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☞ JAMES BOGGS, of New Brighton, is the agent for Beaver county.

Dvidend No. 18.

NATIONAL BANK OF BEAVER COUNTY, New Brighton, Jan. 2, 1867.

THE President and Directors of this Bank have this day declared a DIVIDEND OF FIVE PER CENT. upon its Capital Stock, out of the profits of the last 6 months, payable to Stockholders or their legal representatives on demand—free of government tax.

By order of the Board:

EDWARD HOOPS, Cashier.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

WHEREAS letters testamentary on the estate of HANNAH BUSH, late of New Brighton boro', Beaver co., dec'd, having been granted to the undersigned; all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them properly authenticated for settlement.

BENJ. R. BRADFORD, Ex'r.,

New Brighton.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

CAME to the residence of the subscriber, living at the mouth of December, in Moon tp., Beaver county, Pa., a bay Mare, shod all round, has a blemished, white spot on nose, supposed to be about 10 years old. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take her away.

WM. ELLIOTT.

Auditor's Notice.

IN the Orphans' Court of Beaver county. In the matter of the account of William Executor of the will of John Duff, dec'd. And now to wit: November 14th, 1866, the appoint John B. Young, Esq., an Auditor to distribute the balance in the hands of Executor. From the Record.

JNO. A. FRAZIER, Clk.

The Auditor appointed by the Orphans' to distribute the balance in the hands of Duff, Executor of John Duff, dec'd., to attend to the duties of his appointment at office, in Beaver, on Wednesday, the 9th day of January, 1867, at 10 o'clock A. M., at which time and place all parties interested may attend if they see proper.

J. B. YOUNG, Auditor.

Arrival and Departure of Mails at Beaver, Pa.

Eastern mail due at 9:30, A. M. Departs.—Eastern mail due at 3, P. M. Departs.—Eastern mail leaves at 7:50, A. M. Western mail leaves at 1:30, P. M. Stamps for sale constantly.

S. J. M'GAFFICK, P. M.

RAILROADS.

PITTS. FT. W. & C. R. R.

On and after Nov. 19, 1866, Trains will leave Stations daily, Sundays excepted, as follows: (Train leaving Chicago at 9:35 P. M. leaves daily.)

TRAINS GOING WEST.

	Exp's.	Exp's.	Exp's.	Exp's.
Pittsburg	204PM	700AM	220AM	180PM
Rochester	417 "	840 "	847 "	810 "
N. Brighton	427 "	840 "	.....	821 "
Enon	512 "	932 "	445 "	407 "
Columbiana	550 "	1016 "	.....	445 "
Salem	630 "	1047 "	533 "	512 "
Alliance	715 "	1150 "	655 "	616 "
Canton	805 "	1250PM	744 "	703 "
Massillon	826 "	115 "	808 "	723 "
Orrville	906 "	200 "	850 "	800 "
Wooster	938 "	235 "	929 "	835 "
Loudonville	1040 "	345PM	1022 "	938 "
Mansfield	1137 "	446 "	1112 "	1025 "
Crestline Ar	1115AM	530 "	1145 "	1100 "
Crestline De	1240 "	620 "	1220PM	700AM
Bucyrus	110 "	650 "	1248 "	733 "
U. Sandusky	151 "	730 "	125 "	828 "
Forest	228 "	801 "	154 "	857 "
Lima	355 "	918 "	305 "	1021 "
Delphos	436 "	958 "	337 "	1102 "
Van Wert	505 "	1021 "	405 "	1137 "
Fort Wayne	650 "	1150 "	540 "	120PM
Columbia	734 "	1235AM	623 "	208 "
Huntsville	..... "	.....	.....	..... "
Pierceton	..... "	.....	.....	..... "
Warsaw	825 "	130 "	711 "	301 "
Bourbon	..... "	.....	.....	..... "
Plymouth	925 "	235 "	807 "	405 "
Wanatah	..... "	.....	.....	..... "
Valparaiso	1059 "	415 "	935 "	548 "
Hobart	..... "	.....	.....	..... "
Clarke	..... "	.....	.....	..... "
Ill C. RR. Cros	..... "	.....	.....	..... "
R Isl. RR J'n	..... "	.....	.....	..... "
Chicago	1250PM	620 "	1130 "	800 "

TRAINS GOING EAST.

	Exp's	Exp's.	Exp's.	Exp's.
Chicago	440AM	720AM	335PM	1020PM
R. Isl RR June	..... "	.....	.....	..... "
Ill C. RR Cros	..... "	.....	.....	..... "
Clarke	..... "	.....	.....	..... "
Hobart	..... "	.....	.....	..... "
Valparaso	638 "	905 "	521 "	1254AM
Wanatah	..... "	.....	.....	..... "
Plymouth	829 "	1035 "	720 "	257 "
Bourbon	..... "	.....	.....	..... "
Warsaw	940 "	1138 "	817 "	420 "
Pierceton	..... "	.....	.....	..... "
Huntsville	..... "	.....	.....	..... "
Columbia	1040 "	1210PM	905 "	527 "
Fort Wayne	1145 "	125 "	1005 "	700 "
Van Wert	110PM	232 "	1118 "	824 "
Delphos	145 "	303 "	1148 "	900 "
Lima	219 "	333 "	1217AM	935 "
Forest	356 "	439 "	125 "	1100 "
U. Sandusky	481 "	593 "	151 "	1138 "
Bucyrus	522 "	638 "	225 "	1218PM
Crestline Ar	600 "	705 "	255 "	1250 "
Crestline De	615AM	825 "	315 "	130 "
Mansfield	656 "	857 "	343 "	200 "
Londonville	750 "	745 "	425 "	245 "
Wooster	850 "	885 "	508 "	332 "
Orrville	920 "	936 "	530 "	357 "
Massillon	1000 "	1012 "	600 "	430 "
Canton	1020 "	1035 "	616 "	448 "
Alliance	1125 "	1100 "	715 "	545 "
Salem	1207 "	1132 "	744 "	620 "
Columbiana	1238PM	1156 "	..... "	645 "
Enon	122 "	1232AM	838 "	727 "
N. Brighton	217 "	..... "	..... "	808 "
Rochester	225 "	125 "	921 "	820 "
Pittsburgh	350 "	230 "	1025 "	930 "

Erie and Pittsburg Express Train leaves New Castle at 4:05 p.m., arrives in Pittsburg at 6:45 p.m. Returning leaves Pittsburg at 6:00 a.m., arrives in New Castle at 8:30 a.m.

New Castle and Pittsburg Accommodation Train leaves New Castle at 7:00 a.m., arrives in Allegheny at 9:45 a.m. Returning leaves Allegheny at 1:20 p.m., arrives in New Castle at 6:20 p.m.

F. R. MYERS, Gen. Ticket Ag't.

CLEVE. & PITTS. RR.

On and after Nov 19, 1866, trains will leave stations daily, Sundays excepted, as follows.

GOING SOUTH,

	Mail.	Exp's.	Mail.	Accom
Cleveland	810AM	235PM	835 PM	.....
Euclid street	821 "	246 "	846 "	.....
Hudson	925 "	340 "	500 "	.....
Akron	..... "	.....	.....	.....
Orrville	..... "	.....	.....	.....
Millersburg	..... "	.....	.....	.....
Ravenna	1000 "	415 "	536 "	.....
Alliance	1100 "	500 "	630 "	.....
Bayard	1130 "	539 "	.....	.....
Wellsville	105 PM	705 "	.....	.....

GOING NORTH.

	Mail.	Exp's.	Accom	Exp's.
Wellsville	845AM	455PM	.....	.....
Bayard	1017 "	615 "	.....	.....
Alliance	1125 "	644 "	700AM	.....
Ravenna	1214PM	728 "	751 "	.....
Millersburg	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orrville	.....	.....	.....	.....
Akron	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hudson	1246 "	803 "	846 "	.....
Euclid street	147 "	904 "	952 "	.....
Cleveland	200 "	915 "	1005 "	.....

GOING EAST.

	Mail.	Exp's.	Exp's.	Accom
Belaire	440PM	610AM	1040AM	.....
Bridgeport	450 "	625 "	1050 "	.....
Lagrange	541 "	721 "	1139 "	.....
Steubenville	600 "	743 "	1158 "	.....
Wellsville	725 "	845 "	125PM	700AM
Smith's Ferry	747 "	907 "	147 "	735 "
Beaver	820 "	940 "	217 "	823 "
Rochester	830 "	950 "	225 "	835 "
Pittsburgh	940 "	1105 "	340 "	955 "

GOING WEST.

	Exps.	Exp's.	Mail.	Accom
Pittsburgh	225PM	435PM	615AM	330PM
Rochester	835 "	545 "	730 "	445 "
Beaver	..... "	556 "	738 "	455 "
Smith's Ferry	411 "	631 "	807 "	544 "
Wellsville	500 "	725 "	840 "	620 "
Steubenville	600 "	828 "	950 "	.....
Lagrange	618 "	840 "	1010 "	.....
Bridgeport	712 "	927 "	1112 "	.....
Bellaire	725 "	940 "	1125 "	.....

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Bayard, 11.45 a m,	N. Philadel. 2.35 P.M

F. R. MYERS, General Ticket Agent.

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November 14, 1866—6mos

Titusville Correspondence.

TITUSVILLE, Pa., Jan. 8, 1867.

Dear Col.—The Oil Region at times as it was going to be the scene of the excitement of '61 and '62, if indeed that can be called excitement, when oil was dirt cheap, to be given away, or be sold for 25 cents per barrel. Oil which has gradually been tending downwards, until the low figure of '61 has been reached, now exhibits more "firmness," and has quite evidently "got to the end of the rope."

Several causes have operated towards this effect. One of the greatest: the stoppage of hundreds of wells. True the wells which have been stopped were producing but little oil, but in the aggregate the amount exerted quite an influence on the market. Careful estimates report "on hand" in the principle ports of the World, a present stock of oil equal to 750,000 barrels of refined oil. As this is half a million barrels more than was supposed to be on hand one year ago, you will readily see that a very fair stock is awaiting consumption. The production of the year 1866 is estimated to have been equal to two millions six hundred thousand barrels of refined oil, i. e., about four million barrels of crude oil. What do the croakers who think the "Oil Region" are "played out" think of this? The wild speculations of '64 and '65 were unquestionably a curse to this section, as well as ruinous to many who embarked their all in this mad race for wealth. Although the number of dry wells is legion, yet the amount of oil actually produced and sold during the past twelve months is rather a convincing argument of the existence of paying wells.

Many of the Oil Companies whose flaming "prospectuses" flooded the land two years ago, are now re-appearing on the stage, to enact one more, (and to many their last,) scene in this Venango county tragedy, comedy or farce! Which is it? The Sheriff has "gone for them," armed with a most hideous array of latin words and law phrases, from which there can be no escape. The majority of the cases will no doubt surrender at discretion, and so put to rest all expectations of stock holders who have so long and earnestly looked for a dividend one of these days. In some sections of the country disappointed stock holders have commenced suit for recovery of purchase money on the broad ground of false representation. There would be a perfect deluge of such suits were it not for the very solemn fact that in most cases the getting up of the company aforesaid, have lost, in subsequent transactions, their entire fortunes (!) One case was recently tried in New York, where the property sold was represented, among other items, to consist of "At least forty acres of bottom land suitable for boring, the bluffs covered with 'timber' from which source alone enough money could be realized to pay 'entire' cost of farm—besides a spring on the place from which—(astonishing circumstance!)—a vial of oil had been gathered." This was nearly two years ago, and the 'stockholders" almost lost their breath rushing in for stock. The inevitable "committee," which in almost all cases was sent out too late, couldn't see that "bottom land"—as only two or three acres were visible—the balance of the forty was "table land," elevated some two to four hundred feet—more or less, quite "suitable for boring," and then, too, remote from any damage from floods, which had cleaned out so many "bottom farms" in the memorable spring of '65. Then, too, the "timber," soft maple, etc., not worth the cutting; and then the spring! that "vial of oil" had exhausted it. So the stockholders sued the "getter up," and on trial he endeavored to prove that table land and bluff territory was now considered better oil land than bottoms. The Judge declined this evidence, as what he wanted to know was, "what was considered good territory then?" The jury brought in a verdict for the Plainuff, and the Defendant appealed. This is to be a "test case," and if on the appeal the Defendant is again beaten, there will be a harvest for lawyers in these parts.

A new county has been carved out, taking for its greater part the land of Forest county, whose name goes with it, and adding thereto the "Hickory" region of Venango. Tionesta is the County Seat, and already two newspapers have commenced to write the place up. The prospect is anything but flattering. Oil has not been found to exist there, or if it does, it is so well pleased with its quarters that it resists all the seductive attempts of pumps, working barrels or torpedoes, to raise it to the surface. Hickory is chiefly remembered as the place where the number of sixteenths in a well, was only limited by the wants of the seller or the number of buyers. Wells in which 19, 21 and even 28 sixteenths had been sold, still remain on this once to-be-famous run; evidence of the financial abilities of their owners, the crushing weight of whose "strategy" they were unable to support.

The late pamphlet of Mr. Culver has produced quite an excitement throughout this entire region, and has had the double effect of adding to the number of his friends, and furnishing his old friends with the "back bone" they so much needed. There are many who are now willing to put up their pins that Culver will come out all right yet. At all events this latter persecution has done a world of good.

The Czar of Napoleon

The secret trials of the Par is correspondent of the Duke de Reichstadt King ended in the securing of interesting souvenirs, to be the Napoleon gallery of The life of this great sol peror who, according to the epitaph written by himself for his own tomb, was born King and died a prisoner, in the Service," was too short to admit of any very voluminous record.

The souvenirs now brought have been wholly furnish well-remembered dauntless Elisler, who lives in the st ment of a country life near V occupied solely in the cultiv tion of all her tender souvenirs of the court of Vienna, and the one who once occupied the real, with the full consent and approbation of every member of the Imperial family.

The story of the loves of the Duc de Reichstadt is short and sad enough. Disgusted with the re-attainder of the life at court, wounded by the position to which his birth had consigned him among the proud archdukes of his high born relatives, he was wont to steal away into the country, to enjoy solitude and the contemplation of nature, at a little village near Vienna. The doctors had foretold that should more interest in life were offered to his sensitive, nervous youth, he must of necessity, sink into atrophy and pass away, in consumption. Many and many a hope had been raised of his forming an attachment which might throw some interest around his existence, and ward off the evil which was killing him by inches.

But the conviction that opportunities thus afforded him, were snares of the enemy to secure him in his most unguarded moments, kept him on the watch, and he never once yielded to the temptation. But the moment came for him as it comes for all men. He became struck with the grace and beauty of his landlady's niece, a girl fresh from the woods, whose picturesque costume and simple manners flattered both his artistic and moral taste, and he soon became deeply enamored. To this girl he told the whole story of his life—the temptations which had been offered him, the aspirations in which he indulged, the hopes he entertained. His entire existence underwent a change. To one being he could unfold the secrets of his heart, and the restraint which had been killing him was overcome at last.

But as there must always be a demon at work upon the happiness of every mortal here below, so did the satisfaction experienced by the young Duc de Reichstadt soon come to an end. He who had ever shunned all gaiety, who had obstinately refused to attend all courtly *fetes*, opera, ball play—finding his health and spirits much improved, must needs one night be seized with an irresistible desire to see the ballet of "The Diable Boiteux," in which the *cachuca* danced by Fanny Elsler who had become the aim and object of every conversation and of all the enthusiasm of the city. He went alone to the opera—he saw the dancer come forward to the footlights with that swimming step which had won the hearts of all mankind—he gazed first in terror, then in doubt, then in horror and amazement, and sank slowly down senseless on the floor of the box where he was placed.

It was the dancer herself on whom his whole heart and soul had been bestowed. It was to her he had confided his most secret thoughts. The whole intrigue of the court became revealed at once to his mind. He went back no more to the village, but retired again to the little student's room in the palace, still shown as the place where he died, and could never be persuaded to behold the traitress who had so imposed upon his trusting heart. No one but himself ever suspected Fanny Elsler of any base intrigue—the pastoral comedy had been played out in good part and with the entire concurrence of Imperial relatives. The end of the drama was a bright and glorious existence for the dancer; for the Duke misery, despair and death!

SENATOR B. GRATZ BROWN publishes a letter to the people of Missouri, recommending universal suffrage and amnesty, to take effect in 1870. He definitely declines re election.

AT Pleasant Mills, New Jersey, lives the eldest John Smith. His age is 117 years, and his faculties are not dim, nor is his natural force abated.

HON. JAMES THOMAS, many years since United States Senator from Illinois, and afterwards Minister to Bogota, died on Friday, at Jersey-Landing, Jersey county, Illinois. He withdrew from political life several years since.

CONGRESS.

Proceedings of the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8, 1867.

SENATE.—Mr. Sherman presented claims of the Ohio and Pennsylvania Railroad Company, which were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Howard presented a petition of citizens of Georgia, asking that the rights of the colored people may be protected by the military authority of the United States, which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs