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The Big Conflagration on Pithole Creek.

The intelligence sent you concerning the great fire last night was so unsatisfactory that I avail myself of the earliest moment this morning to write you a more extended account. Yesterday morning, about 10 o'clock, a new well, tubed the day before, on the Holmden Farm, and on lot 19, near the north. ern line of the farm, began to be pumped. It was situated on the west side of Pithole Creek, between it and the "second bottom." After fifty minutes pumping the well began to yield at the rate of three to four hundred to yield at the rate of three to four hundred sections in the vicinity of the barrels in twenty four hours. The well would corner of North Wood and Indiana streets adjourned to a grocery to take a drink, which dently increased, and continued to increase have flown that amount without further numping one hour after they began. It is deemed advisable, however, to pump a well that begins to flow, on the doctrine that agitation does it good. As the owners of the well had no idea what they had when they began to pump, no tank was prepared for the recention of the oil. It was, consequently, pumped out upon the ground. During the day considerably over one hundred barrels had been pumped upon the ground, filling all the little pools, creening among the grass, gliding gradually down the creek bottom, and along the bluff, fifteen or twenty rods. Such things had been done before, and no serious apprehensions of danger were felt. Crowds of people visited the well during the day, for such a remarkable well was the great sensation of the day. It promised to be the largest of all the mammoths on Pithole. At various times there were from fifty to a hundred persons present. About half-past 7 o'clock last night. a large number of people were present, and half a dozen were on the derrick, and others were ranged about at various distances. Your correspondent, providentially, did not happen to be of that number, but was at the moment about thirty rods away. My attention was suddenly arrested by an explosion as loud as a good sized cannon would make. The first impression was that some blasting operation had taken place, but on immediately turning about, the scene presented was before me in all its awful grandour. Suddenly as powder ignites, suddenly as lightning from the skies; there swept up from the earth, from an area of three-fourths of an acre of ground which the oil had covered, a flaming, hissing, howling firespout that rose nearly an hundred feet into the air, the whole fiery mass surmounted by a thick black pall of smoke, as from a hundred throated furnace. Above the high tree tops it leaped as if springing in impotent fury at the very skies. Everybody had heard the explosion, and, in a moment, everybody saw the flery demon overshadowing the creek. the tanks of the famous Holmden well, in away. One hundred rods further down the creek were fifteen or twenty thousand more flames mounted upward and ran into every nook and canny where a little pool of oil had to see the whole creek bottom a boiling lake fire, others from it. Men looked excited and the whiripool of fire and dragged down with the beer down her throat. hungry fury to an awful death. Running in

place, and that at least half of these had been probably burned to death on the ground. The consternation for ten minutes was immense. Millions of property were in peril and lives already lost. Immediate squade of workmen were organized, who, with shovels and spades. worked upon the outer edge of the fire to stay its progress. So soon as the fire demon had licked up the oil on the ground, it began gradually to die out on the borders, and finally, in the space of two hours, was wholly contented at the well. Engine house, derricks, tanks and evergreen trees had been burned. The fire was still rearing at the mouth of the tubing. The oil and gas in immense quantities, in consequence of the great vacuum produced at the bottom of the well, poured forth only to lesp into furious flames, while the upright portion of the tubing dripped with liquid fire. During the night men labored to devise some plan for its extinguishment. At length three pieces of tubing screwed together were, by means of a funnel, run into the mouth of the tubing whence the oil issued in fiames, and finally fastened, so that the oil was conducted forty or fifty feet further off. By the free use of wet blankets the fire was at length subdued at one o'clock this morn. ing, when a shout arose from the men engaged as if a victory over the rebel hordes had been gained. In the meantime it was learned that none had been burned alive, and that but six had failed to escape unhurt. These were Lucius Kingley, of Syracuse, N. Y., not expected to live, though there is hope : Curtis Armstrong, of Clarion county, Pa.; John Dugan, of Pennsylvania; A. P. Ford, of Niagara Falls, badly burned on the breast, and legs and hands; and Mr. Gregory, of New York city, and his lady, to whom he was showing the well when the explosion took place. It is hoped that all of these will recover, though in the case of the first two it is very doubtful. The well is again running this morning in a fire, with the sucker rods yet in, cannot be less than 400 barrels. It promises to be the it is flowing more beautifully in a continuous not testing wells by pumping them on the about the well curiously gazing at the few States Company. Fortunately no lives were lost, though it is miraculous that any escaped.

A Woman Poisoned by her Son. The Chicago Tribune says that on Sunday afternoon the residents in the vicinity of the After this, Smolk, Heavy and the females were startled by hearing a little girl crying out in a plaintive voice, "Grandma's dead! oh, grandma's dead!" Some of the persons who had overheard the child's lamentations went to where she was on the sidewalk, and upon asking her the cause of her sorrow were informed that Mrs. Mary Burns, the child's that her (the child's) father was in the house body. The child was cared for by a neighbor, and the fact of Mrs. Burn's death was whistopic of conversation in the neighborhood. These who were acquainted with "Thad." Burns, knew him to be a desperate charac. ter, full of cruelty, and a man who would not hesitate to commit any crime on the calendar. if approached in one of his drunken fits, and therefore it was not thought prudent to inquire of him, personally, in regard to the old lady's sudden demise-sudden it was, because she was seen by neighbors in the full enjoyment of health not more than two hours before. the afternoon, and her return found the grandmother lying on her face on a lounge, and her father sitting at a table in a drunken stupor, but sufficiently wakeful to tell her could obtain from her. Mrs. Williams, a neighbor, had seen Burns chasing his wife him catch her by the throat with one hand and strike her several terrible blows in the certainly kill him. face with the other hand; saw him drag her into the house. Mrs. Williams screamed, and

told Burns not to kill his wife, but he only answered by pounding her harder. Lot Nineteen is but twelve or fifteen rods from | dent she was disinclined to give the informa. | ed in a loud tone, "Mr. Allen!" Just as the which were thousands of barrels of oil stored they got from her the following facts: That a pistol at almost point blank range, the ball barrels of oil stored in huge tanks, near the a pitcher of beer. Dinner was about ready, whole party jumped to their feet, and tried it is said for his interference. Frazier and Twin wells. As the seething and the family, consisting of old Mrs. Burns, to get out of the way. Just then the pistol been formed, everybody expected in a moment some soup, which Mrs. Burns, Jr., refused to the door of the saloon, in the hand, and separtake of. This, together with her refusal of fire. Instantly upon the explosion the peo- to drink the beer which he poured out, exas- this time Mr. Allen had succeeded in getting ple ran in every direction, some toward the perated Burns, and he swore she should both a revolver out of his pocket, but, before he alarmed. The few women in the crowd cried stoutly declined, and he, finding that words his assailant's weapon, the ball striking the and already saw their own friends among the would not prevail, took hold of her and at- left third rib, which it broke, and passed many that all felt must have been caught in tempted by main strength to force some of

A desperate scuffle ensued, and old Mrs. the direction of the fire, I met three wretched Burns came between them and forced Burns steps, and, falling, expired. The body was men that had barely escaped from the flames. to release his hold, when the wife escaped One of them, howling in ageny, "O, my God, through the door. She said that as she ran what shall I do! what can I do," had his out she saw her husband clutch his mother clothes almost wholly burned from his body, and throw her heavily upon the floor. She His back, and breast, and legs were brown, remained hidden in the yard about an hour with enormous fire blisters hanging to the when her brutal husband made search and skin, while his hands were burned to the discovered her hiding place, dragged and benes. At the time of the explosion he was pounded her as was witnessed by Mrs. Wilsitting in the derrick, and in running through liams. When she was brought into the house the flames, fell down with both hands plunged she found her mother-in-law lying on the into the burning oil. He was able, however. lounge in the same position described by the their wives here been too intimate with other to leap into the creek, fortunately not covered little girl. Burns told her she was saleep, men during their absence, are taking the law with oil, and thus barely got out of the hiss- and threatened vengeance if she disturbed in their own hands. A returned soldier in ing, crackling blaze. His name was Lucius her repose. He made her sit down in another Fort Wayne, last Monday, killed his wife's Kingsley, of Syracuse, New York. On the room, where she remained until she found heels of Kingsley was another man, bleeding opportunity to escape by his falling asleep. and burnt, and holding out his charred hands . The impression prevails among his neigh- Smith shot his brother-in-law in St. Paul to the passing, frightened crowd. Still another bors that Burns mixed poison with the beer

NUMBER 12. on the ground. They reported as many as I tion for a divorce from him on the grounds afty persons having been in the immediate of his living in an open state of adultary with vicinity of the well when the explosion took a notorious woman named Maggy Martin, and for brutal treatment. Since her appli cation for a separation, he has frequently been heard to say he would kill her. He told her, in the presence of several witnesses; that in case she were successful in obtaining a divorce he would burn the house and her with it. He has been arrested and fined in the police court very many times within five years for whipping her. One of his neighbors for two years past has kept two boards off the fence, dividing Burns' from his property, that she might the more easily escape his assaults. It has been no unfrequent cocurrence for him to drive her forth in the middle of the night, with no other covering than that she wore when in bed.

A Double Murder in Michigan.

The Detroit Free Press says that on Sunday and Monday last two murders were perpetrated at the quiet village of Grass Lake, on the

line of the Michigan Central railroad. Two discharged soldiers, named Joseph P. Henry and a man named Short, arrived at Grass Lake lately in company with two women of disreputable character. Henry was formerly a member of Loomis' battery, and came from Coldwater. Short was in a Michigan cavalry regiment, and came from Louisville, Ky. He has, we understand, respectable parents, his father being a pilot on one of the Mississippi steamboats. The party went to Grass Lake on Monday, the 23th ult., and put up at a hotel kept by Elijah Wlieston. They remained there all the week, spending money freely, the women doing their full share in that line. Short, it is said, had \$1,000, and | ger, who, residing in the vicinity of that Henry also had a large amount of money in | I lace, was on her way to church. The account

his possession. On Sunday evening, about 8 o'clock, one of the women, in furtherance of a no doubt previously concected plan, took upon herself the hellish purpose of murdering Short by poisoning his liquor. Procuring a quantity of hole dug for the purpose. Its yield since the Morphine, she mixed it with a drink he was about to take, and, not suspecting anything wrong, he quaffed the poison off at a draught. largest well on Pithele creek. This morning In a short time he became ill, and kept growing worse until about 1 o'clock, when he died, stream, and already gives assurances of being having suffered untold agonies. The next the largest well on Pithole. This fire will be morning, on search being instituted, no money very important in teaching the necessity of could be found on his person. Meantime, of August 1st, gives the conclusion of the Henry and the two females had made prepaground. This morning the people are gathered rations to depart on the cars, leaving Shore to be buried at the landlord's expense. To rains that yet remain. This well, hereafter this arrangement he would not submit, and a to be famous, is partly owned by the United difficulty ensued. A citizen of Grass Lake excited people commenced collecting around named David Smolk interested himself for the landlord, and the matter was apparently settled by Henry and the women leaving sufficient money with the landlord to bury the

murdered man. was done. Smolk suggested a second, which, after some loud talk, was complied with. Smolk swore that Henry should go a third treat, or he would prevent them from leaving. did not learn, but they were soon dragged Henry swore that "he be d-d if he would forth into the street, benten down with clubs treat or drink any more." This brought on and shot. After they were dead they were high words and retaliatory threats, and when grandmother, and the mother of Thaddeus | the excitement was at its height, Henry draw Burns, a dissipated scoundrel, was dead, and a kuife, about six or eight inches long, and plunged it into Smolk's breast, inflicting a very drunk, and refused to let her touch the fatal wound. He lingered about fifteen minutes, and at 104 o'clock yesterday morning breathed his last. Henry was arrested imdetained until the next train for Jackson. where he was sent. The women were detained at Grass Lake, where two coroner's juries ing, that we shall never again hear of such a were impanuelled to hold inquests on the crime in our midst., bodies of the murdered men.

[From the Nashville Press, July 27.1

his Wife. One of those melancholy occurrences which before war made life so cheap in the eyes of The child had been absent from home during the community, would have startled the whole of Nashville throughout all her borders, took place yesterday afternoon, towards night. It appears that Mr. B. H. Payne, one of the grocery firm of Payne, James & Co., procured not to disturb her grandmother as she was last winter, through the courts, a divorce asleep. That was all the information they from his wife on account of an illicit connection between her and Mr. S. Shadrach Allen. While the trial was in progress, Payne dethrough the yard about 4 o'clock. She saw clared that if he succeeded in fixing upon Allen the guilt of seducing his wife he would advised with his neighbors as to what course

On yesterday afternoon, between 4 and 5 o'clock, as Allen was sitting with a party of spread throughout the town, and some eightfriends in front of a window of a saloon next | teen or twenty young men visited the barber's to the livery stable of J. B. Parrish, No. 64 About 7 o'clock in the evening, the wife of | South College street, debating the proposition Thad." Burns was seen to emerge from the to buy a drove of mules and take them down house by those on the lookout and they im- South to sell, Payne advanced to where the the offender was divested of his clothing mediately plied her with questions in regard party was engaged in conversation. As he and completely covered with that garment of to the grandmother's death, but it was evi- reached the spot where Allen sat, he exclaim. lawiess fame known as "a coat of tar and tion desired. However, by dilligent inquiry, man addressed looked up, Payne discharged | ceived no further injury. A gentleman in the Burns came into the house about 3 o'clock in hitting the pectoral muscle at the arm-pit, \$100 for the apprehension of the young men, an intoxicated condition, bringing with him making only a trifling wound. At this the but he has been threatened with a like visit and "Thad." and his wife, sat down to eat. | was again discharged, the shot wounding a Among the other dishes on the board was man named Cochrane, who was standing in verely but not dangerously in one thigh. By eat of the soup and drink of the beer. She could use it, he received the third charge of over into the body, lacerating the upper portion, of the heart, producing almost instant death, as the man walked only six or seven immediately carried home to the residence of is used by the Patagonians, stuffed full of the deceased on Summer street, herond Broad On the way it was met by the distracted wife, whose shricks alarmed the whole neighborhood.

RETURNED SOLDIERS AVENDING THEIR DO-MESTIC INJURIES .- The Cleveland Plain Dealer savs: Nearly every paper we take up brings na accounts of returned soldiers, finding that paramour. Near Janesville, Wis., a similar tragedy occurred last week. A Mr. Jos last week, for seducing his wife during his man, bleeding, howling, and fearfully burned, and soup, with the intention of putting an absence in the army. The "Leyal Leagues" followed. The slarm was so great that neither | end to his wife's existance. They had lived | and "Christian Commissions" are somewhat | wife murder (I speak professionally) was fellowed. The alarm was so great that neither | end to his wife's existence. They had lived | and "Christian Commissions" are somewhat | worth fifty dollars to any reporter, now it is | of these could tell how many others had shared | unhappily for more than : eight years, and | in fault for not taking care of the widows as | scarcely worth reporting. People's minds are their fate, or suffered even more by burning | about two months since she filed an application they promised.

From the Smrrne (Del) Times, 1 A Young Lady Shot by a Jealous Lover. A very said affair occurred at Kit's Ham-

mock, near Dover, on Thursday last, which resulted in the shooting of Miss Ettie Hall, of Frederica, and the attempted releids of the young man who did it James Heyerin, Jr., of Dever. It seems that Haverin, meeting James Milchell promoneding with Mish Hall, requested her to grant him a few moment's private convergation. She declined, saying it was not convenient then, but consented to meet him at a proper time. The parties separated, Heverin going to the hotel, and the lady and gentleman continuing their walk to

the "round house." In a short time Mr. H. entered one of the doors of the round house where Miss Hall and Mr. Mitchell were standing and discharged a pistol at the latter, the ball passing through his hat. The parties then made their exit by another door, when Heverin discharged another shot at Mitchell, but Miss Hall, being between them, received the ball in the left temple. Heverin, seeing he had shot the wrong one, shot himself in the breast. The injured parties were conveyed to their respective homes. It is feared the lady cannot live.

A strong attachment is said to have existed for some time between Mr. Heyerin and Miss Hall.

The act, the circumstances under which it was committed, and the position held by the parties engaged in it, has awakened the deepest interest throughout the State. Mr. Hevcrin is a son of James L. Heverin, Esq., Register of Wills for this county, and a law student at Harvard. The lady is a daughter of John W. Hall, Esq., a wealthy and prominent citizen of Frederica. She is quite young. and represented as being very smisble and beautiful. Young Mitchell is a son of Dr. Mitchell of Milford. The families of the par ties have been on the most intimate terms.

Diabolical Outrage.

We learn from the Evansville Journal that a most infamous outrage was committed by two negroes upon the person of Mrs. Dullinstates that she being a stout woman, shout forty-five or fifty years of age, made for a time a successful resistance, when one of the brutes drew a pocket knife and cut her shoulder. Growing faint from loss of blood, she was overpowered by the brutes and dragged across a fence into a corn-field, where her person was violated by both, who then made a deliberate attempt to kill her, but were frightened away by hearing persons approaching. The whole neighborhood was quickly aroused, and turned out in search of the brutes who committed the crime. The Journal matter, as follows:

The two negro brutes, who so fiendishly maltreated a white woman on Sunday, fearfully expiated their crime yesterday afterthe Court House and Jail, demanding that the prisoners be delivered up to them. The demand was refused, of course, and at noon the crowd dispersed, and it was hoped that better counsels would prevail, and that the guilty wretches would be left to the due course of law. But, after noon, the crowd assembled again, and the excitement had evi. until about 31 o'clock, when the front door of the jail building was broken open with a slodge hammer, and the crowd rushed into the jail. How they reached the prisoners we taken up and hanged to a lamp post on the corner of the street, where they were hang-ing at a late hour in the evening. They were, ultimately, we learn, taken down and buried. It was the first scene of the kind ever enacted

in Evansville, and for the fair fame of the city, we hope it will be the last. Every one execuates the abominable and brutal crime committed by the negroes, but pered from ear to ear, soon becoming the mediately after committing the fatal act, and mob law is a dangerous remedy for evils of this or any kind, and all good citizens deplore to resort to it; and we hope this fearful and summery punishment will prove such a warn.

Another Negro Outrage .- The usual

quiet of Greenport, L. I., has been considere A Man Kills Another for Seducing | ably disturbed during the past week, growing out of an alleged attempt by a colored barber to outrage the person of a respectable married white lady residing next door to him. The facts are thus stated : The barber is a man of some property, and has heretofere borne a good character in the town; but early one morning last week he so far forgot himself as to seize the lady alluded to in the rear of his house, where she had gone for a pitcher of water, and endeavored to make her submit to his embraces. He did not succeed in his efforts, however, and the lady immediately stated the circumstances to her husband. He to pursue in the matter, but before they came to any conclusion, news of the transaction shop and carried him to the outskirts of the town. After some little delay a pail of tar and a bag of feathers were procured, when feathers." It is believed that the man retown sympathizing with the barber, effered

> NEGROES ON THE RAMPAGE. -Several instances of the infatuation which has taken possession of the negro mind occurred or

Friday and Saturday night. On Friday night, two negroes, Jos. Royal and Edward Duke, were arrested up town, in the act of waylaying and robbing a citizen One of the negroes got into the gutter, the other laid behind a tree box, and when the citizen passed along the negroes sprang out upon him. The guard, who had been watch ing them, jumped out and fired at the negro who had the club raised, striking him in the arm and disabling it. Both negroes were arrested and taken to the lock-up. of them was found a villainous club, such as nails, to make its heavy at the head, and spiked around by spikes that stuck out at least two inches. A person struck by such an instrument would die, of course. On the person of the other negro was found a fearful sword bayonet and a long bowie knife, both equally sanguinary. They were locked up for examination. Wm: Johnson, colored was arrested upon suspicion, and upon his person was found an overgrown revolver and howie knife, which he was flourishing around, swearing that no man could take him to the watch house. He found out his mistake. Liberty and freedom don't mean unlimited license .- Richmond Whig.

A correspondent of the Dispatch, writing from New York city, says, "We have had five or six murders since day before yesterday, but there is nothing interesting enough in any of them to mention. They don't interest any body, any more. The time was when a good getting wonderfully perverted."