

Divine Service.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH Services every Sabbath at 11 A. M. and 5 1/2 P. M. Sabbath School at 12 1/4 P. M. etc. free. A cordial invitation extended to all.

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Preaching at 11 o'clock A. M., and 7 o'clock P. M., by the Pastor, W. C. BURMAN. 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.

S. H. KOOKER, N. G.

J. C. E. HARTMAN, 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.

Minnesota 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. 108 1/2

We learn the capacity of Hermann, Cornell & Co.'s refinery is soon to be enlarged. This firm are doing a good business at present.

"Oh, the Snow, the Beautiful Snow," is a fine thing to read about, but not so nice to experience.

The Greece City newspaper is defunct.

One or two new wells on the upper Benzoboff territory will soon be completed. Good strikes are anticipated.

Now is the time to commence the winter advertising. The Record presents superior advantages.

We are informed that the late train south does not connect with trains on the Valley Road. We give this for the benefit of the traveling public.

Since the hard times have come on apace the night bartenders of the several "all night houses" have formed a protective league, under the name and style of "Petroleum Centre No-Trust and Small Drink Medical Dispensary." They say that impetuous individuals hang around mornings with five cents to buy an internal warming-pan with, and the use of the thin French bar glass is found to be very injurious to the jug. Glasses are to be introduced with a two-inch bottom, and no one will be allowed to hold his hand up to the side while filling it.

The heavy rain has caused old Oil Creek to rage. It's on a high.

Now that cold weather is coming on it would be well for the charitably inclined to make inquiry if there are not some poor people in this vicinity who stand in need of a fire to keep them warm or a loaf of bread to stay the pangs of hunger. We know of none as yet but there may be some such cases for all that. The coming winter bids fair to be a hard one for poor folks. God help the poor when the bitter winds and biting frosts of winter are upon them.

An Oxford, Chester Co., peach tree has just ripened its second crop this year.

It looks as if old winter was setting in in earnest. Rain, snow, hail, sleet, and all those little concomitants that go to make up a winter, abound in abundance.

The cold weather of the past day or two begins to make the coal men smile.

Lovers set close to the stove these cold days and anxiously await invitations to drink.

The heavy rains of the past few days have placed the roads in an almost impassable condition.

The melancholy days have come, The nastiest of the year When hot Scotch whisky takes the place Of bully lager beer.

The Greece City territory is below par. It is estimated that there is now only one well that is pumping over 30 barrels. Salt water seems to have drowned out nearly all the wells.

The celebrated Barnsbee Troupe of singers from Boston, sing at Titusville, this evening.

Refined Oil Pumped from a Well in Butler County.

In the future we shall be surprised at nothing we may hear about the Butler oil field. Here is the latest story, vouched for a reliable gentleman just from the front.—The McPherson well, on the Barnhardt farm, near Millerstown, now being drilled by the Arque Bros., is producing refined oil of a very superior quality. This oil is found at the bottom of the second sand, at a depth of less than 1,000 feet. When that point was reached the hole filled up for five or six hundred feet with pure refined oil. Specimens of it are to be seen at Millerstown and at the well. Our informant said that in his opinion the cause of this oil being found in the second sand is this: The gases from the oil below in the third sand rise through the salt water rock, and then condense in the second sand above—a distance of from four to five hundred feet.—The condensation of the gases in the second sand, falling into crevices, after passing up through the salt water and being purified by it, is thus converted into a pure refined oil of a gravity of about 62 degrees, and of about 70 to 80 Fahrenheit. This oil does not have the disagreeable odor which is characteristic of oil refined by artificial means, and it does not have the acid taste of green oil. Will Butler county ever hold up? Not satisfied with flooding the country with crude oil, the operators down there must go to work producing refined. Nature has established refineries for them nearly a thousand feet beneath the surface of the ground. All the refineries on the Creek will have to shut down if this refined oil belt is very extensive. We expect soon to hear that butter and hard mines have been discovered in the Butler oil field, and possibly underground cheese factories. There is probably no end to the subterranean wealth of the lower oil field.

It is said that this oil of nature's refining is as sweet to the taste as the purest olive oil, and will probably soon be found on the table of every first class hotel. For medicinal purposes it is probably not surpassed. As we listened to our friend's account of this refined oil vein, we could not help reflecting how beautifully nature has provided for the human family.—[Titusville Courier.

A BAD WRITER.—On Friday evening last a young lady of this city received a letter out of the post office. Hastily opening it she attempted to read its contents, but it was a puzzle, as she found it an impossibility to decipher many of the words and sentences; and those that she did seem to convey no intelligence or to have the slightest particle of sense in them. She asked a young gentleman friend to assist her in reading it. He looked at the mysterious missive and smiled. Her curiosity was aroused, she snatched the letter from his hands and attempted to read it and smile but it was of no use. She handed it back to him. He gazed at it and smiled a little broader, but said nothing. Now she vexed, and thought it real mean in him to laugh and not tell her what about. After laughing till he grew red in the face and his sides shook and ached, he handed it back to her saying "why that's your own letter returned from the dead letter office!"

The attempt to recover the treasure lost on board the Spanish ship Leocadia, wrecked off the coast of Ecuador in 1822, has failed, and the joint stock company organized for the purpose in San Francisco has just been closed by the payment by the stockholders of \$5 a share to clear off the debts of the concern. The Leocadia had from four to five millions of silver dollars on board when she sunk, but only \$500,000 worth was recovered, and many of the coins were worn almost out by corrosion and the action of the sea water. The loss in the enterprise is about \$83,000. At one time the stock was worth over 200 per cent.

A Texas editor, whose midnight oil must have failed him just as he was going to press, prints the following energetic opinion: "The man who would water petroleum and sell it, would sneak into the palace of the king of kings and steal the gilding from the wings of angels." The sufferer could hardly have been more vigorous in denunciation if he had caught somebody watering his whiskey.

A damsel in Auburn, N. Y., recently lost a toe by reason of a defect in the sidewalk, and collected fifteen hundred dollars from the town for the same.

Our public officials should take warning and repair the numerous breaks in the old sidewalks, for should some one lose an entire foot and damages be assessed at fifteen hundred dollars per toe it would bust up the township.

About one hundred and fifty-five wells are drilling in the Millerstown district, and forty of these it is believed will be completed within thirty days.

Trains feel their way over the O C & R at present on account of the danger from slides.

The Coming of the Frost.

The Memphis Appeal thus chronicles the appearance of the first frost this year in that scourge-stricken city: While it was yet twilight, before the rising sun, hastily attracted men and women, with semi-nude children in their arms, were out in the streets breathing the precious air of the purifying frost. Here, stooping down, one gathered a handful of the glittering hoar frost, which, pure and beautiful, lay upon the earth, and gazing upon it with something of the gladdening spirit with which the Israelites gathered the Manna in the desert of Arabia, exclaimed: "Oh, God, we thank thee for this blessing!" Others came and touched with reverential fingers the pure, cold messenger of health, as if to satisfy themselves, like the half believing Thomas of old, that the savior of the city had not risen but descended from heaven, to save the people from the destroying angel of the pestilence. Groups of men and women moved from place to place, to prove by cumulative evidence that indeed it was frosty and not some optical delusion; that the wished for guest had not merely condescended its visitations to one locality, but enjoyed the freedom of the city. Here a pale face, once a handsome woman, with a tender babe at her breast, knelt down on the cold ground to thank God that the frost had come! Poor, stricken heart! she and her orphan boy were all that the pestilence had spared out of a once happy family. Strong men, bare headed and bare armed, walked excitedly hither and thither, rejoicing in the fact that a physician had come to whose nostrils the whole faculty must yield precedence, as the only true panacea for the terrible yellow fever. Windows and doors were thrown open, woolen and cotton garments were exposed to the disinfecting agency of the cold and rarified air, and everywhere in the city, as well as in the vicinity of the infected region, the enthusiasm was marked, if not as fervent and joyous.

Business has been extremely dull throughout this district during the past ten days, and the appearances are that it will be some time before there is any decided improvement. The decline in oil during the middle of the week has caused a feeling of discouragement to find place with many operators, and anything but bright anticipations are indulged in by very many active business men. General business of all kinds is at a dead end still, and those who are not clear of their creditors find it a difficult matter to stem the tide. Creditors find it almost impossible to collect money due them, not so much because debtors are unwilling to pay, as because they have not the funds to pay with. Hopes are indulged by many that before the end of the month, or just after, that a reaction will take place and a brighter face be put on everything. We think that as soon as a few of the "ducks" which are locked up throughout the country, are again placed in circulation, and confidence again restored in the banks, that there will be no further difficulty in financial matters.—[Petersburg Progress.

FROM THE FRONT!

VICINITY OF KARNS CITY. The Tack & Moorhead well, on the Walz lace farm, struck the sand on Friday last and is a good well, though we have not learned its actual production.

The Reno Oil Company have a new well on the Rogers farm, reached the supposed fourth sand a few days ago and started up at over two hundred barrels.

MISCELLANEOUS. The production of the St. Petersburg district is about fifty five hundred barrels per day.

M. S. Adams well near Maple Furnace has not yet found a third sand.

The Greece City territory is below par. It is estimated that there is now only one well that is pumping over thirty barrels.—Salt water seems to have drowned out nearly all the wells.

The Dougherty well, on the Heary farm two miles north east of Butler has had the tools extracted and been drilled to a depth of fifteen hundred feet and finally abandoned, no oil being obtained.

PRESENT APPEARANCES. The oil business we believe is assuming a new phase and this is generally conceded by producers. It is thought, and pretty generally, too, that several of the districts at the front have seen their best. There will certainly be a number of new strikes the next few weeks but it is believed that in many instances they will be small ones; and as fewer new wells are now being started operators begin to look for better prices and that, too with good reasons, we think.

THE FOURTH SAND THEORY. During the past few weeks numerous wells in the Karns City district have been

put deeper in hopes of finding a fourth sand. In some instances the supposed sand has been found. In others the wells have not been improved in the least, while in other cases wells have been injured. The best operators contend that there is a depression of the oil rock in this locality and the excitement is dying out on the subject, so that it is not probable that any additional astonishing facts will be demonstrated on the subject soon.—[Oilman's Journal.

The Brady's Bend Iron Works give employment to six hundred men, and support a population of 3000 people. The works comprise four blast furnaces, one rolling mill, a machine shop, foundry, fire brick yard and lime kiln. There are five ore deposits and three coal banks now being operated, the ore mined being 50,000 tons per year. There is said to be sufficient on the territory belonging to the company to last one hundred years. The capital of the company is \$1,000,000, held mostly by New Yorkers.

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"Ned" Keenan has the only original and genuine Dutchman in the country. The other day he told him "to go out in the alley and cut some kindling wood and take the wheel-barrow and wheel it down to his mother." The Dutchman gets the wheel barrow, goes out in the alley and gets to work, and in a very short time had the side-boards split up into kindling-wood, when the arrival of "Ned" put a stop to such proceedings and saved the balance of the wheel-barrow from a like fate.—[Greensburg Argus.

The city of Topeka, Kansas, suffered a \$100,000 fire, last night.

A passenger train goes south over the Oil Creek Road at 6:09 a m every morning except Sundays.

Thanksgiving Proclamation.

By the President of the United States of America, a Proclamation. The approaching close of another year brings with it the occasion of renewed thanksgiving and acknowledgement to the Almighty Ruler of the universe for the unnumbered mercies which he has bestowed upon us. Abundant harvests have been among the rewards of industry. With local exceptions, health has been among the blessings enjoyed. Tranquility at home and peace with other nations have prevailed. Frugal industry is regaining its merited recognition and its merited rewards gradually, but, under the Providence of God surely, as we trust, the nation is recovering from the lingering results of a dreadful civil strife. For these and all other mercies vouchsafed it becomes us as a people to return heartfelt and grateful acknowledgments, and with our thanksgiving, we may unite in prayers for the cessation of local and temporary sufferings. I therefore, recommend that on Thursday, the 27th day of November next, the people meet in their respective places of worship to make their acknowledgments to Almighty God for His bounty and His protection, and to offer up praises for their continuance. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. Done at the city of Washington, this 14th day of October, in the year of our Lord 1873, and of the Independence of the United States the ninety-seventh. Signed by the President, U. S. GRANT. HAMILTON FISH, Secretary of State.

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