Petroleum Centre Daily Record.

Pet. Centre, Monday, Feb. 1.

Time of Closing Mails.

P. O., PETROLEUM CENTRE, PA., JULY 27ST, 1868.

Until further notice the mails will arrive at and depart from this office as follows:

ARRIVE.

South and East, via. Irvineton, 10.28 A. M.
South and West, " Meadville, 5.18 P. M.
North and East, " Corry, 2.25 "

DEPART.

South and West, 8.45 A. M.
South, East and West, 2.50 P. M.
North, East and West, 10.00 A. M.

H. E. BLACKMON, P.M.

Divine Services.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Preaching at 11 o'clock A. M., and 7 o'clock P. M.

REV. J. T. OXTOBY, Pastor.

M. E. CHURCH.

Services every Sabbath at 11 A. M. and 7½ P. M. Sabbath School at twelve o'clock M. Seats Free. A cordial invitation extended to all.

REV. C. M. HEARD, Pastor.

STS. PETER AND PAUL'S (CATHOLIC) CHURCH.

Mass at 10½ a. m.

Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 4 p. m.

Catechism at 2 p. m.

JAMES DUNN, Pastor.

THE peculiar institution of Utah must possess extraordinary virtue if it survives the bill prepared by Senator Cragin. Among other things the bill provides that only citizens of the United States shall be competent to act as grand and petit jurors, that all commissions and appointments, civil and military, granted by Brigham Young, shall cease, that no man shall take unto himself more than one wife, and that it shall be unlawful for the officers and members of the Mormon church to grant divorces or solemnize marriages. In all of these matters the people of Utah should be compelled always to yield to the same laws that govern the rest of the country. Divorces should not be left to the discretion of one religious body when denied to another. Still it would be wisdom to bring the followers of Brigham Young under the civil law, if possible, without interfering with their religious convictions. One of the speediest ways to add to the growth of a creed is to trample upon it. This has been demonstrated a thousand times. No matter how absurd or preposterous the religion, injustice or intolerance only renders it the stronger or more dangerous. One or two railways running through Utah in time would settle the Mormon question more effectually than all the laws that can be devised. Brigham Young's power is already waning. It would be well to adopt a line of "masterly inactivity" in regard to the management of the Mormon Church.

A WELL on the Dalzell Farm, belonging to Benjamin Patterson took fire this morning at about ten o'clock. The oil from the gas pipe caught. The engine house was destroyed. Loss about two hundred dollars.

A tank of oil, on the hill back of the Tarr Farm, was destroyed by fire on Saturday afternoon.

Yesterday afternoon a tank of oil owned by James Maxon, was burned at Gregg's Switch. It was held in an open tank, and caught from the sparks from the still chimney. Loss about twelve hundred dollars.

THERE is to be a re-union ball given by the Swordsman's Club, at Titusville, during the early part of the present month. The members, though scattered far and wide, will gather to this ball in large numbers, and it will be a re-union long to be remembered by those who may participate in it. All Swordsman at Petroleum Centre will surely be there.

WE are pleased to learn that Rev. J. Dunn, Pastor of Sts. Peter and Paul's (Catholic) church, of this place, has commenced a course of Sunday evening lectures. Father Dunn works faithfully for the good of his congregation.

Messrs. Owston & Sowers and Fisher Bros., of Oil City, have purchased a tract of twenty acres on Charley Run, from Moran Bros. The tract adjoins that of the Oil City Land Company's, on which the producing wells on the Run are located.

THE Governor of Pennsylvania has signed the death warrant for the execution of Gerrald Eaton on the 25th of February, for the murder of Timothy Heenan.

ON account of a severe storm in Ireland, no cable dispatches were received to-day.

An association of heavy capitalists is being formed in New York for cultivating cotton in South Carolina and Georgia during the present year. Agents have gone south to secure the lands.

OIL CITY CORRESPONDENCE.

OIL CITY, Feb. 1.

A meeting of the oil producers was held, pursuant to a call at Excelsior Hall, on Saturday, at 10 a. m.

Among those present, we observed some of the heaviest producers of Venango county and some of the most intelligent, wealthy and energetic of that class upon which depends the prosperity of the oil region.

The interests of the producers and the obstacles to their success were thoroughly and ably discussed, and a determination evinced to place themselves on a footing such as the situation demands.

A committee of arrangements and permanent organization was appointed to report at the next meeting to be held at Titusville, on Friday, Feb. 12, at 2 p. m.

The gentlemen present at the meeting on Saturday, mean business, and from our personal acquaintance with some of the leading spirits in the movement, we confidently predict its success. We know the motto of these men to be—"there is no such word as *fail*."

The new well on Seneca street, struck last Saturday, pumped about twelve barrels during a part of the forenoon. The rig being somewhat defective, operations were occasionally suspended in the afternoon.

The rooms of the Library Association have been very much improved in appearance, and several additions have been made to the books in the library. The terms of membership have been reduced to $3 00 a year, and the price to non-subscribers for reading books, from 25 cents to 10 cents a volume. As we predicted at the time of his election, President Boyce has infused a great amount of life and spirit into the institution.

Prof. N. E. Skinner has received an invoice of exquisite cabinet organs, the "American," from the celebrated manufactory of Smith & Co., Boston. Mr. S. is a energetic and reliable business man and supplies these instruments promptly and at manufacturers' prices. JUAN.

COURT RECORD.

FRANKLIN, Jan. 29, 1869.

Joseph Webb—Indictment larceny, on oath of Henry Dwight. Verdict, guilty. Sentenced to pay a fine of $1 and costs of prosecution, restore the property stolen, or pay the full value thereof to the owner, and undergo imprisonment in the Western Penitentiary at hard labor in separate and solitary confinement for a period of one year and six months from this date.

Joseph Webb—Indictment larceny, on oath of E. Newlon. Verdict guilty. Sentenced to pay a fine of $1 and cost of prosecution, to restore property stolen, or pay the full value thereof to the owner, and undergo imprisonment in the Western Penitentiary at hard labor in separate and solitary confinement for a period of two years, to be completed from and after the expiration of the sentence in above case.

George Smith—Indictment assault and battery, on oath of Maggie Leader. Nol. pros. entered on payment of costs.

Mary Lewis—Indictment assault and battery on oath of Maggie Leader. Nol. pros. entered on payment of costs.

Samuel Craig—Indictment embezzlement, on oath of W. W. Pool. Not a true bill and prosecutor to pay costs.

W. W. Pool et al.—Indictment conspiracy, on oath of Samuel Craig. Not a true bill and prosecutor to pay costs.

W. W. Pool et al.—Indictment false pretence, on oath of Samuel Craig. Not a true bill and prosecutor to pay costs.

S. W. Price—Indictment false pretence, on oath of M. L. Fury. Not a true bill and prosecutor to pay costs.

A GREAT ship is to be built in San Francisco if the plans already on exhibition meet with favor. It is to be as large as the Great Eastern, but will draw only eighteen feet, or two thirds the draft of the Great Eastern. Common beds will be substituted for bunks, the staterooms will be very much larger than in common ships, and will be arranged along the center instead of at the sides, making the rolling of the huge craft less perceptible. It is designed that passage only shall be sold by the company, meals being provided by two competing restaurants. The saloon will be five hundred feet long.

The destruction of the forests, for timber and firewood, all along the track of the Pacific railroad, has become so great as to call loudly for the immediate interruption of the government. Private parties having saw mills, and contractors for fuel, are both cutting on government land without stint; hundreds of cords of wood are being thus swept away without any consideration of the rights of the government, and thousands of acres of land are thus rendered valueless.

The ladies of St. Petersburg having decided to advocate the right of women to superior education, have applied to the celebrated champion of women's rights, J. Stuart Mill, for counsel and co-operation.

THE NEWS.

Seals have recently been shot in the Thames river, Connecticut.

Michigan has a female notary public.

Boston is in ecstacies because she is to have a new grain elevator.

Wm. Shakspeare has been convicted of bigamy in Michigan.

Hundreds of men are at work gathering the ice crop of the Hudson river.

The Grecian bend has reached California, but there it is called the Pacific slope.

Florida has eighteen million acres of land subject to location under the homestead act.

New York is getting ready to celebrate the centenary of American Independence, July 4th, 1876.

The State University of Mississippi has resumed its exercises with a large number of students.

Mr. Gladstone and the new British Secretary of War, Cardwell, were both born in the same room.

Every room in every Washington hotel and boarding-house is already engaged for inauguration week.

A writer in the Ontario, N. Y., Times, proposes to stock Canandaigua Lake with three millions of young fish.

A Rochester manufacturer has an order for $60,000 worth of lamps of different sorts for the Union Pacific Railroad.

An Indiana wood chopper has become suddenly rich, claiming to have found $80,000 which was hidden during the war.

Gen. Augur, who was the handsomest man in the army by brevet during General Rousseau's life, now takes full rank.

The members of the Minnesota and Wisconsin Legislatures have agreed to go on a grand combination frolic to Milwaukee.

There are now nineteen light houses on the Pacific Coast, and it is proposed to erect sixteen others, five to be built next summer.

Down in Maine a man is sentenced to death for setting fire to his house while another, who tried to kill his wife, goes to prison for ten years.

The report of the Oneida Community shows a constant increase of the cost of living for several years, until it averaged four dollars and eighty-five cents per week to each person in 1868.

Deacon Andrews, the Kingston murderer, is employed in the polishing shop at the State Prison, Massachusetts, enjoying good health, and is cheerful.

In the seventy-two national cemeteries, are interred two hundred thousand soldiers whose names are known, and one hundred thousand more as yet not identified.

A Berkshire girl, says the Boston Post, walked fourteen miles through the snow the other day, to marry a young man who couldn't come to her house for fear of a six-shooter which the stern parent carried.

Brigham Young has sent an order to Springfield, Mass., for two knitting machines saying that "he thinks they would be of considerable advantage to his community."

Said a youngster in his glee, displaying his purchase to a bosom friend on the sidewalk: "Two cocoanuts for ten cents! that will make me sick to-morrow, and I won't have to go to school."

Thursday evening as the sheriff was locking the cells in the jail at Quincy, Illinois, six prisoners rushed upon and overpowered the turnkey. They escaped into the jail yard and scattered, but were all recaptured.

On Wednesday last the Ohio Senate passed with but five dissenting votes, bills exempting from sale on execution a homestead of the value of one thousand dollars, and also exempting eight hundred dollars' worth of personal property, in addition to that already exempted by law, when no homestead is owned.

The London Mercantile Gazette bitterly denounces the Alabama claims treaty, saying: "It is so flagrantly one-sided it is difficult to imagine that the American Senate can seriously contemplate taking their stand upon it, or that the government at Washington can believe that any settlement of outstanding claims could possibly be accomplished.

The President of the State of Bolivia, in view of the impoverished condition of the treasury, and seeing the great necessity for studying economy during the present year, has decreed that the entire State troops be disbanded from the 31st of December inst, and that the only force to be maintained in active service shall be a captain and ten men.

At Memphis, Friday, three privates belonging to the Twenty-fifth Infantry, named Myron H. Strong, Harmon Springstein, and Steben Maddon, for desertion, had their heads shaved, were tatooed with letters, and then drummed out of the service, in the presence of the regiment. Strong had been a clerk in Grant's office during the war.

A Millionaire made a Beggar.

A correspondent of the Cincinnati Times, in a recent letter from Omaha, gives this strange story: "There are many strange reverses in this western life. There is at present stopping at this hotel a gentleman named Fenners, originally from Rochester, New York, who owns extensive mill and mining property in New Mexico, where he has been for several years. His property there is so extensive that when a freshet swept away $1,000,000 worth of it last spring, he could afford to laugh at it. In September last desiring to spend the winter East, he made up a train of several wagons, and with one American and seventeen Mexican greasers he started for Omaha through Kansas. In about the centre of Kansas, some thirty miles west of Fort Dodge, his train was attacked by a body of 600 Indians. Unable to depend upon the greasers to fight, the two Americans, who were mounted, on swift horses rode through the line of Indians and escaped. Fenners was shot through the left breast, from the effects of which he has not recovered. The Indians then burned his train, which was worth $80,000, one half of it being in money in Fenners trunk. They killed nine of the greasers, and the remainder escaped.

"In this manner Fenners lost all he had along except fifteen dollars in his vest pocket. He rode to Fort Dodge and remained some time in the hospital, at length making his way here penniless. He knew no one in this region and no one knew him He had sent to his agent at Santa Fe for money, but it is a long way there, and communication is uncertain. Luckily, the other day, he met General Vaughn, who knew him in Santa Fe, and who, on hearing his misfortune, relieved his immediate wants. He told the General that he had been five days in Omaha without food, and had either walked the streets at night, or slept in sheds. No money to get food or lodging, and unable to get work such as his feeble condition would allow him to do, and he was too proud to beg. There was a man of great wealth at home in far distant New Mexico, reduced to beggary for the time by Indian malignity. He is a man of intelligence and education, a first-rate civil engineer has served in the United States army, and is familiar with every portion of the West, clear to the Pacific. Vaughn interested friends in his behalf, and he will come out all right.

A Paris correspondent says that the celebrated Cora Pearl received for a New Year's gift from Prince Napoleon, an emerald necklace, worth a "king's ransom," each emerald was wrapped in a bank note of a thousand francs. There are seventy emeralds. Prince Napoleon has lately paid assiduous court to this damsel, having given her his arm in public in all the principal theatres in Paris. The Princess Clotilde, Prince Napoleon's wife, must be aware of her husband's infidelities, but she does not seem to know what jealousy is; and yet those who know her best, assert that she would be heart-broken if she should lose him.

VALENTINES.—A. D. Miller & Co., have received a large lot of Valentines.

Local Notices.

Wanted.

A GIRL TO DO COOKING. Wages, $4.00 per week.

Mrs. J. P. BANCROFT, Story Farm.

Feb. 1, 1869.—2t.