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ADAMSTON WANTS TO BE A TOWN.

Census Has been Taken with a View to Incorporating the Town. The Population is 879.

Election on the Question will be Held January 17 and Application to Circuit Court Made Shortly Afterward.

The town of Adamston wants to be incorporated or at least a lot of its citizens favor such a movement, judging from the large mass meeting held in the school house there a night or so ago. It is stated that the people who attended that meeting could not all get in the two rooms and that all present heartily favored the movement.

By request of a number of the citizens Prof. L. Wayman Ogden, who is the principal of the graded school there, has carefully taken a census of that town. This census shows that there are 481 male residents and 398 females, making a total population of 879 people. Of these 295 are voters.

The boundary lines of the proposed incorporation are as follows: Beginning at the West Fork bridge of the Northwestern turnpike which extend up the river to the Canby land, thence west along the line between that land and the old Adams farm to the bridge across Limestone just west of the overhead bridge, thence east on the south side of the railroad to the overhead bridge, thence north to a tree in the old Mines bottom, thence to the mouth of Limestone and thence along the river bank to the beginning.

An election will be held on the proposition January 17 and, if it carries, an application for incorporation will be made to the circuit court January 20.

An election was held a year or so ago but the question was voted down. There appears to be quite a change of sentiment since then and those at the head of the movement are confident that the people of that town will welcome the opportunity to avail themselves of the advantages of municipal government.

DISTINGUISHED PERSONAGE IN CLARKSBURG

Mr. W. F. Foster, a well-known family solicitor, of London, England, is a distinguished visitor in the city. Mr. Foster enjoys a large legal practice in London. The object of his visit to West Virginia is to inspect a tract of land of 6,000 acres in Braxton county and owned by an English nobleman which is a part of an original grant. The title covers a period of more than one hundred years.

The tract is covered with beautiful white oak and other valuable timber. Mr. Foster inspects the land in the hope of finding oil and gas under it and probably will instruct a proper assay to be made for the purposes of his investigation.

It is rumored that he intends to return to the tract after a visit to the West Indies for further investigation of the matter in hand. He came from New York through Steuben county where his client has also a considerable interest in land.

Mr. Foster has been upon the tract twice, returning last night from his second visit. He believes coal and oil exist under it and will have the assay made.

This distinguished lawyer is in conference here today with Prof. J. R.

BLIND

May Frazier Become as Result of An Accident.

Lime Flew Into His Only Good Eye At Glass Factory.

James Frazier, of Adamston, met with a serious accident yesterday afternoon at the glass factory in course of construction on the Clarksburg Industrial Company's property east of the city. Mr. Frazier was engaged in mixing mortar and some lime flew into his eye. He lost the sight of the other eye some years ago and the accident was all the more serious on that account. He went to his home after the accident almost blind. Some of his neighbors brought him in last night to see Dr. Hardman, specialist. The Dr. found his eye in very bad condition and it is somewhat doubtful, if the sight can be saved but Dr. Hardman hopes to pull him through all right. The loss of this eye would make him entirely blind.

Salemite Gets Patent

The following West Virginians have been granted patents: S. F. Beckwith, of Charleston, patent on a latch; J. B. Braden, of Salem, on a rope or cable clamp; J. W. Hammett, of Eureka, on a fastener for wires or the like; and H. Poling, of Curtin, on a tooth brush.

BARBER ALL IN

When the Ambulance Comes to Shop After Him.

Edward Kucher, barber at the first chair in the Chapman barber shop, on Pike street, had a very bad spell this morning at 10 o'clock and it was believed he would die. He was hurriedly taken to Kessler hospital in an ambulance and given treatment. He suffers from gastritis. His condition is somewhat improved and he will survive. The boys at the shop say he was all in when the ambulance came.

Mr. U. G. Dayton, of New Martinsville, arrived here this afternoon to visit her sister, Mrs. E. B. Husted.

GUAGERS

Hold Their Annual Meeting in Salem.

Officers and Members Largely in Attendance.

Salem, W. Va., Dec. 18.—Following the usual custom the guagers employed by the Eureka Pipe Line Co., in this district met here with the general superintendent of the company and the superintendent and district foreman of this section. The object of the meetings once a year is for the purpose of bringing the men together in friendly conference for the betterment of the service.

Matters pertaining to the work which they perform were discussed at length and suggestions were made by some of the men. The foreman, district superintendent and general superintendent for a number of improvements in the ways of performing the duties imposed on the men.

The meetings were held at the office of the company on Water street and the officers present were H. L. Scraftford, general superintendent, Pittsburg, Pa.; W. J. Alexander, district superintendent, Mannington, W. Va.; J. C. McCarroll, district foreman, Weston; W. N. Way, foreman, Salem.

The guagers who attended the first day's meeting were S. D. McDaniels, W. J. Fleming, O. D. Wykoff, J. S. Tully, Salem; C. C. Culbertson, Marshville; S. T. Humes, Lynchburg; Frank Wolf, Wolf Summit; B. C. Harrington, Deweytown; Harry Beam, Ellenboro; S. Burton, Wolf Summit.

Those who attended the second day's meeting Thursday were C. Bell, Bristol; T. M. Maroney, Bristol; U. G. Way, Salem; W. A. Wright, C. R. Neill, Copeley; George King, White Oak; H. P. Cummins, Stout; J. Bolman, Pink.

OPERATION

Performed to get a Briar out of Carter's Eye-ball.

Thigam Carter, a farmer residing on Davison's run, this county, while feeding stock night before last ran a large briar in the ball of his left eye. It was after night fall and he did not know just how he hurt his eye or what was the matter with it. It grew painful and swollen and this morning he concluded to go to Kessler Hospital and submit to treatment. Dr. Kessler surprised him with the announcement that there was a briar in his eye-ball. A successful operation was performed. Dr. Kessler extracting the briar. It is not believed that the sight will be injured.

Musical Concert

Herbert F. Gibson, the musician, will give a musical concert at the A. M. E. church Friday evening, December 19. He has an expensive collection of musical instruments and novelties. He will be assisted by Prof. Guss, Prof. Barnhart, Miss Lee, Mr. George Lewis and a chorus of twenty trained voices. The proceeds are for the benefit of the church.

Miss Maul Morrison came down this morning from the seminary at Buckhannon to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Morrison on Crooked run. C. D. Stewart returned on the morning train from a business visit up the W. Va. & Pitts. division.

Robert Monroe, of Marshville, is a city business visitor today.

Hon. Alex. Smith, of Sutton, was here this morning enroute home from Charleston, where he had been on business several days.

Rev. Daniel O'Connor returned this forenoon from a visit in Parkersburg.

Mrs. Ray Randolph, of Salem, is here today shopping.

PERJURY

The Charge by Wm. Bell Against Preacher.

Pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Colored, is the one Charged.

Result of Charge Brought Against Bell For Stealing Church Money.

A case of unusual interest is on the docket at Justice Gordon's court. The Rev. J. A. Watson, pastor of the Mt. Zion colored Baptist Church, is charged with perjury.

Last Tuesday, William Bell, colored, was arrested at the instance of Rev. J. A. Watson, pastor of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, upon the charge of using about \$20 of the funds of the church which he had solicited and collected. The warrant was issued from Squire David's court, and at the hearing there the warrant was dismissed against Bell. It seems that he had only collected \$635 and wanted to turn the amount over to the church but the church would not receive it as it was claimed that he had collected more than that amount. Bell explained that the balance of the money was promised but had not been paid, and that that amount was all that he had collected.

Thursday morning, Bell swore out a warrant in Squire Gordon's court against the Rev. J. A. Watson, charging him with perjury. He claims that the minister had sworn falsely that he had collected certain moneys when he had not.

Constable McClung served the warrant upon the preacher this morning. He appeared in court, but owing to absence of witnesses, the case was postponed and will come up for hearing probably tomorrow.

SLEUTH

Succeeds in Locating a Number of Stolen Coins.

Constable Marcellus McClung is acting the sleuth these days quite successfully. He is assisting Squire Samuel Gordon in finding the old coins Cleveland Parsons, colored, purloined from Dr. D. T. Birtwell some days ago. Mr. McClung has located several of them. The colored boy gave a number of them to Racy Lynch, young son of Mrs. Nancy Lowe, who is a neighbor of the Birtwells. Another valuable coin is missing although the officer ascertained that the colored lad had exchanged it at one of the express offices. Mr. McClung will continue the search until he exhausts all the means at his command to find all the coins.

MEAD

Will be Connected with Star, Rig, Reel & Supply Co.

Mr. J. J. Mead, the lumber dealer, has purchased an interest in the Star, Rig, Reel & Supply Company, and from the first of the coming year will be identified with that concern. We understand he will superintend the business. His offices in the Moore Building will be moved to the supply company's plant in the East End, January 1.

"My daughter had a discharge from her ear for six years. Six physicians treated her without success. Dr. Hardman cured her in a very short time."—Minor V. Lake, Simpson, W. Va.

IMMIGRANT

Held as Pauper on Elk's Island—Son to the Rescue.

Wilsonburg Miner Secures Certificates of His Ability to Keep Him.

Gervelo Chipano, an Italian coal miner at Wilsonburg, received word from New York City that his father was being held on Ellis Island as a pauper and that on that account the Commissioner of Immigration would not permit him to land. It appears that the son here had sent the father money to Italy to come to this country but the amount was sufficient only to pay his passage. Upon the receipt of the message from New York Chipano ascertained what proceedings were necessary in the case and went to work to get his father released before he was sent back to his old home. He got certificates from John B. Strother and M. J. Francis stating that he was amply able to provide for his father, and he came to the city this morning with other Italians and went to the County Clerk's office, where he secured the impress of the county seal and then forwarded the papers to the Immigration Commissioner. They may not reach their destination in time, however, to prevent his relative from being sent back to Italy.

OFFICES

Of Clarksburg Ice and Storage Co. Opened.

Mr. C. L. Redick is now in charge of the new offices of the Clarksburg Ice and Storage Company, which have been opened up in the Moore building. A suite of rooms have been furnished and the office fixtures, etc., of both the old ice companies have been installed therein. Mr. Redick was connected with the Berry Hardware Company, when he accepted the position he has now taken.

Funeral of Cecil Reed.

The funeral services of the late Cecil C. Reed were held at 10:30 o'clock this morning from the Catholic church. The interment followed at the I. O. O. F. cemetery. The local order of B. I. L. attended the funeral in a body.

The active pall-bearers were Edward Glancy, Fred Gans, T. Hanon, Michael Glancy, Archie Crawford, and William Finler and the honorary pall-bearers were E. P. Willoughby, G. A. Murray, Charles Dallas, Charles Jasper, J. H. Kearns, J. B. MacNamara and Thos. McGuigan.

SLAV

From Gypsy Taken Before Squire David on Lunacy Charge.

Mike Molesko, a Slav, was brought here from Gypsy Thursday morning by A. W. Rapp and J. T. Boggess and taken before Justice of the Peace David, where lunacy proceedings were instituted against him. He was apparently demented. He worked in the mines at Gypsy and for the past several days he has been acting strangely. He has strange hallucinations on religion. The Justice sent him to the county jail to await a medical examination by a physician as to his sanity.

Marriage Licenses

Marriage licenses have been issued at the county clerk's office as follows: William E. Ambers and Melvina M. Bennett.

Oley Grant, colored, and Lucy Scott, colored.

F. C. Stewart, of Parkersburg, is a city visitor.

WABASH SYSTEM AND STREET CAR LINE

May be Operated in Conjunction, as Representative of Former Has Taken a Block of Stock in the Latter.

Goodly Portion of Necessary Capital Raised for Street Car Line From Clarksburg to Salem.

DETECTIVES

Sent Here by Government to Locate Counterfeiters.

Gathering up Many of Spurious Nickels in Circulation.

Four Secret Service officers are here from Washington, D. C. The object of their visit is to trace the origin of the many counterfeit nickels which have been in circulation here the past week or so. So far as can be learned they have not yet made much success or headway, although they have a slight trace. Their manner in getting hold of these spurious nickels indicates that they come well fortified with the needful. At many places, where they imagine these coins may have been passed without knowledge of the fact that they are counterfeit, the officers buy some article and tender a dollar or a larger denomination in payment so as to get change and thereby catch any spurious nickels that may be there. They have gotten a number of them in this way. It is their purpose to turn them into the Treasury department, where they will be destroyed by the proper parties.

STATE LIQUOR DEALERS IN SPECIAL SESSION

DEATH

Claims Pendleton Drummond, Former Resident of this City.

Pendleton Drummond died at his home in Bultown, Braxton county, last night from old age. He was in his 75th year. Mr. Drummond was the step-father of Mrs. E. B. Husted and Clay Bartlett, of this city, and had numerous relatives living in this county. The funeral will occur tomorrow morning at his late home. The deceased was a former resident of this city and is well remembered. He left here about 20 years ago.

WALDO HOTEL

Will be Under Roof by January 1st, If Good Weather Continues.

All of the iron and steel work for the construction of the Waldo hotel building has arrived. The contractors expect to have the building under roof by the first of the year if the weather is not too bad. After the roof is finished the work on the interior of the building will be pushed to completion as rapidly as possible. It is thought the hotel will be completed by early spring.

J. F. Menoher, of Pittsburg, is in the city transacting some important coal deals.

Mannie Nusbaum is in Pittsburg.

Mr. B. L. Spencer, a Baltimore capitalist, is here in conference with Homer McKinley, cashier of the Merchants and Producers Bank at Salem and one of the principal owners of the proposed Clarksburg and Salem electric street railroad, for which the county court granted a charter last week. The conference is about the street railroad and some oil interests. Mr. Spencer has taken a block of stock in the proposed electric line and thinks well of the undertaking as a paying business venture. One hundred thousand dollars will be required to construct and equip the road. A goodly portion of this amount has already been raised by Mr. McKinley and he says he will have no trouble in raising the remainder. He has already interested a number of New York and Pennsylvania capitalists.

Upon the completion of the line from Adamston to Salem next summer it is the intention to extend the road to New Martinsville.

Mr. Spencer is said to be prominently connected with the Wabash Railroad Company, which is busy securing a route through this part of the state, but what significance that has with the interest he has taken in Mr. McKinley's street car line has not been divulged. There is a possibility that the latter will be operated in conjunction with the Wabash system.

The Retail Liquor Dealers Association of West Virginia is in special session here this afternoon. The meeting is being held in the White Front hotel.

P. E. McDonnell, president of the association, is presiding. Members are in attendance from Grafton, Parkersburg, Fairmont, Piedmont, and Clarksburg and Oakland, Md. There are about twenty all told present.

The object of the meeting has not been definitely learned but is said to be mostly of a social nature and to attend to some business matters connected with the association. The session will be of only the one day's duration.

Approaching Wedding

The following invitations were mailed today:—

Dr. and Mrs. David Porter Morgan request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter,

Gertrude Elizabeth,

to

Mr. Virgil Lee Highland

on Wednesday, the thirty-first of

December

at half-past five o'clock

at the First Baptist Church

Clarksburg, West Virginia.

Adolphus Bailey, a young Baptist minister of Mineral, this county, was issued license this afternoon by the county clerk to solemnize the rites of matrimony. He gave bond of \$1,500 with A. A. Bailey as surety.