Petroleum Centre Daily Record.

Pet. Centre, Thursday, April 22.

A. E. FAY, Editor.

Time of Closing Mails.

P. O., PETROLEUM CENTRE, PA., JULY 21ST, 1868.

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

ARRIVE.

South and East, via. Irvineton, 10.26 A. M.
South and West, " Meadville, 5.12 P. M.
North and East, " Corry, 2.55 "

DEPART.

South and West, 3.45 A. M.
South, East and West, 2.30 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 7½ 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

"Thus We Glide."

The village of Petroleum Centre is making rapid progress in the way of improvements; old buildings are being renovated and enlarged to meet the demands of an increasing business, and on every hand the busy hum of industry among mechanics, denotes a lively demand for all kinds of workmen, as building after building starts up here and there to be occupied as a business stand. Our town knows no such word as fail, and our advancement is steady and sure. We notice several new buildings in process of erection on Washington street, among which is a building being added to the grocery establishment of O. F. Shonblom, his increasing business demanding more room and a larger stock. He is deserving of the liberal patronage he is now enjoying, and we bespeak for him that success which always attends personal effort and close application.

In another week our business men may consider themselves on the "safe side," as the pipe (not the monopoly!) will all be laid by that time, and our citizens even at the farther end of the town, may rest without fear of fire. This is one of the grandest improvements yet perfected in Petroleum Centre, and will not only protect buildings already erected, but will induce others to build, thereby giving to our town a new nimpetus, strengthening those who have strength and giving strength and confidence to those who do not possess those qualifications in too great a measure. No oil town has the business prospects before it that does ours, and ere another year shall roll around, our facilities will be expanded to a much larger degree. The spring trade has opened in our midst in an unusual encouraging manner, and in consequence our business men are getting in large stocks, operators have great confidence and a general healthy condition pervades our entire community.

FRED. SHULTS has fitted up a room over his saloon for a ladies ice cream parlor, where he intends to keep on hand during the summer this delicious beverage in all its sweetness. Fred. has recently fitted up his saloon on the ground floor in a very handsome manner.

Mr. John A. Keonce, recently appointed Internal Revenue Assessor for the Twentieth District, is a prominent and influential Republican of Mercer county, having been Chairman of the County Committee, delegate to State convention, and chosen a delegate to the Chicago convention of 1868.

J. W. SPENCER, late a resident of Pierson Farm, has changed his business headquarters to the office of J. Stamburgh, in Petroleum Centre, in the employ of Brown & Harrington. Mr. Spencer is better known to the readers of the RECORD as "JOE SWINGLE," our spicy Pierson Farm correspondent. We do not desire to lose sight of the *nom de plume* or the original.

Rosson & Arnold's new billiard parlor in the block formerly occupied by Wolf & M'Crane, is being brought to a glow by the handi-work of experienced mechanics, and when finished, will be one of the finest rooms in this section of the State. The walls are to be decorated with the neatest ornamental work. But a few days will elapse ere the new hall will be in readiness in all its beauty. We desire to state that the wall ornamentations are furnished by A. D. Miller & Co.

The Fortune Tellers.

The New York correspondent of the Buffalo Republic says: It would amaze you to know, if you could know, the extent to which the fortune telling, clairvoyant-astrologists imposture is carried here in New York, the amount of money given to harpies, and the character of the people who patronise them, I have often been astonished to hear sensible, well educated men and women relate stories of what clairvoyants did for them, and express implicit confidence in their supernatural power. The best customers of the card-drawers, clairvoyants and astrologists are girls just geting up to marriageable period, and women given to intrigue and an irrepressible desire to know where their husbands go. There are plenty of fashionable Fifth avenue ladies, too, who consult them on the most trivial as well as the most serious matters, with the same unquestioning confidence in what they say that the negro has in the advice of the professional policy dreamer. It may seem scarcely credible, but it is perfectly true, that these imposters are frequently consulted by bankers, bank officers and business men, with regard to the recovery of stolen property, and their advice adopted in preference to that given by experienced detectives. It certainly is not creditable to the much vaunted intelligence of the nineteenth century that fortune tellers should flourish as they do in the American metropolis, but assuredly they are a power here to-day, and both in number and power they are steadily increasing.

A Newark Murder Story.

On Sunday evening the body of a man was found in Newark bay, near the lighthouse. It was taken up to Newark, and there identified by Mrs. Christian Steohr as that of her husband, who resided at 227 Plane street. On the 30th of March last he went into a saloon near his house, and there remained until two o'clock the following morning. About that time he left in company with a hatter named Blessman, and thenceforward he was missing. Blessman was arrested and attended at the inquest over the body, before Coroner Chase. Evidence as here set forth was given, and it was added that on the morning of his disappearance, Steohr was intoxicated and partially insane. Dr. Lehlbach testified that there were wounds about the face of Steohr, as from a blunt instrument, and that Steohr had been thrown into the water violently either at the time of the injuries or afterward. Blessman professes ignorance of the supposed murder, and says that he parted with Steohr shortly after they left the house. The inquest has been adjourned.

$25 FINE FOR KILLING A SMALL BIRD.—By an act of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania, approved the 31st of March, A. D. 1868, a penalty of Twenty-five Dollars is imposed for the killing of any insectivorous bird, one-half of this fine to be paid to the informer. Here is an opportunity to make twelve dollars and a half, and render the community effective service. There is no practice so inhuman as the killing of the pretty little songsters that warble beneath our windows and gladden our hearts. It is the duty of every good citizen to prevent their destruction and this can only be done by prosecuting those who violate the law. The birds that are classed under the head of insectivorous birds are robins, martins, swallows, blue birds, wood-peckers, &c., &c., in fact all the various small birds generally.—Harrisburg Telegraph.

A writer in the Boston Bulletin does up Pittsburgh for the hundredth time. After taking a rapid glance at the several manufactures, he says: "Almost every article of use manufactured from wood, metal or thread is produced in Pittsburgh. It is one of the old, solid cities of the country; anything of the braggartism about the people; no pretentious parading of figures and resources, but a quiet and constant pushing onward of industries and business. No inland city in the United States has a geographical position to command such multiform resources superior to Pittsburgh. It is the gateway to the Great West, for, as has been well said, this is the point where the East terminates and the west begins. It is a point of interchange of commodities, and is the concentric point of the great Eastern and Western thoroughfares. Its destiny is already determined.

THE GIFT ENTERTAINMENT.—Prof. Everett's entertainment last night at the Opera House was largely attended, and was highly spoken of by those who were in attendance. One of the great attractions was the drawing of valuable gifts, many of which were useful articles. The principal prize of the evening was a large sofa, which was drawn by one of our citizens. To-night the first prize will be $15 in cash, and money in various amounts will be distributed as prizes. The Professor is to remain with us but a day or two longer. Go to the Opera House to-night.

STATE NEWS.

T. B. Gowen, acting President of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, has purchased the remaining one-half interest in the Treverton Coal Estate, for three hundred and ten thousand dollars.

E. Bradley, while superintendening the drilling of a well on Church Run last Saturday, was seriously, if not fatally, injured by being caught in the bull rope.

John Gorman was killed at Corry, on Tuesday morning, while coupling an engine on the O. C. and A. R. Road to a baggage car. It appears that as the engine was backing up he slipped, and the pin of the coupling was forced through his body.

A young lady at the Porterfield mill, near Tidioute, packs eight thousand shingles every day, and earns one dollar each day, as much as the male laborers. She has kept this up for the last two months, and says she will henceforth pack ten.

Mrs. Nelson, of Fairfield township, Crawford county, died on Tuesday the 18th, in the ninety-fourth year of her age. She had been a resident of the county seventy-two years. Her husband, Col. David Nelson, died about twenty years ago. She was in many respects a remarkable woman, and her mental faculties continued vigorous to the end. She was proud, and justly so, of her posterity, now consisting of eight children; seventy-six grandchildren, and seventy-two great grandchildren. It was her boast that among the entire number there was not one idiot, of mind or deformed physically. Her children were all present at her burial, with their companions.

NEWS ITEMS.

Prof. Mitchell, the mathematician, died at Vassar College, last Monday evening, from general debility.

A terrific rain storm prevailed at Mitchell, Canada, on Sunday night. The country is covered with water, and the damage is very great.

The Executive Committee, of which Geo. H. Stuart is chairman, are completing arrangements for a great National Sunday School Convention to be held at Newark, N. J., on the 28th inst.

John M. Morierty, President of the Irish Republican Association of Philadelphia, has sent the following dispatch to Senator Chandler: "Accept the thanks of twenty thousand Irishmen of Pennsylvania who voted for Grant in November, for your able speech on the Alabama claims. Reconstruction, resumption, flourishing manufactories, the restoration of foreign trade, the extension of territory, the vindication of national honor, and the liberation of Ireland would all follow hostilities against England.

For the year ending on the first of April, 1869, the sales of manufacturers in the First Ohio District were twenty-six millions, reported to the Assessor of Internal Revenue. Sixty-nine manufacturers sold over one hundred thousand dollars of manufactured goods each.

A fire occurred in New Albany, Ind., which destroyed a large two story frame building and a one story house adjoining, together with the greater part of their contents. The buildings were located on Main street, between Lower Eighth and Ninth streets, and occupied by W. L. Critchlow, who did a grocery business. Total loss $6,000; insured $2,800, in the North American of New York, and $600 in the Ohio Company. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The trial of William Abrams, for the Young murder, was commenced in the Criminal Court at Indianapolis on Wednesday. A motion being made by the prisoner's counsel for a change of venue, further hearing was postponed until Friday.

On Wednesday morning the body of an old man named Austin, was found by the roadside near Madison, Indiana, where he fell down an embankment three weeks ago, and was killed.

Two persons were arrested in a disreputable house in Quincy Ills., Monday night, on suspicion of being the robbers of the messenger of the United States Express, near Mount Sterling, on Friday night last. On one of the men arrested was found two thousand dollars, supposed to be a portion of the missing funds.

The Atlantic Telegraph Company, which earns thirty-five hundred dollars in gold each working day, has concluded to make a discount for what they call "social messages." It will cost a merchant a much, at present, to order his ship to another port, but he may inquire after the health of his wife in Paris at half price.

THE new well on the Hess farm situated little north of the old Rouseville well, owned by Tuller Walker and others, is doing but little thus far. There seems to be some difficulty in exhausting the water.

ROSECRANS FOR GOVERNOR OF OHIO.—According to a Columbus dispatch in the Cincinnati Gazette, the Democracy of Ohio at the capital are talking of Rosecrans for Governor

Cheyenne must be a pious and moral town "My kind cicerone (says a writer in Lippincott's) ushered me into a place called the Gold Room, which he assured me, was one of the most respectable places in the town. In the first room front, men and women were engaged indiscriminately at cards; the room back of it was devoted to keno, faro, tree-card monte, roulette and the sweat cloth. Up stairs, a church deacon was dealing fare for the accommodation of the patron and other prominent members of the congregation; these gentlemen were too respectable to play on the ground floor. You will readily infer that I did not remain long, nor did I make any further investigations. I had seen enough of Cheyenne."

PROTHONOTARY.

We are authorized to announce that JOSEPH H. SMITH, Prothonotory of Venango County, will be a candidate for re-nomination, for said office, subject to the usages of the Republican party.

CANDIDACY ANNOUNCEMENTS.

REGISTER AND RECORDER.

EDITOR RECORD:—You will please announce that JAMES W. SHAW will be a candidate for nomination for the office of Register and Recorder, subject to the usages of the Republican party, at the ensuing Republican Primary Election. Mr. Shaw was a Private in Company "I," 143d Pennsylvania Volunteers, and lost a right arm in battle of Gettysburg. He is competent and obliging, and has served as Register and Recorder for one term to the entire satisfaction of all who have done business with him.

VENANGO COUNTY.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.