



PACKER NO. 5 COLLIERY, OF THE LEHIGH VALLEY COAL CO.,

is situated on the line of the Lehigh Valley R. R. near Girardville, Schuylkill County, Pa., on lands leased from the Girard estate. It was opened in 1885, a shaft 18 feet by 52 feet being sunk in the rock to the depth of 500 feet, from which point a tunnel was driven about 1,000 feet south to the Buck Mountain vein, cutting five workable seams, the largest of which is the Mammoth, at this point 45 feet in thickness. The coal is free-burning white ash of excellent quality and appearance. The shaft is the largest in the Schuylkill County and is divided into four hoistways, an airway and a pumpway. The breaker is large and thoroughly equipped with all the modern improvements for cleaning and preparing coal, its capacity being about 1,500 tons per day. The colliery gives employment to about 700 men and boys.