Myine Pervice. METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH errices every Sabbath at 11 A. M. and sty P. M. Sabbath School at 125 P. M. ests free. A cordial invitation extend-

REV. G. MOORE, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Preaching at 11 o'clock A. M., and 7 o clock P. M., by the Pastor, W. C. Bunchand. Sabbate School at 1214. directly

after forenoon service.
Prayer Meeting and Sabbath School
Teacher's Meeting Tuesday evenings of



Petroleum Centre Lodge, No. 715, I. O. of O. F.

Regular meeting nights Friday, at ock, Signed,
W. B. MONTGOMERY, N. G.

C. H. Balley, A Sec y.

"Place of meeting, Main St., opposite
McCintock House.

A. O. of U. W. Liberty Lodge No. 7, A. O. of U. W. meets every Monday evening at 746 o'clock, in Old Fellow's Hall, Petroleum Centre,

A. M. Kleckner, R. A. Glenn, M. W.

1. O. of R/M. Minnekaunee Tribe No. 183, L. 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. C. L. JUKES, Chief of Records.

Gold at 1 p. m. 116

Uncle George Mullen, of Cherrytree, and bie son David, paid the town a visit last night. The day was warm and the walk over, apparently "heated their coppers" as no sooner had they arrived in town than they attacked king Alcohol with a vigor worthy of a better cause. And the more spirits they turned down the higher their spirits rose. They grew affectionate at times, and then quarreled betimes. Uncle George remonstrated with his son-"Now, Davey, don't speak so to your poor old fa-Davey reserted-"You're drunk, you d-d old foel, some home with me at once." They continued their fun until Constable Burgess appeared on the ground and notified them to quit their bilarity and retire to their buckwheat patches in peace or else flad a haven of rest prepared for all drunkards and wine blubers-the lock up. A sudden calmness fell over them, and like the Arab, they "folded their tents and sir lently stole away" to their native baunts in the wilds of Cherrytree

Local items are scarce.

Warner's Circus passed over the Oil Creek Railroad this moreing en route to Corry.

The portable steam saw mill on the Skin ner farm was set in motion yesterday. Some 200 feet of planking were sawed.

Elsewhere we publish the advertisemen of the decisions in the Reberts- Torpedo cases. While the Roberts Torpedo Compa, ny bas long been considered a monopoly ou the part of many operators, there is no doubt but that they have control of the patention a priority of invention, and the highest court in the country baving decide ed as to the validity of their claim, they cartainly ought to be protected in their pat-

The weather is learful hot today. Oh for a quiet spot in some seginded dell, with a half barrel of lemonade or lager alongside. a few hundred pounds of ice packed around you, and a box of eigers. One might keep cool with all these about him.

Shell. Canfield, everybody knows him as being the best teamster in the country, is now prepared to haut boilers and engines to any section of the oil region, in addition to doing any kind of banling. And when Shell undertakes a job of bauling his putrons can rest assured it with be well done. This we know to be a fact as he moved us this forenoon, that is to say, he moved that Soda Fountain back to the Post Office Newsroom, and the same will be in operation this afternoon or tomorrow forencon. -Meantime Shell Cantield is prepared to do all kinds of bauling at short notice.

Our townsman, Mr. M. Herman, met with a parrow escape from death, at Oil City, this p. m. He was standing on the railroad track talking with some other pa time and did not notice a train backing d wa ... The car struck him and knocked hits down. Fortunaly he fell to one side, and excaped with only a few bruises and the t wring of clothes. The escape was a par/

Boardet swu.Lil., manifests its local option in a untilopel appropriation of \$1000 for the erection of a distillery.

#### Plumer Items.

The schools closed about a month since, our astute teachers cutting us short one day. We also learn from certain insidious innendoes conningly thrown out that they intend compelling the directors to pay them for the two months they did not teach. The l'inmer school building, if you recollect, un derwent needed repairs last fall, said re/ pairs requiring about two months more time to comp ete than was affirst supposed, in consequence the formal opening of the schools was detayed two months later there other schools to the Township. The money in the hands of the School board baving become greatly diminished from some causor other the schools were ordered to close a month sooner than last year. Now it is easily to be seen in the aggressive attitudes of these amozons what persicious example will do. Our highly respected and sanctimonious Representatives at the Capital voted themselves back pay for "servic s rendered" without "vouchers" with perfect impunity, and what's to binder these lesser personages from doing likewise.

Plumer has not become so ; entirely dorment as folks won d have us suppose. Since the sudden demise of Lockwood, there bal been a good business opportunity open for some live energetic man who possessed wherewith to take advantage of time and the vacancy. Mr. Daniel Leach, who received the appointment of Post Master, leit vecant by A. S. Prather's resignation, hus opened a variety store in the Drake buildidg, having secured an entirely new stock at cash prices Mr. L. hopes to compete with desiers throughout the country, there, by offering superior inducements to resi-

Messrs W. H. King & Son, of Pithole have opened a grocery store in the building formerly occupied by Abbott & Arnotts in its palmiest days. They have a large stock which they propose to dispose of at prices second to none outside of the cities.

It is also rumored that another is soon to he opened, for the truth of which we are not prepared to youch.

Operations for oil are to be commenced soon by Mesers Prather, Culbertson, McClure and McCray, as soon as a sufficient quantity of land can be secured to justify them in their "risky" venture. Three test wells at least will be put down. We wish the gentlemen the success their enterprise de-BOIVES.

Our County Commissioners deserve to be immer alized in some way commensurable with the martyred lives they have led whilst performing the barrassing duties which have fallen to their lot. We would suggest that three leather medals with an effigy of each victim of their cruel negligience imprinted thereon be placed on exhibition in conspicuous places throughout the county. Some ti e ago they were notified to remove a family by the name of Huff .-They have not as yet taken any notice of the information sent them and had it not been for the kindness and benevolence of the citizens a buriel in the Potter's field would have been the next request. The family by some inadvertence on the part of the proper persons were left behind at the time of the removal of the other township paupers. They have been living as paspers-for years until that time, since they have been in a very destitute condition .-The family consists at present of Mrs Huff, Katherine and Emily and an idiot of the male persuasion. None of the family retain a perfect equilibrium or mind. Such are the acts in the case. Will Hon. Com. gratify us enough to at least communicate those stereotyped words----we dont know

Prot. Boyoton, after a compulsory absence of lour weeks, has again returned to his expectant class. They commenced given soon.

Profs. Donaldson and Wise, it is stated. propose to start from Boston July 4th. on s balloon voyage across the ocean, and want two gentlemen to accompany them. They can count us out. We have concluded not to go to Europe this summer on account of a press of job work to the office. Messrs Donaidson and Wise need not postpone their trip on our account, however, because we may not be able to accompany them next summer, either. The friends of those who do go are informed that funeral notices are neatly, quickly and cheaply printed at tuis office.

A Mississippi editor threatens to "put a full stop" over each of our eyes. Let him try it; while he is putting his full stope over our eyes, we shall put his nose in a parenthesis.

There were nigety-seven wrathful women to New Orleans the other day, ninety-eight mothers having taken their darlings to a

An old are capeata remarks that young ladles now a days are getting so forward that there's no keep-

## Flirting with Strangers.

It is a prevailing custom says the Philadelpais Dawn, with young ladies in the country towns, to promenade the streets in the evenings, especially past botels, and signify to the new comers by looks and gest tures that their acquaintance can be made if desired.

Drummers from our wholesale houses, lighteing-rod men, vendets of patents, showmen, &c., are so accustomed to those things, that they are not in these towns over night until they have a "duck" in tow, and that "deck," perhaps, the daughter of som, respectable citizen, who knows title of the danger his daughter is in. What is the result? In seven cases out of ten the fly is caught in the unmerciful spider's web-the girl is rained and in endesvoring to screen her parents from the shame the knowledge of it would bring upon them, she finds her way to this or some other city, and into some of the gilded places of siz, where good looking country girls are at a premtum and where under an assumed name, ste is dead to her parents, as she soon becomes to shame and all the finer lellings of her un. ture. It is a well known lact that it is not our city girls was people the bagate, but girls from country towns whose first faux pas was by street or theatre firtations with strangers, and listening to their boneyed words and grand promises. Let girls beware of fitnerauss-those fellows who go into sterotyped roupsodies over their beauty and swear they are fit to adorn a mansion in the city-why travel on their card . and dine when at home with Jay Cook and Drexet, who, according to their own words, are the golden apples of society at bome and would rather die than do a dishonorable act. Beware of such we repeat, girls, and if you save your good name, peace o mind, the happ ness of those who gave you birth and cammand the respect that every woman has with her reach, treat every stranger you meet in an irregular way as a rogue, a libertine. Gentlemen do not seek to form the acquaintance of ladies except in legitimate manner depend upon it.

## "The Undeveloped West."

Under the title of the "Undeveloped West; or Five Years in the Territories," the National Publishing Company, of Pulladele phia, is about to publish a series of sketches of the western country; made up of persons al adventures and observations by J. H. Biadle, Esq., the western correspondent of the Cincipnoti Commercial. The work will be profusely illustrated from original sketches and photographic view of the scenery cities, lands, mines, people, and curiosities of the various paris of the country through, which the author journied. Of the scope and matter of the letter press of the volume, the author tersely describes in his preface when he says the coapters it contains are simply a personal record of his live year's travel and residence in the new States and Territories-when he went, what he did. what be saw and what he thought about it Two points of practical interest he bus steadly kept to view-to give carefully atranged facts in regard to the lands still open to settlement; and to correct a number of popular errors in regard to soil and climate. The chapters treating specially on lands in Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota, Dakoz to, California, Oregon and Texas, certainly ought to aid in the first object; in regard to the second, the author points out most of the prevailing errors—to call them by no barsher name-found in numerous land circulars and railroad reports-and refutes them by a general statement of facts. -Some of the chapters of the work, which have been sent us in advance, show it to bave been written in an easy, familiar, style, and yet with a piquancy of descriptaibing as well as instructive.

### How a Knight of the Quill got a Drink, and told no Lite.

-is a Pittsburgh knight of the quili, who hates to tell a lie. but who likes Schiedam schoapps and similar invigstors. Lately, after a big spree, he told his sorrowing better half that he would never touch another drop of liquor while be had hair on his head. This promise was strong enough to satisfy anybody, and Bob keps his word like a man. After two week's probation without once tasting the flery liquid, he one day resolutely walked to the barber shop. His orders caused the tonsor, tal artist to stare, but he was obeyed, and in fifteen minutes afterwards he was standing before a bar, drinking whiskey at a rate that showed be was bent upon baving a regular spree. But he wouldn't break his word. On, no! He was too bonorable for that. Before getting drunk be bad got bie head and face shaved as smooth as a blihard ball, so the noble journalist got conscientiously and aproarously frank.

When we hear men boast of their cwp talents, we incline to think that their tale ents should be reckoned as the East Indians reckon rupess-by the lack.

The shrewdest business transaction we lately have heard of is recorded to the Sen Diago World. Adunatic was bonsigned by proper authority to the Asylum located at Stockton. The duty of transporting the ionatic to the Asylum devolved upon the Specificand his pay for the service was a mple being \$280 that including an assistant for the safe delivery of the patient .-The Sperid contracted with the express company to take the ignatic to Stekton for \$70, tims leaving the difference between tant som and \$280 to a sclear profit into Asylum the lunatic, not being properly watched jumped overboard and was drown ed We suppose the Sheriff calls the operation "constructive service." There might come up a nice point as to pay ; for service not performed

The New York Graphic, "from the very highest authority," announces that no ac. tion will be taken by Plymouth against Mr. Rescher. It furthermore enysthat reither Mr Bescher or Mr Tilton or Mr. Boven will take any forther notice of the scandal with which their names have been associated.

We suppose if Mr. Becener oun "afford" to let the matter reat where it is, the public should be content. As the thing now stands, Mr. Bowen has made charges against Mr Beecher of the gravest impor affecting his clerical character billeving such charges to be true, and Mr. Becher stands mute, neither admitting nor denying the truth of such charges. In this condition of things nine people out of ten will be lieve there is more in these charges than Mr. Beecher dare face publicly.

A Southern Judge, by name Hopkins, in binding over a man who attempted, and nearly succeeded to killing another with a shot-gun because of an institution that the shooter was a mulatto, laid down the rule that "whenever a charge is made by the slanderous toneue of another that his blood is tainted, the imperfection of buman nature will justify a resort to tthe shot-gan. That is coming down to business. "Imperfection of human nature" is an excellent ples. The "imperfection of bumso nature" would be a strong argument for those whol murder for money they need or because o the gratification of their unbridled passions al all events it could be pleaded in med fication of the crime so as to eave the mur/ derer's neck from the rope.

The Eric Dispatch has the following good item or the Colorado potato bug, which it says can be known by its small head, excellent "ppetite, four legs and big bustle of black and yellow stripes. They are the cheapest blistering machines in the country and the old ones can draw a blister on the sole of a cowhide boot. An enterprising "dry hole" operator in the o'l diggins offere to dispose of them free, by dropping them in the well and letting the tools drop on them, but this magnanimous offer is negiected because there is no method of carrying the bugs there. In reality it doesn't deserve consideration, as he probably intended am sabing enough of them to make a "show" of oil, and then would have sold out his well in sixteenths to fools who didn't know better. About the best method of fixing those abominable creatures is to plant frozen potatoes, and then the bugs wait and wait for the plants to come lip, until they die of starvation and disgust at the tricks of

Professor Wise is disappointed of his expected aid from Washington but is deter? nined not to give it up so. He publishes t letter in which he insists on the practice bility of bis proposed atmospheric voyage and declares his purpose to make the trip before to dies, if the thing is possible. He says he wants "no money no salary—only ing.
cloth, linseed oil, ropes, and life boat for an discount for an additional discount for an additional discount for emergency.

New London which fits out and mans all the polar expeditions, stands by Captain They Baddington. don't that Buddington would do anything out of the way, or that he will fail to bring in his Captalo Hail made his first voyage under Buddington in 1860. The latter was also the first acquaintance of Joe and Hannah, the Esquimaux, and took them to New Lond n. or rather to Groton, where they still own land Buddington on one of the first voyages with Hall saved his life at the risk of his own.

## NOTICE.

Parties knowing themselves indebted to us will do well to settle before July 1st next, there tamping whether it gets there asturally or is put there artificially his patent is infilinged. This was and expense, as all accounts not settled by that date will be collected by law, lected by law,

SOBEL & AUERHIAM. Pet, Centre, Pa . June 16tb.

to fifty cents an acre. Fever and ague, 'gratie.

Local Notices.

# For Sale Cheap

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One 49-Horse Boiler, Gibbs & Russell make, Une 12-Hore Engine in good condition, 800 feet Casing, 1,000 feet tubing, 160 feet Sucker Rods, Valves Working Barrels, &c. Also, one Derrick and Itig complete. The above property will be sold cheap for cash. For particulars Venungo County, Pa

Kane City, June 17 1873-if

BUSINESS CHANGE. A. Lozier, who has been engaged in the Wholesale Ale trade for the past year, has this day disposed of his entire interest in said business to the firm of Fox & Williams, who will continue the business at the old stand. Mr. Lozier desires us to return his sincere thanks to his many patrous for the liberal patronage extended to him. during the past year. F. A Phillips will act as agent for the new proprietors, and keeps a full supply of that fine Buffalo . Cream Ale on hand.

Mr Lozier desires all parties indebted to him to settle at once as he wishes to have his books balanced.

Dated April 24, 1873.

# NOTICE

Go to W. A. LOZIER, 4th Street, near R. R. track, tor your BENZINE, delivered at the wells for \$2,25 per Barrel.

Petroleum Centre, Feb. 6th-tf.

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## TORPEDO PATENT SUITS. Roberts vs. Nicholas Geyer.

The following is the decision 'rendered, by Judge McKennan, at May Term of the Circuit Court in th in the Circuit Cours of the United States, in and for

the Western District of Pennsylvania.—E. A. L. Roberts vs. Nicholas Geyer.—No. 1.—May Term

1873.—In Equity: November 21, 1872. Bill filed and subports is:

Subporna and notice of application for prelimin.

ary injunction served.

December 13, 1872. Motion for preliminary injunction heard, and the Court being duly advised in

the premises; the injunction awarded as prayed for, and decree fileu January 14, 1873. Injunction issued, and on the

20th day of January indictment served personally and by copy.

May 21, 1873. Rule issued for defendent to show

cause why attachment should not ione for contempt in violating injunction and duly served June 2d, 1873. Hule for attachment in this care came on to be heard, and after argument of counsel pro and con, the Court being full advised in the premises, the Rule is made absolute, and the sen-tence of the Court is, that the said defendan, Nici olas Geyer, be imprissened in the common juli of Allegeony County for and during the brim. of ten-days, and that he pay the costs of this proced,

of the Roberts' patent of No.-(called the Bir: Pat-

cut), for incr-a-ing the productiveness of oil wells. The act of infringement for which the defendent was committed for contempt, consisted in a cing Alexandra Hamar in exploding torpednes in of Alexandra Harris' in exploding torpodose in oil wells being the same act of intringument for which Hamar was also committed in the case No. 2, No. vember Term, 1866, as before stated;

The Court McKennen, A., asters delivering his pinion in the Hamar case, proceeded in sentence Nicholas Geyer for contempt, and delivered the fellowing oral origins.

In the case of Nicholas Goger charged with the same offense, I am entirely satisfied that there was finis present, in the Beaus well at least. As I have intimated to the counsel in the sames, of the argument, the presence of fluid in the wells, whether de-

ment, the presence of fixed than section and a sired or not, is an infringement of the patent, and a breach of the injunction of the Court. Mr Moberts, by his patent uses as one of the prin-cipal elements of his invention fined tampace. Sand wherever there is fluid sufficient in a wall, at the

punished.

He also is adjudged guilty of contrast and of the pay the costs of this proceeding and on an imprisonment in the county jail for ten at I sope the will be the last of the season if the matter comes to our notice again a second training to the paying the paying the training to the paying the paying