

Petroleum Centre Daily Record.

Feb. Centre, Saturday, Feb. 19

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE OF TRAINS O. C. & A. R. R.

South. No. 2, Passenger—Leave Corry 11:20 a. m.; Titusville, 12:59 p. m.; Petroleum Centre, 1:40 p. m.; Oil City, 2:22 p. m.; Irvineton, 5:10 p. m. No. 4, Passenger—Leave Corry 6:10 a. m.; Titusville, 7:35 a. m.; Petroleum Centre, 8:14 a. m.; Oil City, 8:59 a. m.; arrive at Irvineton 11:40 a. m. No. 6, Passenger—Leave Corry 6:05 p. m.; Titusville, 7:50 p. m.; Petroleum Centre, 8:38 p. m.; arrive at Oil City 9:20 p. m. North. No. 1, Passenger—Leave Irvineton 7:15 a. m.; Oil City, 10:10 a. m.; Petroleum Centre, 11:05 a. m.; Titusville, 11:50 a. m.; arrive at Corry 1:40 p. m. No. 3, Passenger—Leave Irvineton, 12:06 p. m.; Oil City 2:57 p. m.; Petroleum Centre, 3:36 p. m.; Titusville, 4:20 p. m.; arrive at Corry 5:45 p. m. No. 5, Passenger—Leave Oil City 7:00 a. m.; Petroleum Centre, 7:43 a. m.; Titusville, 8:50 a. m.; arrive at Corry 10:10 a. m.

DIVINE SERVICES. PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Preaching at 11 o'clock A. M., and 7 o'clock P. M. Rev. J. T. OXTORY, Pastor.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH. Services every Sabbath at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sabbath School at 12 1/2 P. M. eats free. A cordial invitation extended to all. Rev. C. M. HEARD, Pastor.

STS. PETER AND PAUL'S (Catholic) CHURCH. Mass at 10 1/4 a. m. Vesper and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 4 p. m. Catechism at 2 p. m. JAMES DUNN, Pastor. Gold to day 119.

A musical convention is to be held at Union Hall, Tarr Farm, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings, of next week.

Do not forget the dramatic entertainment of the Good Templars, this evening.

An oil company has been organized at Westfield, N. Y., for the purpose of putting down a well. Hope they'll strike oil, but very much doubt it.

A new well was struck on the Emery tract, Red Hot, on Wednesday evening, and Thursday was yielding at the rate of 200 barrels per day. Owned by Emery Bros. of Pioneer.

A boiler explosion occurred on the Chicago tract near Red Hot, night before last, by which several men were quite severely injured, but fortunately none fatally.

Mr. W. H. Dewitt of Pleasantville, has withdrawn from the firm of T. B. Shugert & Co. of that place, and intends shortly to pay a visit to Fredericksburg, Va., intending eventually to locate there. Mr. D. is well known in this place, and in fact throughout the entire region as being a gentleman and thorough business man in every respect. While his many friends and acquaintances will sincerely regret his leaving, their best wishes will go with him to his new home wherever it may be.

The Oil City Times of yesterday says: The "Mountain" well No. 1, known as the Wingard well, commenced to test on Wednesday evening last at 5 1/2 o'clock, and in 24 hours has produced full 75 barrels of good green oil, and increasing. This well is on the U. P. F. Association tract, and in a direct line north of the Hason well. The sand rock is 19 feet in depth, and is evidently the same as that of the Hason well. These facts would seem to indicate that the belt runs in a north and south direction. The well pumps steadily, without the pulsations noticed in the Hason well.

A fine substantial railroad bridge has been completed by the O. C. & A. R. R. over the mouth of Pihole Creek at its junction with the Allegheny river near Oleopits. This does away with the curve and long trestle work formerly existing at that point, and is an improvement.

We learn that the Sheriff of Armstrong county was engaged all Thursday in shutting up the Free-and-Easys at Parkers Landing.

Mrs. M. Deuell, Phrenologist, has taken rooms at the American Hotel, where she can be consulted on matters relating to this science. Mrs. D. is also an adept at Fortune Telling. Terms moderate.

Remember the Dramatic Entertainment at Sobel's Hall, this evening.

POSTOFFICE CHANGES—Postmaster General Crowell has made the following changes in Pennsylvania:

Cherry Tree, Venango county, Pa.—R. Irwin, vice J. Miller, deceased. Established—Cooksburg, Forest county, Pa., Andrew Cook, Postmaster.

Correspondence Daily Record.

ERRON RECORD.—I regret to see a disposition manifested by the Record to disparage the eminent public services of the Representative in Congress from this district, and especially I regret the injustice done him by your statement of the way the Story Farm folks got their Postoffice.

Now, I believe you eschew politics, but I trust you will allow me to say a word in defense of our Representative, as we all want good men in Congress and all should be willing to do our public servants justice. In this affair of the Story Farm postoffice, we have a striking proof of our Representative's immense influence with the government. To be sure the head of the Department says the order making the office was issued during our Representative's absence, but that only shows how powerful his influence must be. It is not necessary for him to look after anything in person, and he can, by the awe inspired by his name alone, attend as well to the duties of his position when absent from Washington as in the Capitol. In fact, some folks think he does better when absent. I am not sure but they are right. Now no district has a more worthy Representative than our own.

During a late visit to Washington I was struck with the unanimity his praises were sounded in all quarters from the President's mansion down to the cheap boarding houses, and at the hotels every one vied in lauding the gentleman from Venango—even the bootblacks call him "Gilted Gillian," and when I see how imperfectly he is appreciated at home, I am reminded, alas! that a "Prophet is not without honor save in his own country."

It is no secret at Washington that Mr. Gillilan has successively been offered the position of Minister to Austria, Spain, Italy, and (conditionally) that of Plenipotentiary to the Peninsulas, and the President also wants him to be Governor of Alaska, which, the country being large and the people few, would give chance for his exuberant mind to expand and soar aloft like the eagle, but with Roman firmness he declines them all, and says he will never leave his constituents unprotected and desolate.

He is now devoting his mental energies particularly to the science of Phrenology, and intends to give public lectures on this subject when Congress adjourns. No charge made for examining heads.

Surely he deserves our full confidence. He is on the two confessedly most important committees in the House—"Revolutionary Pensions," and the Hoss railroad to Georgetown, and it is rumored in Washington he is to be added to the Committee on Public Buildings, and he will have personal oversight of such as the Committee may deem necessary.

So I hope, Mr. Editor, you will try and appreciate Mr. Gillilan's public services. BLACK REPUBLICAN.

At about half past five Thursday evening a fire occurred at the Crystal Oil Works, owned by Livingstone Brothers, on the bank of the Allegheny river, a short distance above the Sharpburg bridge, resulting in the loss of the still house, and the burning of a tank of crude oil, and a tank of benzine.

The fire originated in the explosion of a still, and the flames from the burning of soon communicated to a tank of crude oil and a tank of benzine just above the still house, and these, together with the wood work of the still house were consumed. A large number of empty barrels which were lying in the vicinity of one of the tanks were also destroyed. The explosion is thought to have been caused by the mixture of water with the crude oil in the tank. The loss by the fire will reach about ten thousand dollars, and on this amount there was only a partial insurance.

A new well on the Story Farm commenced testing yesterday morning, and to-day is yielding at the rate of eight barrels per day. Owned by the Columbia Oil Co. and known as No. 72. One or two wells on this farm will soon be completed.

We learn that two new wells were struck at Red Hot yesterday. One is yielding from 15 to 18 barrels per day, and the other will prove a good twenty barrel well.

The Pleasantville paper publishes an item to the effect that "Petroleum Centre boasts of nine free-and-easys." The editor probably knows from experience how many there are.

THE NEW REPUBLICAN PAPER.—Mr. Ed. W. Smitley, an experienced printer and a present editor of the Forest Republican, has issued a prospectus for a Republican newspaper to be published in this city and called the Franklin Advertiser. The Advertiser will be an eight column paper and the first number will make its appearance on Tuesday, March 29th.

The Senate has confirmed the nomination of William Strong, of Pennsylvania, as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court.

The Toodles at Sobel's Hall, this evening.

Sale of Cadetships.

Washington Cor. New York Herald.

The Military Committee of the House continued to-day the investigation of the subject of improper disposition of cadetships. The principal case examined was that of S. Newton Pettis, late member of Congress from the Twentieth Pennsylvania district.

Three witnesses were examined, namely, Major Bloss, editor of the Titusville Herald; Mr. White and Mr. Derrickson, and their testimony, if true, is of a very damaging character. According to their evidence, when the nominating convention met in Franklin, and Mr. Pettis was chosen as the candidate, Major Bloss had an interview with Pettis and offered \$500 to the latter on the condition that he would give the cadetship to which he was entitled to a son of Mr. Bishop, of Titusville, a man interested to some extent in the oil business. Mr. Pettis, they allege in their testimony, accepted the offer without any qualification, promising to make the appointment in case he should be elected. It seems that Major Bloss had been consulted on the subject by Mr. Bishop, Sr., before the meeting of the nominating convention was held, and had been instructed to make the offer not merely to Mr. Pettis, but to the person, whoever it might be, who succeeded in obtaining the nomination. After concluding with Pettis Major Bloss went back to Titusville and reported progress to Mr. Bishop. Subsequently Mr. Pettis got elected, and the proposition was renewed. Mr. Pettis then explained that he had promised the cadetship to another party before Bloss's offer and that as soon as he might succeed in putting off party number one he would conclude the bargain with party number two. The arrangement remained in suspense for some time, when at last Mr. Derrickson, a friend of Pettis, came to Mr. Bishop's friend Major Bloss, and stated that he was authorized to close the bargain. Mr. Derrickson explained to Bloss that Pettis had borrowed \$500 from him (Derrickson) for election purposes, and that Pettis was willing to give Bishop's son the cadetship if Bishop would pay \$300 more than originally proposed, or \$800 in all; at the same time Derrickson showed a note of Pettis promising to pay Derrickson \$800, and containing an endorsement by Pettis to the effect that—"The within note shall be cancelled when the money is paid by Mr. Bishop." Bloss accepted the proposition for Bishop to pay \$800, and the bargain was closed. After the consummation of this arrangement it seems that Pettis was harassed by the first party to whom he had promised to give the cadetship, and finally to get rid of the thing he (Pettis) wrote to this party, number one, expressing regret that he could not keep his promise, and explained that peculiar embarrassments had obliged him to dispose of the appointment to Mr. Bishop. The writing of this injudicious letter is said to have been the cause of the discovery of the improper transaction. Party number one, incensed at Pettis going back on his word, showed the letter to some of his friends; the matter got talked about, and finally reached the ears of the people, who thought it their duty to communicate it to Congress. Now the witnesses examined to-day do not hesitate to state that they are not on friendly terms with Mr. Pettis, and it may be that they have been stimulated by hostility to the ex-member in making the above statements. I do not wish, therefore, to express the opinion that Mr. Pettis is guilty of the charges; I only give what I have heard was the testimony, without note or comment for or against the accused. The investigation committee find that the field of their investigations is daily becoming enlarged. Fresh cases are reported every day, and the probability seems to be that the labors of the committee will not soon reach a close. At present there are some ten cases reported—two or three from Louisiana, two from South Carolina, three or four from Pennsylvania, and the rest from other States. The carpet-baggers thus far seem to monopolize a lion's share of the traffic.

LAKE TONNAGE.—The number of craft of all kinds engaged in the commerce of the lakes is about 2,300, with an aggregate tonnage of 659,000 tons, and an approximate value of \$26,500,000. If to this be added the value of the different products that are transported over the lakes by these vessels each year, which at a low estimate would reach \$300,000,000, we have a grand total of say \$326,500,000 worth of property placed at hazard in its transit across the lakes. When it is understood, says the Detroit Post that the annual depreciation of vessels from natural decay alone is about ten per cent., it is evident that no small portion of this vast amount of property will be committed to unseaworthy vessels, unless the means of knowing the real condition of all vessels is furnished to the shipper.

A Cincinnati confidence man paid his board bill for several weeks by courting the landlady, but defaulted just before the promised wedding.

Local Notices.

We would call the attention of our business men to the superior styles of job printing, both plain and fancy, at present being turned out from this office. We are prepared to execute job printing of every description in the latest and most fashionable style of the art, and at reasonable rates. If.

CHILDREN'S CARRIAGES—A fine assortment at the Furniture Store.

Higbrock, Congress and Empire Spring water at Griffes Bros. for 5c.

Valentines of all kinds at Griffes Bros. If Horse Shoe Nails, wholesale and retail, at Nicholson & Blackmon's, 23-cf.

The New Gas Pump for sale at Nicholson & Blackmon's. If.

THIS MEANS BUSINESS.—My entire stock of goods is offered at cost. A. S. SMITH. Dec 5 If.

The New Gas Pump for sale at Nicholson & Blackmon's. If.

SHERIFF'S SALE IS CLOSED.—Nicholson & Blackmon having bought him out at this place and Kane City. If.

Reduced Prices at Lammers & Alden's. [Nov. 22 If.]

Underclothing in large quantities at Lammers & Alden's.

KID GLOVES—A large assortment, at Lammers & Alden's.

The largest and best assortment of Table Cutlery, ever brought into the country at Nicholson & Blackmon's. If.

Lammers & Alden's is the only store to buy good, durable and cheap clothing.

Lammers & Alden's is the only white mass clothing store in the Centre.

Orders taken for suits and fits guaranteed, Lammers & Alden's.

A. S. Smith's large stock of boots and shoes is offered at cost for the next 60 days Dec 5 If.

A. S. Smith in order to close out his large stock of ladies shoes etc., offers them at cost as they must be sold in the next 60 days. Dec 5 If.

Parlor and office stoves, a few left and will be sold at cost at J. Rutherford's. If.

Carriage Bona, wholesale and retail, at Nicholson & Blackmon's 23-cf.

Just received a large and well assorted stock of shelf hardware at J. Rutherford's. If.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

"POICHERY!"

Encouraging a few of the articles to be found at

L. M. STERNBURG'S Lumber Yard

Washington-St., Petroleum Centre, Pa.

Friends and patrons, one and all. Your attention to my "bits" I would call; Times are dull and money tight. But in these times I'm looking for light;

To those who are building rigs without number, I would inform—this is the place to buy Lumber; My motto is this: "Quick Sales and Small Profit." For business is healthy and I think much of it;

In quality my Lumber is second to none, And as for Shingles, I keep No. 1;

Some may not look at it in the light I do, And for close I have a quality No. 2;

And to those who are particular—as some may be, I still have another quality called No. 3;

I have good seasoned Lumber, Dressed up nice, Which I will sell at a low cash price;

Such as Flooring, Ceiling and Siding, both Rough and Dressed, Lath, Battens and Surfaced Lumber, all of the best;

I also have Rig Lumber of all kinds, At prices to compare with oil and hard times;

All kinds of Timber kept constantly on hand, And a box of Cigars of a very good brand;

My facilities for selling are surely without number I always keep good teams to deliver good Lumber;

So if you want Lumber, Rough, Dressed, Soft or Hard, You will find just what you want at L. M. S's Lumber Yard. 1815-17

The Mummy to-night.

GRAND AMATEUR DRAMATIC

Entertainment!

BY THE

GOOD TEMPLARS

OF PETROLEUM CENTRE.

SOBEL'S OPERA HOUSE.

Saturday Ev'g, Feb 19

THE DOMESTIC DRAMA OF

THE

Toodles!!

TO CONCLUDE WITH THE LAUGHABLE FARCE OF

THE MUMMY!

Advertisement for The Mummy!

Discretion Notice.

Three months ago I was... Advertisement for a lost item.

\$500 REWARD!

The Carriage... Advertisement for a reward.

C. A. Driscoll,

DEALER in second hand engines, boilers, tubs, etc.

CLEANING AND REPAIRING ENGINES.

Articles Having Engines for Sale

Will do well to give me a call. Platform near O. C. & A. R. R.

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NEW JEWELRY STORE!

AT OIL CITY.

ISHAM & Co.

Have opened a jewelry store on Centre street, 145

Keep constantly on hand a large assortment of

Diamonds & Fine Watches

(American, English and Swiss make.)

Solid Silver and Plated Ware,

SOLID GOLD CHAINS, JEWELRY, PISTOLS, REVOLVERS, FISHING TACKLE, SEAL RINGS &c.

Particular attention given to repairing fine watches and jewelry by a competent workman.

The firm have also a store at TITUSVILLE, IT being street

FOR SALE.

The building known as the "Excelsior Store,"

now occupied by Ed. Bishop as a dry goods store is

for sale. This store is well situated and has large

and comfortable rooms over head suitable for two or

more families. For further particulars apply at

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