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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS

Gleaned Here and There by the "Courier" Reporter.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Of Special Meeting Held in Council Chambers Wednesday Night, March 31.

In pursuant to a call Patton Borough Council met in special session on Wednesday evening, March 31, to transact general routine of business with the following members present: President W. C. Hubbard, Alex. Monteith, Ralph Leisch, J. T. Culp, Joel Dixon, Wm. Leadbetter and J. D. Blair.

A communication was read from Henry & Swartz, representing the Patton Electric Light Co., setting forth the rate they would charge for arc electric lights on the streets of Patton by the year. They also presented an ordinance asking the right and privilege to erect poles and string electric light wires, etc., in the borough of Patton. On motion it was carried that the communication and ordinance referred to above be laid over till next regular meeting.

On motion it was carried that J. Watt Miller be given permission to tap sewer line on Magee avenue as requested in a communication received from him. A communication was read from Supt. F. F. Robb stating that the Pennsylvania Railroad company would erect foot bridges across Chest creek and Little Chest creek, (Dry run) on East and West Magee avenue, as requested by the borough council.

On motion it was carried that the Burgess be instructed to "swear in" the following fire patrolmen as requested by the Patton Fire company: Fred Mellon, Claud Potter and M. F. Tate.

A communication was read from H. S. Woomer asking for the following supplies: One or two maces, one pair of cuffs, one pair of nippers and one belt. On motion it was carried that the matter be referred to the fire and police committee who were instructed to purchase what they deemed necessary.

The following bills were read to Council: E. C. Brown, (sewer fund) $16.50; H. S. Woomer, chief of police month of March, 1897, $50.00; E. Will Greene, clerk services month of March, 1897, $5.08; Patton Supply Co., oil, etc., bill of March 8, 1897, $26.50, and bill of March 31, 1897, $10.15; H. T. Gould, 2 days auditing account, $4.00; Patton Water Co., water rent for month of November, 1896, $18.24; And the following for street work per Street Commissioner Jones' account: S. E. Jones, $18.20; Joe Karlheim, 15 cts.; W. Gill, 75 cts.; Adolph Hofer, $9.15; Victor Lauer, $7.35; Joe Carlheim, team, 52 cts. On motion it was carried that the bill of the Patton Supply Co. of March 8, 1897, be held over and that the clerk be instructed to investigate the same. On motion it was carried that the above bills (with the exception of the Patton Supply Co.'s bill of March 8) be accepted as read and orders drawn on the Treasurer for the same.

The President appointed the following named councilmen as a committee to see about purchasing oil by the barrel for street lighting purposes: Alex. Monteith, Wm. Leadbetter and J. T. Culp.

On motion it was carried that David Green be given permission to construct a drain leading from his cellar as requested. Council then adjourned to meet at regular meeting night on Wednesday, April 7, 1897.

Epworth League Entertainment.

Following is a program of an entertainment to be given by the Epworth League of the Patton M. E. church on Friday evening, April 9th, at 7:30 o'clock:

Prayer.....Rev. Chas Wasson.
Duet.....(Miss Mamie Jones, Miss Jennie Crain.) "The Drink I'll Use"
Recitation.....Miss Fannie Freeman. "Sister and I"
Instrumental Selection.....Mrs. Joseph Taylor. "Dorothy"
Solo.....Miss Edith M. Zimmerman. "The Song for Me"
Recitation.....Miss Minnie Holter. "What the Little Girl Said"
Music.....Mandolin and Guitar Club.
Recitation.....Miss Jennie Crain. "The Price of Battery B"
Instrumental Selection.....Mrs. Joseph Taylor. "Ben Hur's March" (Hur)
Recitation.....Miss M. Joy Singer. "The Angels and Shepherds" (Ben)
Solo.....Miss Edith Zimmerman. "The Joy of Spring"
Instrumental Selection.....Miss Mamie Jones. "Battle of Waterloo"
Recitation.....Miss Fannie Wilkins. "My Receipes"
Music.....Mandolin and Guitar Club.
Recitation.....Master Duncan Sandford. "Mother's Fool"
Solo.....Prof. T. J. Fulton. Selected
Music.....Silver Collection. Guitar Club

The "Phoenix bike," one of the finest, $60.00. Regular $100 wheel.

BELL, The Clothier.

POMONA GRANGE MEETING.

Held at Loretto, Pa., on Monday and Tuesday—Very Instructive Sessions.

The Cambria County Pomona Grange meeting which convened at Parochial hall, Loretto, Pa., on Monday and Tuesday of this week was among the most pleasing, interesting and instructive conventions ever held in the county by the Grange.

Mr. Alex. Strittmatter, Worthy Master of the Pomona, filled the chair throughout the sessions. The other officers were present at all times to fill their respective places. The Flinton Grange choir was present throughout the meeting and entertained the members with their elegant singing. Miss Lula Bannan, of Enterprise Grange, was also present and delivered a beautiful solo entitled "The Waiting Heart," which is deserving of great praise to Miss Bannan.

On Monday morning the most of the time was taken up in reports of Subordinate Granges and queries. In the afternoon Leighton Rowlan recited a recitation, after which T. L. Parrish, of Cresson Grange, gave an interesting talk on "Bee Culture." At this session the much-discussed road question was brought up, and very ably handled. To hear the discussions on the road question you can readily see that the farmers, as well as others who use the public highways, agree that we need much better roads, but the question that confronts the farmers to-day is "The way to get good roads without laying the burden on one class of people."

The evening session was open and came to order at 8 o'clock. St. Michael's Silver Cornet band was present throughout the evening session and entertained the audience with some very nice music. This session was taken up with talks by John Ricketts, of Flinton, subject—"Dark and bright side of agriculture;" F. W. Hughes, of Cambria Grange, on the welfare and good of the order. Mr. James McCann, of Lilly, president of the K. of L., 2nd district, and T. A. Bradley, also of Lilly, ex-president of the 2nd district, gave very interesting talks on the conditions of the miners of to-day, the benefit of organization and the relation between the farmer and the miner. At intervals throughout the session the Grange was entertained by a recitation by Miss Lula Bannan and an essay by Mrs. Bannan, both of Enterprise Grange; also an essay by Mrs. Annie Biter, of Munster Grange.

Misses Susie Ricketts and Eva Gates, of Flinton Grange, delivered some beautiful solos and duets Monday evening. They were very much appreciated by the listeners and certainly the ladies deserve great credit for the time they spent in making the meeting a success.

The work of Tuesday morning was discussing the report of the committee on resolutions including an essay by Mrs. Charlotte Will, of Fairview Grange.

On Tuesday afternoon the Grange was in fifth degree session. The principal work was conferring degrees and discussions for the good of the order. Grange closed at 4:30 p. m. to meet third Monday in June, 1897.

H. M. G.

Funeral of Gen. Magee.

The funeral of the late General George J. Magee, the president of the Fall Brook Railroad company was held at Watkins, N. Y., Monday afternoon, March 29. Five special trains from New York, Buffalo, Jersey Shore and Corning brought prominent railroad men and others to the funeral. Rev. Wesley Wells officiated at the services and delivered an eloquent address over the body. Interment, which was private, was made in the Magee family vault in Watkins cemetery, and the father and son, who made the Fall Brook railway one of the richest corporations in the country, now rest peacefully side by side. It is stated on what is considered the best of authority that Colonel John Magee, eldest son of the late General George J. Magee, will succeed his father as president of the Fall Brook Railway company, and the Fall Brook Coal company.

Received New Seats.

The Baptist church of this place is having a steady and substantial growth. The right of baptism was again administered on the last Lord's Day. The church has ordered sufficient chairs to finish seating the building and has the money in hand to pay for them. When they arrive they will be placed in semi-circle from which will add to the appearance of the interior and furnish seats for the many who have heretofore been turned away from want of seats. Much credit is due the board of trustees for the substantial financial condition of the church.

N. O. PATTERSON, Pastor.

FROM NORTH CAROLINA.

A Communication Written by John C. Patrick.

POTATOES ALREADY UP

The Coldest Day in Winter Was But 18 Degrees Above Zero.

MALMO, N. C., April 2, '97.

EDITOR COURIER:—As it is a long time since I wrote you last, I thought a few more lines might be interesting to some who have been making inquiries in regard to this section.

We are now through the winter, which has hardly seemed like winter at all to us, though the natives tell us it has been an unusually severe one. I kept an accurate report of the weather through January and February, taking the temperature three times a day, and the lowest the mercury registered was 18 degrees above zero. We had one very light fall of snow, but so light we could hardly see it. There have been no days during the winter we could not work out doors (except when it rained) and we have all been very busy preparing for spring work and putting up fences. Our potatoes are showing above ground nicely now. We were delayed in planting on account of rain so crops are not as far advanced as they would have been.

We have had several additions to our colony and more are to follow.

They are coming from Nebraska,
And from far off Iowa
To this sunny land of Dixie,
And they're coming here to stay.

My next neighbor (the last comer) has left the snow banks of North Dakota and its 48 degrees below zero, and come to make his home with us, buying 50 acres of land adjoining mine. There is every prospect of a prosperous colony here in the near future. Land is cheap; we are close to the railroad and not far from a city of 25,000 population, and have as healthy a climate as can be found any where between New York and San Francisco. Chills and fevers here are almost unknown, and I assure you I can appreciate this as I was a victim to both for years in Pennsylvania.

This year with us will be an experimental one, our land is new, and consequently not as productive as cultivated land, but we hope to be able to get in good working order for next year.

Winter farming seems to pay the best here, but it is somewhat expensive, as you have to protect your crops by covering with cloth.

We have room here for all the Pennsylvanians who will come, and any amount of good land yet unsold around us, which can be purchased on very reasonable terms. We had an addition to our colony the other day in the shape of a little fellow who will have to have considerable attention paid him before he can do much farming. The little chap was ushered into the world without the assistance of a doctor, and Brother Mom says he is the cheapest baby they ever had.

This would be a poor location for a doctor as it is so healthy we have no use for one. We often thought of you shoveling snow when we were working in our shirt sleeves here, and did not envy you at all. The temperature averaged 46 degrees in January and 58 in February, while it only got down to 32 degrees once in March.

And now wishing all our old friends as good health as we are enjoying and with best wishes for the continued prosperity of Patton and THE COURIER, I am

Yours sincerely,
JOHN C. PATRICK.

Infant Dead.

Catharine, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Jones, died at the parents home on Lang avenue on Monday night, aged 19 days. Only a few days was this precious child permitted to live in this world, but that life is continued with Jesus, who said of the children "Of such is the Kingdom of Heaven." The funeral occurred on Tuesday afternoon, the services being conducted by Rev. Chas. W. Wasson, and the body was laid to rest in the Protestant cemetery.

Seven New Dwellings.

W. J. Donnelly & Co. have perfected arrangements for the erection of seven new dwelling houses to be erected in Patton this spring and summer. The buildings will be erected in the western portion of town and will be for sale or rent. Bloom & Spencer, contractors, who will do the work, have material on the ground and will soon begin the erection of the same. This is a good starter for Patton and may others follow.

PATTON MINERS MEET

In the Firemen Hall in Patton on Monday Evening.

On Monday evening, April 5th, a mass meeting of the bituminous coal miners of Patton was held in the Firemen's hall. The hall, which is not very large, was crowded and many were compelled to go away who could not get in.

The day work system and the reduction of which some of the operators are calling for was freely discussed by quite a number of the miners, after which the following resolutions were adopted:

"RESOLVED, That we condemn the day work system, for the reason that it will throw one-half of the men out of employment, and make slaves of those who will be employed, and be it further

"RESOLVED, That we support those who have been forced into the day work system, and are resisting the same, and those who are resisting a reduction of any kind, believing that there is no need for any change at the present time.

The Fence Law.

The opinion handed down recently by Judge Savidge, of Sunbury, interpreting the fence law, is of interest to every farmer in the State. A woman had brought suit against a neighbor for damage to her corn by his cattle. Judge Savidge charged that the law formerly required a man to fence against his neighbor's cattle, but now under the statute every man must fence against his own cattle, and this he must do at all hazards, no matter if it takes a fence ten feet high. If one's cattle get out and do damage to his neighbor the owner of the cattle is liable for the damage done, unless it can be shown the cattle were let out by a trespasser, in which case the party damaged would proceed against the wrong-doer.

Death of a Child.

Charles Wesley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lees, died at the parents home on Fifth avenue Sunday morning at 8 o'clock, aged 2 years, 5 months and 15 days. He was a bright interesting little boy and will be greatly missed by his parents, but they find comfort in the thought that their dear child has gone to be with the Savior, who, when in the world, took the little ones in his arms, and blessed them. Charley lives in the home above, and awaits the coming of father and mother. Brief services were held on Sunday evening by Rev. Chas. W. Wasson, and on Monday morning the sorrowing parents and friends took the body to Brisbin, Pa., where the funeral occurred on Monday afternoon.

Stocking Lake Rowena.

The Ebensburg Mountaineer says that nine more cans of yellow perch arrived on Tuesday for Lake Rowena. The Lake is being liberally stocked with choice fish, and fishing in any manner, except with hook and line in its waters or tributaries will be strictly prohibited. This is according to law and is necessary in order to give the new fish a chance to increase. In addition to the perch there have also been a number of varieties, including rainbow trout, placed in the Lake.

Remodeling the Arlington.

George Yeager, who recently purchased the Arlington hotel property, opposite the Good building, has a crew of men at work remodeling the same. He expects to put a stone wall under, put in a new front, re-paint and improve the building in general. The large veranda in front of the building was torn down on Monday which greatly added to its appearance. Mr. Yeager expects to occupy a portion of the building when completed and the remainder will be rented for offices and stores, etc.

Resumed Operation.

Hunter & Baughman's saw mill east of Patton resumed operation on Monday, April 5th, and is expected to run until the first of December. The management of the mill says that 3,500,000 feet of logs will be cut into lumber during tht season's run. I. F. Baughman, of the firm, was in Pittsburg last week and he says that the outlook for the lumber business this summer is very bright. While there he sold 2,500,000 feet of this season's cutting.

Returned From the City.

Alice A. Ashcroft, the Magee avenue milliner, has just returned from the eastern cities with a bran new line of beautiful spring and summer hats for misses and ladies. She also has a fine line of shirt waists, capes, skirts, baby dresses, etc. Don't miss seing what she has in stock.-1t

New neckwear, hats, hosiery, underwear, caps, shirts, shoes; in fact complete new line of furnishings.

BELL, The Outfitter.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON

From a Special Correspondent to the "Courier."

THE CIVIL SERVICE

Rules May be "Torn to Pieces" by the Civil Service Committee.

Washington, April 5th, 1897.—The Civil Service Rules may be likened to a punching bag in a public gymnasium, and the Senators and Representatives to the punchers. Whether they can punch the bag to pieces is yet to be seen. The Senate Civil Service Committee is preparing to make an exhaustive investigation of the workings of the Civil Service under those rules, but that isn't going fast enough for some of the opponents of Mr. Cleveland's numerous extensions of the rule, and Representative Corliss, of Michigan, has offered a joint resolution providing for the repeal of every extension made under the last administration. Mr. Corliss tried to get immediate consideration for the resolution, but Speaker Reed would not have it that way, so it has gone to join the numerous bills and resolutions which are awaiting the appointment of the House Committees. Mr. Corliss says that President McKinley has the authority to rescind those rules, but that he thinks that it would only be right for Congress to assume the responsibility of doing so.

The House is taking things quite easy since the passage of the tariff bill. It met on Saturday and only remained in session a short time, during which it adopted the joint resolution to charter a vessel to carry the grain which has been contributed to famine stricken India by citizens of the United States. It then adjourned until Wednesday, and the present understanding is that it will meet Wednesdays and Saturdays until the Senate acts on the tariff bill.

Members of the Senate Committee on Finance are working night and day on the tariff bill, their intention being to go over the entire bill item by item. If they have arrived at any conclusions, they have not announced them, notwithstanding what purport to be assertions to the contrary. Few people believe that the clause making the new duties go into effect April, will be in the bill when it passes the Senate, although it may be left in until just before the final vote is taken, for the purpose of keeping down importations.

The western Senators who have been so vigorously protesting against the order issued by President Cleveland just before the close of his term, setting apart 21 forest reservations in the west have partially gained their point. The National Forestry Commission has been summoned to Washington to talk over the matter with President McKinley, who is already satisfied that President Cleveland's proclamation was entirely too comprehensive. It is not expected that the Cleveland order will be officially rescinded, but that as each of the reservations are surveyed, the President will exempt from the provisions of the Cleveland order such land as are of a mineral or agricultural character, or where settler's rights would be trampled upon.

Ebensburg Considered.

It will be remembered that last summer a vigorous effort was made by the enterprising people of Ebensburg to have the Division Encampment of the Pennsylvania National Guard located here, says the Mountaineer. That this movement, although not successful at that time, has borne good fruit, is indicated by the following item taken from Tuesday's Pittsburg Times:

"The site of the encampment for the Second brigade of the National Guard is under consideration, and the different places available about placed in the order of standing as camping favorites. The places offered are Glencairn, Ebensburg, Conneaut Lake and Erie. Glencairn is considered the best spot, but the objections of the city troops will send the choice to Ebensburg. Erie is the last choice."

Married

At the Baptist parsonage, Patton, Pa., April 1st, 1897, by the Rev. N. O. Patterson, Charles L. Rainey and Calla B. Summers, both of Marron, Clearfield county, Pa.

Bicycle suits 5, 6 to $8 with the new cushion seat. Come in and see them.

BELL, The Clothier.

To correspondents.

Write on one side of the paper.
Write your letters large and neat;
And 'twill be the proper caper
If you use but one small sheet.

—ED.

Get a big rose shad for 25 cents at Kinkead's restaurant.-18tf