Divine Service. METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH Services every Sabbath at 11 A. M. and 1/4 P. M. Sabbath School at 121/4 P. M. eate free. A cordial invitation extended to all.

REV. T. GRAHAM, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Preaching at 11 o'clock A. M. and 7
e'clock P. M., by the Pastor, W. C. Burchard.
Sabbata School at 12½, 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 e'cleck. Signed.

W. B. MONTGOMERY, N. G. C. H. BAILET, A Sec'y.

Place of meeting, Main St., opposite
y cClintock House.

A. O. of U. W.
Liberty Lodge No. 7, A. O. of U. W.
meets every Monday evening at 71% o'clock
in Odd Fellow's Hall, Petroleum Centre

James S. White, R.

Minnekaunce Tribe No. 183, L. O. R. M
of Petrolcum Centre, meets every Thursday
evening in Good Tempiar's Hall.

Council fires lighted at 7 o'clock.
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A Western Romance.

true at the base of the literary idea which placed a laurel on the head of Mr. Brei Harte, and showered gaudy though less leating flowers on a score of imitators, it had not appealed so warmly to the sympathies of the public, nor met with a praise that was at one time almost frenzied. Briefly the theme we mention was that of a hero c self-sacrifice glowing through a nature outwardly rugged, perhaps debased, and all the brighter from its tawdry surroundings. It was not that the spasmodic virtue excused the life of vice, but rather that the vice made brighter the virtue, as the frowny hair of a gypeey adds ten fold to the gleam of ber brilliant eye.

We are led to this utterance by a story which reaches us from San Jose, California, and which better pens might fail to deal with as tenderly as it merits. They were cousins, it seems, carried west by their parents in the great gold excitement of '49. -Bate threw them early spart, and upon their resources. They could not well have fallen lower than they did. Whether from simple necessity, or from the evil bent of unregenerate minds-that we may leave to the theologians-manhood found Jim a raseal of the worst border type, and Ellen seeking her bread among the lowest of a class that seem to have tost every trace of womanbood in their horrible trade. A few months ago, and they mot again. There were no questions asked of their past lives, no inquiries as to character and occupation, but Jim took quietly back to his hovel a wedded wife, and the woman strove in ber unleasned way, to make him both help-mate and drudge.

There was no romance about their life-God save the mark! Jim still stole for a living, and the cupboard was often bare and their stomachs empty; and not unfrez quently there were angry words, and curses and may be a blow, but still they were not weary of their partnership. The end came quickly. Some unusually during robberies in the vicinity the Vigilen Committee, and Jim found it necessary to absent himself for a sbort time from that section of the country. Ellen could not accompany, for a reason that brides of many months' standing may guess at. In his absence the Regulators, convinced that many of their berses had gone into Jim's hands, got hold of Ellen and gave her the choice of hanging or informing them of her hus band's retreat. She had only six hours to decide, but she did not flinch. The sun was bastening seaward, and death was near, when word came from Jim by a dirty half breed:

Don't hert the gal an lie bring yer horse to-morrer.

The letter that gives the story tells o Jim's reckless manner as he rode into camp with the "d-d critters that wasn't worth stealin', no how," and how he went to his death with a curse on his lips and a chew of tobacco in his mouth; but = says nothing turther of the woman. It is probable that she was taken care of, for even Judge Lynch's court is kindly when out of session. It is a barsh story and more plainly told than we have given it, and is is doubtful if one of the rough participants saw in it any thing out of the common way. Yet many a sumous egic lacks the simple pathos.

THE TOWN WE LIVE IN

Petroleum Centre has proved hermif the alinn mater of oil development in Western Pennsylvanis-For years she was the busy centre of oil production; the fountain of an inexhaustible supply of crude. -Money flowed in like a river. Fortunes were made nore rapidly it possible than the fabled favorites of Aladdin's lamp. It was a very bee tive of industry and prosperity. Its population—say a mile square -was 18,000 or 20,000, and no where could been found men more genial in social life, more shrewd and energetic in business, nor a mining community where people were marked by more virtue and intelligence. Now that fickle fortunhas turned her back upon us, she has proved to be stering mother for the region. district to there in the oil regron that the Centre has and not one of them all but likes once in a while to return and whit their old home and take a cup of kindness--local is in force--yet for the days of auld lang syne. And withal she can still boast in the midst of hard times on a fair business, a daily paper, three churches, numerous places of business and a happy and healthy rising generation too nu-

Major J. P. Mackey, of Franklin, was in town to day. The Major was one of the pioneer operators of the Oil Creek district, and has hosts of friends hereabouts. At present he is a candidate for Coun ty Treasurer on the Republican ticket. He informs us his chances for being elected are good. Politics is not our province, at the same time we think the Major would make a careful, judicious and pruden

Millerstown must be a lively place. A corres pondent of the Oil Man's Journal, writing from there, says:

Boys, knee-blirb to a duck, have been seen staggering brough the streets crazy drunk. Leantiful specimens of young America

Mr. John M. Sherry, agent for Sherry's New York Theatre, was in town this forenoon, engaged in billing for that troupe, who are so perform here Oct. 7th. He informs us the troupe was never bet ter or stronger than at present. Undoubtedly they will draw a crowded house

They made him a bed both cold and damp-inig man as "full as a goose" - and all night long by the fire-fly's lamp, he slept in the calabor

Gil. Adams has opened the Cozy Saloon, former If there had not been something good and | ly occupied by Clint. Robson, and will herea tel conduct the business. Gil. is obliging and accoundating, and would be pleased to have his old friends pay him a call.

> A well put down by John I rwin, Stewart and oth es, on the Gohring farm, upper Bennehoff, turns or a dry hole.

Elder Leech, an aged and respected citizen of Plumer, died at his residence in that village, yes day forenoon. For a long term of years he was an exhorter in the Methodist Church

This evening the Rebekah Degree, I. O. of O. F. hold a social gathering and support at Odd Follows Hall, at the cencinsion of the regular meeting.— The Rouseville Lodge have been invited and are expected to be in attendance

A dispatch from St. Louis dated Sept. 24

Allen is on the street to/day without i cut on his face, while McCool keeps his bed suffering from the terrible beating be rea ceived yesterday. He presents a sorry spec tacle, and the cuts on his left check and lips and loss of teeth will disfigure him for life. Allen's next fight is with Ben Hogan, of Pittsburgh, for \$2.500, stready posted, and is to take place near this city in five weeks. Sporting men bere tender ; him a bauquet here to/morrow night. Allen's share of the Alien and Hogan contest was \$4,460. signed articles to/night.

Hogan is well known in this region. has no reputation as a prize fighter, and in act has not much reputation any way.

A wonderful trade is that of petroleum .-Twelve years ago the first export sale em braced 250 barrels and the sale was beralded as a "large" one. In 1861 the export of the whole country amounted to 1,500,000 gallons. In 1872 the export amounted to 150,000,000 gallons, and during the seven months of the present year more than 145,, 000,000 gallons have been exported. The utilization of petroleum in the interests of commerce has been remarkable.

We only wish that our readers knew how hard it is to get locals, and with what avdity editors 'go for th had a local the other oday, but when we reached for it it was gone. Our devil said to us, Mr. Editor I got a local for you; well what is it? Smith is married; who'es Smith? that fellow that used to work for Brown two or three days, well we don't know Smith, but who did he marry? I don't know who, and thus we missed a local.

The West is now literally pouring its new grain into the market, 1,614 carrloads of grain having passed over the Mississippi River Railroad bridge at Davenport and Rock Island for Chicago or the East, Sep. tember 1st and 2d. The city is being flooded with grain arriving by rall and canelbut it nevertheless continues to bring fair prices. The grain receipts at that city on September 1 were '1,975 car-loads, and of these, receipts by canal were 149,100 bush/ els, principally of corn.

An editor whose ideas on current jottings are somewhat nixed, says that "kissing a lady with a circular saw on, is pretty ruff."

A cave has been discovered near Devils river, Texas, the interior of which cone tains very remarkable paintings and sculp- true to life and finished in the highest style ture, apparently of Aztic origin.

THE OIL FIELD.

VICINITY OF KARNS CITY.

Within the last few weeks, several wel s lying west of Karns City, one owned by Tack, Moorbead and others, one owned by Galley and others, together with another well or two, the productions of which had beretofore been quite small have been sunk deeper and increased for a time to one, two three, four and five hundred barrels per Other owners of wells in the vicinity are making calculations to drill deeper in hopes of a similar result. The parties who not sent her sens and daughters to help build it up | have been favored with success are not boisterous or noisy about their good fortune; they do not tell every one the depth to which they drilled; but the opinion prevails among many that have penotrated the earth until a fourth sand has been tound which yields a more bountiful supply of oil than over has been obtained from the third sand in the neighborhood. We are to'd that a number of wells which scarcely pay at the present prices are to be suck deeper in view of finding a fourth sand before they are abandoned.

It is said that on Monday last a well los cated on the Tack & Moorhead farm, was without doubt drilled to the fourth sand. -The sand is said to present a good appearance, and as the drilling progressed the well flowed oil at intervals.

On Wednesday afternoon we paid a visit to Karns City, all persons thereabouts concurred in asserting that the Tack & Moore head well, a short distance west of town, had been drilled some depth to the fourth sand. The tools remained in the hole, while the well was flowing incessantly yleiding oil at the rate of three or four hundred barrels per day. -[Orlman's Journ

PARKER CITY TO HAVE GAS -It will be seen by an article elsewhere in this week's paper, that the Indian Spring Gas Company have commenced to lay their pipes from the vicinity of Fairview to this city. and in ten days they expect to be prepared to supply our citizens with natural gas, both for illuminating purposes and as an article of fuel. The conveniences of gas are well known to most of our people, and proposing to furnish the city at the rates charged elsewhere, as the company propose doing, is certainly an inducement to parties to use the article. The company should be en couraged in everything that is just and fair [Oilman's Journal.

Mre. Eliza Riter, widow, and James Grabam, guardian of Sam'l N. Riter, minor son of James M. Riter, deceased, who was killed on the Allegheny Valley Railroad, at Scrubgrass, on the 13th of January last, has commenced an action for damages against the company, in the District Court of Allegheny county. The amount claimed is \$10,000.

A young dress maker in Van Wert, Ohio, went to the depot to see a cleveland drum? mer off. She gave him a good start with the aid of a cowhide and several eggs. She out bim with the former and plastered bien with the latter. Cleveland drummers are bad men, and should be kept at home.

The posteffice authorities in Washington have been informed by the government of Germany that the newspaper tax is no longer collected from persons in the kingdom of Prussia to whom may be addressed newspa-pers printed in the German language in this country.

At the Crown Point and Bridport Pair, in Essex county, last week Mr. A. A. Buck, a 65 years old exhibited a borse trained by himself that performed a variety of feats as are usually seen only in the circus

The Balliet well on the Bower farm north is yle iding 100 barrels a day. The other well on the same farm is reported to be increasing. It has produced 65 barrels a day for nearly two months. -[Clarion Demo-

A flowing well was struck on Sage Run, near Oil City, yesterday, which is said to be doing 400 barrels daily. The owners are Dr. Shamburg and Green Brothers.

"Rules to govern persons who are drown, ing," are published at length in a Milwankee paper. This is a good idea and should be followed by several similar codes such as "Directions for ladies and gentlemen blown up in a steamboat;" "Guide for the victims of a railway collision;" "System to be pur sued by seronaute who fall from their balloons;" "The whole duty of a man after a nitro-glycerine explosion;" "Regulations to te followed by all persons struck by lights ning;" and "Proper deportment during a rapid descent from's sixth story window

Secure the shadow are the substance fades by going to Taylor's Photograph Gallery, over Christie's Drug Store, Washington St., Petroleum Centre, Pa. He makes a picture of the art.

The Hayden expedition has discovered that the Middle Park of Colorado is intere sected to a great extent with dikes of basal. tic rock, and is these once melted rocks are found moss and wood agutes, while red sand yellow jaspers cover the bills in great abundence. The Indians of ancient times used to resort to those places to procure material for their arrow heads, and chipped flints and broken arrow heads occur quite frequently. There is no doubt that flint are rowheads were in common use among the Western Indians before the introduction of pork barrels and hoop-iron.

On the recent voyage to New York of the steamer City of Brooklyn, a woman who was a steerage pas-eager, insane from sickness threw ber little boy four years old overboard then with her babe in her arms jumped ins to the sea. She was rescued but her children were drowned.

A curious case was recently tried in a Hungarian Court. A man found his wife in the agonies of death from swallowing poly son, and, with questionable humanity, put her out of her misery with a revolver, with which he afterwards tried to shoot himself. The culprit was tried for murder, and sentenced to ten years' imprisonment, but on appeal the sentence was commuted to three years, on the ground that the woman could not have recovered from the poison, and that killing her was merely a mistaken act of humanity to shorten her sufferings.

A sadfaccident occurred in the Berlin settlement, six or seven miles from Clarion, on Sunday last, by which George Peiffer, young man of that place, lost his life. It appears that Peiffer, with several other young men, were sitting on a log in the grove, and; one of the party, named Swatzager, had a gun lying on his arm, and was working with the lock, when the gun was accidentally discharged, the contents lodge ing in Peiffer's neck. The wounded man was caught by his brother, in the act of falling. He said, "I'm shot-I must die." and immediately expired. The decrased was a nepbew of Judge Cook, from whom we got the facts. The occurrence has cast a gloom over the entire community, and much sympathy is expressed for the parents and relatives of the deceased. -[Forest Republican.

We must keep telling about the Shab, for he's going away pretty soon, and then will be of no more use for "personals" or newpapers. That man has absolute control over the whele revenue of the country, and can tax his subjects as much as he pleases. He is worth about \$20,000,000, one half of which is in jewels.

There are about 4,500 scholers in the Res man Catholic schools in Boston.

The Pope received from 1849 to 1873.one hundred and seventy million |france as Peter's Pence.

The New York Evening Post says the next trial of Stokes for the shooting of Fisk is set down for October 6th.

Louisville is swarming with cater pillars and according to the Courier-Journal average fifty to the square foot.

A convention of railroad ,conductors bas been called to meet in Boston on the 8th of noxt mouth.

A statement recently appeared in the London Times saying that the wheat crop in England would fall 20 per cent. below the average.

A Gorbam, N. H., cat bas a "fleece as white as snow, " and four inches long about ts neck.

Two Texas cattle men in Wichita recents ly played a game of marbles for one hun/ dred steers a side.

A public spirited citizen of Pittefield, Vt. kindly offers for entertainment the petrified body of his mother who was buried twenty years ago.

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