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OIL CITY, PA.

## Oil City Trust Company

Oil City, Pa.

Report to the Commissioner of Banking  
(Condensed)  
At the Close of Business November 6, 1911.

Time Loans.....	\$2,280,163.00	Capital.....	\$300,000.00
Real estate, furniture and fixtures.....	75,000.00	Surplus and profits.....	381,073.60
Stocks and bonds.....	608,378.69	Reserve for interest.....	6,844.94
Demand Loans.....	687,599.33	Deposits.....	1,244,626.26
Overdrafts.....	2,828.06		
Cash on hand and banks.....	568,178.92		
<b>Total Quick Assets</b> .....	<b>1,846,985.90</b>		
	\$4,212,140.80		\$4,212,140.80

Trust funds not included in above \$251,737.89. Corporate Trusts \$1,253,000.00.  
Increase in Assets since last Report \$106,436.85.

### Cochineal Insects.

Before many years cochineal scarlet will have become a thing of history only, like the Tyrian purple of antiquity. That is the conclusion of M. Leon Digue, who has been studying the state of the cochineal industry in Mexico. The first specimens of cochineal were taken to Europe by the Spanish adventurers in the sixteenth century. The Indians had cultivated the coccus cacti, from which the color is derived in pre-Columbian times, and after the Spanish conquest the industry developed rapidly. The city of Oaxaca was the center of the cochineal country in the days of Humboldt, but only a few plantations of the nopal cactus, on which the insects are fed, now remain. The female insects only are used to form a dye, and they are gathered by brushing the branches of the nopal as soon as they begin to lay their eggs. They are then desiccated in ovens or killed with boiling water.

### Praise For the Sardines.

It is encouraging in these days, when everything nice is condemned by scientific faddists as nasty, to have the high authority of the London Lancet in support of the popular theory that the sardine is of great dietetic value. The sardine is good, the Lancet tells us, because, for one thing, it encourages the consumption of oil, which tends to avoid "many ills, and especially those associated with wasting diseases and gouty dispositions." This consumption of sardine oil, it adds, "prevents the overloading of the tissues with nitrogenous waste products, and a digestible fat favors nutrition considerably. The sardine supplies also an excellent proportion (25 per cent) of nitrogenous material, and so it becomes a real and economical food. In addition to this the sardine has appetizing qualities, and where appetite serves digestion follows."

### Presence of Mind.

He—Our love is opposed and we are destined to be unhappy all our lives. Let's commit suicide and die together. She—All right, darling. I couldn't live without you. He—How shall we do it? She—Don't you think ice cream ptomaines would be about the quickest way?—Burlington News.

### Sure It Was His Wife.

Three o'clock was the very earliest the man could get up to the store, so his wife asked him to meet her then. "I don't know in what department I shall be at that time," she said, "but just before 3 I will telephone to the clerk at the information bureau near the main entrance, and if you will just step over and ask him he will tell you where I am."

At two minutes past 3 the man sought information as to the whereabouts of his wife.

"I have a message," said the clerk, "from a woman who said her husband would inquire for her about 3 o'clock. Maybe it is for you. She said to tell you that she has gone to Blank's store, over on Sixth avenue, to finish her shopping because the clerks in this store are impudent, the place is ill ventilated and she couldn't find anything she wanted here anyhow and never has been able to find anything here and this is positively the last time she will ever try to find anything here. Of course that might have been your wife."

"Oh, yes," said the man; "that was her all right."—New York Sun.

### Her Hold.

"So he married a manicurist?"  
"Yes."  
"Is he happy?"  
"I'm afraid not. He complains that she has quit holding his hand and wants to confine herself exclusively to holding the pocketbook."—Chicago Record-Herald.

**The Measure of His Intelligence.**  
Fido's Mistress (sighing)—I've lost my dog—my sweet little innocent pet! Friend—I'm so sorry! Have you put an advertisement in the newspaper? Fido's Mistress—Oh, what would be the use? The poor darling doesn't know how to read!—Woman's Home Companion.

### Invited a Snub.

Clara—I overheard Mr. Blimberly say to a friend the other evening that I was a pretty young lady. Maude—Well, you are pretty young; but, of course, you are growing older each day.—Chicago News.

### Duel With Horsewhips.

A novel but brutal form of duel between two carriers took place at Baja, Hungary. Being both in love with the daughter of the farmer who employed them, they decided to fight for her with their heavy horsewhips, the girl agreeing to act as umpire and accept the winner. In order to insure that there should be no running away, they first fastened themselves to two posts in the ground. The girl gave the signal to begin, and the two men, who were stripped to the waist, began to belabor each other with such fury that long bleeding welts soon covered their faces, arms and bodies. Unable to bear the horrible sight, the girl ran away for help. When she came back with some of the neighbors they found the two men lying on the ground covered with blood and exhausted. The duel was declared a draw.

### A Luscious Morsel.

A speaker at a literary dinner in New York said:  
"He who writes for posterity can only expect the approval of posterity. To his own generation his work will be as unpalatable as German carp—and you know the recipe for cooking German carp?"  
"No? Well, then, this is it:  
"Catch a German carp in a stagnant and muddy stream. Clean it immediately and hang it in the sun three days to dry. After it is thoroughly dried nail it to a spruce board and cover it with a paste of salt and mud. Let it stand two days longer. Now bake it forty-eight hours. Remove the nails, scrape off the salt and mud paste carefully and then eat the board—never eat the carp."

### Why the Head of a Lion.

A custom there is in most parts of Europe to adorn aqueducts, spouts and cisterns with lions' heads, which, though no illaudent ornament, is of an Egyptian genealogy, who practiced the same under a symbolical lion. For because the sun being in Leo, the flood of Nilus was at the full and water became conveyed into every part, they made the spouts of their aqueducts through the head of a lion.—Sir Thomas Browne, "Vulgar Errors."

### A PIANO FOR CHRISTMAS.

"Music is the Only One of All the Arts That Does Not Corrupt the Mind"—Guy Paul.

It was Thomas Jefferson who said, "Music refines, elevates and sanctifies." This is as true today as a century ago. Music lightens toil. Why not have a piano in the house? If there are no musicians or would-be musicians in your family, then buy a player-piano—an instrument that anyone from 8 to 80 can play equal to Faderewski. Statistics prove that people past 60 use the player-piano more than people of younger years.

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Attention is called to the announcement of the Poppenberg Piano Company, Buffalo, in another column. This firm has been in business 63 years and carries the largest stock between New York and Chicago. They buy several carloads of pianos at a time and pay spot cash, and therefore are in position to give the best possible value.

### HEALTH HINT FOR TODAY.

#### Turpentine For Seed Warts.

Common turpentine is said to be a sure cure for the worst cases of large and so called "seed warts." Have a bottle of it with a small camel's hair brush through the cork and touch the warts with it, if possible, morning, noon and night. For a time nothing seems to happen, but all of a sudden the warts will be looked for and will not be there, they go so quickly. No special care is required, as turpentine is harmless. It should, however, be carefully kept away from lights or fire of any kind.

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