

Pub. Centre, Pa., Wednesday Nov. 15

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. ents 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. BENCHARD. 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.

Minnekaunee 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. 107 1/2

Hard Times.

Facts are facts, and figures themselves cannot lie. During the last seven or eight weeks, not only has there been a great shrinkage in the values of property throughout the country, but the derangement in business has brought on almost a perfect paralysis. It would be very unwise for people to attempt to close their eyes to the present situation, as it really exists. We believe that there has never before been in the history of the country such a financial dyspepsia as at present. It must be admitted that business has been greatly overdone, and that transactions of every class have been carried on with too little economy. Instead of thrift the habits of people have generally tended to extravagance. It all that has been wasted during the past few years, could have been carefully laid away for timely use, there would be no such stringency as is now witnessed and felt. Not only has there been a want of persistent and sharp attention in efforts to keep down expenses, but too many seem to fear that economy on their part as to small items of expense would be regarded by their acquaintances as penuriousness. People have not feared half as much the consequences of getting into debt, as that they would not be considered respectable, if they they should fail to support what is usually termed style.

We must now come down to actual necessities, and live on corn meal and buckwheat cakes, and wear out all our old clothes. Costly feasts must be dispensed with; at least postponed to more comfortable times. It is a good time to banish luxuries, and go back to a primitive style of living. Young ladies, who have been relieved by servant girls from kitchen work, should now educate themselves for practical housewives. It is a shame for any man, woman or child in the present state of affairs not to do something to self support. If a servant girl can earn her living by work in the kitchen, the daughters of every poor man should be willing to do the same or something else useful. And there are many poor men just now. It is just as well to own it. It is useless to attempt to conceal the fact from the world. The sooner people make up their minds to give up style, and set themselves at work to earn a living by almost any kind of drudgery, the sooner they will relieve themselves of much unhappiness. There is this which we may be thankful for there is no epidemic prevailing. Good health seems to exist almost everywhere. So people can go to work, and, by toll and practice of frugality, earn for themselves real prosperity. If this shall be undertaken, good times will return sooner than is expected, and when they come in this way they will possess a substantial character.

A Western paper tells us that a favorite hotel is to be kept this season at one of the watering places "by the widow of Mr. who died last summer, on a new improved plan."

Colfax is addressing Sunday schools in Indiana.

The official majority in favor of Hartford as the capital of Connecticut is 6,177.

A petty case, which shows over what trifling things neighbors will quarrel, was tried before Justice Reynolds, last evening. John Emerick and L. Burley, near neighbors, reside about one mile this side of Titusville on the road leading to Franklin, on two farms owned by Col. Roberts, of Titusville. Emerick has a number of unruly cattle which encroached upon the farm occupied by Burley and destroyed a lot of vegetables. Mrs. B. stood the nuisance as long as possible and finally used woman's weapon—a basin of hot water—and scalded one of the cows, whereupon Emerick bro't suit for trespass, cruelty to animals and surety of the peace against Burley. Mrs. Emerick testified that she saw Mrs. Burley throw something on the cow which caused it to rear and kick "like all fury." Colonel Roberts testified that the two houses were so far apart and a barn intervening that it would have been impossible for the Emerick woman to see that distance. Emerick said a patch of hair the size of a silver dollar came off the animal, Mrs. Burley stated she had been an invalid for years and was not able to throw water had she so minded; that Mrs. B. let down the bars and drove the cattle in again after her little boy had driven them out, &c. Col. Roberts acted as attorney for defendant and summed up the case in an able manner. Mr. Sutley of Franklin, do. for plaintiff. In cruelty to animals case the prosecutor was sentenced to pay one third of the costs and defendant two thirds. Surety of the peace case—defendant was bound over to court. Trespass case—no cause of action. At the conclusion of the cases through the intervention of Col. Roberts the parties met and settled the whole thing, shook hands and "applied the main brace all round."

The Colonel can't see for the life of him, however, how a woman can look through a barn and across a fifty acre lot and see another woman scald a cow.

Our citizens will not forget the concert at Plumer, this evening. Profs Boynton and Sidmonds, Mrs. Brandon, Mr. Waddell and other local singers of note will be in attendance to enliven the occasion with their sweetest music. The programme laid out consists of songs, choruses, glees, &c., of both a religious and secular character. The citizens of Plumer should extend the Choral Union a liberal support.

REINSTATED.—Dutch Henry, after turning informer, has been reinstated to his former position of side-deckcamp on the steamer "flatbottom." He intends to reform and live a better life hoping some day to win the affections of his landlady and live like a gentleman. Until then he can be seen inside of a hoop, carrying two buckets of water to those who use him most and pay so little for it, hardly giving him enough to cover his nakedness this freezing weather.

GRAND CONCERT.

On Wednesday evening next, the Plumer Choral Union, of Plumer, will give another grand concert in the U. P. Church, on which occasion they will be assisted by Mrs. M. Brandon, of Franklin, Miss Bonner, of Cambridge, Prof. Clark Sidmonds, of Oil City, J. Waddell of Petroleum Centre and others. A choice programme is prepared consisting of Choruses, Anthems, Quartets, Duets, Solos, &c., &c. Prof. F. P. Boynton, Conductor. Prof. C. Sidmonds, Organist. Concert for the benefit of the Society. Admission 35 cts. Doors open at 7 o'clock. Commence at 7 1/2.

We are pleased to notice our old friend and former townsman, Mr. Forrest, in town today. He is looking well.

Death of Ed. Reynolds.

CORRY, November 11.

Mr. Ed. Reynolds, proprietor of the Empire House, of this city, who was stabbed some time ago by a New York man, died last night from the effects of his wounds. Carson the man who did the stabbing, waived an examination here and gave bail to the amount of \$1,800 for his appearance at court. He put in an appearance last week, his bail was raised to \$3,000, and as he did not furnish it he is now in jail at Erie. Mr. Reynolds was a very popular landlord and will be mourned by a host of friends. He leaves a wife and one child. He was formerly from Cuba, N. Y., where his remains will be taken for interment.

A morning paper speaks of "thieving in the outskirts," which may be interpreted "picking ladies' pockets."

John Brougham says Pocahontas invented the game of poker. It is remembered distinctly that Smith called her on a bluff.

Nebraska editors are not lacking in candor did frankness. For example, the introductory article, of a newly established paper: "The object in view in the establishment of this paper is the procuring of means whereby with a bay head and butter and good...

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TOOK NOTIS.

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.

The Woman With Two Husbands.

We gave an account in yesterday's Courier of one Dietrich, who went away from this city about a year ago, leaving behind his wife and two children. During his absence his wife married again, and her first husband returned home Tuesday night last. The parties all met yesterday, and an agreement was drawn up between the wife and the second husband that they each go their way, and neither would ever be molested. S accordingly, Dietrich is now in possession of his wife and his children, and Smith is a "widower." [Titusville Courier.]

T. Dietrich, a German who formerly lived in Petroleum Centre, left his home several months since, and his wife and family could get no trace of him, he was supposed to be dead. His wife, after vainly advertising, accepted the situation and married a man in this city named Law Smith. Enoch Arden like the husband No. 1, returned home, but, unlike Tennyson's hero, he claimed his wife, and the two being unable to agree the case was submitted to Justice Strouse, who immediately asserted that first mortgages always have preference. No. 1 is therefore happy and the victor, as he should be. [Titusville Herald.]

A young man named Revels, the son of a wealthy Philadelphia merchant, has just married Bertha Knight, a pretty waiter girl in a Toledo hotel. It was a case of love at first sight; but beyond this and the circumstances of the pair there was little romance in it, the young lady having no cruel parents and the young man having no rival.

A ghost in Westfield, Massachusetts, pulls the bed clothes from sleeping persons and fans its victim to sleep. There would be something very comfortable about this idea in July; but in this weather, if the ghost has any regard for the health or comfort of its friends, it will desist. And really a ghost that would do this thing at any time, we have no hesitation in remarking, is no better than it should be, and never will be.

Dissolution of the Oil Producers' Railroad Company.

A movement has been going for several days past to accomplish a dissolution of the Oil Producers' Railroad Company. The amount of stock subscribed was about \$350,000, of which ten per cent. was paid in as prescribed by law. We have been repeatedly asked for the past two months to advocate in our columns the dissolving of the company, so that the stockholders could receive back the amount of money already paid, as well as to prevent the possibility of any further assessments upon them. But, inasmuch as we were accused last year of hostility to the enterprise, we have declined to give advice in relation to it, lest our motives should be subjected to still further misconstruction. Now, however, that the movement to dissolve the company has been commenced, and is likely to be brought to a speedy consummation, we have no hesitation in saying, that, whatever may have been originally thought, in regard to the propriety and expediency of building this road with our citizens' money, there can be no doubt now that the stockholders ought to have back their money and be relieved from any more assessments. The redistributing of \$20,000 just now among the community would do a great deal of good. We understand that Mr. G. C. Hyde, the Treasurer of the company, who holds a portion of the money in the Second National Bank, is especially anxious to have the money paid back to the stockholders. This is highly commendable in Mr. Hyde. [Titusville Courier.]

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SOLD AGAIN.

We had lingered out the season, Far into the cooler days, And the rotaries of Fashion All had flown their different ways. Ours had been no light flirtation, Such as watering-places know, But an earnest love creation, Laying every barrier low.

She had hung upon my accents, With her lovely violet eyes Glistening at the words I whispered, Beaming with a glad surprise.

We had wandered down the sea-beach, With the moonlight for us traying; Listening to the night-winds whisper, Wondered what the waves were saying.

And again we stood together, Near the ocean's ebb and flowing, While the bushes of the sunset On the waves were redly glowing.

"Dearest," said she hesitating, "Ah! too long we both have tarried To-morrow we must part forever. For, my darling, I am married!"

"Married!" I exclaimed, "startling; "Married!" murmured with a sigh. "Then is this indeed a parting, For— my darling—so am I!"

MONOC CITY, Nov. 11.

Bestwick, Boulton & Co., struck a spout on the Troutman farm which flowed 400 barrels the first twenty-four hours. There is a rapid decline in many of the old wells since Friday last. The Red Cloud, struck last week, has stopped flowing. The Black Hawk, which stopped last week, is not pumping much. The Lambing well, near Ralston Mill, stopped flowing yesterday. The J. Miller well on the Troutman farm, which commenced flowing last week, has fallen off to 175 barrels. The late strike don't hold out long but rapidly decline. The pipe lines are enquiring for oil to run from the wells. No new wells are commencing. Market dull.

The Minneapolis Tribune becomes serious "Oakes Ames" will reveal \$5,745,254. And yet he died of disappointment and chagrin. Happier is honesty in a hickory shirt and an oilcloth cap than dissimulation in a plug hat and a shirt that buttons behind.

FIRE IN FORESTVILLE, N. Y.—On Monday morning last, at one o'clock, a fire broke out in the Morrison House at Forestville, and the building was totally destroyed. Mr. Alonzo Mead, formerly proprietor of the Monroe House, Titusville, was proprietor of the Morrison House, upon whom the loss will fall heavily. The loss of the buildings is not less than \$25,000. Cause of fire, a defective stove pipe.

Within the past two years a Detroit reporter has shaken hands with thirteen "Buffalo Bills," all displaying the same bountiful supply of "shooting irons," but every one with a different "phiz."

In the advertisement of a ladies' school in Washington, references are given to several defunct gentlemen and ladies but no information is given through what medium the references may be heard from.

The new wire suspension bridge across the river at Tidoute is rapidly approaching completion. The heavy wires are already suspended, and the timbers are about to be placed for the flooring.

This is beautiful. In Wilmington, Del. the other day a man was detected hurrying away from a butcher's stall with a steak which he had stolen; under his coat. A policeman followed him home, and peeping through the window, saw him give the steak to his children who devoured it raw. On learning this, the butcher, instead of prosecuting, sent the starving family a large basket of meat and a little cash to buy wood to cook it.

Stokes is not the only man in the United States on a third trial for his life. In Sacramento, California, Ah Fat, a Chinaman, is being tried for the third time for the murder of Ah Quong, who was shot and cut in the back last March.

At Belwell, in Ireland, on Oct. 3, a large bog shifted its position during the night—owing to heavy rains—on to the adjoining lowlands, destroying corn, hay, and other crops. The bog now covers 300 acres of good pasture land.

The managers of the Colchester (England) Young Men's Christian Association have decided that Mark Twain's books are not fit to be read by Colchester young Christians, and banished them from the library.

One of the London Evangelists thinks there is too much organ blowing and choir singing in New York Churches.

Having given up the idea of House, New Haven is turning its to the Almshouse. It is not too graceful stories have been told about institution.

Caverns with flying bridges and cascades have been recently discovered. Saffron, a village on the right bank Rhone, a short distance from Bains.

Over his head were the maple And over the tree was the moon And over the moon were the studs That drop from the angel's eye.

"The Geneva Cross," now running Union Square Theatre in New York spoken of as being one of the best entertainments given in the metropolis the present time.

The laying of the corner stone of Capitol of Iowa the other day, is a new era in public occasions. No were made, except a few remarks workman who got his fingers pinched they were merely of a cursory character.

The Pennsylvania Secretary of State announces that the special election on constitution must be held under the law of 1869 and the amendments of 1872, not, as directed by the Constitutional Convention itself, under special provisions.

A rustic moralist—Rector George Dibles, I declare! Contemplating—"Ah, yes, sir, if we was only all die as him, sir!"

The little boy with his pig and the truckman with his gentle mule both tried to get her and couldn't.

A man who wanted to minister said he believed he had been called "to labor in the barnyard."

The latest announcement of new music is, "Hush, Sister," with Piano Accompaniment.

Lycoming county is a good place for murderers.

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DON'T BE HUMBLED

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