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MANY NEW HOMES FOR EDDYSTONE – Two Hundred Dwelling Houses will be Built This Summer
– Borough's Bright Prospects

It has been ascertained from a reliable source that two hundred houses will be erected in Eddystone during this coming spring and autumn. Operations on the proposed dwellings will be commenced as soon as the weather opens.

The certain advent of the Gruson Iron Works and the prospective location of the Franklin Forge Company's mammoth plant at that place, will insure employment to at least fifteen hundred men.

It is safe to say that never before in its history has the borough of Eddystone experienced such brilliant prospects. The little town is destined to become the most prosperous and thickly settled community between Chester and Philadelphia, even superseding Darby in commercial importance.

The erection of the iron and forge buildings, as well as the dwellings mentioned, will give employment to every carpenter and laborer in this vicinity who wants work. In fact, it is questioned whether a sufficient number of mechanics will respond from this locality, as idle men are gradually growing scarcer each day.

It is hoped that the contracts to be awarded will be captured by local contractors. It may here be incidentally remarked that the failure of a local contractor to become the successful bidder in response to proposals asked by the Gruson Company for the erection of an office building, created not a little disappointment on the part of those Delaware County contractors who submitted bids.

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