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PROUD POWHATAN.

The Attractive Features and the Many

Inducements for People to Settle on the Beautiful Block.

Manufacturing Plants and Their Success—Successful Mercantile Enterprises—Schools and Society.

[Special Correspondence of the GAZETTE.]

POWHATAN, Ark., September 30, 1883.

Powhatan is the county seat of Lawrence county, and is the third town of importance reached in Black river valley. This valley extends from Memphis, on the south, to Cape Girardeau, on the north, a distance of 200 miles. Four railroads cross it—the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern; and the Kansas City, Springfield and Memphis railroads, and at the latter place a branch of the former is connected with a third line from North Rock, terminating immediately on the east bank of

BLACK RIVER,

one of the prettiest navigable streams in the state. This stream is navigable the year round, and is noted for its peculiarly black, blue looking water, from whence its name, for the holiday points, such as are visited by the people of the surrounding hills. Several new and handsome cars go up and down the river, and rafts of timber may be constantly seen floating down to the mills, where it is sawed into all kinds of building material, and the surplus shipped to foreign markets. This is a fine timber country, and the timber that is used for manufacturing purposes are here, such as hickory, ash and oak for buggy and wagon factories; cypress in the greatest abundance for shingles, of which there are several mills now in operation, making and shipping shingles to the extent of their capacity every day.

STOVE FACTORY

is now in operation here, turning out from 600 to 1000 stoves per day. The factory is owned and operated by the Martin Brothers, two gentlemen who started in business a few years ago without a dollar, and have now a capital stock of $50,000. They manufacture wagons and buggies, and have a painting establishment in connection with their factory. They turn out an average of 175 wagons per year, and get every foot of the material for the same in the timber that grows around them. They also have a machine shop for bending tires, for punching and shearing, and in fact a few of the work is done by machinery. They have for sale a Rockwalker upright and one-half horse power engine, for $225. On up the river, about 12 miles, is the Batesville battery, where is the establishment of the

POWHATAN MANUFACTORY,

owned and operated by A. W. Redding, Jr., the firm of Williams & Redding in 1880. The company was organized in 1874 by the Powhatan Manufacturing company, with a capital stock of $25,000. In 1879 Williams & Redding bought out the entire stock, and since Williams' death in 1880, it has gone entirely into the hands of

A. W. REDDING,

who now has full control. This is the oldest factory in the county, and is doing an extensive business. It is a saw-set mill with a picker which cleans from 1500 to 2000 pounds of wool per day. Then comes the carder cards, used for carding wool into bats for the cassimeres to spin. Then the three breakers. The wool is carded from the cards in the form of rolls into slenders shreds, carded out and wound out on a roll, from where it goes to the second and third breakers, each one a little finer, and preparing the wool better each time for the spinners, when it is ready for the weaver and next the spinning jack, which has 196 spindles and has a capacity of making into yarn from 150 to 200 pounds per day. It is then wound and sent down to the looms, of which there are nine, with a capacity of weaving from 150 to 200 running yards per day. Then the cloth goes through the pulling mill. For from one to two days this cloth is pulled over a wheel through soap and water; where it shrinks and gets its compactness. It is then taken to the finishing machine, where it is sheared, pressed, measured, examined off and pressed out ready for the shelf. The retail

FIRM CLASS JEANS

at from 35 to 75 cents per yard, flannels, all colors, 35 to 50 cents, lindsey, 25; cassimere, 75 cents to $1.00; stocking yarn from 75 cents to $1.50 per block; blankets, all wool, $5 per pair. They also buy wool, paying 20 cents per pound in trade or exchange for goods. A liberal discount will be given wholesale purchasers. In connection with the woolen mills is a cotton gin, turning out seven bales per day, and a flouring mill with the capacity of turning into flour 100 bushels of wheat per day. The firm is composed of

Andrews & Redding, Jr., Williams' heirs, while Charles J. Cashkeepet is superintendent of the works. Andrews is an old resident, and has been with the firm for several years.

THE AVERAGE PRICE

of corn here is 50 cents per bushel, and wheat 80 cents. In this section one-half crop of wheat will be made while about two-thirds of a crop of corn. Powhatan has a nice court house, built in 1879 at a cost of about $25,000, and a substantial stone jail which cost about $10,000. The site for the town was the highest point that could be found convenient and from its cupola one gets a magnificent birds-eye view of the surrounding country. On entering the town from a neighboring hill the court house is seen, with its towering steeple far beyond the same, while in the distance the base of the hill on which it is built. Several nice residences are to be seen around on the edge of the ridge which gives the entire place quite a romantic appearance. From a distance as we

APPROACH THE TOWN

it reminds one of an imaginative village by the sea. The merchants are B. F. Matthews & Son, P. C. Stuart & Co., James A Wayland, Martin & Son, A. Dallons, John H. Martin, Wm. F. Raney and Theo. Wayland. The place supports two hotels, one livery stable and a third hack line between here and Black Rock. Two saloons, Jos. Wells and Wilson, reside here. The law firms are Baber & Thornburg, Mack & Cypert and John K. Gibson & Co. The latter are general land agents. There are two churches in the town, a Masonic lodge and a Cadet of the Golden Rule.

BLACK ROCK.

This now is merely a station on the Kansas City, Springfield and Memphis road, nine miles west of Hoxie, where this road is crossed by the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern road. Two new trains on the road have been built out to new mills, and where the former is now located a new switch and depot, on the switch, is the new mill of

GEORGE M. CALDWELL,

the finest, so stated, in the state. He has a 150-horse-power engine, three shingle and lath saws, will add a shingle and planing machine immediately, has four planers and a 60 and 36-inch saw, making 600 revolutions per minute. He has a 40-foot burr stone feed lamp; will put feed in a day, 30,000 shingles and 10,000 laths. The building is 100 feet long and they claim to have the heaviest machinery in the state of Arkansas. Several additions are in contemplation when the growth of a mile of road is added. A hotel will be completed in a short while, a new grocery is going up and other improvements generally. Mr. Caldwell, proprietor of this mill, is an old pioneer of Powhatan.

J. W. COFFMAN

has there a good stock of general merchandise and owns considerable property in and about the Rock. He is looking to the development of the coal deposits of the Iron Mountain road. Any kind of land can be purchased from him. He has already sold thousands of acres, and shares and using different parts all the time. Any kind of timber land can be had. Coffman is a pioneer recently through here on a prospector, considers as being very much surprised at the quality of valuable timber

there is here. It is only a question of time when the lands, of the cultivated and uncultivated will be sold or rented at remunerative prices. [L. S. A.

WOMAN'S TEMPERANCE UNION.

The National Convention Reads a Delegation Before the Senate Committee.

New York, October 3.—A committee of the Woman's Temperance Union appeared before the senate committee on education and labor this morning in relation to the bill to establish a department of labor. Mrs. Leavitt, of Boston, said that the union has distributed over 1,000,000 pages of literature on the liquor question, and organized 1,000 societies, with a membership of 50,000. Besides, a large number of juvenile organizations. The witnesses showed what good organization had accomplished in various sections of the country, and spoke of the advantages of a department of labor, as their efforts were in that direction.

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