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Minnekaunee Tribe No. 183, I. O. R. M. of Petroleum Centre, meets every Thursday evening in Good Templar's Hall.

Council fires lighted at 7 o'clock.

H. HOWE, Sachem.

E. REYNOLDS, Chief of Records.

Gold at 1 p. m. 112 1/2

The editors of the Oil City Derrick appear to have William Carey on the brain, as also does the Fairview Reporter man. If these editors only knew him as well as we do they would not hold him to such mortal fear.

Let Casey but once know how they fear him and he will give them a pill and a chance to show the kind of stuff they are made of.

We are always ready, but still hope he may stop at the various newspaper offices on the road up and give them all a "whirl," then when he gets here we shall probably be able to reduce him to pulp so quick that he won't be able to get his second wind. But, as we have before said, we must decline a bottle holder or referee from the office of the Derrick, as we want those offices filled by parties of known courage and staid habits.

Cur hat is in the ring.

The Producer's Association of the Eleventh District, meet at their room in the Central House, this evening. It is understood that an agent is to be elected for the purpose of carrying out the plan of the proposed coalition between the producers and refiners in the event of the plan being agreed to.

The Fifth Avenue Hotel must have been very much damaged by the fire of Tuesday—Wednesday night. One account says the great dining room was flooded, water pouring through the ceiling, and that the stairway to the ladies' entrance is ruined, while of course, the carpets are all ruined. There were ridiculous scenes as well as sad ones. For instance an old gentleman, aroused from his bed, coated himself in the ladies' parlor, in the tight shirt, and held a huge bottle of whisky, which beverage he offered every terror-stricken lady who made her appearance.

CHANGE OF FIRM.—Mr. A. Walters has

purchased the interest of Mr. A. A. Alden, the Jamestown Clothing Store, and will hereafter conduct the business at the old stand.

Mr. W. has been connected with Mr. Alden in the capacity of general manager of the popular store for several years past, and is well and favorably known to the public as an accommodating and attentive business man and one who is always alive to the wants of the public. He proposes to keep on hand, and has already ordered, a large and complete stock of clothing, gent's furnishing goods, and everything pertaining to a first class clothing store.

Mr. W. also proposes to sell goods as cheap as they can be bought elsewhere in the region. We have known Mr. Walters for several years and have no hesitancy in recommending him to the public as an honorable dealer and a good fellow in general. Give him a call.

In this connection we will add that Mr. Frank Alden, long a popular clerk in the Jamestown Clothing Store will be retained in his old position, and would be pleased to have his old friends pay him a call.

Skating is good on the Creek at present.

The price of corn is so low at the West as to many places, to make it the cheapest procurable fuel. At Council Bluffs, in Iowa, many citizens are laying in corn as winter's fuel, and experience has shown that as fuel it is an admirable substitute for wood or coal. Corn at seventeen cents a bushel is five dollars and sixty cents a ton. It equals a cord of wood for burning purposes and the wood prepared for burning costs eight dollars and fifty cent per cord. Corn makes a hot fire with a cheerful blaze. Corn certainly makes a cleaner fire than soft coal, and as it can be fed with much more economy than can hard coal, we do not see why, at its present price on the great prairies it is not the best possible fuel; though it does seem as if corn should be able to reach market at such price of transportation as will save it from the fire place, stove, or grate.

It is amusing to see how gingerly and nicely the papers in the Oil Region that denounced the arrangements between producers and refiners, "come down," and promise to lend a new combination their support if adopted.—[Courier.

It was amusing to see how gingerly and nicely the Titusville paper, that denounced the producers "came down," and ate humble pie not long since. Glass houses, &c.

[Titusville Journal.

Yes, and what a come down it was, too!

To-day will doubtless decide in New York whether the sixty day arrangement between the Producers and Refiners will stand or fall. The indications that the two organizations will shake hands across the gassy chasm are good.—[Courier.

OIL ITEMS.—Great excitement prevails over the new strike on the Riddle Farm.

The Grace well reached the sand on Saturday morning and when about two feet in it the well filled up 1,200 feet with oil.

They continued to drill until Sunday evening when it commenced to flow at the rate of 200 bbls. or upwards per day. The gas came in contact with the fire in the engine house, and the consequence was, there were some rig builders around on Monday morning and teams hauling lumber to the ground.

This strike proves the Riddle farm to be one of the surest in the region for large wells.

There are four more on the same farm that will be completed within 30 days. One of these owned by Karns is down to the sand with the tools fast, there are two down about 1000 feet each owned by McCulla and others, and one by Day & Co. Another large well has been struck on the Armering Wilson farm, owned by Dr. Crawford and others of Parker, which is flowing fully two hundred barrels per day.—[Eminton Friend.

Hon. Amos Myers, an ex-member of Congress from this district, at which time he resided at Clarion, but for several years past a resident of Paris, Kentucky, was ordained to the ministry of the Baptist Church in that city on Saturday last.—[Meadville Republican.

Mr. Myers formerly resided at Pithole where he was largely interested in the coal and oil trade. We wish him abundant success in his new profession.

The discoverer of Livingstone has made another discovery—that the public do not care to here him tell all about the discovery from the lecture platform. His first attempt in New York was a failure, the audience being small at the opening and much smaller at the close. The second lecture was condemned by the Herald itself as insufferably dull. The third was not delivered, there being no audience. Mr. Stanley is now at liberty to go to Africa and re-discover Livingstone—or lose himself. Good bye!

Wisconsin girls hire out to gather apples, and climb the trees as well as a man, and much more gracefully.

Here's what the Cleveland Herald says

on the oil question at present agitating this region:

As will be seen by an extract we have given from a Titusville paper, there is a prospect of the strife between the refiners and producers of oil being terminated.—First the refiners formed a close monopoly against the producers; then the producers organized a close monopoly against the refiners. Now the refiners and producers' combinations have united in a combination for mutual protection, the object being to sell all the refined oil possible at the highest price attainable, and to produce no more oil than is actually required to meet the demand.

It would appear that the oil producers and oil refiners have got matters fixed so that the business of both may become remunerative. The combination entered into is against the great regulating commercial law of supply and demand, but the nature of the oil production is such—being restricted to very small territory—that such combination may be able to maintain itself at least so long as the rupture of it would bring disaster. Eventually supply and demand will weary away again, and the natural jealousies of trade will constantly bring a strain upon the compact that ultimately will read it. Meanwhile, however, the producers and refiners will have a chance to make money, and there will be no danger. We think of the combination being able to control prices to such an extent as to be an injury to the public, for just so soon as prices become money-making, the producers,—if not the refiners—will be breaking away from compacts and combinations.

The San Francisco Chronicle chronicles a wedding between a wealthy pair, Mr. Chas. F. MacDermont and Miss Flora Main at a hotel in that city which in a dollar and cent view was a big thing. It required a Romish priest and a Protestant priest to tie the knot, the groom being a Romanist and the bride a Protestant. After the marriage ceremony Mr. MacDermont presented his bride with title deeds to one hundred thousand dollars value of real estate, while the bride's father gave her one hundred thousand dollars in gold and two hundred thousand dollars in real estate. The groom also presented the bride with a solitaire diamond ring valued at \$5,000 and a diamond cross worth \$5,000, and there were cart loads of other gifts which were deemed mere bagatelles, such as one set of silver having eighty-four pieces of solid silver. Among the guests was a Mrs. McLoughlin who sported a dress that cost six thousand dollars, and then each lady guest was named and her complexion and dress minutely described ad nauseam, the whole affair showing that San Francisco can get up a wedding that foots up in dollars and cents ahead of anything that even Chicago before the fire could have attempted.

From all over the oil country come reports that the proposed combination between the producers and refiners does not command the confidence or even approval of many oil men. This is the inevitable result of the long war between the two parties, and as the refiners can get out of the arrangement by 10 days' notice, while the producers are required to give 60, the combination will probably not last longer than the first 60 days specified in article three of the agreement.

Another item which shows that the combination is no combination at all, but merely a truce between the contestants, is that there are large quantities of oil moving now, the amount due on old contracts.—The refiners are thus getting ready to shut down on the producers again, and will doubtless do their level best in the next 60 days, so to give their 10 days' notice at the end of that time. Just here is where the producers have allowed themselves to be taken at a disadvantage and they will see it in less than 90 days. If they have any idea of permanent relief, they need not look to the refiners. If they expect it from new uses of crude petroleum, now is the time, of all times, to make their most strenuous exertions to introduce it into new processes.—Let them study the provisions and circumstances of the agreement and be wise in season.—[Oil City Telegraph]

Capital owes something more to labor than simply to use it; Labor is to be enlightened, instructed, trained; and Capital must give give the needed aid; or both will be involved in ruin.

The women of Carthage, Ind., have abolished all liquor saloons in that town, and the thirsty Carthaginians will hereafter be compelled to resort to the private bottle.—Some sixty indignant matrons visited the various dram shops and besought their owners to abandon their vile business, and, failing in their mission, they formed in solid phalanx, marched to the misery mills, one after the other, smashing the furniture and leaving havoc behind them in every case.

Letters from the People.

NOTE.—The manager of this journal, without 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 accompanied with the names of the writers, not for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

Donation at Plumer.

Surprises never cease. The season for them has come again. This together with the good sleighing we are having and the fine moon light nights are bringing those of a social character to notice. It is pleasing to be able to record the following:

The residence of Rev. J. L. Robertson, pastor of the U. P. Church of Plumer, was taken possession of by a large number of his friends, coming in sleigh loads with the sounds of merry jingling bells, from the village, McCray Hill, and surrounding country, and held until a late hour, having "a right good time" in social chat, merry-making pastimes, and doing honor to a sumptuous banquet provided by the fair invaders, to whom the flag of "unconditional surrender" was discreetly unfurled.

The treaty of capitulation being this duly ratified the magnanimous visitors retired, when it was found true indeed, in the language of Scripture, that "they who remained at home distributed the prey." The house was stocked from wardrobe to cellar. Hats, hosiery, gloves, wearing apparel, quilts, sheets, and, not forgetful that, as a noted living serio-comic philosopher puts it, to eat is human," cellar and larder were well stored with beef, pork, flour, potatoes, fruit and cooked provisions, etc., etc. Nor were "our dumb companions" forgotten. The granary was visited with bags of oats and corn. But enough in detail.

They do things handsomely at Plumer.—Such kindly cheer is rarely met with. It is but giving "honor to whom honor is due" to say that the heroines of the occasion who succeeded in making the first breach in the walls, and are entitled to the conqueror's badge, were three aged women of the excellent of the earth—Mrs. Ricketts and Mrs. Prather, of Plumer, and Mrs. Russell, of Morrison farm, who effected a quiet entrance early in the afternoon, and held the position bravely until reinforcements arrived during the evening.

We thank you friends one and all for your kindly visit, so full handed, unexpected welcome. You left us many expressions of your kindly remembrance of us, and of your affectionate sympathy and good will. You carried the best of all—what we value most highly—not in your hands but in your hearts and cheerful happy faces. It was a pleasant meeting we had together.—We rejoice to have old and young join with us in the "old home games in all the olden glen." For all of this we are grateful. May the Bountiful Giver of every good and perfect gift, out of whose bounties to yourselves you have contributed to our wants, bestow upon you yet more bounteously, and give to each a donation better far than anything of earth—the light of His countenance, the joys of His friendship, the riches of His grace, the assurance of His pardoning mercy and love through our Blessed Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, the unspeakable gift of His love, and cheer and gladden your hearts amid the toils and turmoils of life, its burdens, sorrows, cares, disappointments and vexations, with the sweet solace of His word and Spirit, and fulfil to all this blessed assurance—"My God shall supply all you need according to his riches of glory by Christ Jesus!" and prepare all for the last great surprise—the surprise of the Christian's death—when upon the astonished vision shall burst the splendors of the perfect limitless day!

J. L. ROBERTSON.

OIL NEWS.—Phillips and others of Oil

City have got a well on the J. Wilson farm North of the Dougherty, and very close to the line, which is doing fully 250 bbls. per day. This looks well for the Dougherty.

A well has just been completed on the McCleary farm close to the best line of the Dougherty farm. This well is undoubtedly too far west. It is doing about ten bbls per day. There is also another well drilling in the sand on the McCleary, near its west line and I understand the show is more favorable than that on the east.

I hear of a dry hole on the widow Scott farm, located west of the McClymonds farm about 100 rods. This would indicate a more southern direction of the belt, than was formerly supposed to be its course.

John Meade has got a well on the Ward farm doing 75 bbls. per day.

McKinney and Preston have a new well on the widow Smith farm, south of Petrolia, which is doing 70 bbls. per day.—Eminton Friend.

Local Notices.

Butter and cheese are almost indispensable articles of food. Properly used, they are nutritious and healthy; but an inordinate use of either causes indigestion and dyspepsia. Owen Gaffney's Souday Comfort, judiciously used will remove both of these troubles.

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