

Patton Courier.

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CARE FOR DUMB BRUTES.

We all think too little, perhaps, of the treatment given to domestic animals and dumb brutes of all kinds put here for the help of man, either as willing servants or sustenance. This is brought most impressively to mind by one report in the proceedings at a meeting last week of the Buffalo Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. The report, including the introduction was as follows: "An instructive lesson in human nature can be learned by attending the meetings of these broad-minded humanitarians, who give up their time and money to protect dumb beasts from needless cruelty. On the table yesterday, a couple of long wires with crooked ends were exhibited, and attached to the wire by a string were small rings, about the size of finger rings. These instruments of torture had been taken away from two small boys in East Buffalo, who were using them to pull out the rings from the noses of the frogs brought into the stockyards in cars. The small rings are put into the nose of the hog to keep him from rooting up the crops while he is on his native heath, and the boys have discovered that many of the Poles believe that such a ring is a sure preventive from the ill of rheumatism. It is to supply the demand for rings that this special cruelty is practiced."

THE WILSON BILL.

The criticisms on the Wilson tariff bill have been very severe, and in a great many cases so bitterly partisan that it has very seldom received justice. It has its good and bad features. It should be lauded for bringing the rich tourist on a nearer level with the poor emigrant, in the matter of reducing the amount of clothing he is allowed to bring into this country free of duty to \$250. But it should be severely condemned for the partiality shown in its framing. Iron, steel and coal are met with a sweeping reduction, but sugar, a southern commodity, is not to be touched for a year and a half, and then the bounty is to be reduced gradually, lasting for eight years. Wool is to receive no protection at all, but oranges are to retain the full McKinley rate. Wheat goes on the free list, but rice is to be protected by a duty of 55 and 60 per cent. Whenever a purely southern product is touched it is freely protected, while the great northern industries must be contented with a heavy reduction in the duty, or be placed on the free list. If the McKinley bill was not a good one, it at least had the merit of being an honest one. This cannot be said of the Wilson bill; it is sectional and unjust, and should be amended so as to conform with the rights of the producers and manufacturers of every section of the United States.

ACCOMMODATIONS OUTGROWN.

The Pennsylvania railroad station at Patton is not very old; the town is not very old, and the time since the first passenger train ran over the division from Crescon to Mahaffey is still reckoned by the months, yet the passenger station which was built large enough, as it was thought, to accommodate the business of the future, is no where near up to the needs of the present. The same is true of the facilities for handling and housing freight. During holiday week it repeatedly occurred that passengers, including ladies, were obliged to stand out in the weather and wait for their train because there was no room for them inside. There was some more travel than usual, but nothing special was going on at or near Patton. Freight is received in larger quantities than at any other point on that division and it is necessary nearly all the time to leave some in the cars on the sidetracks until delivered; necessary because the freight room lacks in capacity for taking care of it. This surprising growth should be recognized by the company, and may be now, and, though it is less than a year since the station was finished, enlarge or rebuild, and on plans sufficiently liberal to anticipate a further increase of 100 per cent. in business within a comparatively short period.

ELECTION NEXT MONTH.

Borough officers will be elected again by the people of Patton in February. There would be an advantage in retaining the most of those now serving. Nothing has developed, so far as the COURIER has observed, to show incapacity and the office holders have been by experience preparing themselves for better management of local affairs. Some of the places could be filled perhaps with better men, and a few changes may be advisable, but we are quite certain that a general cleaning out would be of great disadvantage to the community.

We would advise the people not to pass over lightly the matter of choosing candidates; every town's prosperity is in a very considerable measure dependent upon the sagacity, aggressiveness and loyalty to local interests exercised by local officers.

Wanted.—A practical blacksmith desires a location. Write to Alex S. Pyles, McCullough Mills, Juniata county, Pa.—614*

NEW LEGISLATION.

An exchange, in commenting upon acts of the late state legislature, says: "A very wise and very important law was passed by the State Legislature in last June. It provides for the registration of births and deaths throughout the rural districts of the state. Many cities have long operated under such a law, but it was not made applicable to the entire state until now. Under the law it is made the duty of assessors to procure such data semi-annually. In Europe such statistics have been kept for centuries, and been found invaluable in legal proceedings as well as in the preparation of genealogical tables." The advantages of such a law cannot be enumerated in a few lines, but its importance as an aid in preparing genealogical tables will not be appreciated in the great American republic as it is in England.

STANDARD OIL MAN TALKS.

In the eyes of an intelligent people, the assertion that J. M. Guffy makes, that putting petroleum on the free list, will paralyze the industry in Pennsylvania, appears ridiculous. The careful reader knows that petroleum from the Pennsylvania fields is shipped all over the civilized world, and in no country under the sun does it suffer on account of sharp competition. The Hittite scholar reads Sanskrit; the Turk visits his Harem; and the Russian nihilist manufactures bombs by the use of artificial light, the rays of which come from a lamp filled with American oil. Either Mr. Guffy does not know what he is talking about, or he is the mouth piece of the Standard Oil company.

THE FARMERS of this vicinity could supply much of the produce that is shipped here from other sections. Patton and the Patton mines have helped the farmers, but they have not yet fully realized it.

ANDREW CARNEGIE, the millionaire iron manufacturer, who recently made the munificent offer to duplicate any sum up to \$5,000 per day for two months, subscribed by the citizens of Pittsburg for charitable purposes, will not be out one cent by this politic stroke of philanthropy. The reduction in wages forced on his employees lately will be a clear gain of at least \$7,000 per day. If there is any consistency in this kind of philanthropy, it is covered by Pittsburg editorial comments as to completely hide it from view.

At the Kinkaid restaurant you can get a very good meal or an excellent lunch for a nominal sum.—2f.

Examine Hoy's holiday presents. Prices away down. Eat, saving free.—42f

BANK NO. 4857.

REPORT of the condition of the First National Bank of Patton, Patton, Pa., at the close of business December 19th, 1905. Commenced business October 10th, 1883.

ASSETS	
Loans and discounts	\$ 42,000 00
Overdrafts secured	500 00
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	15,000 00
Premium on U. S. Bonds	1,612 30
Furniture and fixtures	1,000 00
Due from Nat'l Banks (not reserved)	4,287 00
Due from reserve National Banks	31,262 00
Checks and cash items	922 00
Bills of other National Banks	600 00
Notes and coins	40 00
Lawful money reserved in bank, viz:	
Specie	\$1,250 00
Legal tender notes	4,620 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer, 3 per cent. circulation	875 00
Total	\$128,969 78

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000 00
Undivided profits	1,200 00
Circulation	13,000 00
Due National Banks	1,625 00
Due private banks	97 00
Individual deposits subject to check	40,414 81
Demand certificates of deposit	500 00
Time certificates of deposit	1,200 00
Total	\$128,969 78

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA,

County of Cambria,
I, Wm. H. Sandford, Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
WILLIAM H. SANDFORD, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of December, 1905.
JOSEPH E. DALL, Notary Public.
Correct—Attest:
JOE H. REILLY,
ALEX. E. PATTON,
JAMES KERR, Directors.

EUREKA PAINTING CO.

D. H. C. WARREN,
Manager.

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Office hours from 9:30 A. M. to 2:00 P. M. and 7:00 to 8:00 P. M.

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BOOTS, SHOES,
and Gents' Furnishings.**

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EQUAL TO ANY 10 CENT CIGAR.
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C. F. Fischer, Jelles, Market Street, Johnstown, Pa.
The above Cigar is for sale in Patton by THE PATTON NEWS DEPOT, E. A. MELLON, P. M., HENRY E. KELLER, CHARLES McMULLEN, J. M. ROBINSON'S HOTEL, J. F. HULL.

A GROCER WITH ANY SAND

Will not put it in his sugar, but rather into business principles. In groceries we are careful what we buy. Try us!

A HORSE SHOE DENOTES GOOD LUCK.

Buy your BOOTS and SHOES from us and be in luck.

Dry Goods

Are a specialty with us. Try us in any of the above. We have the stock.

DRY RUN STORE CO.
General Merchandise,
Corner Magee and Fifth Avenues, PATTON, PA.

AUGUST K. HUBER, STONE MASON, 4080 Avenue, PATTON, PA.

I am prepared to do all kinds of work in my line at reasonable prices. Contracts taken and estimates furnished when desired. Satisfaction guaranteed. Give me a call.

Samuel E. Jones, Blacksmith and Horse Shoer.

Repairing of Wagons, Etc. neatly and promptly done. Mining Tools a specialty. Satisfaction guaranteed.
PATTON, Cambria Co., Pa.
For coughs, colds and sore throat try Magic cough cure. Guaranteed by C. W. Hodgkins druggist, Patton, Pa.—f

Dissolution Notice.
Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned under the firm name of Letie & Austin has been dissolved by mutual consent. John E. Austin withdrawing. The business will be continued by C. M. Letie, who is authorized to collect all accounts due said firm and who will also pay all debts owing by the same.
C. M. LETIE,
J. E. AUSTIN.
Patton, Pa., Dec. 21, 1905.—3f.

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE

GROCERIES AND QUEENSWARE AT FIRST COST.

J. P. ROGERS has decided to close out his store on Lang Avenue, near the old grist mill and quit business. He will sell the goods for what they cost him and this means a saving to you of at least 20 PER CENT.

- Here are a few prices:
- Good Tea set, 40 cents.
 - Good Coffee set, 45 cents.
 - Set Plates, 45 cents.
 - Hand Lamps, 15 to 18 cents.
 - Stand Lamps, 20 to 45 cents.
- DON'T MISS IT.**

THE PATTON SUPPLY CO.,

DEALERS IN

STAPLE GOODS OF ALL KINDS.

- DRY GOODS, FINE GROCERIES,
- NOTIONS, PROVISIONS,
- DRESS TRIMMINGS, CANNED GOODS,
- FLOUR AND FEED,
- HATS, CAPS, BOOTS AND SHOES.

Country Produce taken in exchange for goods.

Agents for Palace Steam Laundry.

GREAT SACRIFICE SALE

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CLOTHING!

Having decided to close out the Clothing branch of our business entirely, we are prepared to offer the people of Patton the

BIGGEST BARGAINS

They ever heard of. All goods will be sold at and below cost until the entire stock is disposed of. This is

NO SHAM SALE!

But a genuine closing out rate, as we intend to replace the goods with a large line of

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Don't miss this opportunity. Our Clothing must go.

ECONOMY ONE-RICE STORE.
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