

Petroleum Centre Daily Record.

Pet. Centre, Pa. Monday, July 21

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

REV. G. MOORE, Pastor.

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



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

Regular meeting nights Friday, at 7 o'clock. Signed,

W. B. MONTGOMERY, N. G. G. H. BAILEY, 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 7 1/2 o'clock, in Odd Fellow's Hall, Petroleum Centre, Penn'a.

JAMES WILSON, M. W. JAMES S. WHITE, R.

I. O. of R. M. Minnekaune 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. 116 1/2

RUNAWAY.—A frightful runaway occurred yesterday afternoon, but which fortunately resulted in no serious injury to any person. Our respected townsman, Mr. E. P. Crooks and wife and infant child, had started for Columbia Farm, and when near the landing on the Ditzell farm the horse became frightened at a cow in the bushes, reared up and broke the axle-tree of the hind wheel and started to run. Mr. Crooks was thrown about fifteen feet in one direction striking on his head, fortunately landing on a soft green sward. Mrs. C. and child were thrown about the same distance in an opposite direction. Strange as it may appear with the exception of a few slight bruises they escaped unharmed. The horse ran across the flats, over the Egbert farm bridge and was finally stopped in front of Snawley's livery stable, on Washington street, through the efforts of Mr. W. D. Dodge, who had one of his fingers quite badly bruised in doing so. As a matter of course Mr Crooks is thankful that he got off this easily, and we don't blame him as the escape from being killed was exceedingly narrow.

Our friend Harper, of Kane City, killed a rattlesnake on the Brown farm, this forenoon, which was three and a half feet long and had seven rattles and a button. Rather a dangerous customer to have round loose.

Mr. G. D. Geyer, of Kane City, struck a new well on the Galloway farm, near Franklin, one day last week, which is yielding 35 barrels a day. Lubricating oil is only worth \$1.50 a barrel at the wells, at which figure even a fifty barrel well does not pay.

Parsons, the individual implicated in the late Pioneer scandal, has thus far eluded arrest. A pity.

On our front page will be found the revised time table of the Oil Creek & Allegheny River Railway and Buffalo, Corry & Pittsburgh Railroad. This road was never in better condition than at present, and we are pleased to learn it is doing a good business in both passenger and carrying traffic. This is mainly due to the indefatigable efforts of Mr. C. J. Hepburn, the efficient and gentlemanly Superintendent.

It is decidedly amusing to witness the efforts of persons who are always behind the times to catch a train of cars just after they have got under motion. This morning we witnessed a rather ludicrous incident of this kind. A party consisting of a man, his wife and child, we should judge, drove in from the country and got out at the end of the last car as the train started. They made a dash for the car the man ahead and the woman and child following, the woman shouting at the top of her voice—"Tell them to stop! Oh, do tell them to stop!" the man hallooing the words and the child crying. But the cars moved on and left them evidently in no very pleasant mood judging from their looks. The cars cannot be so slow as some people are.

St. Paul's (Minn.) population exceeds 30, 000; there were 65 wholesale houses in 1869 was \$8,885,531, and of 1875, \$17,553,368; the amount of exchange sold in 1869 was \$16,637,563, and in 1872, \$23,787,723; the buildings erected in 1869 were 509, at a cost of \$1,365,727, and in 1872 there were 924, at a cost of \$2,316,452.

PETROLEUM EXPORTS.

The complete record of the exports of petroleum from the United States was not kept prior to 1866. In 1866 there was sent abroad 1,643,618 barrels (41 gallons to the barrel.) This kept increasing until 1872 when there was a falling off of one hundred thousand barrels from the preceding year, resulting from a combination of the producers and refiners to put up prices, which temporarily checked exportation; but during the past half the current year the exports have largely increased, and if they are kept up in the same ratio until January, 1874, the exports of the year will largely exceed those of any preceding year. The following statement shows the quantity exported from the United States to July 1, 1873:

Table with 4 columns: Year, Barrels, Year, Barrels. Rows for 1865-1869 and 1870-1873.

The exports from the port of Philadelphia since at first, very nearly aggregated one-half of the total exports from the country, rising from 685,000 barrels in 1866 to 1,314,439 in 1872. The few last years, however, show Philadelphia is not maintaining its proportion, its exports having fallen to a third of the total, and even less. These figures show the exports from Philadelphia since 1866:

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The exports from the whole country for this year will very nearly aggregate five million barrels, if the proportion of the first six months is maintained.

THE LAWYERS IN CONVENTION.—The Constitutional convention now in session in Philadelphia is composed almost entirely of lawyers. That is the principal reason the work progresses at such a snail's pace. The members are well qualified—in fact the convention is one of the very ablest ever assembled in the commonwealth for any purpose. Lawyers are used to talking as long as the court allows them. In the convention, there is no Judge, like there is in court, to decide when enough has been said on a subject, and the consequence is that where over a hundred lawyers are retained, they never appear to get done talking, and commence voting. They are so accustomed to picking flaws in indictments and papers in court that the reports of committees are torn to tatters by the disciples of Blackstone, and after a week's discussion of a subject, they find themselves just where they began, and the whole matter is referred back to the committee.

If about fifty lawyers were to resign, and their places filled with intelligent business men, the work would be finished up in a short time.

The convention however is doing a good work, and we hope they will finish the new constitution, and submit it for ratification by a vote of the people at an early day.

A MYSTERY CLEARED UP.

The mysterious murder of Charles Goodrich, in Brooklyn, N. Y., some month ago, is no longer a mystery. Goodrich was a man of considerable wealth and a bachelor with very loose notions of morality. His life seems to have been devoted to intrigues with women, and when he became tired of his dupes he would ruthlessly cast them off. In the natural course of such a way of life he at last fell a victim to the maddeuing grief of a woman he had ruined and was about to drive out into the world to seek lower depths of degradation. At the last meeting, in the house where Goodrich's dead body was found, this woman, Kate Stoddart with many aliases, shot him.—The detectives were put upon her track, but were always at fault. Last week Kate Stoddart was recognized in the street by a female detective and arrested. There is no doubt of her guilt, and just as little doubt that the brutal and heartless conduct of Goodrich toward her drove her to the commission of the deed. Whether she was insane or not at the time she killed him is not known, but she is a maniac now. Whatever her crime may be in the eyes of the law, or the judgement of Heaven, his fate was but the legitimate result of his own conduct.

The Impression having gone abroad that Mr. M. Samuels was about to sell out his stock of dry goods at auction and close up his business, he desires us to emphatically deny the report. He has no intention of going away. The report probably grew out of the fact that he is to auction off a large stock of boots and shoes commencing August 1st.

It is a remarkable fact that the moment a woman writes a letter she is frantic to put it in the post-office, although she may have been putting off the writing for six months.

The old gentleman who put his postcard in a stamped envelope is matched by an Omaha man who has his money orders sent by registered letters.

Plumer Items.

Harvesting has fairly begun, though greatly interrupted by the unsettled condition of the weather.

We notice our friend and townsman, A. S. Prather, now of Jamestown, N. Y., in town. Mr. P. is largely engaged in the manufacturing interests of that place which he reports in a flourishing condition.

The oldest citizen and experienced prognosticator of old "Prob" are bereft of their powers and maintain an injured reticence when you ask them their views as to whether it would be fair or otherwise.

Leech Bros., report business rather dull at present notwithstanding the removal of their competitors.

Considerable excitement is occasioned in all circles of Plumer by the announcement that Miss Copeland has been again appointed to preside over the district school. The people are all indignant and propose to hand in a remonstrance. As a teacher Miss C. is not a success at least so far as Plumer is concerned. During the term she taught last winter she maintained throughout a demeanor entirely antagonistic to the will of the parents, and upon any objections being ventured she donned her war paint at once and assumed an aggressive attitude so invulnerable that none dare attack. The result was, dissatisfied parents, indignant scholars who had no love for their teacher or interest in their studies.

We are glad to note the arousal of the people in this matter as they are usually indifferent in such cases. Plumer pays a heavy school tax and should have good teachers. We await further developments, which we will transmit as soon as they occur.

FOREST COUNTY ITEMS.—Forest County has a rape case. The victim is a woman fifty years of age, her assailant a young man. The Forest Republican says out of respect for the young scamp's parents the name is withheld, but a warrant is in the hands of the constable for his arrest, and we sincerely hope he may be captured.

Zack Shiver of Tionesta run a pitch fork line through his foot last week, crippling him for a time.

Wm Cole who was bitten by a rattlesnake a few weeks since is now around again all right.

Forest County has three base ball clubs.

Tionesta is to have a regular pastor at its Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Ell Holman, of Tionesta, killed a rattlesnake the other day, which measured four feet in length and was upward of twelve inches in circumference.

The Democratic District Convention of Forest County, meet at East Brady on the 22nd.

PETROLIA.—About 10 o'clock this morning (Sunday 13th inst.) noticing a dense smoke arising I repaired the scene and found the McDonald well completely enveloped in flames. The well was but recently finished, and was making about 50 barrels a day. The well is situated on the Armstrong Wilson farm and is owned by Frank McDonald, of this place. Flowing through the casing was the cause of the fire, and although everything possible was done, the rig was completely destroyed. The tank was saved by very great exertion, the derrick falling along side of it. It contained about 150 barrels of oil.

The Ralph Brothers & Riddle came very near sustaining a similar loss last week, and would have, had it not been that their efficient engineer James Morrison, was in the engine house. To turn the stop cock was the work of an instant, then all was safe.

The Harley well was cased dry yesterday [East Brady Independent]

The reports received from all parts of the sea coasts of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Quebec are of a most satisfactory character. The salmon fisheries have not yielded so abundantly in the last twenty years, and the fishermen are now beginning to realize and appreciate the advantages of the thorough system of protection to the fisheries which has been enforced by the government of the New Dominion.

The total amount of military freight forwarded last year from Sioux City depot to June 30 was 3,463,325 pounds, while the total amount shipped this year from Yankton depot and Sioux City depot combined is 7,880,954 pounds, making an excess this year over last of 4,416,629 pounds. Of this amount over 3,000,000 pounds has been shipped from Yankton.

MAN KILLED BY THE CARS.—Thursday night, the 3d inst., a man named Rufner was killed by the Buffalo Express, near Rimorton station, on the Valley road. He was walking on the track and when he was observed the engineer blew the whistle; but it was unheeded by the man, and before the train could be stopped it struck him, killing him almost instantly. The deceased leaves a wife and a large family.

Bold Attempt to Burn Karns City.

The oil regions are infested with a gang of thieves that resort to any and all means to plunder the people. Almost every town in the region has had proof of this in one way or another. In the past six months the lower oil region has been the chosen field for these miscreants, as the numerous accounts of attempted and successful robberies recorded in our columns will show. Recently we have heard but little of the workings of this band of desperados, and we hoped they had cast their lines in other places. But such does not seem to be the case. Friday night of last week a bold attempt was made to burn Karns City, and it was altogether probable that it was the work of our old enemies. On the night in question a gentleman who was lying sick with the fever at the Erie City Hotel, on Main street, was awakened by a bright flame shining against his bed room window. The man had not been able to leave his bed for five weeks previous, but when he discovered the unusual light he succeeded in going into an adjoining room and giving the alarm.—The occupants of the house were not long in ascertaining that a barrel of shavings upon which kerosene had been poured, was burning in a dangerous proximity to the rear part of the building. The discovery was made just in time to save the house and perhaps the town. Buildings that would burn like tinder surrounded the Erie City Hotel on all sides, and had one got on fire the chances to save the town would have been exceedingly slim.

Up to this writing we have heard of no arrests being made, but it is hoped that suspicion will point out the fiends who made this attempt to destroy a flourishing little city and that as little mercy will be shown them as the law permits. There is hardly a doubt but the intention of the incendiaries was to rob and plunder the town.—[East Brady Independent.]

Governor Giles of Virginia, once addressed a note to Patrick Henry, demanding satisfaction: "Sir, I understand that you have called me a 'bob-tailed politician.' I wish to know if it be true, and if true, to know your meaning. Wm. B. GILES"

To which Henry replied: "I do not recollect having called you a 'bob-tailed politician' at any time, but think it probable I have. Not recollecting the time or occasion, I cannot say what I did mean, but if you will tell me what you think I meant, I will say whether you are correct or not. Yours respectfully, PATRICK HENRY."

At a banquet given in honor of Hercules V. Johnson by the Macon (Ga.) bar, the following toast was offered: "The agriculture of the State—based upon liens; buried in mortgages; controlled in its councils by lawyers; perfumed with the aromatic odors of distant isles of the sea; with its corn-crib and meat-houses in foreign States; its offense is rank; it smells to heaven."

The St. Louis Journal is going to publish a list of itemizers who give credit when they clip anything, and will entitle it "The Laurel Wreath," "The String of Pearls," "The Chiefest Among Ten Thousand," or something of the kind.

A Portland man, caught fishing for trout on another man's land the other day, completely silenced the owner, who was remonstrated, with the majestic answer, "Who wants to catch your trout? I am only trying to drown this worm."

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FRANKLIN BRANCH. Time Table adopted November 4, 1873.

Table with 4 columns: Direction, Station, Time. Rows for NORTHWARD and SOUTHWARD.

SOUTHWARD: Mendon to Franklin. Express... 6:40 a.m. 8:04 a.m. 8:25 p.m. Mail... 7:30 p.m. 11:57 p.m. Accommodation... 11:20 a.m. 1:30 p.m. 4:38 p.m. Accommodation... 8:30 p.m. 9:10 p.m. 11:13 p.m.

L. D. BARTON, Gen'l Supt. N. B.—Time 35 minutes slower than Oil Creek Railway time.

L. S. & M. S. RAILWAY.

FRANKLIN DIVISION. SUNDAY, October 27.

Table with 4 columns: Direction, Station, Time. Rows for WESTWARD TRAINS and EASTWARD TRAINS.