

Divine Service. METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH Services every Sabbath at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sabbath School at 12 1/2 P. M. ... A cordial invitation extended to all.

Rev. G. MOORS, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Preaching at 11 o'clock A. M. and 7 o'clock P. M., by the Pastor, W. C. BURCHARD. Sabbath School at 12 1/2, directly after forenoon service.

Prayer Meeting and Sabbath School Teacher's Meeting Tuesday evenings of each week.



Petroleum Centre Lodge, No. 716, I. O. of O. F. Regular meeting nights Friday, at 7 o'clock. Signed, W. B. MONTGOMERY, N. G.

E. H. BARKY, 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 1/2 o'clock, in Odd Fellows' Hall, Petroleum Centre, Penna.

A. GLENN, M. W.

A. M. KLECKNER, R.

I. O. of R. M. Minnekaunen 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. C. L. JUKES, Chief of Records.

Gold at 1 p. m. 115 1/2

Refiners' Association.

This august body met lately at Syracuse, N. Y., and found the common bond a rope of sand and a separation took place. That brotherhood will hardly ever meet again in this world. The small fry in this net found that the big fish got all they wanted, the small one's nothing. Not satisfied with mutually feeding on the poor producer they fed on each other also. Thanks to the greed of the refiners and producers alike crude is cheap; transportation is cheap, and small refiners and producers can now go to the bottom together, and the large refiners and large producers only will continue the business.

The light that lighteth the world will be in the hands of the few for the benefit of the many at a fair round price.

The time is not far distant, or at least it looks so, when this lower field so large and prolific in wells, will be fenced in and this new arrangement pump and refine at their leisure.

For nearly fifteen years, off and on, we have been engaged in the newspaper trade. During that time we have had occasion to find out about what "people and things" are in a number of different places, to say nothing of the different States. As for instance, allowing that every man of good common sense understands the columns of public newspapers to be open to all communications of interest to the public, several questions were asked in the form of a communication, the only remark made at the end being that the columns were open for answers. Immediately the editor is assailed with such mild expressions as—"Down with him, the d-d scoundrel!"; "Arrest him for libel!"; "Force him to give the name of the man who wrote the article," &c.—This is not only our experience with relation to a communication that appeared in Saturday's paper, but that of all editors.

As far as we are concerned we take this occasion to inform John Jones, Sam Brown, Peter Jenkins, President Grant, Pope Pius IX, or any other man, we don't care a continental cuss for your threats and don't care a — for you. We, "which the same" is us, publish the Record. The columns are open to all communications of interest to the public, as long as said communications are couched in decent language and contain nothing libellous or calculated to injure the reputation of any citizen, and will remain so until we quit publication which we hope will not be soon.

"You'are," in Arkansas vernacular, "them's our sentiments, and did'nt we elect Gin'ral Jackson to carry 'em out; to be certain we did."

Count Fourtales, of the United States Coast Survey, reports that the oysters in the beds about New York are steadily diminishing in number, and expresses the opinion that the supply of the bivalves may eventually cease altogether.

The New Petroleum Meca.

Several wells ranging from 50 to 150 barrels each, have been struck lately on the farms adjoining Turkey City. This is about six miles from Emlenton. Consequently there is a great rush for this locality, and both land and leases are in brisk demand. The old operators of the upper oil region prefer the Clarion oil field as offering the best facilities for operating, and also affording a more permanent production. Well rigs are arriving at this point, and are shipped direct to the new oil field. Successful developments on the Heeter, Jordan, Will, Johnson, Masters and Kilger farms assure the productiveness of this territory beyond all doubt. A portion of Turkey City is built upon one of these tracts, which consists of 110 acres, and both farms are bounded by the farms and developments above mentioned. Some three or four wells have been drilled on the Weller farm, all of which have been productive. The Hulings well, producing 140 barrels per day, struck a short time since, is on the Kilger farm, about thirty rods from the line of the Weller farm. The Weller farm is regarded as one of the most favorable for successful development.—[Emlenton Messenger.

And here's where the joke comes in:

A Joke.

Petroleum Centre, June 21, 1873.

EDITOR TITUSVILLE COURIER: As there has been a good deal said about an alleged recent purchase from me of 100,000 barrels of crude oil at \$1 per barrel by J. W. Butters, I wish to say that both Mr. Butters and myself understood at the time, the transaction to be nothing more than a joke.

JAMES S. MCCRAY.

And yet, according to the telegrams of the state of the oil market, received that day, the joke was used by the aforesaid Butters, as the price of oil went down at least 25 cents per barrel, and to suppose a case, somebody, we don't mean Butters, "loaded up" at the reduced figure, and as Niel Bryant puts it, probably—"That's Where the Joke Comes In."

Read the communications elsewhere.

Another big well between this place and Titusville Good

In the cases of Julia Rice and Ada Mosler, arrested on Saturday, charged with keeping bawdy houses, Rice succeeded in procuring bail and was set free Mosler fared worse and was committed to Franklin.

At the sale of the Perkins library, at Haworth Park, near London, extraordinary prices were realized. A Masarian Bible on vellum brought £3,400, equal to \$21,406 in American currency—probably the highest price ever paid for a single volume. The entire sale realized \$136,000.

The "City Fathers" of Parker, have passed an ordinance making it the duty of all farmers selling their produce in "Parker City" to first pay to the city a license of five dollars. The result is, farmers sell their "garden sass" in other towns and the inhabitants of Parker have to pay exorbitant prices to the grocers for produce, &c. It is generally believed the grocers were the originators of the scheme, and it is needless to say that the councilmen are generally looked upon as "Smart Alecks." The ordinance is likely to be repealed next meeting of Council.

The Fredonia Censor says that "six little boys were arrested at that place for swimming in the village limits," and fined \$1 each." Rather a dry place in which to swim we should judge. Probably the diminutive young genis were obeying the injunctions given them by their mothers—"To keep out of the water until they had learned to swim."

The Odd Fellows of Foxburg are making preparations to celebrate on the Fourth.—The Fire Department and citizens generally will unite with them on the occasion. The affair is in good hands.

Are we going to jubilate on the 4th of July? Has our patriotic spirit which permeated the veins of our noble ancestors become extinct in these latter days of heathen China, woman suffrage dispensation, and Modoc war sensations, or words to that effect. In the classic language of Bret Harte "is civilization played out?" Why not let the eagle scream? Who wants to read the declaration of independence? Let us have a good, old fashioned fourth of July. Other towns are going to have big times, and why not Petroleum Centre? Start the ball rolling.

BIG STRIKE.—On Friday last, (13th) Messrs Hulings & Hutchinson struck a new well on the Joel Kilger farm, east Turkey Run at a depth of 1,010 feet. It has since been pumping at the rate of 140 barrels, although reported at 300. It is known as the Lady Jane No. 2.—[Petersburg Progress.

Letters from the People.

NOTE.—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 accompanied with the names of the writers, not for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

PETROLEUM CENTRE, PA., June 23, 1873.

MR. EDITOR.—Your correspondent, Tax Payer, has propounded several conundrums, which I propose to answer to the best of my ability. As to what he means by "addition, division and silence," if he will be a little more explicit I will try to explain that hereafter.

This I do know, however, that the responsibility resting on the Constable and his Deputy is large and should be respected by all good citizens.

"Tax Payer" says the authority has been exceeded which I do not admit.

Yours, &c NON TAX PAYER.

MR. EDITOR:—Those conundrums sent in by Tax Payer, and published in your valuable paper of Saturday, it strikes me throw out some base insinuations against good citizens. As Shakespeare says—

"The shrug, the hum, or ha; those petty brands That calumny doth use,"

So it appears to me is the means Tax Payer is using to vent what is evidently a petty spite.

Yours, CITIZEN.

MR. EDITOR:—Those conundrum was good, they was. Allow me to ask another one:

Why is it when no names, dates or places were mentioned in Tax Payer's conundrums, so many people imagine they were intended for them?

Some person out of all, to use a biblical phrase—"Thou art the man."

Awaiting an answer, I am,

BAND WHEEL.

Warren county, Virginia, promises to rank as an iron producing county, at no distant time. Mr. O. F. Mason has leased the mining interest on the farm of Mr. James Marshall, and gone to work to develop the ore. A competent English mineralogist pronounces a spur of the Blue Ridge, called Green Hill, to be a vast iron mountain. Colonel Imboden, a brother of the General's is developing the ore on the place of Mr. Larkin Lake.

The late Dr. Marshall Hall, of England, said: "If I were seriously ill of consumption, I would live out doors day and night except in rainy weather or mid-winter; then I would sleep in an unplastered log house. Phisic has no nutriment, gasping for air cannot cure you, monkey capers and gymnasium cannot cure you, and stimulents cannot cure. What consumptives want is air, not phisic—pure air, not medicated air—plenty of meat and bread."

Within the last year the Allegheny Valley Railroad has leased the Oil Creek & Allegheny and the Buffalo, Corry and Pittsburg Railroads, and now extends its direct line to Lake Erie, feeding it with important branches. The Bennett's Branch extension from the mouth of the Stonemaboning where it connects with the Philadelphia and Erie Railroad, is all graded, and the track being laid, making a connection between the east and west, crossing the Allegheny Mountains at the low grade summit. The company has control of three hundred miles of track, and with the present year will control fully five hundred miles.

When a murder is committed in a New York hotel the effect upon the business of the house is good. The Grand Central has prospered wonderfully since Flisk was shot there, and since the murder of Walworth, at the Sturtevant House, that hotel has been full to overflowing. People who open hotels in Gotham should take the hint, and keep a first class assassin about.

The list of things given to explosion is constantly receiving accessions. On Sunday last at Wyandotte, Kansas, a brick kiln, which had been fired for two or three days, exploded in a mysterious manner, scattering and destroying 40,000 brick.

Mr. Thomas Roach, for a long time past the agent in Petroleum Centre District for the Roberts Topedo Company, has received the appointment of a like position in the Pleasantville, Shamburg and Enterprise District. Mr. John Roach, his brother, has been appointed agent at this point.—The appointments are good, as both men are well versed in the torpedo business.

What to do with the Medoc. Put them in murderer's row, with the privilege of scalping their neighbors.—New York Graphic.

The evening sport of Clarion youth is pouring oil on dogs and getting up a blaze. Pretty pastime.

An Amusing Incident.

The Warren Ledger is responsible for the following:

A few days since, on the Valley road, a young lady, beautiful and accomplished, residing in Rouseville, was returning from a visit to Meadville. During a brief delay caused by a broken rail, she observed a "nice young man" approach, whowith all the nonchalance imaginable, remarked: "Where are you traveling, Miss?" "Hum," said she with a merry tinkle in her eye.

"And where may that be, please?"

"On the farm," she quickly responded.

After a brief pause he again questioned:

"Near what village, Miss?"

"Oh nigh onto two miles from Rouseville," said she.

"Do you often visit the village?"

"Just as often as pap brings in letters," was the answer; and by this time she had brought the risible muscles of her face into perfect subjection. He looked at her in astonishment, unable to comprehend the mystery about her; beautifully dressed, and yet so uncouth in speech.

He ventured again:

"I suppose you have many beaux to visit you out there?"

"Beaux! man alive; beaux visit! why I tie 'em round my neck, don't you see?" pointing a delicately gloved finger towards an aggreen tie at her throat. He explained to her what he meant by the term.

"Oh, fellows! that's what we call 'em! Well, Sam Pendergrass comes 'round tolerable often. He's real nice! He used to go to school where they taught manners!—wonder what he'd say to see you talkin' to me, just as if you know'd me? By the way," she mercilessly continued, notwithstanding his evident desire to retire as by this time they were the "observed of all observers."

"Do you know anybody who wants to swap for a sheep and some goatlings?"

It became suddenly very noisy around there, and the nice young man retired until the laughter subsided, and for some time later.

MODOC BATH.

[Tule Lake Letter to the New York Times]

A few days since the curly-headed Doctor asked permission to set up a sweating establishment. The prisoners built a wick about seven or eight feet in diameter, over a place scooped out for the purpose; they covered the framework of willows with blankets and coats half a dozen thick, to retain the steam; and having prepared a quantity of heated rocks, these were piled in the centre and water was poured on them, creating steam enough to run a small power engine. Then the Doctor stripped to his pants and entered, kicking his pants out over the cover. Men and women followed his example, the women retaining a single garment, which was kicked out after their entrance, though I presume this pretence of modesty was entirely due to the handsome Lieutenant and his guards.—About a dozen of either sex were thus piled in naked under the blankets, heated up above the steaming centre, which was continually fed with more water to produce abundance of steam. Coming out of the bath-house naked they rolled up in blankets and sweated in the sun. This process was continued until the adults had a bath that wished it. The curly-headed doctor remained in the sweat house an hour and fifteen minutes by the clock. They say they are in the habit of indulging in this luxury daily. It is a provocative of cleanliness to be sure, and they may need it that often, but it must be difficult for medical science to determine that so thorough and steaming a renovation can be wholesome in all stages of climate.

The congregation of the only church at Mount Washington, Mass., consisting of one old lady, has unanimously resolved to consolidate itself with the neighboring parish of South Egremont to save the expense of a pastor's salary.

An Illinois editor speaking of one of the writers for the Journal, claims to be "able to endure most kinds of people" but says "he can't bear a natural fool." Unfortunately his "maternal ancestor" could.

We received a newspaper two days ago, professing to give a full account of the creation of the world. We shouldn't be much surprised if the enterprising editor were to bring up the news in his next number to Noah's flood.

The Post Office Newsroom Soda Fountain is now running in full blast.—Call and try a glass of ice cool soda water.

A Chicago paper protests against the opening up of the question as to who discovered America, while the great problem who is the author of "Betsy and I are Out" remains unsettled.

Local option in New Castle has led to a run on the pottery for "Little Brown Jugs."

The frisky incendiary is moving about in Meadville, and the people are howling for water works.

A Titusville man has just named his twelfth Omega, in hopes that it may be the last.

How doth the little busy fly Improve the shining day; And all the live-long happy hours About our noses play.

Local Notices.

DENTAL NOTICE.

Having concluded to close out my business in Petroleum Centre, I desire to inform my old patrons and friends that hereafter I shall be located in Schoonblom's new building, Oil City, Pa., and would respectfully invite them to pay me a call. I shall be in this place for two weeks and those desiring my professional services would do well to call.

J. H. HEIVLY.

Pet. Centre, June, 23—2w.

FOR SALE.

A desirable home on the Egbert Farm. For particulars enquire at the Post Office.

For Sale Cheap

One 40-Horse Boiler, Gibbs & Russell make, One 12-Horse Engine in good condition, 800 feet Casing, 1,000 feet tubing, 360 feet Sucker Rods, Valves, Working Barrels, &c. Also, one Derrick and Rig complete. The above property will be sold cheap for cash. For particulars enquire of A. G. HARPER, Kane City, Venango County, Pa.

A. G. HARPER.

Kane City, June 17 1873—W

BUSINESS CHANGE.

W. 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 patrons 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, for your BENZINE, delivered at the wells for \$1.75 per Barrel.

Petroleum Centre, Feb. 6th—1t.

NOTICE.

Parties knowing themselves indebted to us will do well to settle before July 1st next, thereby saving unnecessary trouble and expense, as all accounts not settled by that date will be collected by law.

SOBEL & AUERHAM.

Pet. Centre, Pa., June 16th.

If you Want a Salesman, Want a Servant Girl, Want to Sell a Horse, Want to Sell a Patent, Want to Lead Money, Want to Buy a Home, Want to Sell a Carriage, Want to Borrow Money, Want to Sell an Oil Well, Want to Buy an Engine or Boiler, Want to Sell a House and Lot, Want to find a Strayed Animal, Want to Purchase an Oil Interest, Want to Sell a Piece of Furniture, Want to Buy a Second-hand Carriage, Want to Sell Tubing, Casing, Gas Pipe, Want to Find an owner for anything found, advertise in the Record, as no less than ten thousand people read it weekly.

For Sale 15,000 to 20,000 feet of SECOND-BAND TUBING, at from 25 to 35 cts. per foot. The Tubing is in first class order and all ready fitted. April 23. H. B. WARNER.