

News of the Week.

THE WAR.

GENERAL SHERMAN'S INVASION.

The interest of the intelligence of the past week has principally centered around this, the greatest and boldest movement of the war. Sherman's order for the march—"Special field order, no. 120," under date of Nov. 9th has transpired, which lets in a little more light upon the strength and purpose of the enterprise. News from rebel sources is still lifting the fog. We condense the particulars of the order.

men to go North and set on fire public and private buildings in our principal cities. This man, we understand, further said that if the Government would take care of his wife and family he would assist in ferreting out the conspirators, with some of whom he said he was acquainted. His story obtained no credit, and so the warning was rejected. Last Friday night gave to the case a different aspect. It was the night of the greatest peril and greatest deliverance which New York ever experienced. A systematic and most alarming attempt was made to fire the city from a great number of points, all well adapted for the purpose of a general and uncontrollable conflagration. The plan seems to have been for the agents who had in charge the execution of the fiendish plot to take each a room in some large hotel, and there make a pile of clothing and other combustible materials, saturate them with turpentine and sprinkle them over with phosphorus, then set them on fire, lock the door and leave the house, carrying away the key. So far the plan, with more or less exactness was carried into effect in St. James' Hotel, Twenty-sixth street and Broadway, St. Nicholas Hotel, La Farge House, the Metropolitan, Lovejoy's Hotel, Tammany Hall, Belmont Hotel, the United States, the Howard Hotel, the Fifth Avenue Hotel, the New England Hotel and the Astor House. A similar attempt was also made on Barnum's Museum.

Friday, Jan. 6.—The abolition of slavery and cessation of war. Saturday, Jan. 7.—The Christian Church: For increased holiness, activity, and harmony among its several sections. Sunday, Jan. 8.—Sermons: The visible unity of the Church—"That they all may be one, as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us, that the world may believe that thou hast sent me."—John xvii. 21. MASON & HAMLIN'S CABINET ORGAN.—Such an instrument is all that is needed in any church of ordinary size; and even in Trinity Church, in this city, the grandest specimen of the Gothic architecture on the continent, Dr. Cutler, the celebrated organist, has introduced one of them into the chancel, as better adapted to some parts of the service, and to some classes of music, than the great pipe organ, whose tones make the walls tremble. In the churches throughout the country they answer every requirement, and have already been widely sought for and introduced. Such eminent artists and musicians as Thalberg, Lowell Mason, Zundel, Root, and many others, bear testimony to their merits in the highest terms; and once hearing them will satisfy the most skeptical that they are just what the Church has been waiting for—something to aid without drowning the singing; something easily obtained, easily kept in order, and giving power, majesty, and melody in the worship of God. For this nothing is equal to the organ; and here we have an organ, sweet, solemn, sonorous, and grand, the instrument you will love the more the longer you hear it.—N. Y. Observer.

ROYAL PETROLEUM COMPANY. CAPITAL \$500,000. 200,000 SHARES. WORKING CAPITAL, \$25,000. Subscription Price, \$2.50 per Share. THIS COMPANY OWNS THE FOLLOWING INTERESTS. I. The entire working interest in a lease of three (3) acres, on the celebrated SMITH FARM, on Allegheny River, five miles below the town of Franklin. On this lease is situated the HUBB'S WELL, now producing thirty (30) barrels daily, half of which belongs to this Company. The derricks for two more wells are now being erected, and operations will at once be commenced. This lease of the Allegheny River has been found to be highly productive; the new well lately struck on the LEA FARM is producing forty (40) barrels per day, also the new well on BRANDEN ISLAND, is now pumping sixty (60) barrels daily, and increasing, besides other wells of twenty and thirty barrels in the immediate vicinity. II. One eighth (1/8) free interest in all the oil obtained in a lease on the H. MCCLINTOCK FARM, on Oil Creek, on which lease is situated two wells, producing eighty barrels per day. On this lease three new wells are now being drilled and near completion, from which the company will receive the one-eighth of the Oil. The farm is well known from the fact that the McCLINTOCKVILLE PETROLEUM COMPANY own the land interest. III. The 1-64 working interest in the following described lots on the celebrated HYDE AND EGGERT FARM, on Oil Creek. In lot No. 3, on which there is a well now being tested. In lot No. 4, on which is situated the TURBLE WELL. In lot No. 6. On this lot the new EGGERT WELL is now being drilled, and from the fact that it joins lot No. 7, on which is situated the KEYSTONE WELL No. IV. The lease of a well on this lot, a large flowing well will be opened on this lot. In lot No. 8. This lot is advantageously situated from its proximity to the Keystone leases, which have proved themselves to be the very best of territory. On this lot is situated the GETTYSBURG WELL, which is now being drilled deeper, as the tools which had been fast are removed, and from the indications a large yield is expected. In lot No. 15, on which preparations are being made to sink a well. In lot No. 19. This lot is particularly well situated, adjoining the celebrated lot No. 28, on which is situated the new Flowing Well COQUETTE, said to be producing five hundred barrels per day, (the striking of this well advanced the Maple Shade Co's Stock from \$17 to \$44 per share.) Preparations will be at once commenced to sink a well on this lot. In lot No. 20, which is advantageously situated from its proximity to the Keystone leases and the Jersey well. In lot No. 21, on which is situated the celebrated JERSEY WELL, now producing about 350 barrels per day. This is one of the largest Flowing Wells on the Oil Creek. The excitement in oil stocks is still increasing, and the prices of some of the producing companies have materially advanced. We notice the companies situated on the Hyde and Eggert farm, which is situated on Oil Creek, having rapidly advanced within the last few days. This is owing to some large wells having been lately struck on this property, one flowing about a thousand barrels per day, and one flowing two hundred barrels per day. The entire yield of this farm is now between fifteen hundred and two thousand barrels per day, and some of the companies located on the "Maple Shade," "Hyde Farm," "Rock," "Eggert," and "Mineral," have had their incomes doubled by the above new wells going down on their farm, on one of which the largest oil cruce yet found is said to have been struck. IV. One-seventh (1/7) working interest in two acres and eighteen perches on Cherry Run, on which is situated the REED WELL, now producing some 310 barrels per day. This well is one of the most reliable, and has been daily increasing, and the striking of it has proved the fact that Cherry Run property is among the most reliable and productive in the oil region. V. The entire land interest in 12 acres, on Cherry Run, about three-fourths of a mile above the Reed Well.—This property is well located, being all boreable, and FIVE WELLS ARE NOW BEING DRILLED ON IT, TWO OF WHICH ARE NEAR COMPLETION, and according to the lease granted, FIVE MORE WELLS ARE TO BE COMMENCED ON THE PROPERTY WITHIN ONE HUNDRED DAYS FROM NOV. 1, 1864. This interest is expected to increase the yield of the Company to a large amount. VI. Forty acres, in fee simple, on Cherry Run above the Reed Well, owned by the Company. On the adjoining farms, great water exists, derricks being erected and well drilled. Two derricks are now being erected, and the development of this property will be prosecuted vigorously. The following extracts are from an editorial of the PUBLIC LEDGER, November 19, 1864. "One of the most remarkable features about the present oil excitement is that, while the territory known to possess oil, is so rapidly extending in area, the older settled portion, where most oil has been drawn off, is daily rising in price. The price, too, of the oil is higher than ever, being eleven dollars and a half per barrel at the wells now. Yet all around greater extent than those before known. The whole of Cherry Run may be said to have come into the market, since the beginning of the year, and is now considered the most valuable territory anywhere to be found. Wells are supposed never to fail on it." The Company are now receiving from the producing interests, fifty-four (54) barrels of Oil daily, which will enable them to pay a handsome and prompt dividend on its capital; and an interest in sixteen wells in various stages of completion. Two on Allegheny River, from which they will receive half the Oil; three on MCCLINTOCK FARM, from which they will receive one-eighth of the Oil; FIVE ON CHERRY RUN, half the Oil; TWO ON THE HYDE AND EGGERT FARM. If these wells have but the usual success, the production to the Company will be increased to a large amount within the next ninety days. \$25,000 will be retained in Treasury for the purpose of developing the lands of the Company. Subscriptions will be received to the above Company at No. 528 WALNUT ST., Room No. 7. Terms.—One dollar on subscribing, and one dollar and fifty cents on the 15th of December, 1864.

OIL SUBSCRIPTIONS. Subscription books to the following well-located and desirable tracts of land situated in the VENANGO OIL REGION, and offering an adequate basis for two or more companies, are now open. No. 1. All that certain tract, piece, or parcel of land, containing fifty acres, being and situate in Tionesta township, Venango county, State of Pennsylvania. This property has a large front on Tionesta Creek, and is about four miles from the Allegheny River. There is on the creek about twenty acres boring land—balance hilly—a ravine runs on the north side of it. This tract lies immediately between two oil companies. No. 2. All that certain tract, piece, or parcel of land, containing one hundred and fifty acres, being and situate in Tionesta township, Venango county. This property is part of the Pearson tract, and also has a large front on Tionesta Creek. It has a large ravine on it, and some heavy oak, hickory and hemlock timber. There are about thirty five acres boring ground. It is also contiguous to the property of an oil company now at work. No. 3. All that certain tract, piece, or parcel of land, being and situate in Tionesta township, Venango county. This property contains fifty acres, of which about fifteen acres is boring ground. It fronts on the Tionesta Creek, above Lacy's mills, and adjoins part of the property of an oil company. No. 4. All that certain tract, piece, or parcel of land, containing twenty-six acres, being and situate in Conplaster township, Venango county. It fronts on Stuart's Run, and extends across to Sugar Camp Run, being not only near the forks of these two streams, but near the Allegheny River. It is part of the Waldo tract. There are about eight acres boring ground. No. 5. All that certain tract, piece, or parcel of land, containing fifty acres, being and situate fronting on the Allegheny River, in President township, Venango county, about midway between the towns of President and Tionesta. It adjoins the Heckstath farm, and also adjoins and is in the immediate vicinity of several oil companies. No. 6. All that certain tract, piece, or parcel of land, containing twelve acres, being and situate in Hickory township, Venango county. This is part of the Sulist tract. It fronts on Hunter's Run, is near the Allegheny River, and about a mile and a half northwest of the town of Tionesta. On this twelve acre tract there are about two acres boring ground. No. 7. All that certain tract, piece, or parcel of land, containing fifty acres, being and situate in Pinegrove township, Venango county, fronting on and near the mouth of a run emptying into Hemlock Creek. About six acres boring ground. On this tract is some very heavy oak and hickory timber. (See map, showing its locality). These seven estates embrace four hundred and three acres, of which say one-fourth is boring ground. As will be observed, all these tracts front on the Allegheny and its tributaries. 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