

Pet. Centre, Pa., Monday Nov. 3

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH Services every Sabbath at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M.



Petroleum Centre Lodge, No. 715, I. O. of O. F. Regular meeting nights Friday, at 7 o'clock.

A. O. of U. W. Liberty Lodge No. 7, A. O. of U. W., meets every Monday evening at 7 1/2 o'clock.

I. O. of R. M. Minnekaunee Tribe No. 183, I. O. R. M. of Petroleum Centre, meets every Thursday evening in Good Templar's Hall.

A large twelve hundred barrel tank, located on the side hill of the Egbert farm, nearly opposite this place, and filled with water, collapsed about 10 o'clock last night.

We are pained to learn that Mr. John B. Farrell, who was recently so severely burned at one of the Stevens wells on the Hess farm, is much worse.

Last night occurred the heaviest wind and rain storm of the season. It caused some of the wooden buildings about town to shake from stem to stern.

We learn that several derricks were blown down during the prevalence of the heavy gale last night.

A general decline in prices is taking place, including those of coal, hardware, meats, labor, whisky, and other necessities.

Fresh buckwheat flour at Schonblom's lower store. By calling there Ambrose Weaver will tell you what he knows about buckwheat.

Friend Davis, of the Central House, has recently purchased a novelty in the shape of a trap gotten up for practicing at shooting on the wing.

Justice Reynolds was called upon this morning to perform the pleasing task of uniting two fond hearts that beat in unison together, two souls that were as one.

A new time table went into effect on the Oil Creek Railroad, today. There is considerable change.

A woman suffrage political club has been organized at Lawrence, Mass. Similar clubs are to be formed in all the large cities and towns of the State.

Mrs. H. B. Stowe at her home in Florida has kept open a school of fifty scholars during the summer at her own expense.

Illuminating Gas from Crude Petroleum.

As you are happy to chronicle any new facts let me make a statement of what has been done at our mill at Passaic, N. J., since January, 1871, when we had works erected for use, by Dr. W. C. Wren of Brooklyn, N. Y., for the manufacturing of illuminating and heating gas from crude petroleum.

First, we use crude petroleum (which is quoted at 6 cents per gallon) and make a fixed permanent gas of eighty candle power. Secondly, we have no difficulty in making the gas. Thirdly, we make, on an average, more than four thousand feet of gas of the above candle power from one barrel of crude oil, which we use through a burner consuming one foot and three tenths per hour.

If we used coal gas, we should want five feet and six tenths burners for the same light we now get with a one foot and a one and three tenths feet burner. We have now had the works in steady and constant use for more than two years and a half.

REMARKS BY THE EDITOR OF THE SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN.—We are glad to make public the excellent practical results here given for the Wren process, which is evidently a discovery of much importance. The apparatus employed involves, we believe, the employment of a series of chambered retorts, through which the oil is slowly passed.

NEW EXPLORATION OF THE AMAZON RIVER.—Among the most recent exploring expeditions is that undertaken during the present year for the exploration of the Amazon river, by Professor James Orton, the well known naturalist of Yassar College. Our latest advices from this enterprising traveler are dated August 19, 1873.

The letters of our correspondent are full of interest concerning the marvelous region which he is exploring. He speaks of unbroken forests covering a space eleven hundred miles in diameter, and other equally astonishing revelations of Nature.

Don Pelugio Laborin of San Diego County, California is said to possess the power of curing hydrophobia by ejecting saliva on the fingers and rubbing them on the wound.

The chestnut market is lively in this town. Five cents a glass and \$4 a bushel. A society called the Society of Rejected Lovers is one of the institutions of Nashville, Tenn. The qualifications for membership is set forth in the name.

Oh, what is the panic? the little boy said, As his mamma was tucking him snugly in bed. The panic my love, was the mother's reply.

It is soon time for the opening of country stinging. Lay down the shovel and the hoe; take up the fiddle and the bow.

To people who own shot guns the following warning from the St. Louis Democrat will prove pleasant reading: "Our experience and the history of past eighteen centuries incline us to the belief that no matter how well you treat a shot gun, or how you bring it up, it will beg the stuffing out of you the very first time it gets a chance."

TOOK NOTICE.

Taking into consideration the dullness of the times and the low price of oil, not speaking of the scarcity of money, I have concluded to reduce the price of BENZINE delivered at the wells to \$1.00 per barrel. My motto is live and let live. Pay me a call before going elsewhere and I will satisfy you as to quality and price of Benzine. Old stand Railroad track on Fourth Street.

W. A. LOZIER. Petroleum Centre, Oct. 23, 1873.

A correspondent of the Episcopal Register gives the following sketch of a remarkable woman he met in Northumberland county: Some few miles from Shamokin lives a character that those many people, the "woman's rights woman," should certainly know, as she is decidedly the champion. This singular being is some 72 years of age and is altogether the most manly woman I ever met with.

The large wells in the vicinity of Modoc having fallen off much in production of late the town already begins to show signs of decay. The dread destroyer has laid his heavy hand upon the young giant and he trembles in his boots.

A stranger stepped into a grocery in East Brady yesterday, called for a cigar, and threw down a ten cent silver coin in payment. The proprietor picked up the money, examined one side of it closely, turned it over, looked at the other side, tried it with his teeth, sounded it on the counter and scraped it into the till with a heavy heart.

The Hon. A. M. Waddell, of Wilmington North Carolina, has added another nation to the candidacy for the discovery of America. He contends that five centuries before Columbus the Irish settled North Carolina, and called it Great Ireland.

Of all the pies beneath the skies to bring surprise to hungry eyes of weak or wise, no kind of pie the want supplies, and binds the ties which anger tries when storms arise, and with surprise our taste deigns, and who denies the great surprise of pumpkin pies.

OIL NEWS.—At last facts are beginning to penetrate the brains of oil men, without standing the still futile attempt of some editors to keep up the cry of over-production. The time is coming when they will be forced to open their eyes to a truth which had they heeded for as diligently as they did for opposition to speculation in oil, they would not now be compelled to sell their product at \$1.00 per barrel.

We never believed there was the oil produced that speculators and others interested in forcing the price of oil down, said there was. Exaggerated estimates were sent all over the country, and these estimates were based upon a few wells that started off with say a thousand barrels each of daily production, but which have gradually fallen to one-half if not below it. Sometime ago we heard that a careful estimate was being made of all oil produced in Butler county daily, and in connection with it the suggestion also that as soon as certain iron tanks, then being erected, were finished these estimates would be published.

We have nothing in regard to new enterprises, new wells, or proposed developments. Our absence from home prevented us from obtaining any information.—[Butler Herald.]

An Elegant Shipwreck.

The news of the wreck of the steamer Arca off Colombo, has already been telegraphed to the press. The details of the disaster are quite exciting. It appears according to a letter to the London Times of the 4th inst, that the captain, to save fuel sought anchorage outside the port.

A five gallon keg of whiskey unloaded from the express car upon the depot platform, one day last week, came in contact with the steps of a passenger car as it was passing, and effectually busted.

There are some things which human nature cannot bear. A Connecticut girl lately attempted to commit suicide because her sister had better clothes than hers.

OUR MOTHERS, who were the best and tidest housewife in the world—excepting our grandmothers!—took especial pride in the possession of rows of tinware that glistened like a polished mirror. Every article about their houses susceptible of polish, including the brass knocker, was regularly brightened up until it fairly glistened.

McKinley & Gross, Machinists, Blacksmiths,

Boiler Makers, Egbert Farm, Petroleum Centre, Pa.

Boiler Repairing a Specialty. REFINERY STILLS REPAIRED.

We warrant all work done by us to be nearly as good as new when repaired. Good material furnished and prices reasonable.

HAVING HAD LONG EXPERIENCE IN THE BUSINESS we are enabled to give satisfaction. JOSEPH MCKINLEY, SEBASTIAN GROSS. Petroleum Centre, Pa., Jan. 2, 1874.

DON'T BE HUMBLED. With quacks and impostors, who will not cure those you, but in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred dose you with bad medicine, and make you worse. Insert at once, to insure only a genuine remedy that can be relied on.

DIPLOMA AWARDED BY THE American Institute TO J. W. MCKEE, FOR

Embroidering & Flatting Machines.

Exhibition of 1873 John E. Gayl, Inv. Secy., E. A. Barnard, Treas. James D. Edlmann, Corresponding Secy. New York, November 20, 1873. This simple and ingenious Machine is as useful as the Sewing Machine and is becoming popular with ladies, in the place of extension Sewing work, its work being much more handsome, requiring less time and not so fatiguing to the operator.

For Sale 15,000 to 20,000 Feet of SECOND-HAND TUBING, at from 25 to 35 cts. per foot. The Tubing is in first class order and all ready fitted.

Consumption has its origin in a scrofulous and corrupt state of the blood. Hence the failure of treating lung disease with cough syrups, balsams, &c. To cure consumption we must purify and enrich the blood, and when the blood is pure and impurities cannot exist.

G. F. KOESTER, Flour & Feed Merchant, PETROLEUM CENTRE, PA.

XXX White Wheat, \$9.00 | Meal, \$1.20 Oats, 1.50 | Wheat Bran, 1.25 Chop, 20 cts | sept 28/73.

The insane hospital to be erected for the northwestern counties, of which Clarion is one, is to be built above Warren, within six miles from the New York State line. That's a little too much northwestern for us.

Now comes the dreary November. It rained last Sunday without fail. A woman stated to a London magistrate recently that during her five years of married life her husband had knocked her down 115 times.