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To insure publication in this paper, volunteered communications of a controversial character MUST BE SIGNED FOR PUBLICATION by the writer's true name. To this rule we cannot hereafter make exception.

CITY NOTES.

The Board of Associated Charities of Scranton will meet this evening, June 8, at 8 o'clock, in the poor board room, Municipal building.

Gilbert LaBarre and Mayme C. Bechtold, of Scranton; Frances J. Crane and Carrie E. Harding, of Scranton; Benjamin Froese and Minnie E. Strong, of Peckville, were yesterday granted marriage license.

The manager of the Scranton Clearing House association, H. C. Slaughter, gave last week's reports as follows: Monday, \$176,581.83; Tuesday, \$212,343.53; Wednesday, \$179,702.45; Thursday, \$182,361.98; Friday, \$191,329.85; Saturday, \$110,587.99; total for the week, \$855,008.32.

The railroad men on the South Division, as far as Hampton Junction, will be paid today by the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company. The Delaware and Hudson company paid employes at Delaware mines, Mill Creek and Harkmore Nos. 2 and 3, at Wilkes-Barre, yesterday.

It is suggested by the committee in charge that those from this city who will go by the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western road to West Pittston today to attend the reception to Rev. Dr. Mrs. N. G. Parke, go off at Susquehanna avenue, which is the most convenient station.

The board of managers of the Home for the Friendless met yesterday morning at the Home and transacted routine business. Quite a large sum of money is needed to complete the new home building and the question of a meeting of the board yesterday's meeting. No definite action was taken nor will there be until next month's regular monthly meeting.

This evening the churches of the North End will unite in a grand evangelistic service in the Providence Methodist Episcopal church. The service will be in charge of Charles N. Crittenton, founder of the Florence Crittenton Mission and Rescue Work. Beginning with Thursday evening Mr. Crittenton and others will hold a series of evangelistic meetings in the armory of the Thirtieth regiment on Adams avenue.

The state encampment of the Sons of Veterans will be held at Towanda beginning today and continuing until Thursday night. The local camp, No. 8, will send a delegation to participate in Wednesday night's festivities. The following delegates will go from this city: C. A. Moyer, William Snyder, August J. Schmidt, A. E. Sherman, Past Captain Frank W. Martin and P. E. Lester, William Wilener, W. E. Calhoun, Fred B. Stark and W. L. Stark.

SOMETHING LESS THAN THE EARTH.

That's All That a Western Bicycle Company Wants.

Some time ago a western bicycle manufacturing company decided to remove its plant to some other place and Secretary D. B. Atherton of the board of trade, hearing of this sent a note to the officers of the company inviting them to move to this city. It set forth that the company proposes to establish itself in some other place before Oct. 1 and said their pay roll amounts to \$70,000 a year and that they would require 75,000 square feet of floor space in a modern building to the place that offers the greatest inducements and will expect something like this: Factory building free, moving expenses paid, exemption from local taxation for ten years, a satisfactory bonus. If the company decided to enlarge its plants it would expect local capitalists to take part of the stock.

It is needless to say that Scranton will not bid for this industry.

DIED AWAY FROM HOME.

Patrick Tooker Succumbs at the Hospital After Four Months' Illness.

Patrick Tooker, a young man 25 years of age, came here four months ago from Ohio. A few days after he arrived he became dangerously ill and has been at the Lackawanna hospital since. He died there yesterday.

Tooker was a victim of epilepsy. He had no relatives here but had made a few friends during the short time he was here and was well. These friends have taken charge of the remains and will give Tooker a decent burial in one of the local cemeteries.

FUNERAL SERVICES CONDUCTED.

Remains of Charles Hartley Will Be Taken to Clifford for Interment.

Funeral services over the remains of the late Charles Hartley were conducted last night by the Rev. C. E. Robinson, D. D., at the home of Mr. Hartley's daughter, Mrs. Kenter, 524 Lackawanna avenue. The body will be taken to Clifford, Susquehanna county, this morning, where interment will be made.

The following have been selected as pall-bearers by the Union Veterans' union: J. W. Chandler, P. K. Kimball, W. H. Harding and F. McFarland.

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INTERESTING STORY OF A LITIGATION

Told in the Von Storch Ejectment Suit in Common Pleas.

IT COVERS OVER HALF A CENTURY

Ten Lawyers Are Aiding the Court and Jury to Arrive at an Understanding of a Lot of Land in Providence That Has Figured in Three Sheriffs' Sales and Which Has Never Been at Rest for Fifty-three Years.

Ten of the leading lawyers of the Lackawanna and Wyoming counties yesterday, before Judge Archibald in common pleas, began battling over a piece of land in Providence, possessed by C. S. Von Storch and claimed by his uncle, William Von Storch. Hon. H. A. Knapp, Mayor Everett Warren, Hon. C. P. O'Malley, of Warren, Hon. John P. Scragg and Alex. Farnham, the latter of Wilkes-Barre, represent the plaintiff. The defendant's array of talent includes Joseph O'Brien and Hon. John P. Kelly, of O'Brien & Kelly; Hon. H. Jessup and W. H. Jessup, Jr., of Jessup & Jessup, and T. C. Umsted, another Luzerne legal light. Attorneys T. C. and C. H. Von Storch, who are interested in the plaintiff's side, sat at the plaintiff's table.

The land in dispute is 67-109 of an acre in extent and is situated between the river and North Main avenue, opposite the Von Storch homestead. The plaintiff brings ejectment on the strength of having a legal title. The defendant makes answer that the equitable or beneficial title is vested in him.

Ex-Judge Knapp made the opening for the plaintiff, outlining what was to be proven by his side, and then Mr. Farnham presented deeds, court records and the like to show that William Von Storch bought the land from H. W. Fuller, who purchased it at a sheriff's sale. With the presentation of these papers the plaintiff's side closed and also went to rest for the night.

The case is a connected way what the defendant proposed to adduce from his witnesses.

CLAIM OF THE DEFENSE.

The story of the defendant as told by Mr. Umsted, makes interesting reading. In 1844 the land was acquired from the Griffins by Sylvanus Heermans, Sylvanus and his brother John conducted a store on the land, and after a time got into debt. Ferdinand Von Storch, brother of the plaintiff, and father of the defendant, loaned the Heermans brothers some money to help them out of their difficulty, and also went to the assistance of which they needed to carry on their business. Despite this assistance the Heermans boys could not keep their heads above water and in a short time they were sold out by one of their principal creditors, Freeland, Hoffman & Co.

At this juncture Ferdinand Von Storch engaged Attorney H. W. Fuller, of Wilkes-Barre, to look after his interests in the case. Mr. Fuller, acting as Ferdinand's lawyer, attended the sale and bought in the property. Sheriff J. W. Golf conveyed the property to Mr. Fuller. The deed made no mention of his being simply attorney or trustee, but the defense proposes to show by witnesses that Mr. Fuller took title for Ferdinand Von Storch.

When Sylvanus Heermans originally purchased the property he gave a purchase money mortgage to the Griffins and when Mr. Fuller bought the land, he was still subject to the mortgage. The Griffins, on the strength of this mortgage forced the land to sale again, and once more Fuller bought it in, acting, as the defense holds, for Ferdinand Von Storch.

In addition to the land in dispute Ferdinand Von Storch was possessed of a debt of \$10,000, and a hundred acres. When, some years ago, the Heermans again needed a friend they applied to Ferdinand for help, and with this one hundred acre farm he went their security to John Vaughn for a debt of \$10,000. The Heermans again defaulted and again Ferdinand was mulcted for the debt.

WANTED SECURITY.

Appreciating Ferdinand's position Vaughn agreed to give him time to raise the money but wanted security for his money and good sureties. A. E. Dunning, sr., Charles W. Potter and William Von Storch, the plaintiff, went on Ferdinand's bond. These sureties in turn asked for security and in order to satisfy their demand, Ferdinand turned over all his property in Providence, the farm and the plot now in dispute, to William Von Storch, to hold it as trustee. He executed a deed for the farm to his brother and received a declaration of trust from him. The other plot was also deeded to William by Mr. Fuller at Ferdinand's direction. All the papers were recorded on the same day and Ferdinand paid all the costs and fees.

After a few years, John Vaughn's debt was wiped out by the royalties which the coal on the property earned and as there was no longer any cause for sureties on the Vaughn bond, Ferdinand demanded the return of the deed. William, however, refused to give back the deed, alleging that Ferdinand was dissipated and that he would waste it.

A personal friend of Ferdinand, one Able Bennett, of Binghamton, upright, wealthy and an astute business man proposed to the easy going Ferdinand that he sign over his interests to him (Bennett) and let him fight William for his possessions. Ferdinand agreed and Bennett after securing title proceeded in equity to make William give up the land and account for the coal royalties which had been regularly received from the Delaware and Hudson company. This suit was begun in 1866 but before it was finished Ferdinand died. In 1868, while Ferdinand was on his deathbed, William went to the children of his brother and advised them to get rid of Bennett as he was a "land-grabber and a shaver" who would beat them out of their heritage. He also incidentally suggested that he as there uncle would be a proper person to hold the land in trust for them.

SUBSTITUTED THEIR UNCLE.

The children fell in with the idea and proceeded after their father's death to oust Bennett and substitute their uncle as trustee. Bennett, according to a stipulation of his deed of trust was compelled to turn over the property to any trustee a majority of the heirs might select. He turned over the farm to William and Godfrey Von Storch, whom the children elected as trustees, but the other plot of land was held pending the negotiations for settling Bennett's demand for \$400 for services and expenses as trustee.

This matter was in time settled up

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it would be wrong to make them a matter of record without any substantiation and merely upon one man's say so. During the presentation of the papers Major Warren objected to Mr. Smith having the clerk mark them "filed" before they came before court. Judge Lynch said he had not noticed that they were being marked before they came to him, and turning to where Smith and Jennings stood reminded them that no paper could be filed without permission of the court.

FILE MARK ERASED.

Then, when Judge Lynch directed the clerk to erase the file mark from a paper which Smith had just laid down on the desk, Jennings and Smith promptly asked for an exception which was readily noted by the court.

Judge Lynch then notified the attorneys that the case was ready to be proceeded with. Jennings stated that he had no attorney. Judge Lynch asked him why he had not employed one. He replied that he could not secure an attorney in this county, he could rely upon, as nearly all were interested in the opposite side of the case. To Judge Lynch's question Jennings admitted that he had not tried to engage an attorney.

Thereupon Judge Lynch asked Jennings if he had any other reason for a continuance.

"I desire a change of venue, your honor," replied Jennings.

"The jury in the case has been called," remarked the court.

"Well, I can't go to trial now."

"Do you say you won't go to trial?"

"No, I say I am unable to go to trial because I have no attorney."

At this juncture the attorneys for the defense moved for a compulsory nonsuit and when Jennings again stated he would not join issue in the case, Judge Lynch directed a nonsuit to enter.

Jennings, prompted by Cornelius Smith, asked for a rule to show cause why the nonsuit should not be stricken off and Judge Lynch granted it, making it returnable at argument court.

Judge Lynch directed that Jennings that he had better employ counsel before argument court convenes. Jennings replied that he would if he was able to do so.

CITY HALL JOTTINGS.

The High and Training school committee of the Board of Control will meet tonight.

Thirty-six deaths from all causes were reported to the board of health last week. Of these three of the deaths were from contagious diseases. The

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THIS MORNING

Starts the Summer Jewelry Sale. For a few days we shall sell Jewelry, Watches and Clocks cheaper than ever before offered. We mention seven items at random.

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new cases of scarlet fever reported during the week were: scarlet fever, 1; diphtheria, 9; measles, 44.

There will be a meeting of the railway committee of select council tonight to consider the advisability of giving the Scranton Railway company permission to lay its track on West Market street. The point has been raised that the city has no right to grant a franchise for the street; that it is the property of the Abington Turnpike company. City Solicitor Torrey has been asked to give the committee an opinion on the subject.

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- Galvanized stove shovels.....4c

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- 5-quart milk pans.....4c
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- Wire soap dishes.....4c
- Patent nutmeg graters.....4c
- Large lemon graters.....4c
- Zinc broom holders.....4c
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- Steel mincing knife.....4c

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- Tin cups any size.....4c
- Dish mops.....4c
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- Mixing Spoons.....4c
- Milk Skimmers.....4c
- Fletcher essels.....4c
- Wire teapot stands.....4c
- Measures, one pint or one quart.....4c
- Funnels, any size.....4c
- Wire soap dishes.....4c
- Flour scoops.....4c
- Japanese dredge boxes.....4c
- One-quart and one-pint covered pails.....4c
- Miner's tea bottles.....4c
- Mining lamps.....4c
- Drinking cups.....4c

- Vegetable skimmers.....4c
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