

FIRE AT FRANKLIN.

On Sunday evening, about seven o'clock, the old Kinnear Hotel stand, owned by Mrs. James M. Bredin, and occupied by the grocery store of W. A. Cooper and millinery store of Miss McKenzie, was discovered to be on fire.

The second story of the building was occupied by families, who succeeded in removing most of their furniture. The frame portion of the block, occupied by Marks & Bloomingdale, clothing, and office of Dunn & McKissick, Attorneys at Law, was emptied of its contents.

At the time the alarm was first sounded, the congregations of the several churches had assembled, and services were about commencing, but in a few moments the pastors were left without hearers, and no services were held except in the Methodist, Episcopal and Evangelical Churches, where the congregations re-assembled after the fire was extinguished.

On Monday morning, at Spring Creek Station, a man named C. R. Dustin, while in the woods felling trees, a tree in falling broke off one limb, and while looking up to witness the result, one of the falling limbs struck him on the left of the center of his head, and at last accounts he was in a critical condition.

On Monday morning last at about five o'clock, a fire broke out in Tidioute near the Tidioute bridge, and destroyed several buildings. Among the sufferers were Glen & Gillfillen, H. Ramsdell and F. McDonnell, all blacksmiths.

—Last Saturday, 13th inst., Edward Luther, a little son of D. S. Luther, had his arm cut out of joint by falling from a fence. The arm was safe and the little patient is doing well.— Elk Advocate.

—We clip the following items from the Clarion Democrat:

Mr. Joseph Guyer, of Limestone township has sold his farm for \$3,600 to James Painter, Esq., of Forest county. Mr. Guyer, intends moving to Michigan, and will have a public sale of his stock, farming implements and household furniture on the 19th of February.

There appears to be a very general dissatisfaction among the lumbermen of the lower Clarion, with the manner the Clarion River Navigation Company is managing business on the stream. They assert that much of the work done is an injury, and more damage results to rafts than before the company touched the channel.

At a meeting of stockholders of the Ft at National Bank of Clarion, held at the banking house, on the 9th inst., the following board of officers were chosen for the ensuing year:—Samuel Wilson, President; Jacob Black, Vice President; Sam'l Wilson, Jacob Black, John R. Stratton, D. Breneman, C. Laufman, Samuel Frampton, and G. W. Arnold, Directors; G. W. Arnold, Cashier; F. M. Arnold, Teller. The bank is well managed and in a flourishing condition.

The stockholders of The Discount and Deposit Bank, of Clarion, met in their banking house on the first day of January, at Clarion, and elected the following Directors for the ensuing year: James Campbell, Theo. S. Wilson, James B. Kins, D. B. Curll, Amos W. Cornett, W. B. Curll, and T. B. Barber. This bank is already doing a good business, and as the stockholders are individually liable, the institution is a safe one for depositors, although not incorporated.

—We take the following items from the Elk Democrat:

Although most all our exchanges speak of small pox being in their midst, Ridgway is entirely exempt from this dread disease. As yet, have been very lucky, not a single case has made its appearance in our town.

D. C. White, the man who shot John Markert, near Wilcox, on Dec. 14th, accidentally as was supposed at the time, was taken before the grand jury on Thursday, of last week and was indicted for manslaughter. He was admitted to bail in the sum of \$1,000 for his appearance at the next term of Court.

Owing to the want of a fall run of lumber, has caused a great scarcity of money in this and surrounding counties, the like of which has never before been known. Our business men were never so badly in need of money as at the present time.

—On Saturday last a well known personage, who keeps a small place on Spring street, took a turkey from Shank's store without so much as "by your leave, sir," and started up the street. The clerk followed him to his place and told him he wanted pay for the turkey which he had taken. The fine old gentleman told him to bring in his bill. The clerk went back to the store and made out a bill for fourteen pounds and a quarter of turkey, at one dollar per pound. The bill was promptly paid. The old fellow was evidently trying to "bull" the poultry market. For the sake of his family—not for his own—we suppress the name of the person who figured in this affair.—Courier.

FINED FOR CONTEMPT.—The United States Court, on Tuesday, issued an order to show cause why certain citizens of Titusville should not be punished for a contempt, and a hearing was had yesterday at Erie. It appears that in a bankruptcy case, the refinery of W. P. Johnson & Co. was put in the hands of a United States Marshal, and while in such charge, was levied on and sold by Mr. E. T. Hall, deputy Sheriff, by virtue of certain writs of fieri facias, in favor of certain creditors of Johnson & Co., residing here. This conflict of jurisdiction and alleged abuse of process are the basis of the order of court. We understand that on the hearing, a penalty was imposed of \$250 on John D. Archbold, and on John T. Russel of \$100.—Herald.

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On Sunday morning, at about one o'clock, dwelling house of Mr. A. Williams, a farmer of Plum township, was destroyed by fire. Mrs. Williams was sick, and was carried safely to a neighbor's. The fire consumed everything in the house, except one bed, including besides the furniture, two or three hundred bushels of potatoes, a lot of buckwheat, and the winter's stores of dried and salt meats. Loss about \$3,000 with no insurance.—Spectator.

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