

Divine Service. METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH Services every Sabbath at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sabbath School at 12 1/4 P. M. eats free. A cordial invitation extended to all.

Rev. G. Moore, Pastor. PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Preaching at 11 o'clock A. M. and 7 o'clock P. M. by the Pastor, W. C. Benenard. Sabbath School at 12 1/4, directly after forenoon service.



Petroleum Centre Lodge, No. 715, I. O. of O. F. Regular meeting nights Friday, at 7 o'clock. Signed, W. B. MONTGOMERY, N. G. C. H. EATLEY, A Sec'y.

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 Fellow's Hall, Petroleum Centre, Pa.

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

Gold at 1 p. m. 116. The Post Office Newsroom Soda Fountain is now running in full blast.

Dickens' "Box" Just issued in paper cover by the Petersons. Price 25 cents, and for sale at the Post Office Newsroom.

There is a sect at Battle Creek, Mich., that appears to be making the place a battle ground for the right of men and women to do just as they please without regard to decency or law. The sect pretend to be spiritualists, but the better class of spiritualists repudiate them and say they have nothing in common with their monstrous doctrines.

Constable Ragan, of Tidouate, arrived in town yesterday afternoon and took charge of the man Martin Smith, an account of whose arrest was published in yesterday's Record.

The Petroleum Centre Record says "oh, for a local item." As the nearest item to this ejaculation was from the Derrick we fancy we know whom it "owes" for a local item.—Derrick.

"Which the above" has no foundation in fact whatever. No items were taken from the Derrick that day, and we have never taken any from that paper without the proper credit. The Derrick item savors strongly of "Dig I, Little You."

New Well.—A new well was struck on the Sam Boyd farm, Oil Creek, a day or two since, which is yielding eight barrels per day of black oil. It is owned by Atkins & Ramsey of this place. This well is on a shallow territory, and proves conclusively that oil exists there in paying quantities.

We hear of the striking of a new well at Henry's Bend, on the Allegheny River, which is yielding fifty barrels per day.—Owned by Cleveland parties. The striking of this well opens up a large extent of new territory in that vicinity. There is not much doubt but that the Pithole oil belt extends in that direction.

A special train conveying Governor Hartranft, Col. Lawrence, Col. Phillips and other notables, passed over the Oil Creek Railroad, shortly after noon today. The party had been on an excursion to Chautauque Lake.

Phillips Bros, Forrest and Hardman, have a new well going down on the Rooker farm, Pithole, which will soon be completed. They are the owners of the largest producing well in the Pithole district which is yielding 35 barrels daily.

The Derrick reports the striking of a new well on the Sage Run territory, which is said to be yielding 200 barrels day.

Row in The County Jail.

During the temporary absence of Turnkey Nolan, on the 4th of July, cell No. 14, containing two abandoned women (one from this city and the other from Petroleum Centre, who are awaiting the action of the next Grand Jury) was opened by means of false keys, manufactured by a prisoner who was convicted of burglary and robbery at the last session of the Criminal Court, but who, by motion of his counsel, obtained a new trial. After opening the cell, this prisoner and another entered and spent several hours therein with the women, while a third walked the galleries on watch, and was to give notice of the approach of the Turnkey by a peculiar whistle. Between one and two o'clock the signal was given and the men emerged from the cell, but in attempting to clasp the "combination spring padlock" they found to their horror that they were at fault. Finally, after half an hour's severe labor, and the aid of sundry wraps, etc., they succeeded in re-locking the door, only a few minutes before the entrance of the Turnkey to give the women their dinner. Mr. Nolan's suspicions were at once aroused from the difficulty he encountered in opening the lock, but he said nothing at the time. Finally, on Sunday, Sheriff Mark made a thorough search of the cells, and found the keys in that of the prisoners above referred to, who, persisting in denying all knowledge of the affair, were locked up. On Tuesday, however, they sent for the Sheriff, confessed their guilt, and were promptly liberated on Friday morning.

On the Tuesday morning before the liberation, a prisoner named Weldy, charged with grand larceny, was heard to say, "The G—d—d nigger will catch it when the boys get out," and in pursuance of this threat commenced abusing the only colored prisoner, from the moment the Turnkey had retired after causing breakfast to be served on Friday morning. As the colored man was passing down the stairs he brushed Weldy, who sprang upon him, threw him upon his back on the platform, then getting the fore finger of the left hand between his (Weldy's) teeth held it fast, finally plunging his thumbs into the prostate man's eyes; he tried to pluck them from their sockets, which he would have done but for the interference of a third prisoner who pulled him off. As it is the unfortunate man is nearly blind and confined to his cell, and the finger is nearly severed from the second joint.—The prison physician was duly called, and with the Sheriff and Turnkey, have done all in their power to relieve the suffering of the prisoner, and restore order in the prison. The affair will be properly investigated as soon as the injured man is in a condition to appear.—[Venango Spectator.

At a meeting of stockholders of the Venango County Agricultural Association, held at the Exchange Hotel, on Monday evening. The resignation of J. B. Barbour as President of the Association was received and accepted, and Geo. H. Plaget was elected to fill the position. C. M. Hoover and Thos. King resigned as Directors and their places were filled by the election of W. A. Cooper and R. Richfield. The affairs of the Association are in a prosperous condition financially. In a few weeks the premium list for the Agricultural Fair to be held during the latter part of September will be published. This exhibition will be for the benefit of agriculturists and manufacturers entirely, and our people should lend every assistance possible in making it a success.—[Venango Citizen.

The lawyers of Michigan are to assemble at Lansing to-morrow for the purpose of forming a State Bar Association.

The other day, on a train from Lawrence to Boston, on reaching Wakefield, the conductor shouted, "change cars," etc. A lady who was sitting in one of the cars got up and went out. Shortly before reaching Boston the lady asked the conductor if the train had not yet reached Wakefield. The conductor said it had, and asked her if she did not hear him about change cars. She said, "Yes, I was in that car," pointing to the next car attached, "and came into this one." She was taken back on the next train.

A staid citizen of Indianapolis, while recently on a business visit to New York, was asked to escort a charming young widow to her home in Western New York. He complied of course; but when on reaching the place of her residence, all her friends began congratulating her and him on what they supposed to be her new alliance, it became aggravating and embarrassing, and he was compelled to explain that he had a wife at home, to whom he had been married for sixteen years.

About nine o'clock yesterday forenoon an oil tank belonging to the Tidouate Pipe Company, was struck by lightning and the oil burned up. Loss quite heavy.

Now is the time to secure bargains in dry goods, and M. Samuels is the place to buy.

HABEAS CORPUS.—C. H. Howard, the man now in jail awaiting his trial for stealing a package of money from the counter of the International Bank, was brought before Judge Trunkey, on Tuesday afternoon, on a writ of habeas corpus, and his bail fixed at four thousand dollars. Howard was committed by Alderman Ellis in default of \$1,000 bail. After the commitment efforts were made to get the prisoner out, through the committing magistrate, by tendering the amount of bail first fixed, but Alderman Ellis declined to go behind his commitment and let the decision to the Court which acted as above stated. It is said that Howard's friends will raise the amount necessary to set him at liberty, and then we shall see his face no more. His is a ballable offence, and on general principles the law is just. But here is a man caught in the act, and of whose guilt there can be no question. His liberation on bail and escape from all punishment will be due to the fact that somebody in his behalf will raise four thousand dollars. That sum sets him free to try his luck again in the same way. But a poor devil, who had no wealthy friends or confederates to put up money for his release, would have to stand his trial and suffer the consequences of his crime.—Yet the bail in Howard's case is large enough; and if it were forty thousand dollars, instead of four thousand, and the amount could be raised for him, the principal of his case would be the same. Yet it is the duty of the Court to act upon the writ and fix the bail. Upon general principles of right and justice the law is faultless yet in this particular instance four thousand dollars may see one man free where another man without that sum would go to the penitentiary.

P. S.—Howard was released last evening by giving the bail, with his wife, left on the first train.—Venango Spectator.

When the renowned Mrs. Siddons was playing in Dublin, in the well known tragedy of "Macbeth," she, as Lady Macbeth, came to that part where a drum sounds, and she exclaims, "A drum! a drum! Macbeth doth come!" There was some difficulty or neglect in obtaining the necessary instrument, and to her amazement a trumpet was sounded. She immediately saw how absurd it would be to say "drum" while the well known sound of the trumpet met the ears of the vast audience, so she said, "A trumpet! a trumpet!" and stopped short, amid breathless silence, not knowing how to rhyme, when a voice from the gallery called out, "Macbeth doth stamp it!" at which the house broke out into a peal of laughter and applause, and the tragedienne advanced to the footlights and bowed her acknowledgements for the relief. She afterwards tried to find out who it was, but failed to do so, and never forgot what she considered the most genuine piece of wit she had met with in all her experience.

An old lady of Norfolk, Va., is the proprietor of a venerable mule that has been an inveterate chewer of tobacco for many years. Whenever he becomes obstinate, as mules occasionally do, it is only necessary to give him a chew, when he becomes perfectly kind and gentle.

"Why is it that so many men are troubled with brain diseases of late?" asked a gentleman. "In this telegraphic, high-pressure age," replied a friend "there are a great many more things to occupy one's attention than there were twenty years ago, but the brains ain't any bigger now than they were then."

Twenty-eight different kinds of "bitters" sold in Rhode Island for "strictly medicinal use" are undergoing analysis by the State Chemists from an excise point of view.

The pen is mightier than the sword, and the greatest writer who ever lived is the Baron Julius, for his pen won him more of Persia than the sword of Alexander the Great could conquer.

He who eats twenty-four pound loaves of bread imbibes therein the equivalent of a bottle of port wine. Hence it is clearly the duty of excise commissioners to prohibit the use of bread on Sunday.

The champion lobster has been captured about twenty miles from Portland, Me. It measured three feet ten inches from tip to tip of the extended claws, and would require about twelve heads of lettuce alone to dress it into a salad.

A merchant's daughter at Columbus, O., kicked off a young man's hat the other day because he sat down in her parlor with that article of wearing gear upon his head. She used her foot because she happened to be carrying an armful of books, and was too indignant to postpone punishment.

Tennessee is duly grateful for a new epidemic which is causing immense mortality among domestic cats.

Moribund citizens of Lyons, France, are officially notified that they must be buried before seven o'clock a. m.

Auction Sales of Oil Stocks.

At recent auction sales in Philadelphia the following oil stocks were sold at the prices named:

Table listing auction sales of oil stocks with columns for stock name, quantity, and price. Includes items like La urel Fork Oil Co., 25 shares at \$6.00, Volcano Oil Co., 2,341 shares at 2.25, etc.

A gentleman signing himself William North and claiming to be a survivor of Sir John Franklin's Arctic expedition, writes from a beautiful and hitherto undiscovered country near the North pole. Mr. North relates that he is getting along finely there among a people seven feet high and possessed of a peculiar cultivation. His epistle is dated May 21, 1861, and is written on seal skin. After drifting about in the water ever since "it was up in Hudson Bay, and conducted to a gentleman in Washington territory, who now makes it public through an Eastern paper." The pretended story of North is an ingenious fiction fashioned by some indignant Bohemian of New York after Gulliver's Travels; or from the style of it more likely, perhaps, upon the model of Lark Lytton's Coming Race.

Mr. John Shearer and his wife went up in a balloon from Reading, Pa., a day or two ago, attained an altitude of two and one-half miles, and landed safely seven miles from the point of starting. They were picking up pebbles on the shore of that great sea which Professor Wise threatens to explore or die in the attempt.

Stone piers are being built under the Tarr Farm Railroad bridge. The work will not be completed much before winter sets in. It is understood the company intend building a wagon bridge for their own use while making the change, and should the citizens desire it will leave it for the use of the public.

The heavy rain storms recently has raised the water in the Creek somewhat.

The present mail arrangements are a fraud on the public.

Representative Eugene Hale is reported to be a candidate for United States Senator from Maine, in place of Hamlin, against such formidable competitors as Hamlin himself, ex-Governor Perham and Speaker Blaine unless, the latter thinks there is some safer route to the White House.

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FRANKLIN BRANCH. Time Table adopted Nov. 4, 1872.

Table showing train schedules for Northward and Southward directions, including stations like Oil City, Franklin, and Meadville, and times for Express, Mail, and Accommodation services.