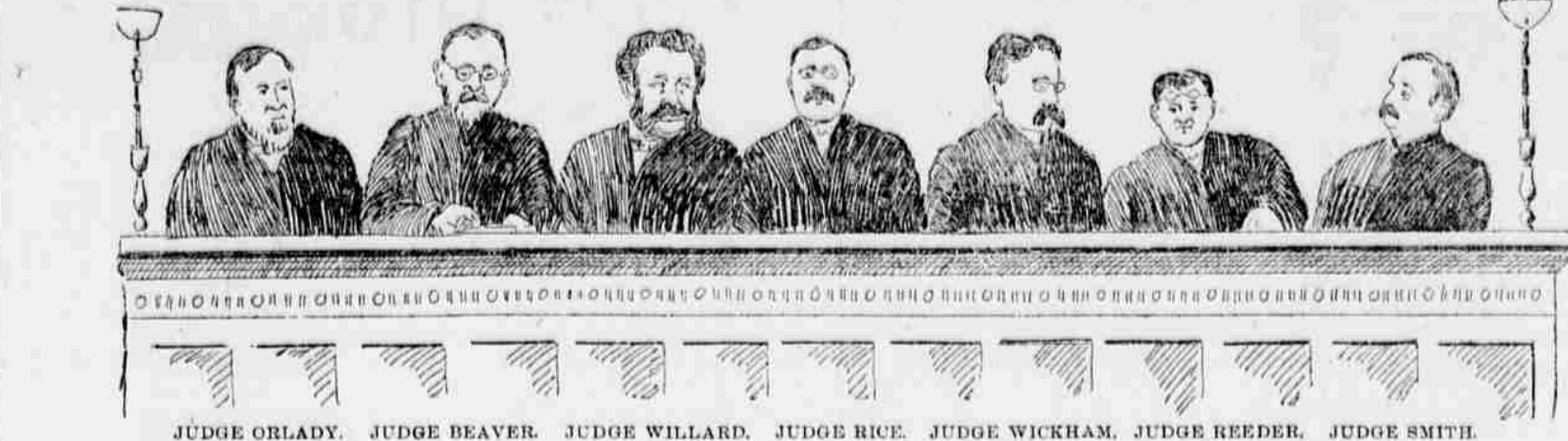


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CITY NOTES.

The grand jury will make its final report today. The auditing committee of councils met last night. No trace has as yet been found of the escaped prisoner, William Wall. The banquet of the local Democrats will be held tonight in the Westminster.

maut pianist, W. D. Adamson, electrician. This is one of the best entertainments to be given in the Young Men's Christian Association.

There will be a union Bible class for Sunday school teachers and all Bible students in the Young Men's Christian Association parlors this afternoon at 2.30 and on every alternate Tuesday. The leader of this class is James McCorkley, of Wrightsville. A Princeton graduate, who is meeting with remarkable success as a teacher of similar classes in twelve of the principal towns in eastern Pennsylvania.

There came near being a tragedy behind the scenes at the Academy of Music last night. A colored boy who sells songsters was found over on the ladies' side of the house and when the white stage manager went to eject him the colored man who has charge of the songsters and such extras told him to mind his own business.

The board of managers of the Florence Crittenton mission, 197 Spruce street, wish to thank the following friends for donations received during the months of November and December, 1896.

LADIES' WHIST NIGHT.

Fair Sex Will Participate in the Play of Thursday Night. On Thursday night the privileges of the Seranton Whist club will be extended to ladies and they will participate in the progressive play.

There will be several whist experts in the city Thursday night and the club expects they will be present. Among them are Judge Reeder, of the superior court, and T. E. Otis, of Newark, a prominent whist writer, teacher and player.

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ARGUMENTS IN THE ROCKAFELLOW CASE

They Were Heard by the Superior Court Judges Yesterday Afternoon.

POSITION OF THE COMMONWEALTH

Holds That Each Deposit Received After the Bank Became Insolvent Constituted a Separate Offense. This is Denied by Mr. Rockafellow's Attorney—Other Case Heard on the First Day of Superior Court Term—Attorneys Admitted.

In the Federal court building the superior court term began yesterday morning at 11 o'clock with President Judge Rice and Judges Wickham, Willard, Beaver, Reeder, Orady and Smith on the bench. Contrary to general expectation no opinions were handed down for the reason that the judges had not passed upon them in consultation. After court adjourned yesterday afternoon the judges met in consultation in the office of the United States marshal and there is a possibility that the court may promulgate some of its opinions this morning.

It was announced that the court would meet at 10 o'clock but the judges decided to defer the opening until 11 o'clock. Promptly at that hour the seven black robed figures filed through the door leading to the ante-chamber in the rear of the court room and took their positions on the bench. Judge Rice in the center with Judges Willard, Beaver and Orady on his right and Judges Wickham, Reeder and Smith on his left. Judge Rice took up the business to come before the court at once. He announced that during the remainder of the session the court would meet at 10 a. m. and continue in session until 12.50 p. m. It will meet again at 2 p. m. and remain sitting until 4.

The list was then taken up and the following were reported settled: Phoebe A. Hay and others against United States Fire Line company, appellant, from common pleas of Luzerne county; Herman Call against Becker Brothers, appellant, from common pleas of Lackawanna county. It was reported to the court that a non pro. had been entered in each of the following cases: Leonard L. Potter against Seranton Traction company, appellants, from common pleas of Lackawanna county. A more interest attached to the Rockafellow case than any argued yesterday. It was an appeal from the quarter sessions of Luzerne county, in February, 1895, the private bank of F. V. Rockafellow, of Wilkes-Barre, closed its doors and soon afterwards sixteen indictments were found against Mr. Rockafellow charging embezzlement. On one of these indictments Mr. Rockafellow was charged with embezzling the money of Isaac Long, Mr. Rockafellow was convicted and sent to the penitentiary for two years. The maximum penalty is three years.

Upon his release from the penitentiary Rockafellow was arraigned on an indictment charging him with embezzling the money of Mrs. Anna Maria Miller, another of his depositors, and he entered a plea of autrefois convict which means that he had before been convicted of the same offense. A statement of facts were agreed upon and the case was argued before Judge Edwards of this county specially presiding who in an exhaustive opinion decided that Rockafellow had embezzled the funds of his depositors, having once been convicted of that offense.

The arguments for the commonwealth yesterday afternoon were made by District Attorney Fell and Gustav Hahn. Mr. Fell held most vigorously that to sustain Judge Edwards' interpretation of the act would be to give a license to bankers to defraud their creditors. They might illegally appropriate \$400 or as many millions dollars and by serving three years in the penitentiary all of their obligations would be wiped out and they could return to live on their plunder. He held the act under discussion meant that each of the depositors of the failed bank of Rockafellow became aware that his bank was insolvent constituted a distinct offense.

This position was attacked by John T. Lenahan, who argued for Mr. Rockafellow. He said it was a monstrous statement and if carried into effect in the case at bar would mean that the defendant would have to be sentenced to at least two thousand years imprisonment. "The legislature," contended Mr. Lenahan, "surely never intended anything of that kind when it framed the act under which Mr. Rockafellow was convicted." Following Mr. Lenahan, Mr. Hahn addressed the court for the commonwealth.

OTHER CASES ARGUED.

The other cases argued were Andrew Stephen against John Hudack and others, appellants, from the common pleas of Luzerne county; Central Poor District of Luzerne county against Directors of Poor of Jenkins township and others, appellants, from the quarter sessions of Luzerne county; Bulkley, Dutton & Co. against Wood & Trout, appellants, from the common pleas of Luzerne county; John Dennis against the Citizens Insurance company, of Pittsburg, appellants, from the common pleas of Luzerne county. When

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ical and sanitary engineer, in which he mentions the expediency of the employment of a mechanical engineer to inspect all mechanical work connected with school building and asking to be appointed to the position. He gave as references James P. Dickson, Thomas J. Foster and Dr. H. V. Logan and asked an opportunity to address the board on the subject. The matter was referred to the building committee with directions to grant Mr. Parsons a hearing. Mr. Casey's amendment that the engineer address the board instead of the committee was not seconded. The original motion prevailed. That was the final business before adjournment.

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