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CITY NOTES.

The grand jury will make its final report this morning Mounted Officer Dyer arrested a man last evening for "lecturing the Washing-

ton monument. Desk Sergeant Robert Delter has re-sumed his duties at police headquarters

after a two weeks' vacation. John O'Donnell was committed to the county jall yesterday by Alderman Howe for threatening Jis wife, Catherine.

The Scranton Firemen's union is to go out of existence. A final meeting will be held next Thursday night at Nay Aug en-

Mrs. W. B. Duggan, agent for the Asso-coated Board of Charities, yesterday took 10-year-old Lizzie Mulnock back to her home at Avore.

C. F. Van Nort was yesterday appointed judge of election in the First district of the Ninth ward in place of Aria Powell, who moved out of the district.

Bartley Mulneck, who was stabled by the two Werners in Bellevue Tuesday night, is recovering from his wounds. He was out on the street yesterday,

Richard Graves was yesterday appoint by Judge Archbald to succeed H. S. rdner as collector of taxes of Scott township. Mr. Gardner declining to serve, Dr. H. P. Rank, formerly of Pine Grove, Schuylkill county, has secured the posi-tion of junier physician at the Lacka-wanna hospital, T. Cushing Jones having resigned.

The interment of Mrs. May Griggs will be at Dunmore cemetery Sunday after-noon, September 26. All members of the Patriotic Order of True Americans are and the explanation attacted was propequested to meet at the house, 323 Frankavenue. Services at 2 p. m., held at her home.

In yesterday's report of the Fifty-second regiment reunion it was stated that the Woman's Relief corps of Lieutenant D. W. Searle, Ezra Griffin post, No. 139, served dinnet for those attending the reunion, and it should also have been mentioned that

The funeral of Mrs. Mercie Tripp Morgan was held Monday afternoon from her ference of the trial judge in the sublate residence. There was a large number of relatives and friends of the deceased He first sketches a history of t

IN THREE CASES Judge Searle, of Montrose, Hands Down Anxiously Awaited Decisions.

SOME INTERESTING DISCUSSIONS

he Sons of America Case Is Not to Get a Third Hearing--Defendants in the O'Donnell-Breck and Thavne Traction Company Cases Refused Another Trial--What Warrants a Judge's Interference in the Submission of a Case to a Jury.

Judge D. W. Searle, of Montrose, yesterday handed down three opinions or rules for new trials in cases in which he specially presided in this county. The cases were A. C. Tunstall against J. F. Baumelster and others, Mrs. Ellen O'Donnell against Charles du Pont Breck and Edward Thayre against the Scranton Traction company. In the first case it was the plaintiff who sought a new trial and in the last two the defendants were the movers. In all three the rule for a new trial was

denied. The case of Tunstall against Baumeister and others, it will be remembered, grew out of dissolution of the Sons of America Publishing company The defendants, some dozen or prominent members of the P. O. S. of A., who composed the publishing company, claimed that they settled their printing bill at the Providence Register plant by giving to J. U. Hopewell the Sons of America, together with its outstanding assets. Hopewell denied that there was such an understanding and further averred that he was not the owner of the Providence Register, but merely an employe of W. C. Tunstall, the real owner. Tunstall's effort to secure pay for the Sons of America

printing bill occasioned the suit. *At the first trial of the case, before Judge Archbald, the plaintiff won. A new trial was granted and Joseph

O'Brien was added to the legal array on the defendants' side. The defendants won and then the plaintiff made application for a new trial. Judge Searle refuses to grant It, giving his reasons as follows:

HIS OPINION NOT CHANGED. W. C. Tunstall vs. J. F. Baumeister,

et al. Rule to show cause why new trial

hould not be granted. The reasons assigned relate principally to the rejection of evidence offerred.

After an examination of the case, am still of the opinion that the evidence offerred and rejected was not material to the determination of the issues in the case, and that the rulings upon the of fers were correct. The other reasons assigned are that

there was error in refusing to affirm plaintiff's points Nos. 3 and 5, without qualification, and refusal to affirm plain-

er to prevent mistake. The plaintiff's sixth point was not applicable to the real issue in the case, and therefore the refusal to pass upon it was not error.

D. W. Searle, P. J., Thirty-fourth dist.

In refusing a new trial in the O'Donnell-Breck case Judge Searle submits the Relief corps served the supper and not Caterer Hanley, as stated, into an interesting discussion of the circumstances warranting the inter-

He first sketches a history of the case, present. Rev. Wilson Treible, pastor of the Wyoming Methodist church, conduct-O'Donnell wanted to secure a piece of which briefly is as follows: Mrs. O'Donnell wanted to secure a piece of wages the jury would have to take Mr. Ash said that at the time of the property on Washington avenue and into consideration the number of days spoke to Mr. Breck about getting it for the mines have worked hereabouts and ney who advised him to go to Shamoher. He informed her some time later not the number of possible working kin and get the boy. This was never that it could be purchased for \$16,000 days in the year. and she gave him \$500 instructing him \$5,000 trespass suit against Robert C, to secure it. Later she learned that the tiff, grew grandiloquent in his arraignproperty was on the market for \$14,-500 and she demanded the return of her \$500. Mr. Breck refused to give it back saying it had been given him to apply as part payment on the lot, which his firm, Breck & Reynolds, controlled. She said she gave the \$500 to him, with O'Brien & Kelly are the plaintiff's attor-ncys. the understanding that he was to act as her attorney. He insisted he was simply acting as a real estate agent and she persisted that he had been engaged as attorney and after a lengthy argument Mr. Breck gave her back \$260 saying, as she alleges, "If you don't take that you will get nothing." She answered as she accepted it: "I will take this but will follow you for The check for \$260 was the rest." this city. marked "in full settlement of all matters up to date."

in his rulings or instructions, or by the jury, or when the jury have been misled by the instructions, or misunderstood the same, such power should be exercised, but HER LONG-LOST SON same, such power should be exercised, but when the questions at issue have been fairly and correctly submitted and tho jury have deliberately determined the questions of fact which they are alone emowered to do, their conclusions will not ter of a Century.

ie legally set aside. In this case there is no reason to suppose that the jury were misled by the in-structions or that they failed to under-stand the issues, and the effect to be given the evidence relating thereto. Such

being the case and the issues being en-tirely for the jury, I do not feel at liberty to disturb their verdict. Rule discharged By the court. D. W. Scarle, P. J., Thirty-fourth District, Presiding.

Edward Thayne, on Jan. 5, 1895, was riding on the rear platform of a Providence car when it collided with anoth er car coming in an opposite direction

near the Diamond Flats power house His back was injured by his being thrown against a sharp corner and in his suit for damages the jury allowed him \$850. The defendant asked for a new trial on the ground that the trial judge erred in refusing to give binding instructions to the jury to find that Thayne was guilty of contributary negligence by reason of his riding on the platform when there were vacant seats inside, and could not recover damages. After quoting a raft of decisions applicable to the case in point and Justice Agnew's definition that contributary negligence is that which co-operates in producing the injury, not merc-

CONTRIBUTARY NEGLIGENCE.

ly the loss, Judge Searle finds:

While the decisions of the suprem court of Pennsylvania hold that the rid ing upon the platform of a car when there is room to obtain seats inside is negligence, the question of whether such negligence contributed to the injuries received must always be a question of fact, and when such fact is uncontro verible from the evidence, binding in-structions should be given. In the case at bar, while there were vacant seats in the car, which the plaintiff should have occupied, and he was negligent in not going in the car and sitting down, the question was whether such negligence ontributed to the injury received. The collision was between two cars on the same track, plaintiff's position upon the rear platform was farther from the point of collision than if he had been in his proper seat in the car, parties in the car were injured, and there is nothing in the evidence to show that the plaintiff was in a more dangerous position than if he had been in his proper place. Under these circumstances I think the question

was properly left to the jury. Rule discharged, D. W. Searle, P. J., Thirty-fourth dist.

IN THE JURY'S HANDS.

Closing Arguments in the Jennings Case and the Charge of the Court --- The Two Ejectment Cases.

Once more a jury is out wrestling

with the Jennings-Lehigh Valley case. Judge Searle finished his charge at noon yesterday and when the jury retired those about court conjectured an early verdict. At midnight the jury was still out and the fact that they had not retired indicated that no agree ment had been reached. Major Warren made the closing ar-

sument to the jury for the defense and his colleague, Mr. Burns, argued the law points to the court. He succeeded in securing Judge Searle's concurrence in two important matters, one that the plaintiff could not legally claim compensation for services rendered to the immediate members of the household,



SHE SUPPOSED HIM DEAD YET

Mrs. John Ash, Whose Boy Was Taken Away by His Uncle Twenty-Four Years Ago and from Whom She Never Heard During All This Time, Learned That He Is Alive and Well uty of the Knights of Pythias. There and Will Go and See Him Monday. are over 700 members in the Mutual Aid.

Mrs. John Ash, living with her second husband at 112 Mica street, yes-terday received a letter from her son, John, who 24 years ago, when only 4 years old, left her and since that time has been mourned as dead. He is at Shamokin and is married and the fathor of two children. The case, though not a direct kidnapping as reported, is as Mr. Ash said last night, "the next door to it." In 1875, when the boy was in his

fourth year, his father, John Jones, died at Petersburg where the family lived. The news was sent to Thomas prother of the deceased, who lived at Shamokin and two days after the funeral he rached the city. Mrs. Jones, the widow, had two children to

look after, one a two-year-old girl, the other the boy John. Mr. Jones, the uncle, offered to school and "bring up" the boy and it seems permission was freely granted.

BOY TAKEN AWAY.

He took the boy back to Shamokin and that was the last seen of him by his mother. Six months afterward the widow married John Ash, a blacksmith at the Dickson works. Mr. Ash sent several letters to Shamokin inquiring for the boy but no answer whatever was received. Last Sunday night, John Thomas, a West Scranton tailor, returned from Shamokin and at once went to the Ash house on Mica street. He informed Mrs. Ash that her son was living. A daughter of Thomas Jones had disclosed the secret of John Jones' parents and asked that when Mr Thomas returned to Scranton he would tell the mother of her son's existence. Thomas accidentally mentioned that he was going to Scranton and she at once

said: "If you do me the favor I ask l will never forget you." Thomas prom-ised and she told him the story. The

girl is 19 years old. Mrs. Ash, when she heard that her son was alive, requested Mr. Thomas to send a letter to his brother who in turn would ask John Jones to write home. 'The letter, which came yester-day, begins with "My Dear Mother"

and ends "your son, William John Jones," which is his full name. He says that he is glad to find his mother and gives a little of his history. He is a miner and tells how one of his children died this month.

TO GO TO SHAMOKIN.

Mrs. Ash and her married daughter who was two years old at the time of the boy's departure, will go to Shamokin Monday to see John Jones. To a Tribune reporter last night she said that the uncle took the boy "but," she said, "he promised to let me see him by the Fourth of July." Her marriage to Mr. Ash may have caused the uncle to ignors the letters. "And," said Mrs. Ash, "here he tells me about him now injured boy by the mother and other after he is grown up and can be of no benefit to me and he (the uncle) has

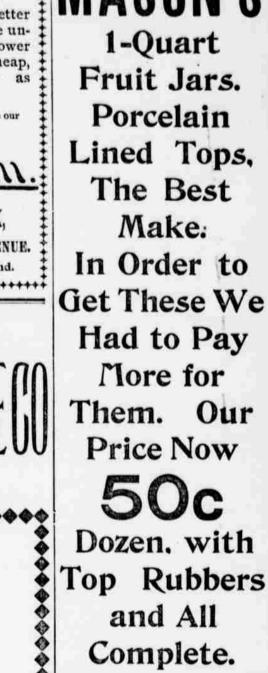


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ing secretary; William Conwell, treas-

urer; Michael Walters, trustee for three

years; James Riggles, vice president.



THE GREAT

WITHOUT PAIN

PLATES.

ed the services and spoke of her many attributes. The floral offerings were beau-tiful. A quartette sang several selections. Interment was made at the Wyoming cemetery.

John T. Gibbons, of Taylor, brought a Wills, the wholesale liquor dealer, yes terday. Mr. Wills, the plaintiff alleges caused him to be sold out recently on a \$40 judgment note. The note, Mr. Gib-bons, avers, had been satisfied in full long before the sale and for alleged unwar-ranted and irregular procedure and its damaging consequences he wants \$5,000. neys.

THIRTEENTH COMING HOME.

Orders Will Probably Be Issued Today for Breaking Camp.

Dispatches to The Tribune office last night advise that the Thirteenth regiment will probably break camp today and be in Scranton toward evening. General Gobin has been given the authority by Snowden to remove the regiments at his own discretion. It is said the order would have been

given ere this but for Thursday night's heavy rain storm which soaked the tent canvass, making removal impracticable. The regiments will take down their own tents. Further information regarding probabilities may be found on the first page.

Stereopticon Views.

Several beautiful portraits of prominent people, as well as the leading candidates, will be presented on the large screen, court house square, this evening. Illustrations of the naval vessels of the United States and foreign countries will be interesting. Independence Bell will be illustrated in six beautiful colored views. Choice statuary representing the work of Thorwaldsen, the celebrated Danish sculptor, in twenty views, as follows: Apostles, Christ, Christ blessing children, Ganymede, Hebe, Lord Byron, Madonna, St. John Preaching, Three Graces, Venus, Morning, Night, Spring, Summer, Autumn, Winter, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

Sleeping car for New York, via Lehigh Valley rallroad, may be occupied at Wilkes-Barre after 9:00 p. m. Arrives New York \$:23 a. m. Tickets at 309 Lackawanna avenue.

********************** THIS SAUSAGE jury. at THE SCRANTON CASH STORE



After outlining the cause of action and the claims of both sides Judge Searle goes on to say:

RULES DO NOT APPLY.

The learned counsel for defendant urged apon the hearing of the rule that in this case the acceptance by the plaintiff of the check for \$200, containing the state-ment that it was in full settlement of all

matters to date," and the obtaining the money upon it by her endorsement, was n effect an agreement in writing which should require the same rules as to the modification of it as are applied to all written agreements.

I do not think the rules invoked ap-ply to this transaction; the acceptance of by to the under the circumstances testi-fied to by the plaintiff did not have the legal effect of making the check, with the endorsement upon it, a written agree-ment of settlement of the matters in dispute

The weight of evidence would appear to be in favor of the claim of the defend-ant, that the check of \$250 was given and received in full settlement of these mat-ters in dispute. Mr. Breck, the defendant, or and his partner, Mr. Breck, the defendant, and his partner, Mr. Reynolds, both testi-fy that it was and the plaintiff, Mrs. O'Donnell, testifies that it was not. The positive testimony of plaintiff ne-cessitated the submission of the case to the jury.

consistence the submission of the case to the jury. Upon the trial judge rests the duty of determining the law applicable to the case and instructing the jury as to the same, as to the burden of proof, and the facts necessary to be found by them in de-termining their verdict. The law casts upon the jury the duty of finding the facts, under the evidence admitted and facts, under the evidence admitted and the instructions of the judge. The entire twelve jurors are required to agree to the findings of fact necessary to render a verdict, and when the trial judge has worded, and when the trial judge has made no mistakes in his rulings as to the law applicable to the case, and has ade-quately instructed the jury as to the cause and the facts necessary to be found by them in order to render a ver-dict, the setting aside of their verdict and describes a new trial instruction the granting a new trial, simply upon the ground that the jury have found the facts differently from what the trial judge would, had he been acting as a juror, would practically be abrogating trial by

TWELVE HEADS BETTER THAN ONE When the evidence is conflicting the tions to evidence is conflicting the jury must ultipately determine the ques-tions of fact; they are intelligent men accustomed to deal with business affairs and as competent to extract the truth from the ordinary conflict of evidence, or misunderstanding of parties, as the trial judge.

The right of the trial judge to set aside yard enclosed by wire their verdict and grant a new trial is unquestioned and where it appears that manifest error has been committed either | great entries of horses and cattle.

Mr. Mahon, in closing for the plainment of corporations "that have not hearts to be racked or souls to be damned," and pleaded with the jury that when it had an opportunity to make the heartless, souless thing known as a corporation, respect the rights of the individual it should not be remiss in its duty even as much as a hairsbreadth. The three speeches and Judge Searle's charge occupied exactly three hours. The jury in the case of John Flack against Bridget Kenney and Mary Kenney came in at the opening of court with a verdict for the defend-The suit was to secure possession

of a lot of land in the Third ward of The case of Elmund Gumaer against Pardon T. Barber was given to the jury at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Smith, James Eckersly, Wil-H. S. liam P. Evans, Thomas Mullen and

William Stevens were empanelled as a jury to inquire into the sanity of Ann Mullen before Judge Edwards, yesterday. They found that she is a lunatic only income is a pension of \$8 a month.

BIG SPECTACULAR COMPANY.

Will Hold the Boards for Three Days at Davis' Theatre.

On Monday next, beginning with the usual matinee, the celebrated Everett and Marks, Wood Sister's big spectacular burlesque, will hold sway for three days at Davis' theatre. This organization numbers a score of

pretty women, arrayed in georgeous ostumes, and some of the best comedians and vaudeville acts ever seen in Scranton. One of the features of this ompany is the big local burlesque, "The King of the Isle of Scranton," and it is said it affords a great scope for local hits.

The star part is played by Mr. Bobby Mack, who resides in this city.

THE FELTS-HOYSRADT CASE.

Local Court, It Is Alleged, Acted Without Jurisdiction.

In the case of Isaac B. Felts against Hoysrodt and others, Judge Archbald yesterday granted a rule to show cause why the non-suit entered for non-appearance should not be stricken off. The reasons given in the motion for the rule by A. Ricketts and E. Merrifield, attorneys for Mr. Felts, are that the case had been duly removed to Pike county under the act of 1834, and that the local court was without jurisdiction to proceed in any way in the matter.

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obtained the members in a long line moved to the court house. Here it was discovered that the arbitration room was too small and adjournment was then made to the main corridor where business was transacted. President J. B. McConnon called the

members to order. Officers were chosen and there were several spirited without lucid intervals, and that her fights. In the contest of financial secretary William O'Connor withdrew in favor of Norman Griggs, who was

elected by an unanimous vote. No opposition was made to the following: William H. Collins, correspond-

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