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FARMING IMPLEMENTS

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PATTON, PA.

NEARLY 100 CARS A DAY

Is the Output of the Mines at Patton

FOR THE PAST WEEK.

Usual Activity in Operations.—Plenty of Orders for all Summer.

The prospect for a busy summer's work in the coal mining business is perhaps more promising at Patton than at any other point in the bituminous region of Clearfield or Cambria county. This, of course, is not taking into consideration the probability or possibility of the impending strike. The operators at Patton have or are about securing orders which will enable them to mine from one hundred to one hundred and twenty-five cars per day, for the entire summer. The output of this amount of coal means commercial prosperity for Patton, regardless of what the general depression in business may amount to. The amount of labor required for an output of coal of this size and the necessary distribution of money in wages will make business prosperous. The mines have been doing good work the past week. All of them have been working part or full time, and there is a general feeling of confidence, especially among the business men, in the immediate future.

The following is the record of work for the past week, as near as it can be computed without the official figures: Ashcroft 100 men and twenty cars per day; Rely's forty-five men and eight cars per day; Lingle mine 100 men and twenty cars per day; McCormick's mine seventy men and eight cars per day; Flannigan Run over 100 men and twenty cars per day, making a total of 415 men and eighty-six cars daily. This amount of operating, if continued, will make every properly conducted business in Patton prosperous, will enable the miner to earn good pay, and start the town on its second era of growth and advancement.

The COURIER has abiding faith in the future of Patton, and would like to see the same spirit manifested by all its readers, and everyone else interested in any way in the town.

Corpses Turned to Stone.

A remarkable case of petrification was discovered when the body of Solomon Krepps was exhumed in Taylor's cemetery near Erowsville, Pa., for removal to another graveyard. The grave was near the fence which separates the cemetery from the National Pike, and it is supposed that water percolating through the limestone road bed had kept the body covered with a calcareous solution. The clothing was found well preserved, although the burial took place eight years ago. The hair and beard were crisp and felt like threads of glass. The body was entirely turned to stone, and so hard that smart blows with a pick made no impression.—Greensburg Democrat.

Telephone Line.

The erection of a telephone line is being talked of to run from the different collieries of this place to one central office in the Good building. This will afford much better communication to and from these mines as the most of them are from one to two miles away from the general office. If an order comes in and has to be filled at considerable time can be saved by going to the telephone and talking to the mine boss and also in giving instructions pertaining to the working of the men. It will be quite a convenient thing if accomplished.

Will Visit Patton Weekly.

Drs. Richer & Gerow, dentists, will open a dental office at Hastings, Pa., this week. Dr. E. K. Gerow will have charge of the Hastings office and Dr. E. E. Richer will remain in the Reynoldsville office. Dr. Gerow will give the people of Hastings first-class work.—Reynoldsville Star.

Commercial Club.

All members of the Commercial club are earnestly requested to be present at the regular meeting in the Good building Friday evening at 7:30 sharp. Important business to be transacted.

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,	20 cents per pound.
Eggs,	15 " " dozen.
Wheat,	100 " bushel.
Apples,	70 " " bushel.
Onions,	25 " " bushel.
Turnips,	25 " " bushel.
Corn,	30 " " bushel.
Wheat,	30 " " bushel.
Barley,	35 " " bushel.
Oats,	35 " " bushel.
Hay,	3 to 5 cts. per head.
Hay,	\$1 to \$15 per ton.

DEATH OF STUART WILSON.

Called Suddenly Away—Leaves a Wife and Small Child.

Stuart Wilson, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Wilson, died at the home of his parents in this place, Thursday morning, April 12th, at 2:30 o'clock. He was taken suddenly very ill on Tuesday and physicians were hastily summoned, who did all in their power to alleviate his sufferings, but without avail, as the grim destroyer, death, which sooner or later must come to us all, claimed him as a victim, and laid grief-stricken parents in his dust.

On March 28th, 1893, he was united in marriage to Miss Ella Hepburn, daughter of James Hepburn, of Glen Campbell, who, with her infant daughter Kathleen, survive him. Mrs. Wilson was visiting at the home of her parents at the time her husband was stricken with the fatal illness, and arrived at his bedside before death called him away. The sweet young wife has the sympathy of the entire community in this hour of deep affliction and many expressions of sincere sympathy are extended to her and the grief-stricken parents in this their sad bereavement.

Deceased was aged 25 years, 4 months and 27 days. Funeral services were conducted at the Commercial hotel, Rev. Watson, of Hastings, officiating. The funeral cortege left on the 6:07 p. m. train Thursday for DuBois, where the remains were interred in the family plot at that place.

DEATH OF W. B. BRAYSON, ESQ.

A Prominent Business Man Passes Away—Interested in Patton.

The people of this community were shocked last week at the news of the death of William Bryson, Esq., a well-known lawyer of Philipsburg, who died suddenly of heart trouble. When he first took sick his condition at once became critical, but a change for the better set in and he had so far recovered as to be able to have his friends take him out driving, and strong hopes were entertained of his complete restoration to health.

Mr. Bryson was interested in the Monahan colliery just below Patton, which is better known as the McCormick mine, and was a man whom it was a pleasure to have business relations with. Mr. McCormick, his partner, attended the funeral at Philipsburg.

Following is what the Philipsburg Journal says: "The deceased was one of Philipsburg's most highly esteemed citizens and his death causes profound sorrow. He came to this city in the fall of 1886, about the time of the death of his brother, James Bryson, Esq., continuing the practice of law which his brother had followed here for several years. He came here from Bloomsburg, and previous to his coming to Philipsburg he represented Columbia county in the legislature two terms.

"About three years ago he married Miss Schroeder, of Reading, a sister to the wife of Col. Keller, of Bellefonte, who with a little son, Willie, aged about two years, survive him. The deceased was twice married, his first wife having died a number of years ago. A daughter to his first wife, aged about 20 years, survives and resides in Ashland.

"Mr. Bryson was a member of the Royal Arcanum, joining the organization on May 4, 1892. He was a robust, stately, fine looking man, shrewd lawyer, very affable in his manner, and had a large circle of friends.

"The sorrow-stricken wife and surviving relatives have the sympathy of the community in their great loss."

Will Be Built.

Some time ago the COURIER stated that Father Kittell, pastor of the Catholic church at Loreto, recently bought a convenient piece of land, about three-fourths of a mile from Loreto, on the Cresson and Cambria railroad. His purpose in doing so was to have a station house built there. Last week Father Kittell was in Altoona interviewing Superintendent F. L. Shepherd on the subject. He was successful in his mission, and the station house will be built at the place selected.

Slot Machines Must Go.

Roger O'Mara, superintendent of police of Philipsburg, has ordered that all the nickel-in-the-slot machines in which the return for the money put in them depends on chance be regarded as gambling devices. The order requires the confiscation of all the condemned machines, and the arrest of their owners.

Fishing is the latest fad now.

NEW SCHOOL BUILDING.

An Imposing Structure to be Erected at Once.

CONTRACT IS AWARDED

W. B. Auman's Bid Accepted—Work to be Commenced at Once.

At a special meeting of the school board Tuesday evening the sealed bids for the building of the new school house in the borough of Patton were opened and the contract was awarded to W. B. Auman, contractor and builder, of this place. The building is to be finished by the first of September and work will be commenced on it not later than the first of next month. There were about fifteen bids handed in to the board and considerable anxiety was manifested by the bidders up until Tuesday night when it was publicly announced.

It has not yet been decided in what spot the building will be placed. The architecture for the school building was furnished by Robinson & Snyder, of Altoona, who submitted drawings and plans some time ago and at that time the out of the building appeared in the COURIER. The plans were explicitly explained and critically examined. Mr. Robinson, representing Robinson & Snyder, had stated that a building of the kind submitted could be erected at cost not to exceed \$10,000, complete with all furniture for its equipment. The cut was an excellent one of the building, except that one wing will be omitted until the needs of the town require an eight-room building. It is so planned that the main entrance and one wing, with four rooms can be built and afterwards the second wing with four additional rooms can be added without marring the harmony of the whole, but will rather add to its beauty. Something of this nature will be met with the approval of the people. It will only be a few years until more room will be required and in the plans accepted it can be had with small expense.

The school rooms are each 35x34 feet, which will provide seating room for from forty to sixty pupils each, according to whether single or double desks are used.

Bonds will be issued not to exceed \$10,000 for the purpose of erecting the building. By issuing 7-30 bonds they can be redeemed at the expiration of seven years, if desired, or refunded at a lower rate of interest, if possible, and cover a period of thirty years.

Their First Ball.

A most delightful social event was the dance given by the Greenleaf Social Club of Patton, Thursday evening, April 12th. The club is composed of the leading young men of town who have taken an active interest in social progress. About thirty-five couples were in attendance and danced to the sweet strains of the Patton orchestra until the wee small hours waned them of the approach of another dawn. The club expects to give a series of balls in the near future which are sure to be most enjoyable as the club consists of members who are adepts in the art of entertaining.

Base Ball.

A large number of base ball enthusiasts drove over to Chest Springs Sunday afternoon to witness a game played at that place between a pick-up nine and the Chest Springs nine. The COURIER representative was informed that the pick-up nine seemed to all favor the old Patton club, but of course did not want that given away, at any rate that they would stoop to play a match game on the Sabbath day. The Patton club came out victorious, as usual.

Will Live Here.

W. C. Hubbard, who was lately married and who has been staying in Patton quite steadily made a trip to his former home about a week ago, and returned again Monday with Mrs. Hubbard. They expect to make Patton their future home and will occupy rooms on Fifth avenue, near Hotel Patton. Mr. Hubbard's many friends are pleased to learn that he has chosen Patton as his abiding place.

It is Soon Time.

The first of May will be the time for the set of dishes to be given away at Hodgkins' drug store. There is yet plenty of time to make a guess and every lady in and around Patton has the privilege of making a guess as to the number of shot in the bottle. The nearest to the number will be given the handsome set. It costs nothing to make the guess. Every lady should grasp the opportunity.

THE BRANDON

At Spangler, one of the Finest Hotels in this Section.

A representative of the Patton COURIER drove to Spangler on Saturday, and during his brief visit was the guest of Mr. G. F. Brandon, proprietor of The Brandon, the leading hotel of that place. As this was our first visit to Spangler we were somewhat surprised at the magnitude of this popular hostelry although its fame as a summer resort has become widespread throughout this entire region. The building is a large three story structure situated on Higher avenue, opposite the railroad depot, and its picturesque and architectural beauty are remarkably striking. Its frontage is 130 feet, with a north and south wing attached, the former eighty-five feet, the latter ninety-seven. This delightful retreat contains 100 rooms beautifully furnished in the latest and most approved style. The first floor contains the bar, billiard room, sample room and a large and handsomely appointed office, dining hall and parlors. The dining hall is charmingly arranged and its spaciousness affords every convenience for entertaining large numbers of guests, and is a very important advantage, its dimensions being 45x75 feet. The parlors on this floor communicate with the dining hall. The house was built by Mr. Long, Mr. Brandon having become proprietor in April 1893.

Mr. Brandon possesses that natural faculty of entertaining, that makes every guest desire to prolong their stay, and is capable with long experience of making everyone welcome, who seeks hospitality within his doors. Persons desiring an ideal place to spend their summer vacation, in which every city advantage is afforded, in connection with all the delights of the country could find no place more picturesque or delightful than this modern hotel. Mr. Brandon was formerly proprietor of the Brokerhoff house, at Bellefonte.

Send one to the "Courier."

The following is from the Brookwayville Record: "R. P. Green went fox hunting on Thursday and captured six fox cubs. He killed the old fox, but brought home the cubs alive. They are about the size of a half grown kitten, and of a mottled color. As they grow older their fur assumes the red color of the species. Also, Hynd and S. R. Van Horn also discovered a den the same day and dug out seven young foxes which they carried home alive. The old fox succeeded in escaping. At this den the men found a dead rabbit and two woodchuck heads which showed that it took considerable foraging to maintain the family."

Making Improvements.

The Johnstown Democrat says: "A large force of men are engaged in tearing out the end of the rail mill building at the Johnson company's works preparatory to beginning the work of erecting the new annex, which will be about 100 feet square. During the winter many changes were made on the mill. The saws and straightening presses were moved a considerable distance further from the rolls than they were formerly. On account of the change it became necessary to enlarge the building."

For Sale.

We have for sale a new platform spring wagon capacity for carrying 1800. It is hand made and has a fine appearance. Inquire at Fisher & Buek's furniture store Beach avenue, Patton, Pa., 20-41.

Marriage Licenses for Cambria.

The following marriage licenses were issued by the Clerk of the Orphans' Court for the week ending Wednesday, April 11, 1894:

C. A. Harbaugh, Elton, and Belle Cameron, Strongtown, Indiana county.

Henry C. Dumm, Nicktown, and Mary A. Wyland, Spangler.

John Lee and Margaret Hannah, Dysart.

Thomas Williams and Ida Walker, South Fork.

James Stumpf and Margaret Lantz, Elders township.

T. W. Letts and Catherine Noel, Carrolltown.

Harry W. Arthur, Johnstown, and Sarah M. Griffith, Stonycreek township.

George Gorga and Melon Derugi, Washington township.

George T. Huston, Johnstown and Katie Bell Fetterman, Strongtown, Indiana county.

Charles A. Shaffer, Mineral Point, and Ellen Pargin, Conemaugh.

James L. Gross and Fannie Hoover, Johnstown.

Remember the place to buy shoes cheap is at Keller & Co's large store in Patton.

ACCOMPLISHED AT LAST.

Better Mail Service on the Cambria and Cresson.

FOUR MAILS EVERY DAY

The People of this Section are Well Pleas'd With the Important Change.

At last the wants of the people of Patton have been granted in the way of better mail service on the Cambria and Cresson railroad to end from this place. There are two trains coming from both Cresson and Mahaffey and every train throws off and receives mail pouches. Heretofore mail was only thrown off on the trains arriving at this place from Cresson at 10:30 a. m. and 6:07 p. m., and mail was taken on the two trains arriving here from Mahaffey at 7:25 a. m. and at 3:30 p. m. Postmaster Mellon was notified this week by R. C. Jackson, superintendent of railway mail service, of New York that mail would be received on all trains and pouches thrown off on all trains, which order went into effect yesterday (Wednesday). This is what the people of Patton and surrounding towns have been anxiously longing for some time. It now gives us as good mail service as could be asked for and there is not a class of people anywhere who will more greatly appreciate it than the business men of Patton.

The COURIER has been agitating the movement for some time past and the following is what was published concerning it in the issue of February 22:

The opportunity of securing better mail service along the line of the Cambria and Clearfield road should not be neglected. The agitation has been started all along the line and should be continued until the service desired, or something immensely better has been obtained. There is probably not another section of equal scope and importance in the State where the mail service is as insufficient as it is along the line of the railroad mentioned. Hastings is about four miles from Patton and yet to get mail from one place to the other it must first be carried nearly one hundred miles. Mahaffey is twenty miles from Patton, but mail from the first named place which leaves in the morning does not reach Patton until 6:30 p. m. Mail from Patton to Mahaffey must leave at 7:25 a. m. and arrives at its destination the next morning, notwithstanding there is a direct railroad and two passenger trains each way daily between the two places. The pouches carried by the Cambria and Clearfield road are thrown off at La Jose and taken up by the Pennsylvania and Northwestern and taken on to Mahaffey, after having laid over night at La Jose. From Mahaffey the same transfer and a similar delay occurs.

It is understood that the superintendent of mails has been making inquiry concerning mails in this section and we have reason to hope for better service. In the meantime let the petitions that have been started out be circulated in every town between Mahaffey and Cresson and signed by every person who receives mail. It will indicate that the people are in earnest in their desire for better mail service and the present antiquated service will give place to something more modern and in accord with the needs of the communities of Northern Cambria and Southern Clearfield counties.

RE-EDITOR LETTS MARRIED

A Newspaper Man Joins the Army of Benefactors and Becomes Happy.

Mr. T. W. Letts, ex-editor of the Carrolltown News and at one time editor of the Penfield Press and Mrs. Catharine Noel, of Carrolltown were married at the residence of Harry Scanlan at Carrolltown Thursday evening, April 13, 1894. The attendants on the occasion were J. C. Fearer, of Spangler, and Mrs. E. Scanlan, of Carrolltown.

The News of Carrolltown says that invitations were extended to the relatives of the bride and groom and a pleasant and social gathering was the result. Many well wishers called during the evening to congratulate the newly married couple. The Carrolltown band tendered them a serenade and were kindly and liberally treated in turn. Mr. Letts came to Carrolltown nearly four years ago and since that time has made many friends and acquaintances. In a short address which he made to the members of the band he made mention of the kindness he received from their hands, as well as from the hands of the people of Cambria county. The newly married couple will take up residence in Patton where they have bought a property and where they will conduct a restaurant.

The COURIER extends to Mr. and Mrs. Letts hearty congratulations. May their lives be happy and prosperous.

Seventh Lutheran.

Divine services in the hall of Good building Wednesday, April 25, at 7:30 p. m. All are cordially invited by attend.

J. N. ALBERT.