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NEWS NOTES FROM NEARBY TOWNS

WHEELING, Feb. 23.—The State League of Republican clubs met at Parkersburg to-day, and was the largest and most enthusiastic league convention ever held in the State. Hon. Augustus Pollack, of Wheeling, in the absence of the President, was chosen chairman pro tem.

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The Council of Ministers and Laymen continued in session in the Baptist Church until nearly 3 o'clock this morning. A delegation of members of the congregation were in waiting for the verdict, which was given them verbally by the council.

A BANK RAUBLED AT SANDY LAKE.

SANDY LAKE, Pa., Feb. 23.—[Special.]—A raid was made on the Sandy Lake bank by burglars this morning, but they secured nothing, as the safe could not be opened.

AN OIL MAN KILLED.

OIL CITY, Feb. 23.—[Special.]—John Rhodes, aged 65 years, was struck and killed at Pioneer by a Western New York and Pennsylvania train. He had several pieces of machinery with him.

THE VOLUNTARY FERRY COMPANY HAS BEEN ORGANIZED AT PHILADELPHIA.

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AN EXODUS OF NORMAL STUDENTS.

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MAKING A MEAT FROM A LIVE COW.

CADIZ, Feb. 23.—[Special.]—A bulldog hanging to the nose of a bellowing cow moused the neighbors at 2 o'clock this morning. The dog, being in a half-starved condition, had attacked the cow and torn a great piece of flesh from its neck.

A FRIGHTFUL LAMP ACCIDENT.

YOUNGSTOWN, Feb. 23.—[Special.]—Mamie Davis, aged 13, living in Hubbard, was keeping two younger children company in the absence of the parents when the lamp was upset, the gas catching, striking her clothing and enveloping the child in flames.

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