

Petroleum Centre Daily Record.

Fel. Centre, Pa, Tuesday Sept. 30

Divine Service. METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH Services every Sabbath at 11 A. M. and 7 1/2 P. M. Sabbath School at 12 1/4 P. M. gratis 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. BURCARD. Sabbath School at 12 1/4, 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. Minnekaunen 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, Sach. in. C. L. JUKES, Chief of Records.

Gold at 1 p. m. 111 1/2

The Butler Herald has the following sensible article on the present situation of the oil business at present:

Our readers are aware that we in a former article referred to the absurd argument used by monopolists that the low price of oil was because of over production—that the eastern cities had more than was wanted—that refiners were overstocked and that in the European market it was a drug. We then stated that it seemed exceedingly strange oil merchants in New York would charter forty ships in order to take oil to Antwerp and other European places when it was a drug there, yet such was the fact. We argued there was a speculation in the matter and that time would tell it. By reference to the market price for oil in Antwerp we find the price has advanced from 37 1/2 francs to 40 francs, and this too in place of the arrival of forty ships filled with oil! How strange! Before the forty ships started for Europe oil was a drug. After their arrival into this overstocked market the price advanced 2 1/2 francs! Who among the wise speculators in oil can give us a reasonable solution of this mystery in commerce and trade? But what commercial law has the fact been established that a material addition of any article to an already overstocked market will enhance the price? We want just such a law to operate out here in the oil producing territories.—We have as some say, an overstocked market—more oil than there is demand for, and if there is a wise economist in all the land who can demonstrate the problem, that a super-abundance of any article increase the price, let him come here at once. This is the place for him to make a fortune.

The truth is the monopolists control the whole oil trade. They hold in their hands the spigot, and regulate the market to suit themselves, and what is worse than all, they have men in the oil regions who are too ready to cry out over-production in order to help them in their speculations. If the oil operator had an ounce of sense he would at once organize against the whole system and never cease his opposition until an adequate remedy was afforded. These men who have been cooling their thousands off the bone and sinew of the country—off the honest labor of the working men, should be taught that time has come when they can no longer ride it, rough shod, over honest industry. Combinations formed for aggrandizement, like individuals must some times be taught a lesson in order that community may not suffer from their depredations.

OYSTERANDA. Breathes there a man with soul so dead, Who never to himself bath said, 'Tis folly to buy the best I can, By the dozen, quart, pint or can, Therefore, my friends become not bolsters-ous, But every day from Snowden & Pugh buy fresh Oysters.

We learn that oil sold at the wells in the lower district, this forenoon, at the extremely low figure of 50 cents per barrel.—We sincerely hope it will go down to five cents per barrel, in which case it will have a tendency to shut down the work of developing. Let the price go down. The sooner the better.

Yesterday, Billy Pugh, of the firm of Snowden & Pugh, Petroleum Exchange Hotel, went on a hunting excursion. He returned in the evening with the strangest looking animal that we ever beheld. Its body resembles a large squash; its head is that of a nondescript, while it has a tail exactly like a grey squirrel, and in weight it is about twenty pounds. Several naturalists called to see it this morning, and all concluded it belonged to the almost extinct species of animals known in natural history as "Squash-punko-squirrel-lighto-drinko-familio." It can be seen at the Petroleum Exchange, night and day, until farther notice. Call and see for yourselves, before Tom Snowden "skins the critter."

That "Little Yerman Band" was in town to-day, delighting the boys with some very good music. Dutch Henry, who has not been seen on the streets for some time, came out when he heard that "German March" that reminded him of "Inderland." He followed in the wake of the band, dancing and singing as they played, until he espied our energetic chief constable Burgess, when he made a bee line for a hole under an old vacant house at the upper end of Washington street, and as he passed from view, he wagged his hand on his nose with the emphatic twist that he could not be captured in there. Not knowing the locality thoroughly he shot into dirty water nearly three feet deep, but wheeled around like a musk rat, stuck his head out and yelled "sons-a-bitches," come in, after which he took a dive and disappeared from view.

A night or two since two young men residing on the upper Boyd farm, visited our neighboring village of Plumer. Arriving there they hitched their horses, and proceeded to interview mine host Alden, of the Plumer House. While inside some malicious wretch stole the saddle and bridle off one horse and turned the other one loose.—There is no clue to the dastardly wretches.

Oil still commands a better figure on the Creek than in the lower district. Mr. H. I. Beers, of the firm of Cornen & Beers, owners of the Cornen & Beers farm, sold a day or two since 500 barrels of oil at \$1.25. In the lower country it is worth 50 cents at the wells.

Barney Free!, everybody knows honest Barney, who has worked so long for Geo. King, has at last gone and done it, in other words he has committed matrimony. We wish him and his bride a long lease of life and happiness. He is entitled to it, and the best wishes of many friends will go with them for their success in life.

A strolling band performed some excellent music on the street, to-day.

The Cornen & Beers farm is yielding something over 20 barrels per day. At present only eight wells are pumping.

NEW WELLS.—Quite a number of new wells in the vicinity of Dogtown and Edenburg will be down in a few days, and will show to what extent of development, we may look for during the coming winter and spring, while there are about sixty wells actually drilling. It is a solemn fact the production will not decrease with any alarming rapidity. The whole country back of Dogtown is being overrun with rigs, and should oil rise to a paying figure it would be a race between contractors which should first reach the sand. Indeed operations would be resumed with all the energy characteristic of oil men, and in a few weeks or months we should relate the same tale over, of hard times; no money for oil &c.—[Petersburg Progress.

A sharper is traveling through the interior of the State, duping the farmers. He claims to be a United States Detective, has his warrants, charges his man with passing counterfeit money, arrests him on the bogus warrant, and if the party resists he displays a pair of handcuffs and threatens to put them on if he refuses to go with him. After frightening his man, he proposes to compromise the matter for a certain sum and let him go.

It appears that one-fourth of the five cent nickel coins in circulation are counterfeit. They are said to be so skillfully executed that it is almost impossible for experienced coin experts to detect them. Thieves and counterfeiters are determined to ruin us.

The Governor on Monday appointed the following persons Notaries Public for the term of three years each from date: Jas. S. McKar, Modoc City, Butler county; Franklin H. Harrison, Mount Union, Huntington county.

A sexton of one of the Philadelphia churches still carries an umbrella which he has had in constant use for forty-two years.

John Halwick, aged forty years, was crushed to death by a log in Curtin town ship, Center county, a few days ago.

A great deal of second crop hay is being made in the vicinity of Pottstown.

THE OIL FIELD.

VICINITY OF BUTLER. Mr. H. McClintock, who has been very successful in tracing the oil belt in the upper oil region, is now sinking a well two miles East of Butler, where he is hopeful of making a big strike.

Work is being prosecuted at the well on land of Mrs. McCandless, and one on the Henry farm, both of these wells are located Northeast of Butler. The tools had not yet all been removed from the latter at the last report received therefrom, while drilling was being prosecuted at the former, and the day is not far distant when it will be sunk to a depth where the oil is expected to be found.

CLARION COUNTY. Several days ago a well was struck on the DeRolph farm, near Dogtown, which is pumping one hundred barrels. It is owned by Barney Vessel and others.

The latter part of last week a well was struck on the widow Heister farm, at Dogtown. It started off at about one hundred and twenty barrels, and is reported as still holding its own. Charles Vessel owns the well.

VICINITY OF MODOC OR SUMMIT CITY. On Saturday last two large strikes were made, one was the Meadow well, No. 1, on the Starr farm, and the other on the Sutton farm. The former started to flow at the rate of 400 barrels per day and the latter at the rate of 500. The Meadow well is owned by S. B. Boyer, of Titusville, and the other by Darragh & Chaffee.

VICINITY OF EARNS CITY. The Smith well located on the Scott & Adams farm, has been drilled deeper and the production has been materially increased.

A well owned by Stewart & Gale, on the McAleer farm, is doing about three hundred barrels.

VICINITY OF BUENA VISTA. A well on the Jenkins' farm, struck the sand on Thursday of last week, and started to flow at the rate of six hundred barrels per day. It was thought this would turn out a dry hole.—[Oilman's Journal.

Rochester, Beaver Co., has a new paper called the Independent, Anderson & Williams publishers. In politics it is independent.

Ticket Agent Hair received the following orders this afternoon: Sell excursion tickets to Corry and return Sept. 30 to Oct. 3d. Good to return until Oct. 4th to parties wishing to attend the State Fair at Erie.

Here is a good chance for our citizens to attend the Fair.

Mr. John Weakland aged, ninety-four, is the oldest man in Jamestown.

An Orwigsburg wife inverted her spouse in the milkchurn for profanity.

Reading has raised a head of cabbage which weighs twenty nine pounds.

The Warren pail factory is still in operation, and is turning out a large number of pails.

A sword was found at the depth of sixteen feet from the surface of the ground, and near the stump of a tree, by some men digging a well in Erie.

A Joliet (Ill.) Methodist Episcopal Conference has voted itself willing to license Mrs. Jennie E. Willing to preach the gospel.

A Texas mother-in-law, finding her daughter's husband impervious to the ordinary methods of killing, vindicated her authority by shooting him.

Love induced a Louisville girl to throw tobacco in her father's eyes so that her lover might have time to get her into his wagon for elopement purposes.

A Times special from Brenham, Texas, says a fire broke out last night in the store of Thomas Dyer, one of the wealthiest merchants here and consumed the entire square it reached the adjoining one which was burned entire, and one half of the next.—Loss not stated.

A fire in Sacramento, Sunday, on M. St., destroyed Anderson's boiler shop, Hunt's sash factory and several other buildings.—Loss \$50,000.

Hunting chestnuts, butterouts, etc., is the favorite amusement with the juveniles these pleasant afternoons.

A Detroit woman sues for divorce because her husband insists upon sleeping with his feet upon the pillow so that he can tickle her feet when she snores.

The fall of the year—the tumble in oil.

Umbrellas went up yesterday

GREAT GAS WELL.—The greatest gas well in the world is located on the Campbell farm, about two miles from Modoc City, Butler county, in a northeasterly direction. It is certainly one of the wonders of the world. It was struck about three weeks ago, and a volume of gas has ever since been pouring forth with a noise like the rush of mighty waters. The gas comes out with most tremendous force. The attempt was made to lower a set of tools in the well, weighing about twenty-five hundred pounds. The attempt was futile, for the gas forced them up and away from the hole. It is the intention to lay pipes and run the gas into Modoc.

Squash is proud of a dry goods clerk who has been whipped by seven different women, but he remains in his place as if nothing had happened.

A retired sea captain, who had made the tour of Continental Europe and the Holy Land, was asked how he was impressed with his visit to Jerusalem. "Jerusalem," he said "is the meanest place I ever visited. There is not a drop of liquor in the whole town fit to drink."

Do you ever think how much work a little child does in a day? Hew, from sunrise to sunset, the dear little feet pattered around—to us—so aimlessly climbing up here, kneeling down there, running around, but never still. Twisting and turning, rolling and reaching, as if testing every bone and muscle for its future use. It is very curious to watch them. One who does so may well understand the deep breathing of the rosy little sleeper, as with one arm tossed over its curly head, it prepares for the next day's gymnastics. A busy creature is a little child.

Col. Cox, pension agent for the District of Columbia, has recently paid four hundred pensions to American citizens residing in England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, France, Prussia and in many instances to persons residing on the islands of Pacific and Atlantic oceans, not belonging to the United States. All these are paid by bills of exchange. The United States is the only government that pays pensions to citizens who have taken up their abodes in other countries.

Exit September.

Mud has resumed.

Dampness is the style.

Frosty symptoms last night.

A girl in Kansas sued her beau for breach of promise, and settled it for a pair of steers and eighty bushels of corn.

Phillips Brothers, formerly of this place, are opening a bank at Modoc.

Among the names recorded on the solid rock on the summit of Monadnock Mountain N. H., is that of Marquis De Lafayette.

An Omaha girl introduced a romantic mode of suicide. She stuffed her lover's letters down her throat until she suffocated.

The first woman in this country appointed to fill the office of Deputy Collector is a Mrs. Dr. Moody, of Greensburg, Indiana.

Women who violate the city ordinances are condemned to sweep the streets in Modoc. They do it of their own accord in most cities.

A St. Paul woman, who used to keep three girls, now does her own work cheerfully. She found her husband throwing kisses at them.

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