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Summary Information

Repository:	Audiovisual Collections
Creator:	Merchants Coal Company
Title:	Merchants Coal Company photographs
ID:	1991.227
Date [inclusive]:	1901-1902
Physical Description:	22 item(s)
General Physical Description:	22 photographic prints : b&w ; 4.5 x 6.5 in. prints on 8 x 10 in. mounts.
Physical Location:	GL Box 1.
Language of the Material:	English .
Abstract:	The Merchants Coal Company mined semi-bituminous coal in the early twentieth century. These are images of early construction at the Merchants Coal Company in Boswell, Pennsylvania.

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Historical Note

The Merchants Coal Company mined semi-bituminous coal in the early twentieth century. The town of Boswell, Pennsylvania was developed surrounding coal mines, named such after Thomas Boswell (1861-1929), the first president and supervisor of the company. Boswell purchased farms consisting of 14,000 acres and then laid out 1,600 lots on which coal company houses were built, and developed a 1,100 foot slope entry mine in 1901.

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Scope and Content

These are images of early construction at the Merchants Coal Company in Boswell, Pennsylvania, showing the following views: a steel bridge over Quemahoning Creek, tipple, company housing, brick plant, mouth of mine, power house, and a temporary company store.

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- Industrial housing
- Coal-fired power plants