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## ALL ROADS WILL LEAD TO PATTON ON THE FOURTH OF JULY.

### BLACK DIAMOND DELIVERS!

News and Notes Concerning the Coal Industry.

### WANT TWO MORE PAYS

Miners Request that Number of Pay Days Before the Fourth—Notice to Checkweighmen—New Mining Powder Discovered and Company Organized.

Some dissatisfaction exists among the miners relative to the pay days and at a meeting of the Patton union of the United Mine workers held on Monday evening a committee of five was appointed to lay their grievances before Supt. Lingle of the Beech Creek Coal & Coke Co. What the miners especially desire at this time is two pay days before the Fourth of July.

Under the plan now in vogue, that of paying the first Saturday after the 1st and 15th of each month, the men would receive but one pay before Independence Day, on June 22nd; the next would come on the 8th of July, or two days after the festivities incident to the Fourth are over.

Mr. Lingle received the miners in a kindly spirit, and while he did not make any definite promises, assured them that he would do all in his power to have favorable action taken upon their request.

Wm. McPherson, the president of sub-district No. 1, of District No. 2 has issued the following:

To the Bank Committees of Sub-district No. 1 of District No. 2

Gentlemen: You are hereby requested to pay strict attention to the time worked by checkweighmen, and compare it with time marked on their statements; also watch carefully to see that checkweighmen do not report more miners and laborers than they have actually at work in the mine employed, as this has been done for the purpose of getting extra wage allowed for an advanced number of men, as has also the increasing of the time worked, and several checkweighmen have been compelled to refund for the extra time received, and if they wish to avoid more harsh treatment than heretofore they will be governed strictly by the sub-district constitution and by-law. No more leniency will be shown checkweighmen who are found to be guilty of either of the above charges, and the several bank committees will be vigilant and prompt to report for action.

Hon. Jas. Kerr, the president of the Beech Creek Coal & Coke Co., is the president of a company just formed with a capital stock of \$100,000 for the purpose of manufacturing Rickey's non-dangerous and non-smokeless powder for use in mining coal. This powder is the invention of Sherman Clark, of St. Louis, and J. W. Rickey, of Montana, and has been tried by Mr. Kerr and others engaged in mining, who pronounce it the best thing ever used in that line in the mining of coal.

E. C. Brown has a diamond drill at work on his land at Defiance, Bedford county, prospecting for coal. The Colonial Iron Co., whose furnaces are at Riddlesburg, has leased Mr. Brown's lands.

One hundred and fifty cars per day is said to be the allotment to be granted to the mines of the Beech Creek Coal & Coke Co. at this place during the summer months.

The mining record has been smashed at Windber, the Berwind-White mines turning out 910 cars of coal Saturday and Monday, aggregating 22,650 tons for the two days.

Pennsylvania produced more than half the coal mined in the United States last year, according to the statistical bureau at Washington.

John Fulford, of the engineering department of the Beech Creek Coal & Coke Co., was visiting in Clearfield over Sunday.

J. L. Dole, of the Beech Creek Coal & Coke Co., was on a visit with friends and relatives at Curwensville last week.

Three big "double header" trains of empty coal cars came into Patton on Sunday.

Saturday will be pay day with the Beech Creek Coal & Coke Co.

The COURIER costs less than two cents a week. Why don't you subscribe and stop borrowing?

### WANT A TEST MADE.

Farmer is Candidate of Finding Oil or Gas in this Section.

The farmers in the vicinity of Patton are agitating the question of making a thorough test for oil and gas in this section. The field has never been thoroughly tested and men with a geological and other knowledge of the territory are of the opinion that the oil-gamous field, or at least gas, can be found in paying quantities, if a systematic effort is made. About twelve years ago, a well was put down at a point near Carrolltown, about five miles from here, and although the gas found was not in such quantities as to pay for piping, at the same time there was a considerable flow, which is still invisible.

This fact and the geological formation of the field proposed to be tested inspires the grangers to hope that better results would be experienced in a second venture. The only drawback at the present time is a lack of capital and the disbursement of money men to take the risk of sinking a test well, which would cost about \$1,500.

The farmers are willing and anxious to cede their land to any man or body of men who will see what there is in the field. They are urging the formation of a stock company, to be composed of men who will risk the amount of money needed, and feel, and rightly too, that they are doing their share if they furnish the necessary leases at the figure usually obtained in wild cat territory.

The indications all point to the presence of oil or gas, or both, in this immediate vicinity in paying quantities, and the farmers and citizens generally will not be satisfied until the falsity of the contention is proved or a new field discovered.

### TRANSACTIONS IN REALTY.

Properties in This End of the County That Changed Hands Recently.

Wm. Cramer et ux to Adah W. Holmhold, Patton, \$1,250.

Mike Oeschvany et ux to James Spence, Patton, \$950.

A. W. Glasser, by the Sheriff, to Herman B. Blumenthal et al, Hastings, \$250.

Herman B. Blumenthal et ux, et al to H. J. Easley, Hastings, \$1,100.

Spangler Improvement company to William Barnes, Spangler, \$100.

R. M. Donahy to Max Fridman, Barnesboro, \$150.

Chest Creek Land & Improvement company to Russian Orthodox Consistory of North America, Patton, \$1.

John Gill to Jerome W. Parrish, Gallitzin, \$300.

James Stoltz to Matthew M. Eckenrode, Carrolltown, \$600.

Charles Anna to A. W. Smithbauer, Patton, \$200.

Chest Creek Land & Improvement company to Mike Beush, Patton, \$125.

Hastings B. & L. Association to H. S. Boncher, Spangler, \$965.

John Vignetti et ux to Louis Matholdi, Spangler, \$10.

Sara A. Hepburn et vir to D. B. McCullough, Patton, \$525.

Louis Matholdi et ux to Mary Grassano, Spangler, \$10.

Rapid Development.

The coal business of the New York Central has developed so rapidly that it was found impossible to handle it on the high grade line of the Beech Creek railroad, the grades of which run 30 feet to the mile. By the purchase of the Susquehanna and Clearfield railroad, a line about 23 miles in length between Karthaus and Keating, and the leasing of a part of the Pennsylvania line from Keating to Lock Haven, a distance of about 40 miles, and the construction of a line about 29 miles long between Clearfield and Karthaus, the New York Central secure a water line between Clearfield and Williamsport, over which it expects to transport not less than 1,000 cars of coal a day. The business of the Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburg railway will be handled over this line.—Ex.

An Afflicted Family.

Thomas, the son of Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Noonan, died on Thursday last after an illness extending over a period of about three weeks. He was eleven years old and the third member of the family to die within three weeks. The interment was in the Cassidy cemetery on Friday morning at 8 o'clock. The sincere sympathy of the entire community goes out to the grief-stricken family in their sore bereavement.

Dance at Chest Springs.

There will be a dance at St. Monica's Hall on Saturday, June 23, 1901. Refreshments will be served in the rear of the hall. The dancing will consist of waltzes, two steps and quadrilles. The best of music has been secured. Everybody invited to come and enjoy an evening of dancing. COMMITTEE.

### WIND-UP OF COURT.

The Day Case of Thomas vs Good Settled a Non-Suit.

Court adjourned at Ebensburg Friday evening after a verdict had been rendered in the case of J. J. Evans vs Ebensburg borough. Evans sued for \$2,500 damages for the alleged crippling of his laundry in the East Ward by the construction of a sewer which tapped the stream of water used by the plaintiff. The jury awarded the plaintiff \$250 damages and placed the costs on the borough. The verdict was somewhat of a surprise, although the amount was but one-tenth of that asked by the plaintiff.

The jury awarded \$394.43 to the plaintiff in the case of the Coalport Bank vs R. F. Notley and co, to recover a judgment.

The case of D. F. Smith vs Porter Property, settlement, was heard. Smith seeks to recover a tract of land in Susquehanna township, which was bought by him and a man named Croseman in 1851. The land has considerable young timber on it and is valuable. The verdict was for the defendant.

In case of John Lullay et al vs Jacob Pehier, settlement, for a piece of land in Susquehanna township, the jury found in favor of the defendant.

The damage suit of Harry Thomas vs Geo. S. Good on account of alleged injuries sustained by Mr. Thomas' little daughter, Annie, caused by a dog bite was tried before Judge Love. When the plaintiff rested the defense raised the point that Mr. Good could not be made liable for damages in the case, unless it was proven that the dogs were vicious or cross. This the plaintiff failed to establish and the court, upon motion, ordered that a compulsory non-suit should be entered.

### REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES.

Not Three Candidates Nominated for Delegates to the County Convention.

The Republican primaries will be held at Firemen's Hall on Saturday from three to seven o'clock. Frank Anderson and Paddy Kelly are announced as candidates for delegate to the county convention, which will convene at Ebensburg on Monday. But three candidates are slated this year, for prothonotary, State delegates and Register and Recorder.

The following are the names of the candidates for the different positions to be voted for as they appear on the official ballot:

President Judge, A. V. Barker.

Prothonotary, Chas. E. Troxell, S. W. Davis.

Register and Recorder, Chas. C. Linton, D. H. Kinkaid, C. R. Cover.

District Attorney, M. B. Stevens.

Poor Director, Thos. L. Jones.

County Surveyor, J. L. Elder.

Coroner, Ed L. Miller.

State Delegate (five to be elected), Levi Pinst, Geo. H. Masters, John W. Kephart, David R. Byran, W. P. Coulter, Campbell Robinson, Wm H. Sunshine.

The names of two delegates to the county convention and one of the committeemen are to be written on the ticket.

### A Runaway Accident.

A team of horses owned by the Densinger Bros. Oil Co. and attached to a wagon loaded with empty oil barrels created considerable excitement on Tuesday morning by engaging in a first-class runaway accident. The team was standing near the clay works in charge of a boy named Elliott, from Spangler, when the shriek of the 11:29 o'clock whistle frightened the horses and they started to run. The boy lost the reins and the team came down Fifth avenue at a terrific speed. Near the City Restaurant the boy managed to secure one of the lines and faithfully guided the team in a straight path until the Goldstein department store was reached when he pulled the horse to the curb. Both horses fell in a heap and the boy was thrown from the wagon, but escaped without serious injury. The horses likewise escaped severe injury. An empty oil barrel struck the big plate glass window and broke it.

### Married at St. Augustine.

Wm. O'Hara, of McKees Rocks, and Miss Maggie Hobart, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bart Hobart, of St. Augustine, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony at the latter place on Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock by Rev. Father Rea. Miss Alice O'Hara, of Pittsburg, and Wm. McKee of Vandergrift, were the attendants. After the ceremony the nuptial party drove to Patton, where a wedding dinner was served at the residence of T. N. Nagle. The Patton Silver Cornet Band serenaded the happy couple in the evening, while the inevitable small boy made merry with a call-thumpian afterpiece.

### IT IS WELL IN HAND!

Plans for the Big Celebration Maturing Rapidly

### THREE BALL GAMES.

Other Features Arranged for by the Sports Committee—Ebensburg, Barnesboro and Patton Bands Engaged—Grand Chorus by the School Children.

A meeting of the different committees having in charge the Fourth of July celebration in Patton was held in Good's Hill on Tuesday evening. All of the different committees were well represented and the reports given showed that the work was well in hand and that the complete success of the event was beyond question.

Chairman Bell called for the election of a Chief Marshal and M. G. Lewis was chosen without a dissenting vote. H. S. Lingle, W. C. Prindles, Chas. Rensdy, Harry Lunsberry, Wm. Mellon and W. J. Donnelly were selected as aides on motion of W. C. Hubbard, seconded by Wm. Yeckley.

It was suggested and the suggestion will be carried into effect, that in view of the importance of the town as a mining center, at least one hundred miles from the mines occupy a conspicuous place in the fantastic parade properly decorated.

W. C. Hubbard, the secretary of the school board, reported that that body had acted upon requests for the use of the school grounds for the patriotic exercises and the fireworks display, and would grant the necessary permission providing that a platform be erected on the grounds and the crowds kept outside. The executive committee will see that a suitable platform is erected for the orator of the day, invited guests, etc. A chorus of at least one hundred school children to sing patriotic airs will be one of the features.

The committee on sports reported that three ball games were being arranged for and that the other details of their program is progressing rapidly and that it would be completed this week.

The question of decorations came up. Mr. Bell stated that he was in communication with several professional decorators from different parts of the state, but no definite action was taken. J. J. Donnelly, the chairman of the decoration committee, inquired as to the scope of the decorations and a discussion as to the advisability of erecting arches, etc., ensued. The committee will use its own discretion in the matter.

A suggestion that the company of Spanish war veterans from Irwona with their cannon be invited to attend the celebration was adopted and the secretary was instructed to issue the necessary card.

It was reported that the Ebensburg, Barnesboro and Patton bands had been engaged for the day in addition to a drum corps and a tub band. A trained bull-dog to harness by its owner will probably be one of the features of the fantastic parade. Chairman Bell stated that he had made a canvass of the business men relative to the industrial parade, and had met with substantial encouragement. C. W. Hodgkins, the chairman of the fireworks committee, said that the pyrotechnics had been ordered and would surpass anything heretofore given in this section. E. Will Green, of the advertising committee, told of the work done by himself and his confederates and the meeting adjourned until Friday evening.

### HOUSE CLEANING.

The Inconvenience It Always Causes a Man.

In the spring the growing husband eats his meals in the barn for his wife must clean the mansion, and she doesn't own a darn; and the yard is full of carps, and the trees full of sheets, and she has to live on sinner krait, clean water and sliced beets. Oh, a woman's in her glory when she tears things apart, pling bow and chairs and pillows in a way to break your heart. And at night the roaning husband has to sleep up the porch, and he feels so plum disgusted that he can't enjoy his natch. Then the blamed old cleaning's over, then the wife is taken ill, and it keeps her husband basted buying dope and rug and pill, and he mauls in no clearer than it was when she began, but she'd say him if he said so—and he is a prudent man.—Ex.

### Are You Up to Date?

No excuse for being behind the procession of fashionable dressers. The beautiful Suits and attractive Furnishings that we are displaying this season are so easily reached in price that the neglecting to appear in the proper make up is enough to brand you a back number.

A \$10 Suit, a \$2 Hat, a 75c Shirt, a 50c Tie, a \$3 Shoe and a 98c Suit of Underwear

Will convert the seediest looking individual into a regular fashion plate. We want to improve your appearance and are willing to divide profits with you in order to get your trade.

We make a specialty of Fine Black Suits, \$10, \$12, \$15, \$18.

Boys' Vestee Suits, plain and fancy materials; small collar, \$1.25 to \$5.

MIRKIN & KUSNER, Good Building.

## Hurrah For the FOURTH!

Of course you are going to celebrate and we will help you do it at small expense. Call early and get your pack of Flags, Etc., for decorative purposes.

## Fireworks IN ENDLESS VARIETY.

Firecrackers THREE CENTS a pack and other goods in proportion.

Everything needed for a Big Time and a Big Noise.

The largest and best stock ever brought to town. "Let the Eagle Scream." Call and see our selection.

### SOME OF OUR PRICES:

Boom Canes	5c each
Blank Cartridges	50 for 10c
4th of July Hats	5c each
Masks	from 1c to 15c
Flags, Little and Big	cheap

Hot Peanuts and Best Soda Water in Town.

## PATTON PHARMACY, C. W. Hodgkins, - Proprietor.

### TESTIMONY

SAID a stylish young fellow—one of our customers—to us the other day:

"My friends ask me where I have my clothes made. When I tell them that I get them at Wolf & Thompson's, ready made, they seem inclined to doubt it until I show them the label!"

This gentleman's friends could see no difference between his garments and those made by the best tailors. Neither can you or any one else. They are identical in cloth, tailoring, trimmings and style. As to fit—we'll leave that to you or your friends. Bring back any garment not satisfactory and get your money.

When it comes to price we can save you about one-half on your tailor's bill.

Suits Here—\$6 to 16.00 At the Tailors'—\$18 to \$40.

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