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is to call your attention to the fact that A. M. THOMAS will occupy this space during the year of 1897.

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS

Gleaned Here and There by the "Courier" Reporter.

COAL RIGHTS BOUGHT.

W. W. Amsbury Purchased Nearly Ten Thousand Acres.

During the last two weeks W. W. Amsbury, who had already very considerable interests along the Coalport & Cresson railroad in Cambria county, closed the deals for about 10,000 acres of excellent coal in Allegheny and Munster townships, paying therefor the sum of \$10 per acre. The coal is of excellent quality, says the Hastings Tribune, and gives four veins, the A, B, C and D, these seams being believed to be in good shape under nearly all of the great body of land.

The property all lies along the Cambria & Clearfield railroad and extends almost from the center of the Wilmore basin, at Bradley Junction on the north, to the southern edge of the basin at Cresson. As a consequence the coal lies about 300 feet under the surface at the northern end, a fact developed by a test well at Bradley Junction several years ago, and rises at the rate of 10 feet per mile toward the south. It will have to be mined by shafting, and may not be developed for years, but when developed, its value will be enormous.

Deeds from the following parties to Assbury, which appeared in the Courthouse, have been recorded at Ebensburg: Adam Radolph, Peter Flick, Zachary Kaylor, Sarah Cain, James Drieckel, Henry Bard, Simon Fisher, Michael Borin, P. J. Willibrand, Margaret McCoolgan, Annie McMillen, Joseph Hogue, P. J. Sanders, Sylvester Seymour, Administrator of Philip Farren, H. P. Farren, William Lilly, H. J. Ivory, Joseph Kootka, Joseph Steebinger, Terrence O'Hara, Ann J. Garrett, Francis Itell, William E. Glass, Anastasia Smeltzer, Samuel Noel, John C. Eitzer, George A. O'Hara, Charles Flick, S. P. Sybert, Susan Seymour, George Flick, Rose Carney, Charles Miller, Joseph D. Hertzog, Joseph Eckenrode, Catharine Bradley, James W. Dally, Charles Timmonson, J. E. Shields, Philip Noon, John O'Hara, John Eckenrode, Mat. Farabaugh.

Bank in Better Shape.
The depositors of the three Blair county banks that closed their doors on December 14th received a gleam of hope last week say advices from Hollidaysburg. W. M. Hardt, Chief of Bank Examiners, has past the First National Bank of Hollidaysburg, and it is presumed that Comptroller Eckles will permit this institution to resume business at an early day. Assurances are given that the Martinsburg Deposit bank, which was closed by a run, will soon be taken out of the hands of the assignees and reopen its doors. The Williamsburg Deposit bank will go into liquidation. Depositors will probably receive between seventy-five and ninety cents on the dollar.

The Largest Family.
Olean, N. Y., claims the champion big family of the country, the head of which is W. A. Field. He is the happy father of 34 children, 21 of whom live at home with papa and mamma. The father is but 57 years old and his interesting brood consists of three sets of triplets, three sets of twins, while one, by some strange mischance, came into the world singly. Thirty-one of these children living, eight being boys.

A New Furniture Company.
The Sweeney Furniture company is the name of a new business which will launch forth in Patton soon. The company will occupy the rooms recently vacated by L. S. Bell, the clothier, and will be managed by Harry Sweeney, who is an expert undertaker, which branch will be looked after assiduously in all its departments. Success to the new enterprise.

At Hastings Opera House.
The Actors Holiday company will be at the Hastings Opera House on Thursday, January 14. This is an up-to-date attraction which is billed like a circus and boomed like an election. Thirty people and the only original real pickaninny band on the road. The company travels in its own car especially adapted for that purpose. It is a good attraction. Don't miss it.

School Report.
Report of Beech Grove school for month ending December 30: Number of pupils in attendance during month, males, 10; females, 16; total 26. Pupils who missed no days during month, Mary McMullen, Mary Hitch, Lenora Craver, Maggie Hitch, Flora Craver, Geo. Long, Thos. Craver, Peter Hish, MINGIE CRAVER, Teacher.

A WOMAN STARVED TO DEATH

In the City of Altoona in the Midst of the Upper Stories of a Tenement House on Fourth Street.

In a small dark room in one of the upper stories of a tenement house on Fourth street, Altoona, Mrs. Oscar Andrews' dead body was found Saturday by an investigating party. Crouching on a chair by the side of the bed that supported all that had been dear to him in this world was her husband. The room was cold and cheerless. There was no fire in the grate and no signs of food. The man was almost crazed by grief and hunger, and it was with the greatest difficulty that the short but elegant lady of his misfortunes could be gotten from him.

What he said between choking sobs was merely this: He had been out of work. His wife's health failed. No medicines, no food, no warmth, no proper attention caused her death, and it was plainly to be seen had not help come just when it did there would have been a double tragedy to record in that dark room of wretchedness.

The man was at once cared for by the proper authorities, and Coroner McCartney apprised of Mrs. Andrews' death. The coroner viewed the remains and announced that a thorough investigation would be made. Nor is the wretchedness of Oscar Andrews the only ill of that busy mountain city. The board of public charities Saturday made the alarming report that there were at least 50 families, comprising 200 souls, depending on public contributions for maintenance of life. It is a situation unparalleled in the history of that city.

Argument Court.
Following is a list of cases for argument on the 10th Monday of January, 1897: Goerner & Co vs. Luckhardt; Mahan vs. Jones; Gardner vs. Stevens; Rock vs. Leffer; Keystone Plaster Co. vs. Lefkowitz; Keystone Plaster Co. vs. Hannan; John H. Winters & Bro. vs. Hannan; In re Road in East Taylor twp. from East Conemaugh to Johnson; Batt vs. Bellerain; Commonwealth vs. Dulong; Swink vs. Trustee Trinity church; In re Condemnation proceedings of Real Estate of Bridget Canavan; In re Exclusion and detachment of Westmont Boro.; Brandinger vs. Pitman; Williams vs. Lehner; Lambour vs. Gray et al.; In re private road in Elder twp.; In re Exceptions to Appraisement A Elliot Est.; Luther vs. Farrell-Lantry; Clark & Ake vs. Farrell; Evans vs. Makin; Geis vs. Skelly; Wike vs. Fish; Hahn vs. Strayer; Middle States L. & B. C. Co. vs. Helzel; Ludwig vs. Kelly; Kaiper vs. Comer Bros.; O'Connor vs. Harris; Commonwealth vs. Tomb; In re Road in Allegheny twp.; In re Incorporation of Cresson Boro.; Yeager vs. Patton Boro.; Conlogue vs. Burns; Ranch vs. Lavelly; Trimble, Sides & Co. vs. McGonigle et al.; Gallatin B. & L. Assn. vs. Conway. In Equity—Schmidt vs. Nickel; T. J. Wolfe vs. Hannan.

Reduced Rates to Washington.
For the benefit of those who desire to attend the ceremonies incident to the inauguration of President-elect McKinley, the Pennsylvania Railroad company will sell excursion tickets to Washington March 1, 2, 3, and 4, valid to return from March 4 to 8, at the following rates:
From Pittsburg, \$10.00; Uniontown, \$10.00; Conneville, \$9.50; Greensburg, \$9.50; Butler, \$14.00; Allegheny Valley Junction, \$10.00; Johnstown, \$9.50; Altoona, \$9.50; Harrisburg, \$5.00, and from all other stations on the Pennsylvania system at reduced rates. This inauguration will be a most interesting event, and will undoubtedly attract a large number of people from every section of the country. The magnificent facilities of the Pennsylvania railroad make this line the favorite route to the national capital at all times, and its enormous equipment and splendid terminal advantages at Washington make it especially popular on such occasions.

An Aged Lady Died.
Mrs. Cassidy, mother of Geo. Cassidy, who lives a short distance east of Patton, died at the above mentioned home on Thursday night January 7, 1897, at the advanced age of 86 years. Interment took place at the Catholic cemetery of Patton on Saturday at 9 o'clock a. m. Only two sons, George, of Patton, and Mr. Cassidy, of Altoona, live to survive the loss of an affectionate and loving mother.

Died on Sunday.
Miss Mary Glasser, who has been spending the winter at the home of Hon. J. J. Thomas, south of town, died on Sunday about noon. Interment took place at the Catholic cemetery at Carrollton on Tuesday. Miss Glasser was a sister of Mrs. Thomas. The deceased leaves a host of friends to mourn her sad departure.

CAMBRIA COUNTY JURORS

Drawn at Ebensburg for March Term of Court.

GRAND AND TRAVERSE.

Below is Given the Names of Those Drawn from North Cambria.

The Jury Commissioners at Ebensburg made the drawing of Grand and Traverse Jurors for the term of court commencing the first Monday in March: Grand Jurors.
Isaac Michaels, merchant, Blacklick twp.
Geo. S. Lloyd, laborer, Susquehanna twp.
Frank McConnell, laborer, Chest twp.
C. L. Wisinger, carpenter, Dale.
T. H. Jarvis, carpenter, Ebensburg, W. Ward.

Traverse Jurors—First Week.
John Wills, laborer, Ashville.
Robert Hinmarsh, miner, Hastings.
Richard W. Jones, farmer, Barr twp.
Pius Anna, farmer, Clearfield twp.
John Holz, carpenter, Elder twp.
Michael Cox, carpenter, Patton.
G. W. Lambert, blacksmith, Spangler.
Edward O'Brien, contractor, Cresson twp.
Thos. Bumford, farmer, Cambria twp.
Amos James, laborer, Ebensburg, W. Ward.
Ed. Kelly, miner, Elder twp.
Wm. Haywood, miner, Hastings.
Wm. A. Powell, farmer, Reade twp.
Wm. Heysing, farmer, Gallatin.
Frank S. Foster, laborer, White twp.
Russel Wertz, laborer, Hastings.
Anthony Wyland, teamster, Spangler.

Traverse Jurors—Second Week.
Milton Kirkpatrick, miner, Carroll twp.
Henry Link, farmer, Susquehanna twp.
H. C. Williams, foreman, Barnesboro.
Oscar Evans, farmer, Cambria twp.
J. S. Killens, lumberman, Barnesboro.
E. B. Bowman, miner, Reade twp.
Obadiah Reese, farmer, Cannon twp.
Wm. Humphreys, farmer, Cambria twp.
Fred Stiles, farmer, Barr twp.
F. H. Leart, laborer, Barnesboro.
John Marrion, Jr., farmer, Susquehanna twp.

Traverse Jurors—Third Week.
Bernard Wills, clerk, Loretto.
John Garman, miner, Reade twp.
W. A. James, farmer, Cambria twp.
Alex Hunter, miner, Patton.
Vincent McDermitt, farmer, Cresson twp.
George C. Mardis, farmer, Blacklick twp.
John K. Powell, coal operator, Cresson twp.

Pensioners Issued.
Following are the pension certificates issued since December 24th, 1896: Original—Wm. B. Shaffer, Somerset; John Hillier, Vandergriff, Westmoreland county; W. Work, Marion Centre, Indiana county; William H. Hardell, Clearfield. Original widows, etc.—Adelaide A. Dewers, Rmsh, Westmoreland county; Margaret McBurney, Fort Palmer, Westmoreland; Mary Critsen, Dubois, Clearfield county; Elizabeth D. Black, Indiana, Increase—Seth S. Smith, Bedford; John Shoup, Hobitsell, Bedford county. Restoration and increase—Jacob S. Long, Knight, Westmoreland county.

It May Be Mr. Thompson.
It is declared from Philadelphia, on the authority of men high in the Pennsylvania railroad, that Vice-President Frank Thompson will, at the annual meeting in March, be elected president to succeed George B. Roberts. Mr. Roberts has been seriously ill for eighteen weeks, and has been moved from his bed to a couch but twice in that time. Both times the effort worked grave injury to the patient, who is suffering from weak action of the heart.

Robbed at Clearfield.
William Robbins, an old soldier, was assaulted and robbed of \$30.00 near the Lutheran church at Clearfield, Pa., about 8 o'clock Friday night. He had just drawn his pension money and was on his way home. At a dark place in the street a man ran up to him, threw pepper in his eyes, caught him by the throat and took the money from his pocket. The robber then made his escape and has not been discovered.

At the Hastings Opera House on Thursday night, January 14th.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK MEETING

Held on Tuesday, at Which Important Business Was Transacted.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Patton was held on Tuesday, January 12th. The following stockholders from out of town were present: A. E. Patton, A. G. Palmer, Hon. James Kerr, Geo. S. Good, and E. C. Brown and W. H. Sandford, of Patton.

The results of the business of the past year were considered and a board of directors elected for this year. The following gentlemen will constitute the board: A. E. Patton, A. G. Palmer, Hon. James Kerr, Geo. S. Good, Rembrandt R. Peale, E. C. Brown and W. H. Sandford.

Notwithstanding the adverse business conditions that prevailed throughout the year 1896 in all lines of business, the results of the bank's business were very satisfactory, indicating rapid growth and increase in the business of the bank. The results of the conservative management, yet liberal policy of this bank, are rapidly making it one of the leading financial institutions of this section of the State.

The board of directors organized by re-electing the old officers, to-wit: President, A. E. Patton; vice-president, A. G. Palmer; cashier, W. H. Sandford.

WOODHOUSE-MITCHELL WEDDING

Which Took Place at the Home of the Bride's Parents, Patton.

The home of James G. Mitchell, of Patton, was the scene of a beautiful home wedding on Wednesday, January 6th. It was the event of the marriage of one of his estimable and accomplished daughters, Anna, to Mr. William Woodhouse, of Willsboro, Tioga county, Pa. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. N. O. Patterson, pastor of the Baptist church of Patton, at high noon, Miss Kate Mitchell, sister of the bride, acting bridesmaid, and Mr. Woodhouse, brother of the groom, acting groomsmen, in the presence of the immediate friends and relatives of the contracting parties. After the usual congratulations all retired to the dining room where a sumptuous meal was waiting, to which the writer, as is his custom on such occasions, did justice.

Mrs. Woodhouse is well-fitted for her new relation, having spent several years with her sister Kate, connected with a large business house of Arnot. Mr. Woodhouse is an accomplished mechanic, and has the honor of being the champion cornettist of Tioga county.

The COURIER's best wishes follow them for a successful and happy life.

County Court Letter.

EBENSBURG, PA., Jan. 11, 1897.
The county auditors commenced auditing the receipts and expenditures of the county on Monday last and are still at work.

A little child of Robley, the tailor, is ill with scarlet fever.

The skating is very good on Lake Rowens and lovers of that sport visit the lake daily.

Miss Minnie Craver, one of Chest Township's teachers, spent Saturday and Sunday at her home in this place.

E. P. Baker, one of Susquehanna's prominent citizens was in Ebensburg on Friday.

E. J. Humphreys, of Cambria township, will offer his personal property at public sale on Saturday. Mr. Humphreys will move to Ebensburg in a short time.

F. E. Farabaugh, of Patton, was in town on Monday last.

Quarterly Meeting.

The last quarterly meeting for this conference year will be held in the Methodist Episcopal church next Sunday, January 17. The services will be as follows: Love feast at 9:30 a. m.; preaching at 10:30 a. m., at which time the sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered; preaching and revival services at 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school and Epworth League at the usual hours. The presiding elder, Rev. D. S. Monroe, D.D., will preach on Tuesday evening, January 19th. The revival meetings are growing in interest and power. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these services.

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NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

From a Special Correspondent to the "Courier."

THE CUBAN QUESTION

Practically Shelved for the Time Being—Senator Mills' Resolutions.

Washington, Jan. 11th, 1897.—President-elect McKinley doesn't wish the Congress to take any action upon any Cuban resolutions. This has been hinted for some time, but now it is fully known. Senator Culiom, of Illinois, and Thurston, of Nebraska, who have both had recent consultations with Major McKinley and who previous to the holiday recess of Congress were among the most persistent advocates of immediate action by Congress in behalf of Cuba, are now counselling delay and pointing out reasons therefor.

If Representative Money, of Mississippi, who has returned from his trip of personal investigation to Cuba, made any important discoveries, he is concealing them. One of his friends says he will tell what he learned in Cuba in a speech, but when asked about it, Mr. Money declined to either confirm or deny it.

When the advocate of any idea does something to get that idea jangled at, he does it irreparable injury, and that is about what Senator Mills has done by his latest Cuban resolution, upon which he to-day made an unusually strong and able speech. Senator Mills isn't addicted to the habit of jolting up serious subjects, and it is certain that when he wrote that Cuban resolution he had no intention to make anybody laugh. All the same he has done so, and the laughter continues, in spite of his serious speech, and may prove a more powerful factor than argument in causing the whole Cuban question to be shelved for a time. The Mills resolution recognizes the independence of Cuba, and declares that the President should act in harmony with Congress, but the humor lies in its tail, which provides that a Minister to Cuba shall be appointed and appropriate \$10,000 to pay his salary and expenses.

So far as known, the only capital the Cuban junta has established is in the saddle and the most persistent office-seeker would hardly care to be a Minister at such capital.

Literary Program.

The Farmers Alliance rendered a very successful program in their hall at St. Lawrence on Saturday evening. The meeting was called to order at 7 o'clock, Anthony Gill acting as chairman. Song by choir, music was excellent; address of welcome by John Nedimeyer. The address showed that he took an interest in the Alliance and welcomed everybody; recitation by Ananary Warner; song by choir; recitation by Anson Warner; select reading by Mary Gill; debate—Resolved, That woman should have the right of suffrage. The question was opened by John Nedimeyer. He showed that he was interested in woman suffrage and that woman should have the right with man. The first speaker on the negative was John Kruse. His talk showed some preparation. The affirmative was closed by Prof. F. E. Wente. It is needless to state how he handled his side of the question. He has a good voice, speaks easy and handles a debate same as the pen. The negative was closed by D. I. Kline. Mr. Kline is a very good debator. He kept the crowd laughing and applauding all the time he spoke. Song by choir; decision of the judges—they decided unanimously in favor of the affirmative; recitation by Addie Hippa; select reading by E. M. Nedimeyer; recitation by A. F. Hippa; recitation by Mary Nedimeyer; essay by Prof. F. E. Wente; oration by E. M. Nedimeyer; recitation by D. I. Kline, subject "How he and Maria killed the mouse;" song by choir. E. M. NEDIMEYER, Secretary.

Local Institute.

Following is the program for a local institute to be held at Nietstown, January 15, 1897: Local institutes, W. A. Brawley; recitation, Annie McCumbe; Methods of teaching history, Kate Wallace; essay, Mollie Dumm; Practical arithmetic, Thomas Parrish; Orthography, A. A. Leib; Civil government, W. A. Brawley; Questioning in class, Vincent Mulvehill; Debate—Resolved that the compulsory attendance is a benefit; affirmative, Thos. Parrish, A. A. Leib; negative, W. A. Brawley, Vincent Mulvehill. The institute will meet at 1 p. m.

January 14 at Hastings Opera House.