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DEATH OF STEELE MACKAYE

The Dramatist Expires Aboard a Train

SEEKING FOR HEALTH.

He Designed the Great Spectatorium Which Proved a Grand Failure.

Steele Mackaye died Monday morning at Timpan, Col., a small station near the New Mexico line, aboard a Santa Fe train on his way to San Francisco.

Steele Mackaye was one of the most remarkable men of his period. It can truly be said of him that he was a genius, and that he was not really what the world calls a great man was simply owing to the fact that he was entirely too human. He thought so violently with natural impulses that he was unable to control himself, and as a result his life was one long series of grand ideas, masterful plans, brilliant schemes, inspired work, from all of which others achieved success.

In July, 1891, Mackaye went to London to secure the publication of a book there. While in the British metropolis he thought of or happened across the grand idea which proved his ultimate downfall, and abandoning his book—which remains unpublished—he rushed back to this country and injecting capital with his enthusiasm began the building of the Spectatorium. The large opera house and theatre he attempted to erect just outside of the World's Fair grounds at Chicago. This gigantic playhouse, 400x600 feet in extent, never reached completion. On May 31, 1893, a receiver was appointed for the Columbian Celebration company, and his big amusement enterprise went to smash. Bonds to the amount of \$500,000 had been issued, and \$500,000 of them had been sold. There had been expended already \$500,000 on the enterprise, it is said, and the complainant averred that it would take \$270,000 to finish it. The company owed \$316,000, and had tangible assets to the amount of \$50,000. Mackaye alleged that the company owed him \$55,000, and that it couldn't pay its debts.

In October the large unfinished building was sold for old iron for \$2,500 and demolished. Upon the failure of this project he started another, the establishment of a Scenatorium, which was completed and opened about three weeks ago. This was also a failure. These repeated defeats discomfited Mackaye for the first time in his life. He broke his spirit and without that he could not live.

Mr. Jno. Helfrich died at St. Boniface Saturday, February 24, aged about 75 years. The deceased was born in Germany and emigrated to America in the year of 1850 and settled in, which was then known as Chest, but now Elder township, and being one of the pioneers of that part of the country, he cleared a farm. In after years, being too old to attend to the many duties at the farm, he removed to the village of St. Boniface where he died as above stated. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Father Max. The remains were laid to rest in the Catholic cemetery, Monday, February 28, 1894. He leaves a wife and daughter to mourn his death. The daughter is the wife of Anthony Raver, of Barr township, and the mother of six children.

Scarlet Fever Increases. Notwithstanding the many precautions that have been taken by the board of health and physicians the dreaded disease scarlet fever seems to be on the increase. Quite a number of the physicians were visited to-day and all seem to think that the disease is not abating. One physician says he has had six new cases within the past week, and several of them are very serious. Another one states he has two new ones, and still another one says he has several cases that are not fully developed. As it is the best of care should be taken, as this disease in the malignant form is very deadly. These cases appear in different parts of the city, several being on the South Side.—Johnstown Herald.

Local Market Report. For the special benefit of the farmers in the vicinity of Patton the COURIER publishes the following local market report, revised each week:

Butter	25 cents per pound.
Eggs	18 " " " "
Wheat	70 " " " "
Apples	20 " " " "
Oranges	35 " " " "
Turkeys	50 " " " "
Corn	50 " " " "
Wheat	70 " " " "
Black wheat	65 " " " "
Hay	40 " " " "
Chickens	40 " " " "
Hay	\$1 to \$1.25 per ton.

That's What They Are. The Patton COURIER reached the Times office this week and is a first-class weekly. From the advertising patronage of the COURIER, we think the business men of Patton are business and worthy of patronage.—Karlhaus Times.

MERCHANTS' PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION

A Local Branch Formed at Patton and Officers Elected Monday Evening.

Monday evening a meeting of the merchants and business men of Patton was held at the Commercial for the purpose of organizing a branch Protective Association. Mr. Philo Patterson, representative of the Retail Commercial Agency, of Chicago, has been in town the past three weeks for the purpose of interesting the merchants of Patton in organizing a local branch and was present Monday evening to explain the workings and advantages of membership in the agency. The local branch was organized by electing the following officers: H. E. Barton, president; D. C. Dale, vice-president; D. A. Buck, secretary; Harry Buck, treasurer; executive board, T. F. Mellon, A. T. Little and John A. Reilly. The constitution and by-laws, as adopted by other branch organizations throughout the country, were read and adopted by the Patton branch. L. S. Bell, formerly of a member of the agency at DuBois, was present and stated his experience with the organization and how the agency had been successfully managed at that place. The system in use by this agency has for its purpose the protection of merchants. This agency uses no dishonorable means to force collections or settlements, but the merchants propose to exercise their legal right to refuse credit to persons who gain the reputation of not treating a member of the agency honestly.

Many a poor, worthy man has been refused credit for the necessities of life because of the merchant's unpleasant experience with bad debtors, but this system will tend to obviate all that, because the man who does not respect his credit will be known and have a standing among merchants, while the "dead beat" and others of his kind will also be known to the members of this agency and be absolutely refused credit; no matter if he moves to another town or state his reputation as poor pay will follow him, and the merchants in such new place of residence will also refuse him credit.

The agency does not interfere with the credit of men who deal honestly, no matter if they are slow; neither does it in any way regulate prices. Its sole object is to compel men to be honest with merchants or to pay spot cash for goods purchased.

THEVES AGAIN

They Attempt to Burglarize the Store of Mirkin and Kusner, But Fail

Thieves attempted to burglarize the store of Mirkin & Kusner, the clothiers, Wednesday morning at about 3:30 o'clock by breaking in one of the glass show windows. Mirkin and Kusner were sleeping in the store and were awakened by a loud crash of glass. They at once investigated and found the glass next to the main entrance broken and scattered in every direction, but the marauders made quick their escape. The proprietors returned to their bed and kept on the watch for about ten minutes when they heard the party arrive again and attempt to gain an entrance. He succeeded in getting inside when Mr. Kusner, grabbing his revolver from under his pillow, started after him. Just as the fellow made his exit, Mr. Kusner fired, but with no avail. All that was missing was a shirt, which no doubt was taken when the glass was first broken as they were hanging in the show window. Mirkin & Kusner can consider themselves very fortunate in not losing more than they did under the circumstances, and Mr. Kusner deserves much credit for his brave attempt to frighten the guilty person away.

Returned to Altoona.

Jas. L. Salmond, of Altoona, one of the proprietors of the New York Clothing store, was in town Friday looking after his business interests in this place. During Mr. Salmond's visit here the goods of his store were packed and shipped back to Altoona and the store at this place will be closed. The establishment was opened in Patton early last fall and Mr. Wm. Storm was placed in charge. Mr. Storm was a young man who made many friends here and all will regret that he will not in the future be a resident of the town. The business relations of the COURIER with the New York Clothing store were always pleasant and agreeable.

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EBENSBURG CONVENTION.

Cambria Republicans Meet at the County Seat

WERE ENTHUSIASTIC.

Delegates to State Convention Named and Resolutions Adopted.

The Republican county convention met at Ebensburg Monday and named Lawrence L. Brown, of Hastings; Dr. F. N. Fidgeon, of Gallitain, and D. H. Kinkead, as delegates to the State convention with instructions to support Hastings for governor, Lyon for lieutenant governor and Brown for secretary of internal affairs. The candidacy of Congressman J. D. Hicks for re-election was also endorsed and the power to select his own conferees was delegated to him by the convention. E. C. Brown and S. M. Wilson were present from seventy-one districts, every district in the county being represented. The convention was the largest and most enthusiastic ever held in Cambria. Resolutions as follows were adopted:

Resolved That we interpret the vote of last Tuesday this State to mean that the people of Pennsylvania are tired of the spirit of sectionalism rampant at Washington which has resulted in the repeal of the Federal election bill, in the threat to destroy the national banking system, and in the advocacy of the revolutionary doctrine that protection is unconstitutional; and we look forward to the next congressional election with the expectation that the suicidal policy of the Democratic congress will complete the ruin of that party and insure the election of a Republican majority in congress and eventually a return to power in all branches of the government of the party of Lincoln and Grant.

Resolved, That we also interpret the unprecedented Republican majority in this State last Tuesday to mean that the people of Pennsylvania, regardless of party, have called a halt on the tariff destructionists at Washington, and that they believe the Wilson bill to be a measure fraught with ruin to the industries on which the people of the State depend. The voters of the State have seen these industries paralyzed, business disorganized and the thousands of men thrown out of employment and in want, and this is a mere anticipation of the passage of the free trade legislation, and they have placed on record their own protest in the shape of 187,000 majority for Galusha A. Grow.

For the New School Building.

Mr. A. J. Dill, of Pittsburgh, representative of the Smead-Mills company, was in town the latter part of last week and met the school directors for the purpose of introducing and explaining the heating and ventilating system for the public buildings manufactured by that company. Plans were submitted for placing the same in the new school building that it is proposed to erect here during the coming summer, and are now under consideration by the board of directors. The system is probably the best that has yet been devised for heating and ventilating school buildings. Dry closets are used and thereby expensive plumbing is not necessary. The system is successful in school buildings in many towns of Pennsylvania, among which may be named Kittanning, Punxsutawney and DuBois, where it has proven very satisfactory.

Hastings and Beaver.

General Hastings and Ex-Governor Beaver passed through town Thursday and a COURIER representative had the pleasure of meeting them. Neither would talk on politics although the subject was introduced several times. General Hastings is the only man the Republicans now speak of as a candidate for governor and his nomination at the state convention will probably be made unanimous. At the Republican convention held at Ebensburg Monday he was unanimously endorsed, which shows that he is popular in Cambria as well as elsewhere in the State.

List of Unemployed Letters.

The following letters remain in the postoffice at Patton for the week ending Saturday, February 24, 1894: Mike Evans (2), Mark Krise, Miss Katie Kintman, George Lupton, Samuel Loyd, Lawrence McGowan, Jno. H. Roland, L. L. Shearer, Job Stephens, W. W. Spencer, Harvey Weinstein, John Schriener.

Persons calling for the above letters will please say they are advertised.

R. A. MELLON, P. M.

From Falls Creek Herald.

Men who have business of their own to attend to should not waste valuable time in attending to the affairs of others.

We intend to lead and have others follow in style and price.

Yours Respectfully, Keller & Co.

NEW ARRIVALS IN PATTON.

Messrs. Keller & Co. Will Open a New Store in the Good Building.

That the present general depression has in no wise dampened the ardor for merchants contemplating Patton as a lucrative field in which to engage in their respective pursuits, is evidenced by the exceedingly large number who have already made it their destination, and which tends to show a revival of confidence and a general expectation of a decided improvement in all branches of business in the very early future.

Last among the prominent enterprises to establish in Patton is the clothing firm of Wm. Keller & Co., of Anstin Pa. Mr. Keller has associated with him Mr. Friedman. These gentlemen are merchants of wide experience in the business and are conducting large establishments in Anstin and Conoverport, Potter county, Pa. They are also closely connected with the firm of L. B. Cohn & Co., of Altoona, known as the "Model Clothing Store." This firm have engaged one of the elegantly furnished rooms in the Good building next to the First National bank and will put in a very large stock of clothing, gents furnishing goods, shoes, etc. The room is 25 x 50 feet, with two very large show windows and an expense will be spared to make it an attractive and thoroughly metropolitan in every particular as the most fastidious could desire. The windows will be in charge of a competent window dresser who thoroughly understands the art, and some unique displays may be looked for. Mr. Keller will personally conduct the business here and expects to remain permanently in Patton. He is a gentleman of indomitable perseverance, and his accomplishment of purpose is highly commendable and will make him a prominent figure in Patton business circles.

These gentlemen have been fortunate in securing the services of Mr. U. S. Stoltz, formerly of Carrolltown, but late of Altoona. Mr. Stoltz is well known in this vicinity and is a young man of exemplary habits, and excellent business qualifications. Preparations for the opening, which will take place the last of this week, will be most complete, and we wish them abundant success in their new enterprise.

Married at Bellefonte.

W. C. Hubbard, the well-known jovial carpenter, who is employed on the Good building at this place was married to a Miss Sadie J. Moore, of Flemington, on Thursday, February 22, at one o'clock P. M. Miss Moore is the estimable daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Moore, of Flemington. The ceremony was performed at Bellefonte by Rev. W. A. Hoach, a Methodist minister of that place. Mr. Hubbard has a large circle of friends in Patton who, with the COURIER, join in wishing he and his life partner a happy and prosperous journey together.

A Happy Sleigh Ride.

On Tuesday afternoon two sleighing parties composed entirely of ladies took advantage of the excellent sleighing and drove from this place to Hastings. The names of the participants are Mrs. Curdman, Mrs. Wilson, Misses Mary Wilson, Daisy Wilson, Katie Wilson, Mrs. Patterson, Bessie Patterson, Mrs. Addleman, Virgie Dale, Mrs. Greene.

Misses Della Addleman, Effie Addleman, Grace Jackson, Maggie Jacobs, Sammie Dale, Mollie Mellon, Fannie Mellon, Emma Tipper, Bert Morgan, Kate Young, — Kinkead.

Chest Springs Election.

Following is the report of the election at Chest Springs, which was sent to the COURIER last week, but too late for publication and will no doubt be of some interest to the COURIER readers this week: Justice of the Peace, John S. McKenna; Burgess, M. L. Leary; judge of election, Harry Little; inspectors, F. A. Hurd and Perry McDonald; council, John Renard, Will Little and Albert Conrad; school directors, John Coney, John McGrain and Charles McDonald; tax collector, D. C. Little; auditor, C. H. Perry.

Cleaning of Gold and Silver Lace.

Mix half a loaf of stale bread with a quarter of a pound of powder blue, rubbing the bread fine and mixing the blue with it. Sprinkle thickly over the lace and in a short time brush off the crumbs with a piece of flannel and rub softly with a piece of red velvet.—February Ladies' Home Journal.

Grow's Fertility 127,108.

The official returns from all the counties of the state gives Grow a total vote of 487,670 and Hancock 300,501, making Grow's exact plurality 187,169. Markley got 2,457, Morrow, 2,296, and Lotter, 3,945.

THE VETERANS AND SONS

Observe Washington Birthday at Westover.

FLAG PRESENTATION.

And Interesting Exercises Held at the School House in the Afternoon.

The flag presentation at Westover on Thursday last, was participated in by many old veterans and some of veterans. The flag was presented to the public school at that place by the G. A. R. Post No. 990. The Cherrytree drum corps, comprising seven instruments, furnished the music. On account of some delay, for which the Coconan representative could not account, the soldiers and citizens were not formed in line until fifteen minutes past one o'clock, and did not arrive at school house until a quarter of an hour later. The audience was called to order by Captain Harrison Lowman, who in a brief address made known the object of placing in the schools the American flag. His remarks were well received. Before taking his seat he introduced Rev. Vasson, of Hastings, who made the presentation speech. It was a brilliant and masterly effort, and was heartily applauded. His remarks he feelingly referred to Washington, Grant and the martyred Lincoln. How they suffered that a nation of freemen might live. He severely condemned the immigration of an objectionable element which is being continually dumped on the shores of this country. The speech was filled with sound logic, patriotism and good common sense. The COURIER representative could not learn the name of the speaker who made the acceptance speech, it being time for the departure of the train for Patton he had to leave. We understand that our townsman Dr. Noonan was booked to make an address, but on account of the time taken up by the two speakers already mentioned, it was impossible for him to do so, as he had to leave on the outgoing train.

Building and Loan Met.

The Patton Building and Loan met Tuesday night in the room of the First National bank. Owing to the dull times, only a few shares were sold, the premium paid, however, was very satisfactory. This building and loan is on excellent footing, and no doubt will, when times get better, grow with the town. The Coconan has again and again urged the people of Patton to take stock in a home organization, and again say that by so doing the town will soon be a city of homes. It is the only way in which a poor man can, with any satisfaction to himself, build a home. You may have to pay a large premium, but at the same time, the interest in the aggregate, will not be excessive. Those who do not fully understand the workings of a building and loan association, should call on Mr. Sandford, cashier of the First National bank, who can make it all plain.

Jingle: Merry Bell.

The fall of snow Monday morning was not very deep but with the excellent foundation it had made fine sleighing and Monday afternoon there were many out riding. During the evening a party drove over from Spangler and spent several pleasant hours at the Arlington. The same evening two sleigh roads drove from Patton to Spangler and had a most enjoyable time at that place. They returned by way of Carrolltown and stopped at that place briefly for rest and warmth. The Patton party arrived home about 1 o'clock Tuesday morning.

Be-W- Talking Establishment.

Bell, the clothier, has secured the services of J. W. Hill, of Columbia, Ohio, as a cutter and will open a first-class tailor shop at an early date. Cutting will be done in his store, Solomon building. A good fit and best styles guaranteed. Parties desiring clothing made to order will do well to see Bell before ordering suits.

Ink and Paper Wasted.

The COURIER again reports that communications sent for publication in the Coconan must positively be accompanied by the full name of the writer, or otherwise will be thrown in the waste basket. Initials will not be sufficient for a name. Those communicating will please bear this in mind.

"What shall we place on your tombstone?" asked the minister of the editor.

"We are here to stay," was the feeble reply.