

FIRE AT OIL CITY.

Saturday morning, about twenty minutes past five o'clock fire broke out in Hicks' liquor store, north side of Centre, between Railroad and Elm streets, and before it was checked the whole block burned, except one small building next the railroad.

They started the bells and the bells the engine. Even as soon as this the fire was in both stories of the building and coming from the roof. Mr. Hicks and a young man named Ford were asleep in a room over the store, unconscious of the flames until their room was burst open by a colored man named Williams; the room was already in flames, and they escaped by jumping from the back window with part of their clothes in their arms.

No. 4 steamer being nearest and having a team was first on hand and was stationed at the reservoir, head of Centre street. No. 1 was got out and took suction from the creek, back of the Exchange Hotel. No. 5 steamer came across the bridge after some delay to secure two teams to haul her through the mud, and "set in" at the creek, foot of Sycamore street. All the machinery worked admirably and if they had had good hose would have stopped the fire when first discovered; repeated breakage and repeated delay gave the fire an occasional fresh start ahead.

The flames spread eastward to Downer's wholesale liquor store and a clothing store, and was finally, stopped at the last building at the corner, occupied by Fisher Brothers, and others. Westward it communicated to Stratton's saloon, Stillwell's grocery and thence to the old "Corney & Beers" block, four stores—making nine stores burned.

The buildings were all wood and rather slightly constructed, and so burned rapidly. They were all down in a little over an hour, notwithstanding the copious wettings bestowed by three powerful steamers.

The fireman worked under very disagreeable circumstances.

The street was about a foot deep in mud to start with and the flooding they got from the pipes and the frequent bursting hose made a fearful mess of it. Through these prolonged and fathomless mortar beds the hose was laid and the handling of them and running and working in this slough put the men in a condition that was as ludicrous to see, as it was annoying to experience. Sooth to say, the boys didn't hold back, but went into the work as energetically as at any pleasant time.

Valuable service was rendered by the "Red Bird Hook and Ladder Company," from the South Side, in razing the burning buildings. The company was vigorous and well officered.

The Fire Police were also out early, and for the first time did valuable service. They saved much goods from "mysterious disappearance."

The first two stores in the "Corney & Beers" block were unoccupied. The corner, next to Elm street, had been rented and partially fitted up for occupancy by the Oil City Savings Bank, while their new building was constructed their loss is \$50.

J. McCollum, "Corney & Beers" block, lost \$10,000; insured for \$5,000.

Spangler & Settle, meat market in McCollum's building, stock and fixtures \$300; no insurance.

James White, restaurant, on stock and fixtures \$2,500; insured for \$1,000. On household goods, second floor, \$500; no insurance.

Dr. Egbert and J. D. Hancock, lawyer, had offices in McCollum's building; the loss of the former is \$50, of the latter \$150; no insurance.

Next to the McCollum building was D. G. Stillwell's grocery and residence above. Loss on stock \$6,000; insured \$580. On household goods, \$200; no insurance.

J. R. Stratton, liquors; loss \$1,000; no insurance.

The buildings in which these two stores were belong to Stillwell and William Perry; loss on same, \$3,000; insured \$1,000.

Stillwell also owned the next building, where the fire started, on which his loss is \$1,000; insured \$300.

F. D. Hicks, less on stock of liquors, \$4,500; insured \$3,000. On clothing, furniture, etc., \$600; no insurance.

J. W. Downer, stock of liquors and store fixtures, \$500; insured in full.

S. Zamoyski, clothing, \$500; no insurance.

The building in which the last two were was owned by Jacobs & Hall. Loss \$1,000; no insurance.

George Paul, fover Downer's, on household goods, \$100; no insurance.

The building at the railroad corner, not burned, was occupied by Fisher Bros, McClary & Bolton, Standard

Oil Company and J. M. McCollum. Each sustained \$50 to \$100 damage in removing. Of these the Standard Oil Company was insured in full. The origin of the fire is unknown. There was a lamp burning in the Hick's store at about the point where the fire was mostly located. The store was seen to be all safe only about half an hour before its inside was discovered full of flames. The suddenness of the fire suggests a deliberate design; unless the lamp may have exploded and immediately set fire to some of the liquors that would burn.—Derrick

PARKER CITY BURNED DOWN.

Parker City has again been visited by one of those great conflagrations that occasionally—or more properly speaking, frequently—visit the shanty cities of the Oil Region. Our readers remember the fire that destroyed a large portion of the town two months ago. The blow was a severe one, but the citizens rallied promptly, and at once replaced a great majority of the burned buildings with new and better ones.

At about half-past nine o'clock Thursday night the "devouring element" made another onslaught, and, commencing at the point where it left off before, finished its work by leveling, with but one or two exceptions, every building that had escaped its first grasp.

The fire was undoubtedly the work of an incendiary.

When the alarm was first sounded, A. Newhouse and Colonel Allen were in the Central House billiard room. They rushed into the street and saw that the fire was in Boughton & Chandler's office, nearly opposite. Immediately kicking in the door they passed in and up stairs and found that the flames were under the first floor. A heavy black smoke, strongly impregnated with petroleum gas filled the rooms and nearly suffocated them. After a few moments search an individual kicked a hole in the floor, and a volume of flames burst through to the roof. The flame was too powerful to originate from the pine wood of which the structure was composed, and all pronounced it burning oil.

As the flames spread the illumination aroused the residents of the region around and, coming in from all sides, they filled every prominent point of observation. The bridge was a favorite standpoint and hundreds covered its arches and walks.

It was soon found that the destruction of property was to be greater than the most timid anticipated. From Boughton & Chandler's office it spread in both directions on the same side of the street, and, leaping across the narrow thoroughfare, ignited the buildings adjoining the Central House.

From half past nine until half past two, five hours, the people fought the fire, finally met with success and ceased their labors. But it was not to go to homes and beds. Hundreds were homeless, and beds could hardly be supplied the woman and children.

The remark was heard on all sides that it was the best thing that ever happened to Parker's. "Now," said they, "we will rebuild Parker's as it should be built," and with their pluck and money six months will suffice to cover up every trace of the calamity.

Many of the prominent business men were urging the plan of laying out a sixty foot street on the river bank and having wide erecets, run back to the hill at distance of every 100 feet. These views were concurred in by many and it seems likely that the plan will carry. The Council were in session yesterday afternoon and until their deliberations are made public, and a few days reflection has seared the public mind, nothing definite can be said further than that Parker will be rebuilt.

The loss was footed up at \$220,000, insured for \$50,000.

Job Printing— Do you want posters? Do you want hand-bills? Do you want business cards? Do you want a neat bill head? Do you want a tasty letter head? Do you want a nice visiting card? If so, leave your orders at the Republican office where they will be executed in the neatest style and on most reasonable terms.

—Having been solicited to order some vines and bushes for spring planting, I have concluded to order in excess of the amounts thus far called for, so that all who wish might have an opportunity to share in them. Those who desire to avail themselves of this offer, may leave their selections at the Superior Lumber Co. Store, so that the list may be properly distributed. A detailed list of the kinds, and amount of each kind now ordered may be seen at the store. It comprises 500 Grape vines; 200 Currant bushes; 200 Gooseberry bushes; 325 Raspberry bushes; 200 Blackberry bushes; 1000 Strawberry plants; 100 Rhubarb plants; 100 Asparagus plants.

SUPERIOR LUMBER CO. STORE, Elm St., Tionesta, Pa.

TIMBER LANDS FOR SALE.

Over two thousand acres of fine Hemlock Timber Lands situated on Maple Creek, near Clarrington, this county, are for sale at a bargain. Part of the lands are situated within four miles of Clarrington, on the Clarion River, and would be a fine site for an extensive tannery and saw mills. Map and terms at this office.

23 W. R. DUNN.

—The colored address label on each paper shows the date to which the subscriber has paid, thus

Thos Turner 1874, signifies that Mr. Turner has paid for his paper until March 1st, 1874. The mail list is corrected weekly. By consulting the address label every subscriber can tell how his account stands.

Our accounts go back no further than the 1st of January, '73, the accounts previous to that time being payable to the old firm. The old subscription book is yet in our hands, and our receipts will be recognized by the old firm. [if.]

New Advertisements.

SEALED PROPOSALS.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, TIONESTA, FOREST CO., PA., MAR. 18TH, 1874.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this office until Wednesday, April 23d, 1874, for the purpose of getting out, cutting and laying up the stone abutments for the Laycoy town bridge, amounting to about 500 perches. Bids to state the price per perch. Also for repairing the stone work of the bridge across Tionesta Creek, near its mouth. Specifications to be seen on application at this office.

Also for an Iron Superstructure at Laycoy town, to be placed on the abutments to be built. Length of span 112 feet. The same size iron to be used as is generally used in spans of 140 feet. The County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids. By order of the County Commissioners D. W. CLARK, Clerk.

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THE GRIST MILL at Nebraska (Laycoy town.) Forest county, has been thoroughly overhauled and refitted in first-class order, and is now running and doing all kinds of

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FLOUR, AND OATS. Constantly on hand, and sold at the very lowest figures. H. W. LEDEBUR.

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NON-EXPLOSIVE LAMP,

The only SAFE LAMP made, will burn alcohol or oil with perfect safety, being all Metal it can not break, and so constructed it cannot explode.

I am now running a

TIN SHOP

And will make to order all kinds of Tin or Sheet Iron Ware at short notice. Shop next door south of Store.

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FIRE and LIFE

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IN THE UNITED STATES.

All wishing Insurance I will attend to at short notice. D. W. CLARK Assistant.

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REAL-ESTATE AGENT,

AND HAVE NOW FOR SALE

One farm of 96 acres, 30 cleared, horse and barn, in Kingsley township, for \$2,000. One house and lot in Tionesta Borough, on Race St., \$1,000.

One house and lot on Race St. \$800. One house and lot on Water St. \$1,500. One house and lot on Water St. \$300. One house and lot on Water St. \$1,000. Fifteen out lots from \$300 to \$500.

One dwelling house, barn and orchard with all kinds of fruits, ornamental trees, two water wells, and out building, 5 acres of land, and as good a location as there is in the village of Tionesta, \$10,000.

One Saw and Planing Mill, with all kinds of machinery for making Sash, Doors, Blinds, Flooring, Sash, Moulding. The machinery is nearly all new. Three acres of land; situated at the mouth of Tionesta Creek. A rare chance to invest. Price \$7,000. 30-ly

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WILL now be found a large and varied assortment of goods, which are offered at

LOW PRICES

TO SUIT THE TIMES.

Among this stock may be found the following articles, in addition to many others not enumerated:

Alpacas, A-wis—saddlers and sewing. Asafetida, Axes, Axle grease, Acetic Acid, Arsenic, Arnica Tincture, Arithmetica—let, 2d and 3d, Allspice, Antimonial wine, Aqua Ammonia, Gum Aloes, Angurs. Bating, Basins, Barley Groats, Barley Flour, Hulled Barley, Blank Books, Bath Bricks, Blackboards—frisk, Boot-jacks Lima Beans, Borax, Beans, Broom Cloth, Bleached Muslin, Carpet Binding, Bibbs, Boots and shoes, Bloom of Youth Boring Machines, Boring Machine Augurs, Books—school and miscellaneous, Bonnet, Bowls, Bronze—for shoes, Borax, Buttons—agate, pearl, pant, coat, vest, dress and silk, Brushes—shoe and scrubbing, Bluing, Buckets, Blue Mass, Campher, Chalk, Crayons, Chalk-lines Cassia—ground and unground, Cary's toothache remedy, Cartridges, Caps—waterproof, Chains,—watch, Cambric—plain, colored, and paper, Crackers—graham, lemon, milk, wine, and water, Canned goods of all kinds, Camphor Ice, Camphor, Canisters, Candelsticks, Candles—mould, Cake-pans, Cake-turners, Cassineras, Crash—common, linen and bleached, Cauliflowr, Crystal Syrup, Cracked wheat, Nut-Crackers, Carolina rice, Cream tartar, Canned cherries, Hiltons Cement, Check—surgical and shirting, Crocodile, Ceiling Hooks, Clear sides, cigars, Cloths—cambric, and shirting, Lamp Chimneys of all kinds and sizes, Chinaware, Corsets, Corset stays, Combs of all varieties, Cloves, Oil of Cloves, Petersons Corn Ointment, Corks, Cork shavings, Canned Corn, Corks—green and roasted, Cornmeal, Cloves, Country Knit socks from Maine, Cork-screws, Cord—gum and picture, frames, Clothing, Clothes-pins, Clothes-racks, Extract Coffee, Cologne, Coconut Oil, dried Corn, Collars—paper and linen for ladies or gentlemen, Counterpanes, Curry-combs, Horse-Caris, Cups and Saucers, Cuffs—paper and linen.

Day-books, Drawers, Delaines, Dress goods, Drilling, tin Dippers, Dishes, Dry goods.

Slippery Elm Bark, Sulphuric Ether, Envelopes, Eilecam pane, Hamburg Edging and Insertion, Epsom Salts.

Picture-Frames—photograph and rustic, Flannel, Fartina, Fire shovels, Fringes—silk, white and black, Flour—white, whole, rye, graham, barley and rice, Florida water, Funnel, Fluting machines.

Gartering, Ventilated Garters, Gingham, Ginger-grd and ungrd, Ess. Jamaica Ginger, Gimp—silk, Gloves in endless variety, Gun-caps, Canned Gooseberries.

Hitching rings, Hinges—hand and strap, Hinge Clasp, S. C. Hams, Hats and Caps, Hair Oil, Hankerschiefs, Halls Hair Renewer, Hair pins, Tack Hammers, Herbs of all kinds, Hickory nut Oil, Hoop-skirts, Hoisery, Hooks for stay chains, Hops, Hooks and Eyes, White Holland for blind.

Indigo, Ink Erasers, Ink—black and carmine, Inking—Hamburg, Jellies.

Key rings, Watch Keys, Ketchup—pints and quarts, Knife and Fork Boxes, Knives and Forks, Pocket Knives, Carving Knives, Butter Knives, Knitting Cotton, Knitting Needles, Knife Sharpeners, Knife Polishers, Knife polishing powders.

Lard in buckets, Lanterns, Laudanum, Lampwick, Lamp chimneys, Lamps, Thumb Latches, Cupboard Latches, Ladies—pierced and plain, Lace, Lawns, Lead—soft and pig, Ladgers, Table Linen, Liquors, Lobsters, Lunch boxes, Lunch bags, Lorgnets.

Music Boxes, Matches, Match safes, Myrrh—gum, Magnesia, Mirrors—hand, Mitts—country knit, Mopsticks, Mustard—bleached and unbleached, Mustard, Muetilage.

Needles—darning, knitting, sewing machine, croquet, Afghan and sewing, Sweet Spits, Nitre, Nut-cracker, Nut-crackers, Nutmegs, Nutmeg Grinders, Nails.

Oat meal, Extract Orange, Oysters—cove and pickled, Overalls, Overalls, Hair Oil, Sperm Oil, Sweet Oil, Sewing machine Oil, Tallow Oil.

Pistons—Arnica and Poor Mans, Pills, Cake Pans, Biscuit Pans, Tin Plates, A B C Plates, Pie Plates, China Plates, Writing Paper, window Paper, Pass books, canned Peaches, Carpenters Pencils, Lead Pencils, Pens, Penholders, Perfumery, Pennyroyal, Peppermint, Pepper—grd and ungrd, and Cayenne, Pine Apple, Pickers, Photographs—card and cabinet, Prints—Pine, Pie-calls, Pickles, Store Pipe, Mess Pork, Rifle-Powder, Tea-Pots, Coffee-Pots, Pomade, Prunes, Peaches—canned, Putty.

Quills, Queensware. Revolvers, Garden Rakes, Radders—1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, and 5th, Reward Cards, Ribbon of all colors and widths, Rings—gold, button and teething, Rice flour, Rice, Rosin, Japanese Robes, Ruffing, Rubbarb—syrup and tincture, Rubber coats—black and gray, Rulers, Rules.

Sal Ammoniac, canned Strawberries, Salt Petre, table Sauce, Stationery, Pearl and Corn Starch, Kitchen Saws, Epsom and Glauber Salts, Sifters, Slices for coffee pots, Strainers, Blades, Slate Pencils, Sad Irons, Sad Iron Stands, window Shades, Sun Shades, Satin, Foot-Scrapers, Saucers, Sheetting of all widths and qualities, Singer Sewing Machines, Sewing Machine Fixtures, Shears, Screw-eyes for picture frames, Spoolers, Juvenile Spoolers, Gum Shells, Stockings, Strap-books, Syrup—crystal and silver drips, Syringes, Skirts, bleached and unbleached Shirting, Swiss, Spitoons—cast iron, Spices, Skimmors, skein, twist and machine Silk, Silks, Scissors, Scissor-Sharpeners, Shirt-fronts, Shirts—wool, cassimer, and light and white, Socks, sewing-knit and machine made, Soap—Sawyer's Shaving, Castile, Emery, Bath and Washing, Shot, Spool Cotton, Stoves—cooking and heating for wood, Spoons, School-books, Fire Shovels, Sugar, Suspenders, Summer Savory, Lamp Shades, Shuttles for sewing machines, canned Succotash.

Tea-Trays, Table-Linen Tackles, Linen and cotton Taps, Tea, linen and spool Thread, Teaching-rings Thyme, Teapots, Ticking, Tinware, tape and alpaca Trimming, Timebooks, Toothache Remedy, Tobacco—plug, twist, fine cut and out and dry, Toilet-soaps, Towels, Towelling, Tomatoes, Tobacco, Tins, Tumblers, Linen Umbrellas, Urinals (S. C.), Underclothing.

Velvet, Vests, Veils, Violin-bridges, tail-pieces, Keys and rosin.

Watch-keys, Watch-chains, Wadding, Wash-boards, Whirlers, Whortleberries, Worm-drops, Whitebone.

Yarn—Berlin and Woolen.

Zephyr of all colors, double, single and split.

Our Store is small, and the most of our goods it is impossible to display, but such as not to be seen, may be had by inquiring for them.

In addition to our miscellaneous stock, we have a full line of staple and fashionable piece goods for making clothing to order.

As heretofore, we shall continue the sale of the SINGER IMPROVED FAMILY SEWING MACHINE, upon our usual accommodating terms.

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CHOPS and SALT, FISH, &c., &c.

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Invite the attention of the public to their immense stock of goods, consisting of

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DIRECT ROUTE TO BUFFALO THROUGH THE OIL REGIONS.

ON AND after Monday Feb. 24, Trains will run as follows—(Philadelphia Time):

SOUTH.

Buffalo Express leaves Oil City at 3:30 p.m. Arrives at Pittsburgh 5:55 p.m. Night Express leaves Oil City 8:00 p.m. Arrives at Pittsburgh 9:15 a.m. Day Express leaves Oil City 9:15 a.m. Arrives at Pittsburgh 6:05 p.m. Oil City Accom. leaves Oil City 4:55 p.m. and arrives at Brady's Bend 8:45 p.m.

NORTH.

Buffalo Ex. leaves Pittsburgh at 7:40 a.m. Arrives at Oil City at 8:55 p.m. Night Express leaves Pittsburgh 8:00 p.m. Arrives at Oil City 12:16 a.m. Day Express leaves Pittsburgh 12:16 a.m. Arrives at Oil City 8:55 p.m. Oil City Accom. leaves Brady's Bend 8:45 a.m. and arrives at Oil City 12:00 p.m.

Silver Palace Sleeping Cars on night Express Trains, between Pittsburgh and Titusville. Through Coaches on Lay Express Trains between Pittsburgh and Meadville.

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PENNSYLVANIA CENTRAL RAILROAD

ON AND AFTER 11 P. P. Sunday May 1, 1870, Trains arrive at and leave the Union Depot, corner of Washington and Liberty street, as follows:

ARRIVE.

Mail Train, 1:50 a.m.; Fast Line, 12:12 a.m.; Wall's accommodation No. 1, 6:50 a.m.; Brinton accommodation No. 1, 7:20 a.m.; Wall's accommodation No. 2, 8:55 a.m.; Cincinnati express 9:20 a.m.; Johnstown accommodation 10:50 a.m.; Braddeck's accommodation No. 1, 7:00 p.m.; Pittsburgh express 1:30 p.m.; Pacific express 1:50 p.m.; Wall's accommodation No. 1, 5:10 p.m.; Homewood accommodation No. 1, 9:45 p.m.; Wall's accommodation No. 4, 8:50 p.m.; Brinton accommodation No. 2, 1:10 p.m.; Way Passenger 10:30 p.m.

DEPART.

Southern express 5:30 a.m.; Pacific express 2:40 a.m.; Wall's accommodation No. 1, 6:30 a.m.; Mail Train 8:10 a.m.; Brinton's accommodation 10:30 a.m.; Braddeck's accommodation 12:45 p.m.; Wall's accommodation No. 2, 11:51 a.m.; Johnstown accommodation 4:05 p.m.; Homewood accommodation No. 1, 8:50 p.m.; Philadelphia express 8:00 p.m.; Wall's accommodation No. 4, 6:05 p.m.; Fast Line 7:40 p.m.; Wall's No. 5, 11:00 p.m.

The Church Trains leave Wall's Station every Sunday at 9:05 a.m., reaching Pittsburgh at