

CITY AND SUBURBAN.

Daily Prayer Meeting—From 12.30 to 1.30 o'clock at the Methodist Church, Fifth street, next door to GAZETTE office.

Pike Street is being repaired.

In Town—The distinguished orator and divine, Rev. Bishop Simpson.

Dull—Police news yesterday. Good for the citizens. Bad for the magistrates.

An Improvement—Canal street, which is very much out of repair, is being put in order once more.

Falling—The paving on Second street, east of the Birmingham bridge, will be completed to-day.

New Bell—The new school house in Lawrenceville will have a bell connected with the fire alarm telegraph.

The County Republican Executive Committee meet at City Hall, Republican Headquarters, at three P. M. to-day.

New Gate—Enclosing the yard of the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad at the Federal street station.

The Latest—A tonorial establishment about to be established in our city under the proprietorship of J. A. ...

Unhealthy—Bathing in the river during the "dog days" is said to be unhealthy; although it is a very common practice.

Passed Through—Hon. Schuyler Colfax, on his way home from Washington yesterday at noon. Took dinner at Union Hotel.

Foreign Correspondence—On our first page of to-day's paper will be found another very interesting foreign letter from Rev. King of Allegheny.

Assault—John Hughes made information before the Mayor yesterday charging James Creely with assault. A warrant was issued for his arrest.

Cared In—The attention of the wharf master is called to the fact that the sewer at the foot of Ross street is caved in for a distance of thirty feet.

Rare Chance to Make Money—We would call attention to an advertisement in to-day's paper under the above head.

A Little more energy in grading the sidewalk on the upper portion of Second street will be appreciated by the hundreds of citizens who pass that way daily.

Arrived—Hard-encumbers, half pine melons and sour cream apples. Persons missing their meat had better get it before it is introduced to the cholera, which accompanies them.

To be Graded—The work of grading Liberty street, eleven squares of which, beginning at Carson street, thence eastward under Colfax, was commenced yesterday.

False Alarm—An alarm of fire was received at the Central Office from Box 71, in the Seventeenth ward, about half past eleven o'clock last night, but it proved to be a false one.

Relaying Track—The Pennsylvania Railroad Company are relaying the track on a portion of Liberty street, which vacate that thoroughfare.

Street Commissioner—Faden designs attaching a pipe to the spring on Second street, in the Sixth ward, so that the water can be more conveniently obtained by those living in the vicinity.

Whipped Her Children—Mary Evans alleges that Mrs. Bonan beat and abused two of her children without cause or provocation. Alderman Strain issued a warrant for the arrest of the accused.

Arrangements are in progress for the formation of a Central Grant and Colfax Club, to be composed of two members from each of the district clubs. The first meeting for organization will be held on Saturday evening of next week.

Break Down—Yesterday morning while returning from the fire at Wood's, a truck of the Columbia Hook and Ladder Company broke an axle, near the passenger car, while in the street, and was overturned. This will throw it out of service for a few days.

Alleged False Pretence—Bridget Hough made information yesterday before Alderman Strain, against Mr. Roxbury for false pretence. The prosecutor alleges that the defendant obtained by false representations groceries from her to the amount of \$25.50. A warrant was issued.

Arrested—Matthew Creely and John Huchis, the boys charged with the larceny of a watch and money from the store of W. H. Ackerson, on Wythe street, several days since, were arrested yesterday. They acknowledged their guilt, and state that the watch was taken from them by larger boys, and that the watch was thrown in the Allegheny river. They were locked up for awaiting trial.

Blackened—Penn street, from Smith to Wilson, is for the present blackened, and travel, except by the street cars, is prohibited in consequence of a portion of the street being covered by water pipes. Wagons and other vehicles can go to Lawrenceville either by Smallman or Liberty streets, as the Street Commissioner has had a bridge placed over the ravine on the latter to enable wagons to cross.

Attempted Burglary—At an early hour yesterday morning some thieves attempted to gain an entrance to the dwelling of Mr. J. Powell, on Pennsylvania avenue, by forcing open a window, but they failed in the attempt, and their labor for their pains. They next commenced to operate on a neighboring house, but the occupants being awake the burglars were frightened off.

Surety of the Peace—Nancy Jane Blair, a colored lady and a native of "Old Virginia," made information yesterday before Alderman McMillen against Julia Reed for surety of the peace. It is alleged that Julia having had her dress by something which Nancy had done, threatened to divide her, or rather to tear each individual limb from her body, accompanying the threat with sundry force demonstrations. Julia was arrested and committed in default of \$300 bail.

House Demolishing—James Clinton, residing on McKee street, in the Eighth ward, was yesterday charged before Alderman McMillen with malicious mischief, on the oath of Patrick Bradley. It is alleged that James occupied a house owned by Bradley, and was evening of two since he caused the house to be demolished, to the injury of the "warden," and proceeded to smash in the doors, windows, &c. of the establishment, amounting to the amount of fifty dollars. A warrant was issued.

Last Night—Last evening a little boy about ten years of age was picked up on the Commons, near the Penitentiary, Allegheny. He was lying on the Commons and a "shin" found was insensible. Being conveyed into the penitentiary, Mr. Brad, near by, he revived somewhat, and said this name was Francis Johnson and that he lived at Green street, in the Fifth ward, but he could give no further information, how he got on the Commons or of himself. A wagon was procured and he was taken to the street, and a messenger dispatched in quest of his parents.

TERRIFIC OIL EXPLOSION.

Destruction of the Albion Oil Works. One Man Killed, One Missing and Another Terribly Burned.

A most terrible accident occurred about six o'clock last evening, at the Albion Oil Works of Messrs. Waring & Hafferty, situated near the Station, on the Western Pennsylvania Railroad, about three miles north of the city, resulting in the destruction of the entire works, about five hundred barrels of crude oil, and the death of one man and probably fatal injury to two others.

It appears that a train, consisting of six tank cars, filled with crude oil, had been shifted on the siding at the works, several of the cars standing in front of the furnaces which heated the stills. Mr. Lafferty was engaged in unloading the cars when a bang in one of them near the furnace came out, creating so great a pressure of gas as to blow the spigot out of a tank on the side next the furnace, and forcing a stream of oil into the fire. The consequence was the instantaneous explosion of the tank, which was followed by seven or eight other explosions at short intervals. The burning oil from the exploded tanks was scattered in every direction, causing death and destruction to every perishable object in the vicinity.

In an instant after the first explosion the entire works were in flames, and the ground for hundreds of feet around the burning oil was covered with a scorching sheet of fire. Mr. Lafferty, a member of the firm, who, as stated above, was engaged unloading the cars at the time the accident occurred, was covered with the burning oil, which ignited his clothing, surrounding him with a sheet of flame. In this condition he was conveyed to the river, and plunging in exhausted the flames, but, however, before receiving serious and perhaps fatal injury. His sides, breast, hands and arms were fearfully burned, and it is feared that, in making his way to the river, he inhaled the suffocating smoke and fire, he inhaled the flame and received internal injuries, which may result in his death. His hands were burned to such an extent that the flesh fell from them, leaving the bones exposed. Mr. L. was removed to his residence, No. 30 Wythe street, and Dr. Pollock summoned to attend him. His family were absent but have been telegraphed to and will arrive this morning.

James Gonnigle, about seven or eight years of age, an employe at the works, was standing near the train and by the first explosion was blown a distance of over thirty feet, and before assistance could reach him was burned to a crisp. He was the only support of a widow mother and several small brothers and sisters. Coroner Clawson has been notified and will hold an inquest on the body this morning.

The stillman whose name we failed to learn, was at work near the scene of the explosion a few moments before the occurrence, but has not since been heard of. It is presumed that he perished in the flames. A portion of the tanks was saved by the cars being detached. As the tanks were standing on a slight grade they ran back on the main track some distance from the works and out of reach of the devouring element.

The conflagration was still raging when our reporter left the ground, and it is probable that everything of an inflammable nature within reach was consumed. We are unable to make any estimate of the amount of property destroyed, but presume it will not fall short of twenty thousand dollars. There was probably no insurance on the building or oil, and consequently the loss will fall solely upon the proprietors.

Grant and Colfax Club Organized in Seventh and Eighth Wards.

Pursuant to adjournment the Republican Seventh and Eighth wards met at the Franklin street school house, last evening, for the purpose of organizing a Grant and Colfax Club. The meeting was largely and enthusiastically, there being hundreds of voters present.

The meeting was called to order by Maj. Samuel Kilgore, J. R. Newman officiating as Secretary.

Mr. John Leech, chairman of the Committee on Permanent Organization, presented the following report:

Your Committee on Permanent Organization submit the following named persons as officers of the Grant and Colfax Club of the Seventh and Eighth wards:

City Executive Committee.

A meeting of the Republican City Executive Committee was held at City Hall, Republican Headquarters, last evening.

The meeting was called to order at half past seven o'clock, by President, Joseph A. Butler, in the chair, and Captain W. B. Cook acting as Secretary pro tem.

The Chairman stated that the meeting had been called for the purpose of fixing the places of holding the primary elections in order that the same might be published in the call for the election.

Major A. M. Brown moved that the election in the Fifth ward be held at the Court House, and that the officers who held the previous primary election be designated as the election officers.

The motion was adopted, and A. G. Neoper, Robert J. Smith and George Glass were designated as the election officers.

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United States District Court—Judge McCandless.

In the bankruptcy branch yesterday a final discharge was granted and certificate awarded to Samuel F. Andrews, of Erie.

Partitions for final discharge were filed by E. W. Stevens, W. A. Stevens, Hugh D. McComb, John McCreary, of Lawrence county, John W. Porter, of Warren county. In the matter of Ellis Morris, tried at Erie on specifications against bankrupt's discharge, and a verdict rendered that facts set forth in the specifications were not true, on motion of A. B. McCallum, Esq., the Court directed a decree of discharge to issue upon bankrupt paying out of conformity and payment of costs accruing prior to the filing of said specifications.

On like motion, James E. Steele, a bankrupt, was permitted to amend schedule attached to his petition.

In the matter of Peter Lockwood, bankrupt, upon petition presented by the trustee to Hood, Bright and Co., to withdraw their proof of debt.

Robbery in Allegheny.

Monday evening Huppely & Becker's feed store, at the Troy Hill passenger car station in Allegheny, was entered by some thieves who forced open the shutter of a rear window. They first commenced on a case of silver spoons, the lock, however, failed to give way, and they were obliged to wait until the aid of a locksmith.

Some time during Tuesday night the tobacco store of J. T. Looock, on Federal street, a few doors below the suspension bridge, was entered and robbed of goods to the amount of sixty dollars.

There are thousands of persons in the city and neighboring boroughs and in the outlying districts engaged in building who are obliged to purchase lumber, and at times are embarrassed to know or decide upon whom to purchase. It will be seen by an advertisement in this issue that Mr. Alexander Patterson has two extensive yards at No. 1700 Liberty street, in which he stocks nearly all varieties of lumber, such as hemlock and pine boards and shingles, and a large stock of locust and cedar posts, sawed, and shingles, together with a large quantity of other lumber.

Young Men's Sociality.

The annual picnic of the Young Men's Sociality, which is looked forward to with pleasure by that class of young persons who enjoy a day of unalloyed pleasure with a select company, will take place at Glenwood Grove to-morrow (Thursday), the 30th instant.

A Musical Establishment Broken Up.

More Weed Sewing Machines Sold than All Others Combined.

It is now generally conceded that the Weed Sewing Machine is the most reliable machine in the market.

References: Mrs. J. Greenwalt, Dentist, 11 Wythe street; Dr. C. J. Cahill, 110 ...; J. W. Carmichael, 37 Franklin st. and Stein & Bro. ...; M. A. May, 89 ...; Geo. Alexander, 88 Decatur ...; C. Shadle, 88 Congress ...; M. J. Twaddle, Barnes' Row, Cliff ...; T. Hartman, 5 ...; George H. Thurston, P. and A. Telegraph, 15 Cliff street; S. B. Mahoney, 40 Centre Av. ...; W. Edwards, 68 ...; Pittsburgh, Ft. Wayne & Chicago Railroad, T. M. McNally, 43 Fullon street; D. Roylance, 112 ...; A. Friday, 67 ...; J. A. Fackler, 73 ...; A. Mollwain, Andover, 112 ...; J. Ferry, 32 Poplar alley, R. H. Long, Agent, No. 112 Grant street.

A First Class Saloon.

The saloon at No. 105 Fifth street, under the supervision of Mr. P. H. McGuire, is in every respect a first class establishment.

Now is the Time.

The Place to Purchase.

Remember the Sale of Dry Goods.

The Question Settled.

Admission Free.

The Continental.

Hates & Bell.

The Singer Sewing Machine.

It is perhaps well understood among the public that there is no better sewing machine than the Singer, and few which have attained to a higher degree of popularity.

Among the latest patents granted are those of: John Stanfield, Pittsburgh, improvements in a ...; Thomas Brown, Allegheny city, improved hydrant; Roland H. Smith, Pittsburgh, design for a street lamp; John W. Hewitt and George R. Lynch, furniture caser; James Brincher and Robert Coward, combined rock crusher and tempering machine.

All the above were procured by Perival Beckett, Solicitor of Patents, Allegheny city.

Chapped Hands, face and all roughness of the skin, certainly cured by using the Jumper Tur Soap, made by Caswell, Hazard & Co., New York.

At W. W. Moorhead's, 81 Market street, a large and well selected stock of lace goods and trimmings are being sold at remarkably low prices.

Wholesale and Retail.

UNDERTAKERS.

ALEX. AIKEN, UNDERTAKER.

HARLES & PEBLES, UNDERTAKERS AND EMBALMERS.

ROBERT T. ROONEY, UNDERTAKER AND EMBALMER.

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PERISCOPIC GLASSES.

They are the best yet offered to our trade.

DUNSEATH & HASLETT, JEWELERS AND OPTICIANS.

PERISCOPIC GLASSES, IN FRAMES MADE FROM PITTSBURGH STEEL.

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HENRY G. HALL'S.

Corner of Penn and St. Clair Streets.

SELLING OFF AT COST!

SUMMER STOCK OF CLOTHING, CLOTHES, CASSIMERS, VESTINGS, AND Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods.

AT COST, to make room for FALL GOODS.

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