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ACME COAL COMPANY HAS INVOKED THE EQUITY COURT.

Suit Is Being Heard Before Judge Archbald—Witness Who Were on the Stand Yesterday—Bonds of Constables Approved—Opinions Handed Down by Judge Gunster. Meeting of Grand Jury and Returns of Constables—Rehearing Refused in Banfield License Case.

The quarterly term of equity court began yesterday, with Judge Archbald on the bench. Only one case was taken up yesterday and it will probably consume the time of the court for the greater part of today. The Acme Coal company is the plaintiff and Jacob W. Strind and George F. Chamberlain defendants.

In 1893 the defendants leased to Attorney W. D. Boyer, of this city, the coal under a tract of land in Fell township and the leases afterwards passed into the hands of the Acme Coal company. This company did not pay the minimum amount of royalty required by the lease and the defendants took steps to have the leases forfeited.

The Acme company has invoked the aid of the equity court to prevent this action, holding that they have already paid for all the merchantable coal under the land covered by the leases, although they have mined but little of it.

The witnesses examined yesterday on behalf of the plaintiff were E. D. Caryl and Charles Wallack, coal inspectors, and William Griffith, of West Pittston, who has attracted a good deal of attention by his statistics with reference to anthracite coal. He is a stockholder of the Acme company. Attorney S. B. Price appears for the Acme company and Attorneys W. A. Wilcox and John P. Kelly for the defendants.

Five Opinions Filed.

In an opinion handed down yesterday Judge Gunster dismissed the demurrer to the bill in equity in the case of Daniel M. Stinson, sole surviving executor of the last will and testament of Willard Parker, late of the city of New York, deceased, against Theodore G. Wolf and Everett Warren, surviving executors of the last will and testament of Dr. Benjamin H. Throop, deceased. The bill in equity was filed Jan 11 and in it the complainant asked the court for an order to compel the defendants "to come to a just and fair account with the plaintiff for all moneys received by B. H. Throop on or account of the sale or leasing of any part of the surface of three tracts of land in Dunmore between and including the years 1884 and 1897, and that the defendants be required to pay the plaintiff such amount as upon account shall appear to be due the plaintiff."

To this on Jan. 19, the defendants filed a demurrer which stated among other things that "by the plaintiff's own showing by the said bill that he has a full, complete and adequate remedy at law." After considering the matters raised in the demurrer Judge Gunster dismisses them and makes the following order:

"The demurrer is overruled and it is ordered that the defendants answer within fifteen days from the service of notice of this order on them."

John Carney was successful in the equity proceedings which he instituted against Michael Carney, jr. In his bill the plaintiff asked "that the alleged deed from Michael Carney, sr., to Michael Carney, jr., dated May 22, 1888, be declared null and void and that the said Michael Carney, jr., be ordered and decreed to recover the interest or share of the plaintiff under the intestate laws in all the estate and premises in said deed mentioned to the plaintiff in fee.

"That a receiver be appointed to take charge of the property mentioned therein. That the said Michael Carney, jr., be required to state an account of all rents and income received from the property aforesaid and of all taxes and repairs paid on account thereof, and to dispose of the same as the court may direct."

Judge Gunster, in his opinion, says he is of the opinion that plaintiff should have the relief prayed for and made the following order:

"It is ordered that notice of the filing of this opinion be forthwith given by the prothonotary to the parties or their attorney, and that if no exceptions are filed within thirty days after service of such notice, a formal decree will be entered and counsel are requested to prepare and submit a formal decree at the expiration of said time."

The property in dispute is located in West Scranton and is worth about $2,000.

Judge Gunster yesterday made absolute the rule to open judgment in the case of D. B. Replogle assigned to David T. Williams against Agnes J. Carey and William C. Carey. The order in the case follows: "The rule is made absolute and it is ordered that an issue be made up by the judgment entered standing as a declaration with a plea of non-assumpsit, payment with leave, etc."

In the case of Annie Chaplinski against Louis Vesneski, administrator, Judge Gunster yesterday filed an opinion discharging the rule to reinstate a rule which was made absolute July 6, 1898.

The rule to open judgment was discharged in the case of Marie Berry against Sarah M. Shoemaker in an opinion filed yesterday by Judge Gunster.

Constables Bonds Approved.

The bonds of the following constables were yesterday approved by the court:

John D. Spiegel, Gouldsboro; Martin J. Spiegel, M. H. Heller, sureties.

William Kessler, Clifton; Charles Kessler, George Kessler, sureties.

Henry Dierks, Second ward, Dickson City; Mrs. Margaret Dierks, Guy Dierks, John Fressmann, sureties.

J. G. Bailer, Lehigh township; Barrett Vliet, M. J. Bailer, sureties.

James Curtis, Third ward, Blakely borough; Sylvanus Smith, George Monies, sureties.

William Bradley, Carbondale township; John Gallagher, James P. Quinn, jr., sureties.

Willis A. Northrup, Glenburn; James E. Edwards, surety.

William Rowe, First ward, Jermyn; James J. Edmunds, Harry Gilbert, sureties.

John Jay, Second ward, Jermyn; S. D. Davis, J. H. Wheeler, sureties.

W. E. Carpenter, West Abington township; A. L. Ross, Jacob Stanton, sureties.

D. H. Thomas, Spring Brook township; William Thomas, surety.

George Paterson, LaPlume borough; W. W. Paterson, surety.

John B. Chase, Nineteenth ward, Scranton; Conrad Linn, Louis Henneforth, sureties.

William H. Evans, Elmhurst borough; Romeyn Snyder, surety.

Charles W. Noack, Thirteenth ward, Scranton; B. T. Jayne, John J. Johler, sureties.

G. A. Sherman, Waverly borough; Samuel Whaling, N. C. Mackey, sureties.

A. M. Coon, North Abington township; A. B. Franklin, M. L. Hopfer, sureties.

J. W. Clark, Eighteenth ward, Scranton; John Niland, John F. Regan, sureties.

W. T. Robinson, Greenfield township; S. E. Wedeman, surety.

Samuel Rodman, First ward, Archbald; Andrew Degutis, John J. Dougher, sureties.

Richard Barron, First ward, Dickson City; Albert Cleave, John Pressman, sureties.

R. S. Davis, Third ward, Dickson City; David W. Davis, George Coggins, sureties.

Andrew Pace, Second ward, Dunmore; W. C. Burke, J. E. Swift, sureties.

John St. John, Lackawanna township; Michael Gibbons, surety.

James Hosie, Third ward, Jermyn; Patrick Loughney, Patrick Bloomer, sureties.

E. J. Neary, Second ward, Carbondale; James Barrett, surety.

Eugene Noack, Madison township; Chauncey Noack, surety.

William Reese, Fourth ward, Olyphant; Thomas B. Brown, William J. Schubmehl, sureties.

E. W. Carter, Second ward, Taylor; David J. Thomas, surety.

Michael Strine, Fourth ward; Taylor; Henry Neagley, surety.

William Goyne, First ward, Blakely; S. W. Arnold, surety.

James J. Kelly, Third ward, Winton; Michael Gallagher, John J. McAndrew, sureties.

Frank Bennie, Second ward, Blakely; Andrew Bennie, E. J. Williams, sureties.

Edward J. Murray, Second ward, Winton; John Eagan, Michael Gallagher, sureties.

Philip Hoffman, Third ward, Dunmore; August Wahlers, Philip P. Wagner, sureties.

Fred J. Addison, Old Forge township; Fred Noylar, Thomas Pickrell, sureties.

All of these constables also subscribed to the oath of office.

Report of Constables.

Only two constables of the county reported violations of the liquor law to court yesterday on the quarterly return day. They are Constable Mathew Beam, of Old Forge, who returned John Heyden, Frank Gragago and Stephen Danfulla as sellers of liquor without having a license, and selling it on Sunday; and Constable Bernard Davis, of the Second ward of this city, who returned Maggie McArdie as selling without a license. The constable of Gouldsboro reported that the borough council fails to designate the name of roads by signboards.

When Constable Michael Murray, of the Twentieth ward, came up after court adjourned in the afternoon to make his report Judge Archbald said: "I won't ask you if any liquor is sold in your ward without a license. I know there is." The constable made no reply.

Grand Jury Met.

The grand jury for the April term met yesterday morning in the main court room and was charged by Judge Archbald. George W. Finn, of this city, was named as foreman and later the jurors selected Miles McAndrew, of Archbald, as their secretary.

Only unimportant assault and battery and malicious mischief cases were considered yesterday. From the number of bills now on hand for the jurors' consideration it is not likely they will complete their work this week.

Rehearing Is Refused.

Attorney E. C. Newcomb yesterday morning made an application before the three judges for a re-hearing in the case of Edward Banfield, who was last week refused a license for the hotel adjoining the Odd Fellows hall in Dunmore. Inasmuch as it was an old house Mr. Newcomb argued that the court ought to permit a full hearing of the facts before finally denying the license.

Court took the papers and in the afternoon Judge Archbald announced that the application for a re-hearing had been refused.

Yesterday's Marriage Licenses.

John J. Corey ..... Olyphant
Edith Bowden ..... Olyphant
Arthur C. Twitchell ..... Scranton
Frances A. Winton ..... Scranton

Court House News Notes.

Daniel Kelly yesterday began an action in trespass against the city of Scranton.

Hannah Tiplady yesterday applied for a divorce from Joseph Tiplady. The couple were married April 2, 1883, and lived together until March 3, 1899, when Mrs. Tiplady was compelled to leave her husband because of his cruel treatment of her.

THE TIME IS EXTENDED.

Donations by Envelope Will be Received Until May 1—Names of Contributors to the Convention Fund.

The following letter has been issued by Major W. S. Millar, chairman of the finance committee of the Letter Carriers' association:

We desire to extend our warmest thanks for the liberal contributions already made to the convention fund of the National Association of Letter Carriers who will hold their tenth annual meeting in our city September 4 to 9. The committee being unable to secure enough coin envelopes to meet the demand, and having learned that many are unable to comply with our request to send in their contributions by March 20, the finance committee have decided to extend the time until May 1. This will give ample time for all desiring to assist the citizens' committee in their efforts to uphold the good name of our city and entertain our visitors in a manner that will be an everlasting monument to the hospitality of the metropolis of the anthracite region. Trusting those who have not sent in their contributions will do so at their earliest possible convenience.

W. S. Millar,
Chairman Finance Committee.

Letters have been received by the committee from the carriers at Sunbury, Bethlehem, Lebanon, Easton, Passaic N. J., and Boston, Mass., stating that they will take part in the carriers parade here on Labor day next. Following are the names of additional contributors to the fund:

Mrs. Fred Durr, Mrs. Jacob Heimer, Mrs. C. L. Foley, Mrs. D. S. Ryan, Mrs. Dr. L. H. Gibbs, Mrs. E. G. Hughes, Mrs. H. H. Bamford, Mrs. T. J. Wheeler, Miss Margaret Thomas, Mrs. Bromley Williams, Mrs. S. T. Hammond, Mrs. Hector Campbell, Mrs. S. J. Jennings, Mrs. G. W. Carleton, Mrs. William Hughes, Mrs. William Warman, Mrs. Elizabeth Carey, Mrs. Ann Bristley, Miss Margaret Bristley, Miss Jessie Bristley, Mrs. Willard Lanning, Mrs. F. E. Shelton, Mrs. R. L. Jones, Mrs. Ed Leach, Mrs. Joseph Speicher, Mrs. G. W. Manley, Mrs. Mary A. Hogan, Mrs. Andrew Regula, Mrs. Thomas Gerrity, Mrs. L. E. Reynolds, Mrs. A. D. Hughes, Mrs. J. F. Hammes, Mrs. T. M. Miller, Mrs D. C. Phillips, Mrs G. A. Williams, Mrs. George Firestine, Mrs. D. I. Phillips, Mrs. John Long, Mrs. W. B. Morgan, Mrs. A. J. Pike, Mrs. Benjamin Griffiths, Mrs. J. Von Weisenflue, Mrs. E. J. Wolfgang, Mrs. F. F. Adams, Mrs. S. W. Finn, Mrs. Henry Conrad.

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Pennsylvania Pensions.

Washington, March 20.—These Pennsylvania pensions have been issued: Original—Harry L. Krighaum, Scranton, $8. Increase—Mitchell O. Stark, Nicholson, Wyoming, $10 to $17; Nicholas Warmouth, Larksville, Luzerne, $30 to $50. Original widows, reissue—Mary A. Evans, Scranton, $8.

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