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One of the first things that meets with the disapproval of a stranger in this town is the lack of beauty in the yards of the citizens. What is the natural result? That stranger will leave this town and remark about that certain defect noticed there. His hearers will immediately decide that our town is not a good one and consequently he will advise everyone not to locate here. The natural result is that this hamlet will decrease in population from year to year and in a very short time it will be classed as a back number.

In the animal world a continual struggle is being waged and the result of that long continued strife is that the fittest in nature survive. We see it in every animal etc. The weakest animals succumb to their stronger rivals and the consequence is that the stronger ones survive and thrive. So it is also with a town. If we, as citizens of Patton, wish our town to live; to survive; to grow; we must first take into consideration the things necessary for growth.

The first requisite possibly is a clean, sanitary town. The next essential is a beautiful town. Now comes the question. How can we have a beautiful town.

It would require very little work on our part to have a more presentable town. A little lawn grass on our yards and a few flowers coupled

with some maple trees along the pavement will add one hundred percent to the appearance of the town. Surely no one can make the excuse that they have too much work to tend to that little bit of work. A half hour every evening for a few days is all that is necessary. It will be better for us than any kind of pleasure. It will relax out stiffened muscles a little and we will feel all the better for it, both physically and mentally.

Finally by placing a brick walk in front of our homes we will have done something worth while. These ash walks are very unsatisfactory. In muddy weather the ashes ciling to the shoes and make it very disagreeable for pedestrians. Let us, therefore, try to have a little better looking town in a month.

### AN INCREASED DEATH RATE

The United States Public Health Service is engaged in sending out all sorts of bulletins regarding health. The doctors have been telling us that the span of human life has been increasing. According to the health service it is not. That is to say, there is longer life among the young, but among those who are over forty-five the death rate is actually increasing. The doctors have been saving babies—or the mothers have because of better care—so that not so many of them die at a tender age, and once they get a start they live to become men in increasing numbers. But old age is becoming rarer. The saving of life is at the beginning, not at the other end.

And yet the medical men have been overwhelming the public with all sorts of advice and all sorts of "don'ts." They have discovered germs and bacteria and have told us how to fight them. In the old days—when, it seems, more men lived to greater ages—such things as germs and bacteria were unknown. So were many of the modern diseases. Men were not bound down by all sorts of rules. They were not aware that death lurked in everything they ate or drank. They pursued the ever tenor of their way oblivious to danger and they lived longer. We could not have believed this had not the Public Health Service of the United States so informed us through its official bulletin.

How is this to be accounted for? Let the doctors do the accounting.

But they have evidently not succeeded. Is it because they have failed to cure that the best of them are losing faith in medicine and devoting much more attention to prevention? The truth about our friends the doctors—good men who have been doing all that they can—is that they have not yet brought the practice of medicine to a scientific basis. Their art has been experimental from Aesculapius down through the centuries. And the experiments are constantly changing. Meanwhile, despite all the discoveries and despite all the rules drummed into the brain of the human, beginning with his school days, average life after forty-five is growing shorter. So reports the Public Health Service. Perhaps if men were not frightened at every turn by the constant harping on disease they would not be so prone to fall victims to it. In any event the sermons on disease which the health authorities constantly spread through prints apparently do not produce the results aimed at.

At least that is the inference to be drawn from the report of the Public Health Service which, by the way, tells us in the same bulletin that "bad temper is sometimes merely a symptom of bad health." Is it? Might it not be nearer the mark if that statement had read: "Bad health is the effect of bad temper?" —Philadelphia Inquirer.

### TAKE IT IN TIME

Just as Scores of Patton People Have Waiting doesn't pay.

If you neglect kidney backache, Urinary trouble often follows.

Doan's Kidney Pills are for kidney backache, and for other kidney ills. Patton citizens endorse them.

Mrs. James Blake, Terra Cotta Avenue, Patton, says: "One of our family suffered terribly from kidney complaint. There were awful, rheumatic pains in the back and a sort of steady ache all through the patient's body. Doan's Kidney Pills, procured at Gunn's Drug Store, gave relief in a short time."

Price 50c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Blake recommends. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

When any of you young men come in and say:

"I'm Interested in Good Clothes"

and most of you will sooner or later--- then we'll say

"Do you want patch pockets or plain? One, two or three buttons? Do you like the link button idea? What sort of fabric and color and pattern would you care for?"

### WE HAVE STYLES

For every taste and we price them for every purse. Or maybe it's just a

### HAT

that you need. If so, we would appreciate the privilege of showing you what we consider the most complete line

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to be found in the county. New Spring styles of Stetson Hats for \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00. Other Hats at \$2.00 and \$2.50.

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PATTON, PA.

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Beautiful new styles in White Crepe, Palm Beach, Whip Cord and Pique and Stripes.

Priced 98c to \$2.98

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New styles in Crepe de Chine and Silk at

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Sizes 5 to 15 special at 23c

## Ladies Coats

Values up to \$12.00 now going at \$6.75.

## Boys Union Suits

Short sleeves and knee lengths. Special value at 25c, all sizes.

Barney Kusner Store

Patton, Pennsylvania

## NEWS OF TWENTY-ONE YEARS AGO

Taken From The Patton Courier, Thursday, June 13, 1895 Independence Day

At a meeting of the Patton Fire company last Thursday night the company voted to take up the 4th of July and give another celebration. The president appointed the following committee to interview and encourage citizens and see what money and encouragement could be had. S. M. Wilson, E. A. Mellon, H. E. Barton and J. R. Cornelius. The gentlemen reported Friday night that the merchants and others would do all they could to make the 4th a big success. All that is needed now is lots of hustling and push and we can get a bigger crowd than we had last year.

A big turnout and gathering of all old soldiers is being arranged by Messrs. A. J. Jackson and S. M. Wilson, who will see all old soldiers within a radius of 20 miles and invite them, their wives, sons and daughters.

The Fire company will give a prize drill on Magee avenue in the afternoon, and are drilling three times a week to get in good shape.

The following program has been arranged: 4 A. M. firing of cannon, anvils, etc., till 7 A. M.; 9 to 11 A. M. big industrial parade by merchants, fanatics, fire companies, brass bands, secret societies, G. A. R., U. V. U., and others; 11 A. M. mule race, \$2 to first, \$1.50 to second, and 50 cents to third; 11 15 A. M. bicycle race \$2 to first, etc.; 11 45 A. M. sack race, winner gets the sack; 12 o'clock, big tug-of-war by strong men of the vicinity; 3 P. M. big ball game, Patton vs Coalport; 4 P. M. balloon ascension by Prof. Hodgkins; 9 P. M. grand display of fireworks.

Everybody is invited to come to Patton. We gave you a grand time last year and will do so again this year if you will join in. The Firemen will hold a big dance in their hall during the afternoon and evening. Those who enjoy themselves that way can do so. For other information see large poster or address L. S. Bell, the secretary.

### Married in June

E. C. Brown, of Patton and Miss Francis Gregg, of Milesburg, Pa., daughter of the late Col. Theodore Gregg, were united in marriage at

the bride's home on Wednesday, June 5th, at 12 o'clock noon, by a very impressive ring service. The bride was exquisitely dressed in white and carried white carnations. After the ceremony an elegant repast was served. The happy bride and groom then proceeded on their journey to the seashore and a trip up the Hudson river and will remain away about a month when they will return to Patton where they will make their future home. The COURIER extends congratulations.

### A Close Call

On Sunday about 12 o'clock, the woods between the Flannagan run branch and Chest creek became ignited and burned at a rapid rate, running in the direction of Flannagan run mine, threatening to destroy the buildings and lumber in that vicinity, but the timely arrival of a crew of men with buckets of water averted the threatening damage. Had the fire succeeded in gaining headway on the south side of the railroad, with the wind blowing west destruction to the Flannagan run property and the reservoir would have surely followed. The firing of the woods is supposed to have been of an incendiary or malicious origin.

### Bar Opened Again

The doors of the bar at Hotel Beck were thrown open again on Monday evening after being closed nearly two weeks. Notwithstanding the trouble existing between the court and H. C. Beck, John Cordell, a well respected citizen of Cambria county, procured the transfer of the license on Monday and will proceed to do business at the old stand. Mr. Cordell is the proper party to have charge of a business of this character, and a man of experience and ability, being proprietor of the hotel at Thomas Mills which was consumed by fire several months ago. May the new proprietor and his house prosper.

### An Exciting Runaway

What might have terminated in a very serious accident to Miss Estella Dunesan, of St. Augustine, happened on Magee avenue in Patton on Saturday evening about 7 o'clock, by a horse which she was driving attempting to smash up things in general. The young lady and her companion,

a young lady, had driven in from St. Augustine and had stopped in front of G. S. Good's store, while her friend alighted to the store to do some shopping. As the conveyance was standing there the horse became frightened and started to run in a very loose, irregular manner up Magee avenue, dashing by a large number of men who were standing on the streets. Nicholson Graham, who was in the Corner Drug Store, saw the animal coming and ran out seizing it by the head, and after considerable difficulty succeeding in bringing it to a halt. The brave young lady, clinging to her seat, held to the reins. Had the animals speed not been checked it would have dashed down West Magee avenue, in all probability the young lady would have met with a serious accident. The cause of the runaway was due to a broken shaft which ran into the horses side.

### A Flowing Well

Last week Burgess Donnelly, of West Magee avenue commenced drilling a well on his lot where he resides and after going down several feet he struck a beautiful clear stream of mountain water which forced its way to the surface and has continued to flow, as it did when first struck, ever since. It is an unusual occurrence to be lucky enough to have an artesian well of this character in your front yard and a more fortunate find could not have been discovered by our worthy Burgess than the above as it will save that dreaded complaint, backache, by manipulating the pump on wash day.

### A Remarkable Incident

About seven years ago the eight-year old daughter of J. A. Wilson formerly of Karthaus, but who now resides in Patton, swallowed a safety pin which caused her great agony at the time. Several doctors from that vicinity examined the little girl's throat, but could not procure it, and said in time would cause her death. Mr. Wilson had the doctors probe for it a number of times, but it could not be obtained. On Wednesday about noon the little girl began to choke. Her mother ran to her and as the child was coughing and strangling it came up into her throat. She put her hand in her mouth and to the surprise of her parents produced the safety pin in which the unfortunate girl was relieved of the dangerous thing and a happy surprise to her parents to know that their daughter was now out of the danger.