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NOTICE.

All anbecribers to the Chicago Relief Fund of last winter, are requested to meet at the office of S. Reynolds, on SATURDAY EVENING, SEPT. 14TH, 1872. Of the smoont subscribed at that time, \$400 was sent to Chicago and \$300 to the sufferers by the Michigan and Wisconain firet, leaving a balance on band of \$258 95. This meeting is called for the purpose of disposing of the remaining balance.

By Order.

Rev. J. M. Condit, of Girard, wil occupy the pulpit of the Presbyterian Courch of this place, on Suaday next, forenoon and evening. The Rev. gentleman is enoken of as being a very talented and et of quent divine, and the public are cordially lavited to attend and bear him.

tions on subjects of interest to the public at large. The one in regard to the subject of ground rents is of vast importance to our citizens. Every inch of ground in the place is leased, and now that times are dull all along Oil Creek, we think it no more than right that the Central Petroleum Company and other owners of property, should make au abatement on ground rents at the present time. We shall have more to say on this subject at a future day, and invite com munications from the public on the same.

The special trains both to Titusville and Rouseville, last evening, were crowded with the admirers of Grant and Greeley. Both trains arrived back about 12 o'clock, all parties feeling estimed, no doubt, that their respective candidates stood a better chance of election than before the meetings were beld.

Day before yesterday, during the preva lence of the thunder shower, the lightning struck a large tree in front of the residence of Goo. Magrane, on the Upper Boyd farm, shattering it to some extent. The bolt for lowed the tree down to the ground and ran a ong side the jence for some distance and finally spent its force in the ground near the Mr. M's daughter pass-d under the tree but a short time before the lightning struck it, and made a narrow escape.

An Utterly Insane Oil Project.

The oil producers in the Pennsylvania of regious have lately done the most unjust, the most silly, the most short-sighted thing imaginable. That men of general business capacity and of ordinary sagecity, should attempt to put the knife to their own throats can only be accounted for upon the supposition that they have, for the time being. taken leave of their senses. All who know about the oil producing and oil refining interests are overdone. That is, there is an over product of the crude oil, and in-persar ily, an over supply of refined oil. The great problem of late, among men waose dollars and cents are invested in the oil business has been how to remedy , the disseter that follows low prices. There would seem to be but one remedy-a very simple one-and that is to curtail the supply of crude oil .-The over-product of refined, oil is but the necessary result of over-production of the crude article. The producers have the matter entirely within their control. Cease putting down wells, and limit the product of the wells siready, down and the matter will soon find its level.

But it would seem the oil producers are insane enough to suppose they can go on producing millions of barrrels yearly over and above the demand, yet by destruction of the refining interests in this country bring crude oil up to a remunerative point. In carrying out this idea the producers have istely held a meeting at St. Petersburg. Pennsylvania, and there deliberately resolv. ed that the refinleg of oil must be transferred from American soil to European soil .-Could injustice towards American luterests go farther? The resolution says:

RESOLVED, That to give a wider market throughout the world for perroleum, hance its price, and to protect producers from unjust combinations of home refiners. a committee be appointed to sek the repre-senatives of foreign governments at Wash-ington to request their respective govern-ments to put a proper tariff on refined oil, and armit crude free into the ports of their respective governments.

And a committee was appointed, whose mission to Washington is to enter into a league with representatives of foreign governments to aid in destroying this important branch of American industry. The names of the men who are willing to engage in the onslaught upon an American interes; cannot have too wide circulation. They are as fo'lows:

Thos. McDonough, Chairman; Jonathan Watson, of Titusville; Jas. M. Breden, of Franklin; Wm Parker, of Oil City; S. D. Kains and James B. Lambing, of Parker's Landing; M. E. Hess and Wesley Chambers of St. Petersburg; Richard Jennings, of East Brady.

The complete insanity of this movement'is glaringly illustrated in the fact that ninetyseven per cent. of the relining of oil is done in this country. Now suppose the producers persuade foreign governments to lay a tariff on refined oil, two or three years, at the shortest, would be necessary before refiners abroad could do the present work of American refiners, and, meanwhile, What would become of the present generation of producers? They would be whipped outused up-ruined, and other men would step in to reap the barvest from the seed which the present producers sowed upon their own ruins. Independent of the crime these men would commit against a very important branch of American industry, they would in the fall of the edifice bury themselves.

There are six million barrels of crude oil produced annually; there are but one buodred and eighty-seven thousand barrels of crude oil exported annually. As the matter now stands a very large amount of sur/ plus crude oil is held by the refiners and should these short-sighted producers sucinterest at the expense of an American one, they not only would themselves be obliged to "carry" the excess now carried by the refiners, but besides that have the entire product thrown upon their own shoulders, and thirty days would suffice to crush out every producer above ground-in three months the entire generation of producers would only be known in history, and then by the record that being sick they applied the wrong remedy and "here they lie." [Cleveland Herald.

[Speaking of the above article a correst oudent expresses his ideas as follows .-Our correspondent's ideas on the subject are to the point and will be coincided in by the producers of this section. Here it is:

Ma Entron:-I notice in the Cleveland Herald flippent article, headed "An utterly income project," and written in the interest of "the New Refining Combination" in which the producers are roundly abused for a resolution passed at a meeting at St. Peterspurg, to send a committee to Washing ton to reques t ministers of foreign govern ments to make such representations at home as might induce their respective governments to establish a "duty on refined and pass the crude in free," so that as producers the markets of the world might be open to us. When the combination can secure lead. ing journals to spread before the public one ant.

them, it becomes necessary to say a word

for the producers to show the situation truly. The S. I. C. passed away only in name and form. The old arrangement made some serious mistakes. The new one proposed to profit by them, and as soon as by purchase and partnership it had secured the great majority of the refineries of this country, and ail the pipe lines and tankage it wanted, and had arranged a rotary system of purchase at different points, never buying at two places on the same day-Cleveland to.day, Pittsborgh to-morrow, &c .- and then only nough to fix a price to suit them perhaps, while certain days are blank altogether-No onpens-and that there may be literally but one buyer, or rather no competition in prices on Creek or river, enough is forward. ed to seaboard to thrash the market and keep it level.

According to the Herald's showing 97 per cent. of refined oil is made in this country, and as the independent refineries are few and far between, they can well afford to sell crude oil to the export trade at cost or less.

On the other hand, if the producers could act as a unit'in self defence, the new combinstion could effect but little. But they do not act in concert unless roused into warmth by passion. They are kept apart by local jealousies, honest differences of opinion and by s fear of losing their individuality and independence.

So the producers, whose means and energies supply the material for speculators to fatten on, by divided counsels fall an easy prey, and hold their property at the mercy of a heartless cornoration.

The pipe lines and tankage where the bulk of the oil is produced are handled so as to incommode and embarrass the proper running and delivery of the oil, and is always tardy. The wonden tankage at the wells laking and evaporating usually runs over before the runs can be made, and instead of ten days storage has to be thrown at once upon the market. Add to these minor difficulties the fact that too much oil is produced, from the fact that many of the markets of Europe are practically closed because there is a duty imposed on crude, and the dullest person can see that the producers are justified in making an effort to invite competition in prices.

At five dollars a barrel crude oil affords the basis for the cheapest light in the world.

It the markets of Europe are free for crude and taxed for reflued, each country will refine its own, which is right. A new Impetus will be given to the business in Europe, and light will penetrate as only light can where rush lights have burned heretofore. Europe will supply refined cheaper to the remotest points of Asia than America can do. Russia can buy crude of us (the sea carriage is low) so cheap that reflaing would become one of the greatest industries of that vast country. Then with the ports of Germany and Russia open, 40,-000 barrels will not supply the natural demand three years from now. The howling about over-production will cease, and American interests will not have suffered, but the refiners combination will no doubt. But the money spent by producers over the oll country to drillers, to laborers, to machinists and others, distributed to points far and near, would do our country more good than all the refiners in America could do.

"United we stand divided" we fall." Let as as producers, without passion or prejude ice, combine together for one common purpose and act together with one common aim, as any society should fut the common good. Once organized, with officers elected and by laws respected, we can act in concert without losing our individual idenity restrict production. In various ways we can effectually stop the gambling in oil by 1cfusing to do business with those engaged in it. We can own refineries for domestic consumption. Send it to the seaboard, and do all those things found necessary to do to thwert the purpose of any coalition against our interests, and instead of having to sacrifice our property, to a conspiracy that seeks to gobble up the oil country, change the programme by gobbling up the aforesaid

Everything for defence, nothing for tribute.

Lost.-At some point on Washington Street, between Auerham's dry good store and Second Street, yesterday afternoon, a Hair Bracelet, of value to no one but the owner. The finder will be liberally reward . ed on leaving the same either at this office or at the office of Jas S. McCray.

A curious case has just been decided by an English court involving the legal recognition of ghosts. A tenant who was troub led with ghosts on his premises annulled the contract of lease between himself and his landlard. The landlord took legal means to secure the fulfillment of the contract, but the court decided in favor of the ten-

elded and garbled statements to mislead Letters from the People.

Norg. -The manager of this journal, with-Nors.—The manager of this journal, with-out endorsing the sentiments of contributors desires to offer the widest possible latitude for free discussion. It is merely stipulated that communications shall concern matters of public interest, be put in decent language and scompanied with the names of the writers, not for publication, but as a guary antee of good faith.

"For of all sad words of tongue or The saddest are these-'It might have been."

MR. EDITOR:-When the Boyd, Egbert and Central farms were first opened to oll development, leasing for oil purposes was the business of the hour. But as the territory became exhaus ted and space was left to build a town, the true policy of the land owners was to sell lots as fast as the developments receded. The continuance of leasing for building purposes was a crime, and a short-sighted, selfish and suicidal policy. one that has cost the owners dearly, for they might have had dollars where they have got dimes from the sale instead of the rental.

Located in the very heart of the oil trade for years, with "wealth that outshone the wealth of Ormus or of Inde"; with riches poured into her lap ten times greater than Solomon in all his glory ever possessed, a city rich and populous, with great resources of means and talent would be here to-day instead of a shanty town dealed corporate existence, without form or comeliness, dese titute of drainage, and whose health is only preserved by a special care of a pitylog Providence, our trade fettered by exactions of every kind, is languishing and dying.

It was rumored on the streets, after the reignation of M. C. Martin, E-q., as Superin-tendent, that Capt. Ray, Cashier of the bank bere would fill his place. This, if it had proved true was in itself a sufficient guarantee, that a just and generous policy would be inaugurated for he is a man of wide experience in business with broad and comprenensive views of duty, and possessed of quick decision, and rare judgment; core cealing under a somewhat brusque manner a warm and generous nature.

But fields of greater usefulness and higher honor are open to him and his accepance looks doubtful.

Let the citizens manifest some interest in this matter. Perhaps the company that has seemed as deaf as an adder may yet listen to the voice of reason. Their policy, as unctanging apparently as the laws of the Medes and Persians, may yet give way to something rational. Something may yet be done for this place. If the lots be seld in fee or pay yearly rental on a 99 year lease Then enterprise can assert itself, and as there is plenty of good territory yet around us, in a short time Petroleum Centre will Dier on a career of prosperity that shall it crease as time wears on.

CLOD HOPPER.

On News .- The Delo well is doing 25 barrels per day.

The Hammar well on Beaver creek pumping about 35 barrels per day.

The well near North Washington is down over 1500 feet with no indications of a third sand.

Fitteen new wells are being started in the vicinity of the Jamison well near But-

Territory is in great demand in the new field north of Petersburg by Parker's Landing pledge men.

The Fertig & Hammond well on the Ely Ritts farm east of Turkey run is down 1,000 feet, they have every indication of a good well.

The Finley & Kribbs well on Beaver to is supposed to be a little east of the main

Verbach and others have a well nearly completed on the Kesting farm near Ash bach run. There is 700 feet of oil in the hole, eight feet in the rock.

A new well was struck last week on the Ely Ritts farm which I understand is doing fully 25 barrels per dao. It is located close to the line of the Dan Ritts.

The Jamison well near Butler is flowing about sixty barrels a day. Preparations are being made to drill it deeper into the sand and tube it properly when they expect it will pump at least 200 barrels per

The Irwin well on the Edinger farm was burned on Friday. Fears were entertained that a man who had been at the well a few minutes previous to the breaking out of the fire, bad lost his life, but I think it is only conjecture.

A new town has been started on the flate below the Jamison well on land of Mr. Husselton of Batler, called Wyoming. There are also other lands north of this and separated by the Connoquessing creek which has been leased for building purposes and many buildings have already been started. There is a livery stable, lumber yard bakery and many other branches of business already opened. - [Emisaton Friend.

FIFTY YEARS APART.

They sit in the Winter gleaming. And the fire burns bright between; One has passed seventy Summers, The other just seventeen.

They rest in a happy silence. And the shadows deepen fast: One lives in a coming future. And one in a long, long past,

Each dreams of a rush of music, And a question whisper'd low; One will hear it this evening, One heard it long ago.

Each dreams of a loving husband, Whose brave heart is hers alone: For one the joy is coming, For the other the joy has flown.

Each dreams of a Life of gladness,

Spent under the sunny skies; And both the hope and the mem'ry Shine in the happy eyes. Who knows which dream is the brightest?

And who knows which is the best? The sorrow and joy are mingled, But on'y the end is rest:

The oil well of Capt. A. Dingley, in Pleasant township, two miles from Warren, is now down to the depth of about 900 feet, and the rock he is drilling in smells strongly of oil. The Captain's perseverance richly deserves success .- [Warren Ledger.

A besithy and otherwise intelligent ma:ried woman in Tennessee persists in the belief that her legs are paralyzed, and being doomed to an endless punishment. She suffers intense pale from her affliction, and has no indication of being unsound is mind except in this particular.

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