

Petroleum Centre Daily Record.

Feb. Centre, Pa. Thursday, July 31

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. 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. G. Bunker. Sabbath School at 12 1/2, directly after forenoon services. 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. BAILY, 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 Fellow's Hall, Petroleum Centre, Penn'a.

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

I. O. of R. M. Minnekanen 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. 110 3/4

The Oil City Derrick of yesterday had a lengthy article reflecting on the County Commissioners for not repairing the McClintockville bridge over Oil Creek, altho' directed to do so by the County Court. The people of McClintockville justly complain of the shabby manner in which they have been treated in this affair. Every person who has ever crossed the Creek at that point knows it to be dangerous at nearly all seasons of the year, and more particularly so in high water, and yet in the face of the decree of the Court, and the wishes of the residents of McClintockville, who have suffered a great amount of damage to their business interests and to the town, these venerable old roosters have done nothing except call once in a while and take a look at the bridge and with a look of the utmost wisdom wag their old noddies and walk off only to pay it another visit in a month or so. It may suit the residents of McClintockville, but it seems to us a trifle inconsistent on the part of the Commissioners. We hope the Court will take action in the premises.

We might add that our citizens have reasons for complaint against the Commissioners on the same score. The bridge at this point has been closed for some days past for repairs, and teams have been compelled to ford the Creek. This is entirely due to the same mean parsimonious spirit displayed by the Commissioners in the McClintockville case. Instead of subjecting the bridge to the most thorough repairs in the first place, they hired a man to put in a new stringer on the Egbert farm side. The bridge was then thrown open and everything was pronounced lovely. This lasted for a few days when it was discovered that the old fabric was giving away in another place. Again the mandate was issued to close the bridge, and the work of repair is now going on. Next time the "little bell is touched" to close for repairs, we may expect to see the bridge newly built as will have to be the case in the long run. The wisdom and economy displayed by these aged officials is past the comprehension of common people.

Fairview is one of the most orderly places in the oil regions. Petroleum Centre the most disorderly.—Tidoute Journal.

Fairview being played out as a matter of course must be orderly, but when the Journal makes a gratuitous assertion like the above it utters an untruth. Compare the police reports of Petroleum Centre and Tidoute, and that of the latter will be found to more than double the former, the first comparison is therefore entirely invidious. Tell us another little story, Journal, but adhere closer to the truth next time.

The wells on the Egbert farm are temporarily shut down, on account of one of the large boilers being out of repair.

Berries of all kinds are in market in great plenty.

Lou Voucher has been compelled to drill his water well eight or ten feet deeper, on account of the enormous demand for that article.

Constable Thompson of Oil City, was in town yesterday.

The Oil Market.

The present panic in the oil market causes considerable excitement. It is claimed that spot oil sold at Parker City on Tuesday at \$1.65 a barrel, which is the lowest price reached for the past seven years. This is mostly owing to the striking of several new wells in the lower district, within a few days, one or two of them flowing large quantities of oil. The Commercial says: "The new wells above mentioned, should they hold out, will give an aggregate daily increase of 1,525 barrels, but this aggregate is not likely to be maintained for any great length of time. It may be remembered, however, that there has been a very large general increase during the past seven months. The receipts of crude at this port, from the first of January to the 26th of July instant, aggregated 1,063,898 barrels against 1,186,601 barrels for the year 1872. Thus in the first seven months of this year, we shall have received nearly as much crude as during the entire previous year. This will account for the low prices which have been prevailing, and should the production be still further increased, as is indicated by the reported strikes of large wells, the prospects for better prices are far more flattering."

The following, which we copy from an exchange, will apply to more places than one:

WANTED.—One hundred and seventy-five young men, more or less, of all shapes and sizes, from the tall, graceful, with hair sufficient to stuff a barber's cushion, down to the little bow-legged, freckle faced, carrot-headed upstart. The object is to form a gaping corps, to be in attendance at the church doors at the close of divine service each Sabbath evening to stare at the ladies, as they leave the church, and make delicate and gentlemanly remarks on their persons and their dress. All who wish to enter into the above corps will appear on the steps of the various church doors on next Sunday evening, where they will be duly inspected, their names, personal appearance and quantity of brains, registered in a book kept for that purpose. To prevent a general rush, we will state that no one will be enlisted who possesses intellectual capacity above that of a well-bred donkey.

A correspondent of the Tidoute Journal complains in the following language that local opinion is entirely disregarded in that ancient town.

Any one taking the trouble to use his eyes can see liquors sold under the guise of lemonade, older, Modoc punch and other well understood aliases. (none the less liquors though) and although payment is made ostensibly for non-licensing beverages, you are also paying for the liquors in addition. This is one way of evading the violation of the letter of the law, notwithstanding the spirit of the law is grossly violated, and in dealing with such cases the courts give ample consideration and effect to the spirit, as well as to the letter of the law in its administration, hence there is no want of occasion to prosecute. A similar state of matters exists in Triumph.

Schonblom has green corn for sale.

The New Game Law

For the benefit of hunters we publish the following synopsis of the new game law:

The first section prohibits the killing of wild elk or deer in this State, save between the month of September and the first day of January, with various other provisions relative to deer.

The following thirty-seven other sections provide that no person shall kill a hare or rabbit between the first day of February and the first day of October, under penalty of five dollars for each one so killed.

No person shall kill any grey, black or fur squirrel between the first day of January and the first day of July, under the penalty of five dollars for each offence.

No woodcock shall be killed between the first of January and the first of August, under a penalty of \$10.

No quail or Virginia partridge shall be killed between the first of January and the first of November, under penalty of ten dollars for each bird killed or had in possession.

No ruffed grouse, commonly called pheasants, shall be killed or had in possession between the first day of January and the first day of September, under a penalty of ten dollars for each offence.

Any person shooting or hunting on Sunday shall be fined from ten to twenty dollars.

Judges, mayors, burgesses and police are invested with the duty of carrying out the law, and other provisions are made for its enforcement.

Two hundred employees at the Fishback rolling mill, Schuylkill county, struck a few days ago because they did not consider a certain workman worthy of their association. Nearly all the strikers are at work on the Berks County Railroad.

CLEVELAND RACES—SECOND DAY.—The 2:21 race was won in three straight heats by Judge Fullerton. Time, 2:23 1/4, 2:22 3/4, 2:23 1/4. Camors, owned by J. J. Bowen of Menford, Mass., was second, J. W. Couley was distanced.

The first heat of the 2:45 race was won by Clementine of Chicago. Time, 2:30, 2:32 1/4, 2:33 1/4. Walter, of New York, was second, Little Longfellow, of Brooklyn, third, and the gray mare Birth, of Indiana, fourth.

The running race, best three in five, was won by a sorrel filly owned by M. Welch, of Vicksburg. Time, 1:46 1/4, 1:48 1/4, 1:49 1/4. Flash was second, and George Stirling third.

What the Producers say about Gas.

The gas question is now exciting the minds of operators and producers. They see in this the only outlet to their surplus oil, and the oilmen of the lower region have commenced work in earnest. They propose to donate, free of cost, to any city or gas company that will accept, the necessary machinery for changing their works so as to use petroleum instead of coal for generating gas. This proposition will be compensated by such conditions as will insure the machinery to be permanently used, if the experiment proves a success. This the operators are perfectly able to do. It will be a great day for them, when petroleum gas is first used to light the cities of Philadelphia, New York, Boston and other large cities. There will then be no more cry of overproduction, and the rings of financiers and middlemen will be broken.

The difficulty at present is the expense of the change of machinery in the gas works. The stockholders will be slow to lend money and aid towards an experiment, the result of which they are not fully certain, and unless oilmen do as the lower operators propose, donate them machinery free of cost, the day is distant when the oil region will feel the benefit of the new outlet.—[Tidoute Journal.]

The new-fashioned degrees which the smaller academic institutions are in the habit of conferring so lavishly have so exasperated the Worcester, Mass., Spy that it suggests as an appropriate sequence to the "M. E. L." (signifying "Mistress of English Literature," conferred by the ladies' seminary at Bordentown, N. J., the degree of "M. P. A." (signifying "Master of Primary Arithmetic") for lowest grade of schools.

Here is an excuse from a Southern paper, which is an excuse. One wonders whether the pressman and compositors go off in this manner and afterwards excuse their conduct in the paper: "The Senior is attending Obsham Court, and the City editor is at Goldboro in attendance upon the Press Convention, of which he will furnish a report. This will account for the defects in our local columns."

A misfortune has lately befallen a Chicago editor. By an adverse and cruel fate he has found himself far off in San Francisco writing up the Chinese question, and the free passes are cut off. He now writes to his wife that as his liver is badly out of order he intends walking home, and that he expects to arrive some time in 1874, in time for their wooden wedding.

The steamer Jamestown, on Chautauqua lake, which was laid up for repairs three days, after being thoroughly overhauled, is again doing service, and is better than ever. Captain Grandin will not be outdone in making his passengers comfortable.

A girl in South Carolina ate a poisoned crow, was thrown into convulsions, fell into the fire, was badly burned, had a leg amputated in consequence, and is now convalescent, but doesn't "hanker after crow" as much as she did formerly.

MAN DROWNED AT WARREN.—A German barber named Christian Wild, was drowned at Warren on Sunday last, while bathing.—He was swimming, but suddenly disappeared under the water. Other parties who were with him at the time, rescued him as soon as possible, but too late.

Reading has a successful artesian well, the depth of which is 350 feet and the diameter of the bore 8 inches, and in has been placed tubing 5 inches in diameter and 304 feet in length. The water rises in the tubing six feet above the surface of the water in Schuylkill canal. The well water is pumped into a tank 40 feet above the ground by a brass plunger pump with four feet stroke, connecting to the bottom of the tubing, and worked by a rod attached to a beam. The capacity of the pump is 100 gallons per minute.

There is a monk in the Franciscan Monastery, Loretto, Cambria county, who has been an inmate of that institution for over nineteen years, and has never been to Creson, a distance of five miles.

Mrs. John Covey of Jamestown, committed suicide on Friday last by cutting her throat with a razor.

A Young Woman Attacked by a Large Panther—She Slays it with a Pine-Knot.

[From the Pittsburgh Commercial]

LOCK HAYEN, Pa., July 10, 73.

On Thursday last (the 17th) a party of young women went out from Queen's Run to the mountain just back of the settlement, to gather huckleberries. One of them, Jerusha Bryan, advanced a little farther into the woods than the others, when she was attacked by a huge panther. Her companions, hearing the brute scream, sought safety in flight, but Miss Bryan, finding escape impossible, determined to stand her ground, and seeing a huge pine knot, gave her enemy battle. The contest was a close one for a few minutes, but human courage, judgment and coolness soon triumphed over brute strength, and the heroic woman soon had the satisfaction of laying the blood thirsty monster dead at her feet. Her garments were torn into shreds, and her face and arms badly scratched, but she walked home with a firm step and the light of triumph in her eye, and was able to give a good account of herself. The dead panther was soon afterward found by the people of Queen's Run, and proved on measurement to be six feet and ten inches long. Miss Bryan is the lion (or lioness) of the neighborhood, as she well deserves to be. We doubt whether an instance can be found on record, of more cool, heroic bravery and wise discretion, developed by any woman, even in the most heroic and perilous days of Pennsylvania.

The most remarkable old woman mentioned in the country papers for a week past is Mrs. Hastings, of Greenfield, Mass., who is eighty-three years old and who lately walked five miles and back for the purpose of paying a bill of ten cents according to promise. These "old lady" paragraphs are varied and not a little improved by a little spice of morality introduced into them once in a while. "According to promise" is good. Eighty-three years old and cannot tell a lie!

A man named McMurry, an old resident of Pioneer, died at that place at eight o'clock last evening, of bilious fever. We are requested to state that Rev. Burchard, of this place, will hold divine services at the home at seven a. m., to-morrow.

The body will be taken to Venango Boro, Crawford County, for burial.

I like to read about Moses best, in the Old Testament. He carried a hard business well through, and died when other folks were going to reap the fruits; a man must have courage to look at his life so, and think what'll come of it after he's dead and gone. A good, solid bit o' work lasts; if it's only laying a floor down, somebody's the better for it's being done well, besides the man as does it. George Eliot.

The "cholera" men of the Chicago news papers publish cheerful bulletins producing a most salutary effect in the agricultural districts of Illinois. They have already been the means of saving thousands of water-melon patches from destruction.

Titusville has a little Credit Mobilier of her own. It appears in the charges and specifications that one of the Common Councilmen has been peddling his influence, the purchasers having been contractors for street paving.

Mad cats are being killed in different sections of Berks county.

A man of Tioga county has killed fifty-one rattlesnakes this summer.

A Philadelphia surgeon was called the other day to a house up town to amputate the leg of a woman. He was a near sighted man, and when he reached the house he got into the wrong room and calmly sawed off the limb of the servant girl, who was a German, who had come over to two days before, and who thought it was the custom of the country.

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