

Pet. Centre, Pa., Wednesday, Sept. 17

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

REV. T. GRAHAM, 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. 715, I. O. of O. F.

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

W. B. MONTGOMERY, N. G. C. H. BAILEY, 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. Minnekaunce 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. 111 1/2

Petroleum is beginning to play a distinct part in the two or three separate civil wars which are going on in Spain. It was, of course, to be expected that the favorite munition of war of the Paris Commune would find favor with the Reds. Petroleum has become as sacred a symbol of anacostism as the red flag. We were scarcely, however, prepared to see the troops of the Government armed with the oil can and directed to adopt the tactics of the incendiary. And yet it is impossible to doubt that the petroleum has now his recognized place in the Spanish army. A correspondent in the north of Spain relates a disgraceful incident, which throws some light upon the intelligence which reaches us every now and then of the discretion of officers of character from the Government service. A body of troops passed out of Bilbao the other day, with the view of dispersing some Carlists who had taken up a commanding position near town. No fighting took place on the occasion. The Carlists speedily disappeared, and the troops could discover no foe, except the unarmed inmates of a few farm houses, who, it seems, were suspected of having furnished the partisans of Charles VII. with bread and wine. The farmhouses were at once attacked. Their larders and cellars were plundered, the people were turned adrift, and the petroleum can was produced. The buildings were burned to the ground, and of the furniture they obtained, every article but a cradle, occupied by an infant a few days old, appears to have been consumed. It may be necessary to allow the soldiers as wide a license as we allow the poet; but such outrages as this can only excite universal disgust.

Mr. H. H. Warner has started a new Coal Yard at the old lumber yard stand of L. M. Sternburg, on Second street. He has employed Mr. Geo. Norcia who is thoroughly conversant with the coal trade, to run the yard for him.

Shell. Canfield's stable is doing an immense business at present. Every horse and wagon is out daily.

Now is the time to begin the fall advertising. Uncle John Hulbert received a nice lot of Grapes last evening, direct from the Lake Shore. They were nice and no mistake. We believe he has a limited quantity for sale.

Both of the refineries in this place are run to their fullest capacity at present.

Good news. Some good enterprising citizen of Petroleum Centre, has been the means of ridding the town of five or six worthless cures. Keep it up, and if you don't get your reward here in the shape of money, you will have the knowledge that you have the thanks of a grateful people.

Two brothers, named Pollard, at Carlinville, Ill., recently attempted to kill each other with knives. A gentle fanning with a tence rail by a stranger, cooled them off to such an extent that the Abel business was not repeated.

Active steps are being taken for the establishment of the zoological garden in Fairmount Park Philadelphia.

"Drunk, as usual!" said a professor, reproachfully, on meeting a dissipated student in the part. "No, sir; not drunk 'sus'! I'm drunker 'us'," replied the student.

The question now arises among boys whether they or the managers of the schools, should furnish cigars at picnics.

FROM THE FRONT!

MILLERSTOWN, Pa., September 16. The Asa Say test well, on the McCready farm, four miles southwest of Millerstown, struck the top of the sand a few days ago. Oil began to fill the hole, and the drill was suspended to remove the boiler. This well, if successful, will open up 10,000 acres of new territory for development between Millerstown and that point. It has created profound excitement here already.

Angel & Co.'s well, on the Dugan farm, just commenced flowing.

PETROLIA, September 16. The market to-day is quiet but firm.—There were sales of five thousand barrels spot oil at \$1.17 1/2. Two thousand barrels sellers all the year, \$1.15.

The Tack & Moorehead well, in the fourth sand, is pumping over two hundred barrels daily.

TRIANGLE CITY, Sept. 13. The Bayne well is doing fully fifteen barrels. Triley well sixty barrels.

The Kiley Bros., well on Best farm is now doing seventy barrels. It opened at 140 barrels.

Levans Evans well, new, Thursday, 50 barrels.

The new Dillo well commenced pumping on Thursday at 10 a. m.

This is excellent territory and with oil at anything like a decent price, would be flooded with the irrefragable oil man and his inevitable wealth.

MERTINA, Sept. 15.

The Hamar wells, near this spot, are holding out good, averaging about thirty-five barrels. Some are doing fifteen or sixteen, and others eighty to ninety barrels. There no dry holes in this vicinity.

Between this point and Edenburg the Lee & Ballott well on the Bower farm, was tubed on Saturday last, the 13th inst., and since has been pumping 125 barrels a day.

Messrs. Lee & Ballott have a lease of fifty acres with one-tenth royalty. Matters here look encouraging so far as extension of the belt is concerned, but little in favor of its expansion.

MODOC CITY.—Modoc City, or Summit City, as it is sometimes called, is full of life and business and big oil wells. In no territory in the lower oil regions, or indeed anywhere since the early days of the oil business has such large wells been struck as in the Modoc district. In the past few months wells have been struck here that have produced as high as 1300 barrels in twenty-four hours. Of course these enormous wells operated like magic upon the surrounding country, and in a few weeks from the announcement of the first strike a thrifty little town was under way. Strikes are being made almost daily, and the greatest excitement prevails. These immense strikes have had a disastrous effect upon the oil market, as the entire country is aware.—[East Brady Independent.

A Chinese Shylock owning several pounds of flesh has been cited before the San Francisco courts. A Chinaman got into a tight place, borrowed fifty dollars, and mortgaged his wife for its repayment. The note became due, and the shopman could not pay. The wife was forfeit according to agreement and custom, and the creditor foreclosed the mortgage, and proved himself inexorable. He had become entitled to several pound of flesh according to the bond, and expressed a determination to stand by the bond.—The woman was already in his possession, but she appears to have had very serious objections to the full consummation of this peculiar Chinese business transaction.—She managed to break away from her keeper, and went straightway to the courts with her complaints. Of course the courts ignored the terms of business by which she was to be sacrificed, and the wise judge told her to go home and pledge herself no more for a money consideration. She went her way rejoicing, and now Chee Wang is happy with her husband, Ah Sam, and the creditor, Ah Kow, is fully convinced that there is no security in woman.

Emil Zedwich, better known as "Little Joe," was the recipient of an elegant Philopena present today through the mail, at the hands of some unknown friend. It was a trifle stale, yet would do for soup, if well seasoned with garlic and pepper sauce. Never having received a Philopena before Joe was astonished, and inquired of the clerk—"Vot der tuffel all dis means, I don't know." The gift was quite valuable and is highly appreciated by Joe.

The Petroleum Exchange Restaurant is just in receipt of another barrel of those nice fresh Shell Oysters just direct from New York. Also, a tub of those nice Saddle Rock oysters. Tom or Billy are always on hand ready to wait on customers at all hours. Give them a call.

The pigeon shoot, this afternoon, has attracted quite a crowd to town.

These cold nights make the coal dealers smile.

The attendance at the public school at present is 167 pupils.

This is a genuine September day.

The potato bugs are now going for the tomato plants and are making their best efforts to finish them up before winter.

A dispatch from St. Petersburg under date of Sept. 16th, says:

This morning, between eight and nine o'clock, Messrs. Thomas F. Griffin and John Boyce, were badly burned on the face, neck, hands and arms. They were at the Weston Co. well, on the Dan Ritz farm for the purpose of repairing the boiler. While waiting for it to cool, the gas from the well exploded, burning both of them severely. Medical aid was promptly called in and all done for their possible comfort.

BIG FIRE ON CHURCH RUN.—About 11 o'clock last evening a fire broke out in the roof of the Hiram Hill ice house on Church Run, and soon spread to the saw and shingle mill and barn adjoining, and soon enveloped the whole in a mass of flame. In a short space of time the whole were consumed. The ice house contained 100 tons of ice, the property of George W. Benton.—The buildings were the property of William Andre. We are informed that there was a small insurance on the mill.—Herald.

The Christian Weekly exhorts the hard workers who have had two weeks' recuperation not to go back to use up the accumulated energy "Accumulate, by reasonable rest and recreation every day, the energies needed for the day succeeding."

The prevailing disease now is a sneezing cold. Red noses and watery eyes, and a tendency to dive into pockets for a well saturated handkerchief are the visible symptoms.—[Titusville Herald.

Having had a severe touch of the same for the last three weeks we can easily appreciate the feelings of others, and rejoice with them at the possession of a "bad cold."

His excellency, Gov. H. Trautman, and staff, will be in attendance at the reviewing and inspection of the 20th Division N. G. of Pennsylvania, at Meadville, on the 18th inst.

The Indians in the neighborhood of Ottawa are becoming civilized. One of them, at all events, killed his father the other day.

An American Tichborne has appeared at Mauch Chunk, Pa. He claims forty thousand acres of mineral land in Luzerne county, and are now owned by tax titlers or insufficient conveyances it is said. The heir, James Turnbull, was lost for twenty years. He went to sea, was wrecked in the gulf of Mexico, was picked up and carried to South America, lived for a time on the Isthmus of Panama, was one of the Argonauts of '49 to California, and finally at Mexzalan, Mexico. The case came up at the last session of the court at Williamsport but was postponed on account of the engagements of counsel, who were members of the late Constitutional Convention then sitting. The suit only involves the little matter of some forty million dollars, for at that sum the lands in dispute are valued.

In Savannah, Ga., women are employed as horse car conductors, and modest young men complain that they cannot enter one of those vehicles without having a dirty hand and arm passed about their waists.

The harvesting season has come to an end.

A down river correspondent of the Titusville Courier, submits the following truthful proposition: First—Not a well in this lower district is producing what is claimed for it. Second—Not a fourth are producing three quarters of what is claimed, and Third—Not half are yielding more than one-half of what is claimed. This is probably near the truth.

The train due here at 1 o'clock was an hour late to-day.

In the case of Higgins, the unfortunate man who was killed on the Atlantic road at Oil City, day before yesterday, the jury rendered a verdict of accidental death.

Some wicked ones entered this office yesterday or day before, and abstracted Friday and Saturday's paper from the file. Return them at once and save yourself from the wrath to come.

Our article on the probability of their being a 14th sand rock all through the upper country, published a day or two since, has attracted considerable attention among operators, and bids fair to be acted on before long.

A fire in East St. Louis, yesterday, destroyed property to the value of \$60,000; insurance \$7,000.

In order to allay the public fears regarding alarming influx of Chinese the Pacific Mail Steamship Company has discontinued the practice of furnishing the San Francisco press with the number of immigrants.

The basement of the City Hall of Springfield, Mass., is full of liquors seized for the violation of the law, and the authorities are obliged to hire cellars and unoccupied stores in which to keep the fast accumulating stock.

Corry will hold his third Annual Fair on the 16th 17th and 18th days of September. The premiums offered are more liberal than usual, and all the railroads will carry passengers attending the fair, at reduced rates.

It is maliciously whispered that Duluth's poetical title of "Zenith City of the Unsalted Seas" ought to be changed to the more prosaic one of "City of Stumps."

When navigators are so consistently steering by the North Pole, isn't it strange none of them have yet contrived to put a hammer around it?

A Maine tinker has lived on an island in Moosehead Lake for ten years; in the summer in a dry goods box, and in the winter in a hoghead.

This is the way in which they have trials at the Detroit Police court: Judge—Gully or not guilty? Defendant—Gully. Judge—Officer, what about this man? Officer—Dead drunk. Judge—Five dollars or thirty days. Defendant—Your money, Janitor—Now, git. Defendant—I go. This is the majesty of justice.

Jack Frost has made his appearance, and gardeners have suffered severely.

The Wareham News man gives the following reasons why a vessel is called abe: "They are useless without employment; they bring news from abroad; they wear caps and bonnets; they are upright in stays; they are often painted; they are sometimes abandoned; man never knows the expense till he gets one."

The work of taking up and transplanting flower plants is going on at present.

A curious and beautiful effect was lately produced with a block of manufactured ice in the course of experiments in Philadelphia. In the centre of the cake, completely inclosed by the translucent material, was a bouquet of fresh flowers. Every leaf and blossom was perfectly visible, while the brilliancy of the colors was enhanced by the refraction through the ice.

OIL NEWS.—The Ralph Bros. & Riddle wells, Nos. 2 and 3 are making 80 barrels a day.

Bond & Green well Wilson farm, Petrolia, reached the sand this week.

The Humming Bird well, owned by the Wilson Farm Oil Co., is doing 25 barrels.

The Dougherty & Cattle well, between Greece City and Modoc, is flowing 500 barrels a day, by actual measurement.

The Company's well, drilling on lease No. 14, Wilson farm, Petrolia, will be completed in two weeks.—[East Brady Independent.

Newboys are not allowed to "collar" in Rome, but something like half a million dogs can bark and bowl without let or hindrance.

A sign in an Ohio city bearing the words "Smith Manufacturing Company," throws some light on the query as to where all the Smiths come from.

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