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### Petroleum Centre Daily Record.

Pub. Centre Pa Monday April 1

Divine Service.

### METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Services every Sabbath at 11 A. M. and

7 1/2 P. M. Sabbath School at 12 1/2 P. M.

Free. A cordial invitation extended to all.

REV. P. W. SCOFIELD, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Preaching at 11 o'clock A. M., and 7 1/2

o'clock P. M.

D. PATTON, Pastor.



### Petroleum Centre Lodge, No.

715, I. O. of O. F.

Regular meeting nights Friday, at 7

o'clock. Signed.

J. E. BOYLES, N. G.

W. A. KELLER, A. Sec'y.

Place of meeting, Main St., opposite

McClintock House.

A. O. of U. W.

Liberty Lodge No. 7, A. O. of U. W.,

meets every Monday evening at 7 o'clock,

in Odd Fellow's Hall, Petroleum Centre,

Penn'a.

A. GLEN, M. W.

S. H. KOEGER, R.

Gold at 1 p. m. 110

### MASS MEETING.

Oil producers, refiners and people inter-

ested are respectively requested to attend a

mass meeting at Oil City, Wednesday,

April 24, at Love's Academy of Music, at

10 o'clock a. m. to hear the report of the

Committee on Legislation, Transportation,

Railroad and Finance; also other impor-

tant business.

F. W. MITCHELL,

Chairman General Committee.

Up Beunehoff Run near the mouth of

Tarr Run, we are informed, there resides a

family named Brosser, consisting of the fa-

ther, mother and five children, who are in

extremely destitute circumstances, and

stand greatly in need of help. Mr. B. serv-

ed in the Union army, and while there con-

tracted a lung complaint and is now in the

last stages of that fell disease, consumption.

The mother, a very delicate woman, has

supported the entire family for nearly nine

months past, by taking in washing. The

poor master of Cherrytree township, has

aided them as far as the law allows, but

they need more help to make them comfort-

able. We hope our charitable inclined citi-

zens will visit this really deserving family

and aid them liberally in their hour of dis-

tress.

The refugees at Titusville and Oil City

commence active operations to-day. At

this point they have been running for sev-

eral days. Now that the hack of the wick-

## The South Improvement Com-

pany Before the Congressional

Committee.

Last night we received the following dis-

patch from Mr. Minor:

WASHINGTON, March 30, 1872.

EDITOR RECORD:—The Oil Committee

and officers of the South Improvement Com-

pany are face to face before the Congres-

sional Committee. The investigation is ex-

ceeding thorough.

S. MINOR,

of the Committee.

The Southern Improvement Company, a

corporation created by an act of the Legis-

lature, and, therefore, likely to involve some

clever scheme to enrich its incorporators, is

creating an immense excitement in the oil

regions. Its objects are stated to be "the

ruin of producers of petroleum, to enforce a

reduction in prices, and to enrich its mem-

bers," who are mostly capitalists and rail-

road officials. The petroleum interest is one

of the largest and most important in Penn-

sylvania, and it is to be regretted that the

Legislature instead of protecting has put it

in the power of unscrupulous men. The oil

men, however, appear to be confident of an

ultimate triumph over the monopolists, and

having ample facilities for torch-light pro-

cessions, etc., are holding immense mass

meetings and kindling enthusiasm to an in-

definite height.—[Forney's Press.

Mr. E. G. Patterson telegraphed Saturday

afternoon that the contract of the South Im-

provement Company with the railroads had

been cancelled.

A well, west of Martinsburg about 3/4 of

a mile, will be tested this week; this well is

on the extreme western belt being a line

of 32° West of South taking the bearing

from the best wells on the Dutchess and Black

farms.

Several new wells will soon be commenced

on the James Say Farm, immediately south

of the Shakely.

There are some six or eight wells in pro-

gress on the line between the developments

on the Wilt and Hutchinson farms and the

Shakely well, which is doing 50 barrels per

day.—[Emleton Sun.

Night watchman Peter Kinney, of this

town, has proven himself a trustworthy and

efficient guardian of property along the

street. He has now been on duty for five

years, and during that time has not been off

duty over two weeks, and that was occa-

sioned by sickness of himself or some mem-

ber of his family. Some have asserted that

that Mr. K. "slept at his post," &c. We

have not failed of meeting him every night,

no matter how severe the weather might be,

for nearly three years, and many others will

bear us out in this assertion. There are few

watchmen who can show a better record

than this, and we think he is eminently de-

serving the thanks of the business men and

property owners of the town for the

faithful manner in which he has performed

his duty. Nuff ced.

Road Commissioner McHugh has a gang

of men at work cleaning out the winter's

accumulation of dirt and filth from the gut-

ters along the street. Decidedly a good

move.

Mr. Dobbs, of the firm of Dobbs & Mc-

Collum, book agents of Titusville, is in

town to-day, delivering to subscribers the

"Life of James Fisk." We acknowledge

the receipt of a copy of the work. It is

well written, very entertaining, and we

advise our citizens to secure a copy by all

means.

On Friday last, the Committee of the

United States House of Representatives

commenced the examination of witnesses in

## Victory Complete—Repeal of

the South Improvement Char-

ter.

Mr. McJunkie's bill repealing the charter

of the South Improvement Company, passed

both houses yesterday, and by this time is

a law. This of course annuls the contracts

of the S. I. Co., with the railroads, and rid-

es us entirely of the monopoly that so serious-

ly threatened us.

Having broken up this company, our

general business throughout the Oil Region

will be again resumed. The refineries of

the Oil Region, amply protected and favor-

ed, will all go in active operation during

the coming week. There is ample demand

for oil, and we can safely predict the usual

activity in the oil business during the com-

ing month. For the success met with in

destroying the power of the South Improve-

ment Company, the people of the Oil Region

are largely indebted to Thos. A. Scott, of

the Pennsylvania Railroad. Unless with

his assent, no action on the same by the

railroad companies could have been effected.

His influence with the Pennsylvania Legis-

lature has also been very beneficial to us in

this matter. The Pennsylvania Railroad

Company is a monopoly that we would glad-

ly see dispensed with, yet its powers have

ever been exercised to favor Pennsylvania

interests, and to Thos. A. Scott is due cred-

it for so materially in the development of

the mineral and other resources of our great

Commonwealth. We are willing to give

the devil his due.

The people of the Oil Region have made

a noble fight for their just rights, and the

victory for them is complete. They can

well afford to be generous and just in their

future course. The ruin of the refining in-

terest of Cleveland, formerly our best cus-

tomers, seems to us inevitable. That inter-

est, by the effort to place our people at the

mercy of a monopoly, have ever reached

themselves. They have also forfeited all

consideration at the hands of the people of

this section. Producers will hardly care to

sell oil to them hereafter, while the trade of

that place as far as refining is concerned,

will, unless some satisfactory compromise is

made, be directed to other places.

The final result of this whole affair will

be to transfer the great bulk of the refining

interest to the Oil Region, the proper place

for refining to be done. For this the Cleve-

land refiners by entering into an unjust al-

liance, in the highest degree prejudicial to

the interests of the people of the Oil Region,

have only themselves to blame. They will

have to bear the consequences of their ac-

tion as best they may.

There being no further obstacle to our

prosperous future, we shall expect every

branch of business to be resumed, and that

a just reward shall be had for each and

every interest of our country. The victory

of the people of the Oil Region has been so

complete, that they can afford to be gener-

ous as well as just, and will cordially wel-

come the removal of the Cleveland refineries

to the Oil Region, where the proper local-

ity for the refining will be in all future

time.—[Oil City Register.

The long-expected companion to "Ten

Nights in a Bar Room" is nearly ready, and

will shortly appear. The popularity and

great usefulness of this standard temperance

book is evinced by the immense sales that

have been made,—much greater, it is be-

lieved than that of any book of its class

ever published. Who has not read this re-

markable book, so true to nature, so intense

in effect, and so terrible in its moral, and

who that has read it has not wished for a

companion. To satisfy this widely expres-

BOTTLES FULL OF BEAUTY.—Ladies, if

you would have beauty by the bottle-full

all you have to do is to purchase Hagan's

Magnolia Balm. That peerless beautifier

of the complexion not only brightens natu-

ral charms, but renders even the plainest

countenance exceedingly attractive. It re-

calls to the pale cheek the rosy tinge of

health, removes pimples, blotches, rough-

ness, sallowness and other blemishes, im-

parts to the skin a most delicate fairness

and softness. It smoothes the furrows caus-

ed by time or care, and gives face, neck and

arms the plump and engaging appearance of

youthful beauty. All this is accomplished

by the most natural means, viz: by gently

and naturally stimulating the circulation in

the capillary blood vessels. Besides being

the most effectual aid to beauty known to

modern science.

A Toulouse priest has published a book,

in which he tells us that "the world will

come to an end in the year 1921, seven

months, thirteen days, three minutes, thirty-

one seconds, plus thirteen times the seven-

teenth part of a second, after the creation of

Adam, which means in the month of July,

thirteenth day, at three minutes, thirty-one

and thirteen-sevenths of a second past

7 o'clock in the morning of the year 1921 of

the Christian era." Now, if you are not

ready on the very dot you can blame nobody

but yourself.

At a Parisian sale of rare books and manu-

scripts lately, one of the articles sold was a

fourteenth century, illuminated, Gothic

edition of the Bible, with gold clasps, set

with turquoises and bound in human skin.

There is it is said, but one other such bind-

ing in existence—that of a copy of the well-

known "Imitation of Christ," now in the

Carmelite Library at Paris.

All Fools Day. Of course "sells" are in

order.

The Maine people are telling great stories