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**GREEN WAS FOUND
 GUILTY OF FRAUD**

VERDICT RETURNED IN UNITED STATES COURT YESTERDAY.

Editor Toth, of the Wilkes-Barre Polish Paper, Escaped—Owen Holeran, of Inkerman, Returned Not Guilty of Illicit Dealing in Liquor. Charles Moses, of Sturmerville, on Trial for Counterfeiting—Grand Jury Finishes Its Work—Plummer Case Ended.

In the United States district court yesterday the jury in the case of Jacob Green, of Wilkes-Barre, charged with using the mails to defraud, returned a verdict of guilty.

The case against Francis A. Tash, editor of the Wilkes-Barre Polish paper, who was accused of printing and circulating an obscene article was not pressed. There was, in the words of the court, "an honest difference" among the witnesses on both sides as to the proper English equivalent of the words which it was alleged made the article obscene.

The Circuit Court.
 In the circuit court yesterday morning Judge Acheson gave binding instructions to the jury to find for the defendant in the element case of Mrs. Emma Plummer against the Hill-side Coal and Iron company and the Lackawanna Coal company, limited.

The next case called was Michael T. Walsh, of Kingston, executor of the estate of Patrick Butler against the Royal Union Mutual Life Insurance company of Des Moines, Iowa.

The plaintiff is represented by Attorney W. S. McLean, of Wilkes-Barre, and his son, George R. McLean. The defendant company is represented by Attorney N. M. Hubbard, of Des Moines, Iowa. J. Kelly, McGarrett, of Wilkes-Barre, and George M. Watson, of this city.

Patrick Butler lived at the house of Walsh during the last year of his life. In January, 1897, he died, leaving Walsh his sole legatee, and in the legacy was an insurance policy in the above company for \$10,000. The policy had been secured only about two months before Butler died. The company refused to pay it, hence the suit.

It is contended by the company that the policy was secured through false representations on the part of Butler concerning his age and physical condition.

The Shiffman Case.
 The case of Nathan Shiffman against the Scranton Railway company was taken to the jury yesterday at 12.30. It had not been taken to the jury at the hour court adjourned at 4.30 yesterday afternoon.

Will of Peter Krantz.
 The will of Peter Krantz, the Carbonade brewer, who died a week ago, was admitted to probate yesterday by Register of Wills Koch. He gives \$100 each to St. Rose church of Carbonade and the Church of Mary Magdalene, of Honesdale, and \$100 to Anna Krantz. His business he gives to his six sons and his property to his wife.

Yesterday's Marriage Licenses.
 Dominick R. Sziggle, Scranton
 Antonina Galimante, Scranton
 Wladislaw Thomanowski, Scranton
 Anna Brzezowska, Scranton
 Salvatore Matia, Old Forge
 Rose Gludubil, Old Forge

Court House News Notes.
 J. M. O'Malley, who was graduated from St. Michael's college, Toronto, yesterday, registered with Willard, Warren & Kinney as a student-at-law.

The bond of F. O. Bates, constable of the Sixteenth ward, was approved by the court yesterday. The amount of it is \$1,000, and Frank Robling is bondsman.

Agreements for a new trial were heard yesterday by Judge Miller in the case of Salm against W. J. Bergan and others, which was tried this week before Judge Miller and a verdict of \$140 returned in favor of the plaintiff.

Reasons for a new trial were yesterday filed in the case of Markaret J. Smith against the Jermyra & Rushbrook Water company, which was tried last week. A rule to show cause why a new trial should not be granted was allowed and made returnable at argument court.

NEW ENTERPRISE.
 Large Dairy Will Be in Active Operation in Danmore Soon.

A party of prominent citizens of this city recently purchased a farm of 125 acres from the W. T. Smith estate with the intention of using into the dairy business. The tract lies near Nay Aug in Danmore borough, and is splendidly adapted for the intended purpose. Fifty cows have been purchased and it is expected that fifty more will be secured within a few months.

The new concern may be competitors to the Scranton Dairy company, inasmuch as they have announced that they will supply a limited number of customers outside of themselves, even if said customer wants to have milk from the same cow regularly.

RAILROAD A GOOD THING.
 Will Benefit Coal Lands Owned by Pittston Men.

"Certain Pittston capitalists are greatly interested in the announcement that the Preston Coal and Coke company, of Philadelphia, is about to build a new railroad in order to develop the 50,000 acres of soft coal land which the company owns in Preston and Barbour counties, West Virginia, says the Pittston Gazette.

"The Pittston men control 5,000 acres of soft coal land in the territory to be tapped, and are hopeful that the new road will be of material benefit to them. Work on the new railroad will begin shortly."

Smoke The Pocomo Co. Cigar.
ISAAC LONG.
 WILKES-BARRE, PA.,
 APRIL 6, '99.

**PRESENT STATE OF
 THE COAL TRADE**

SET FORTH IN LETTER OF THE OPERATORS' ASSOCIATION.

During the Past Month There Has Been a Slight Improvement in Prices Though More in the Nature of Firmness Than Advance—Present Conditions Indicate That the Year's Business Will Be Very Favorable if a Wise Course Is Followed by the Companies.

The April letter of the Anthracite Coal Operators' association says:

The anthracite market during the past month has shown a slight improvement in prices, though more in the nature of firmness than of advance. The only large tonnage of the market has been light at all points, and stocks have, therefore, increased.

With the beginning of April the feeling of uncertainty among buyers, as regards the future movement of values, has been accentuated by the stronger prices and determined action of the companies to maintain the production within the market's requirements.

Purchasers are still undecided whether the companies will maintain their position throughout the year, or, as in the past, permit a break to occur in the early summer months. They recognize that if prices are to continue upward, it will be profitable to contract for the year, and a fair supply of coal during the spring and carry it over for the advance, but in the absence of any knowledge as to even what course is proposed, and especially in view of the element of uncertainty which lies in the failure of the transporters to arrange definitely for the tonnage of the individual operators, the market generally speaking, at sea as to which course to follow.

It is exceedingly desirable that some decided step should be taken early in April in order that the spring trade may not be injured. Indeed, the prosperity of the industry for the entire year is at stake, for unless an orderly action during this and the next two months would have an injurious effect upon prices for fall and winter business.

INDICATE A FAVORABLE YEAR.
 The conditions which exist in the anthracite coal market today indicate an exceptionally favorable business year. A wise course is followed by the mining and selling companies. There are the best of reasons for hoping, and indeed exciting, that the tonnage which will be taken by the market will be largely in excess of the amount shipped last year, and this, at a price materially above that now prevailing in the market.

Necessarily, everything will depend upon a strict compliance with the law of supply and demand, which will result in shipments are so much in excess of the consumption that there remains a surplus which will be moved at lower prices than in previous years. This may be set aside, but otherwise, if the selling companies have profited by their expensive experience of past years and strictly adhere to what they themselves admit is the only proper course, then the betterment will come. The critical months will be May, June and July, especially the latter two. If, in these, the tonnage is kept within the consumer's needs and prices are firmly maintained, the fall months will require the usual tonnage and, most important, will show a normal increase.

Success or failure depends, as it has in past years, upon the selling companies. Everything is in their favor to carry the year's business to a profit, and in the market, while taking but little coal at the present moment, has light stocks to draw upon. In the New England states there is already a demand for increasing movement which, if carefully fostered, can be made to increase to an average of spring sales. Interior points in the Middle states are carrying light stocks and waiting an assurance of higher fall prices before laying in a larger supply, while in the west, the stocks are practically depleted, and would have been entirely so but for the large increase in shipments of all-rail coal.

THEY ARE UNCERTAIN.
 Purchasers are everywhere uncertain as to which is the safe course to follow. Their experience last year, and in those which preceded it, was that stocks laid in at spring prices depreciated in value when the fall months approached.

On the other hand, they realize that with conditions so favorable for a steady and permanent advance as they are now, it is almost incredible that the selling companies should not take such an opportunity to regain their position, and in strengthening the market, to reimburse themselves for the many and serious losses of past years.

LUZERNE'S NEW COURT.
 The Commissioners Have Finally Decided Upon Plans.

The county commissioners of Luzerne county have decided on plans for the proposed new court house. The plans were those marked "No. 22" and were submitted by Frederick J. Osterling, of Pittsburg.

The commissioners and the advisory board carefully inspected the thirty-six sets of competitive plans. One by one the least worthy of the plans were dropped until the contest narrowed down to six sets, which were designated by number and afterwards turned out to be those of the following architects: F. J. Osterling, of Pittsburg; Albert H. Kipp, McCormick & French, J. H. W. Hawkins and Davey & Williams, of Wilkes-Barre, and Hazlet-Hurst & Huckel, of Philadelphia. A few days ago the advisory board carefully inspected the thirty-six sets of competitive plans.

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board and commissioner Gainsy picked No. 19 as the one most desirable, and Commissioners Hay and Jones selected No. 22, although it was not known at that time whose plans were designated by these numbers. The advisory board had no vote in the official selection. The greatest length of the building is 150 feet, each wing being 75 feet in width, making a total of about 26,000 square feet covered by the building, which would be equal to a building about 160 feet square. The building proper is three stories in height, not including the ground story. The rooms being large and of ample size are planned with a view to accommodate the needs of the county for at least fifty years.

"Things Ill Gotten Are Ill Spent."

This is true of the man whose physical condition has forced him to call upon his nerves to make good the depletion of the rest of his system. The overdrawn business man is overdrawn because he lacks proper capital. The capital of the physical man is pure, wholesome, life-giving blood.

Make this capital for yourself and do not overdraw. The best blood-giving banker is Hood's Sarsaparilla. It lends and gives interest, too. You cannot beat that. If your physical bank account is low, see what this banker will do for you. It never disappoints.

Rheumatism—A few bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla entirely cured my sufferings from rheumatism. Later on it stopped dyspepsia from which I suffered intensely. I can eat anything now. Wm. A. BUCKLEY, 144 Summer St., East Boston, Mass.

Scrofula—When three months old my baby Roy was covered with itching and burning scrofula sores. The best physicians failed to relieve. Hood's Sarsaparilla saved his life as it made a permanent cure. Mrs. LILLIE M. FISH, East Springfield, Mich.

Stomach Troubles—Two years suffering from indigestion made me weak, run down, with severe headaches. Life was a burden to me until I took Hood's Sarsaparilla which cured me. It makes my children strong and healthy. Mrs. M. BACH, 611 2d St., N. E., Minneapolis, Minn.

Indigestion—I now have a good appetite, eat and sleep well, and my dyspepsia and indigestion have left me. The reason is I took Hood's Sarsaparilla which entirely cured me. I am Baggage Master on the B. & O. Railroad. THOMAS COLES, 119 Carr St., Sandusky, Ohio.

Blood Poison—At 12 I had one disease and used crutches. Doctor prescribed and wanted to scrape it. My grandfather gave me Hood's Sarsaparilla. After taking four bottles I threw away my crutches, am well and go to school. CHARLES CAMPBELL, 1216 Ontario Ave., Niagara Falls, N. Y.

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