality of some Radical Postmasters in this region—they don't even know enough to put the name of their office on a returned paper.

Address of the President of the State Labor Union of Pennsylvania.

TO THE PRODUCING CLASSES: Friends and fellow-workmen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania: As president of the State labor union, I take the liberty of calling upon you to unite with us in our attempt to bring justice and liberty to the people. We have found in past years—and at the present much more than in the past—that aggregated capital has assumed such gigantic proportions that it becomes necessary for the producing classes to unite themselves together to prevent its making a further inroad upon the rights and liberties of the people. For this purpose we would call on all who believe in our platform, whether they be farmers, mechanics, miners, laborers, professional men, as distributors of the products of industry, provided they are engaged in some useful occupation, to form labor unions, and to assist in checking the false and wicked legislation that is now destroying the best interests of the toiling millions.

Monopoly has assumed an authority equal to the autocrat. We here assure you—and the issue is fairly before us—that it is time for us to arise in our strength and stay the tide of oppression that is now hurrying us to destruction. Our object in forming this grand combination of workingmen is to tell them, "So far can you go and no further." Observe the work you have before you. Ours is a noble cause. 'Tis grand—sublime. We have a praise-worthy object in view. Success must ultimately crown our efforts.

If we view our work in a divine light we can detect the finger of a Just Being guiding us on to what we can dimly discern in the distance. Now it is but a faint, flickering flame, but what is now but a small light, will, ere many months elapse, burst into a glittering constellation of labor unions, whose power will be felt from the Atlantic to the Pacific—from the St. Lawrence to the Gulf of Mexico. Our voice will be heard all over the continent. Monopoly will tremble as B. never trembled; haughty aristocrats will bow their heads in shame when they observe those whom they attempted to trample upon in the dignity of their might and declare their sovereignty. Widows, orphans and the needy poor will bless this combination, and until these ends are accomplished we should work unceasingly.

It is not strikes we want, but legislation, and we will vote for no man that does not squarely adopt our platform. Whenever seven or more can be found, whether in township, county, ward or city, unite them on the broad platform of the National labor union. Charters shall be chosen by this county as a Delegate to a State Convention during his term of office.

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X. All delegates must reside in the district they represent. In case of an absent delegate he may appoint another, if he fail to do so his colleagues in attendance may do so for him.

XI. The delegate elections shall be by ballot and shall be held and conducted by a Judge and clerk, to be selected by the Democrats in attendance, and the said officers shall be responsible for the tally of votes cast, to be certified by the Convention with their certificate of the result of the election.

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