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PERSONAL

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ARE OUT OF TOWN.

Lieut. Davis and Patrolman Neuls attending court at Pottsville. Lieutenant of Police John Davis and Patrolman Charles Neuls are in Pottsville at present testifying in the case of a couple of men, arrested here last summer, for stealing a large number of razors.

To the Members of the Republican City Committee. The members of the Republican City committee will meet at the Central Republican club rooms, Price building, Washington avenue, Thursday, Jan. 12, at 8 p. m.

Bargain Day

Every day will be Bargain Day till all of the stock of THE LACKAWANNA HARDWARE COMPANY is sold.

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THREE JUDGES ARE NOW PRESIDING

JUDGE SAVIDGE CAME HERE TO LEND ASSISTANCE.

He is in the Arbitration Room, where the case of Fred Hugg against Hagen & Son is on trial. Large amount of expert testimony heard in the case of Connor against the Scranton Traction Company—Verdict returned in favor of John S. Miller.

Judge C. R. Savidge, of Northumberland, came up here yesterday to give Judge R. W. Archibald and Judge H. M. Edwards assistance in disposing of the cases of this week.

In 1896, Fred Hugg leased, so it is claimed, a lot of property, including a horse, to T. W. Hankeys with the agreement that when he had paid rent in a sufficient amount to cover the value of the property he should own it outright.

Before the expiration of the lease Hankey confessed judgment to Dr. Wilbur, of Moscow, whereupon Dr. Wilbur issued an execution, had the sheriff sell the property and bought it in himself.

The doctor subsequently sold the horse to Hagen & Son and now Hugg, the original owner, is claiming the horse, under the contention that there was no sale to Hankeys, but simply a lease. The case was called for trial previously, but owing to a technicality it was interrupted. C. H. Roper appears for the plaintiff and George D. Taylor for the defense.

THE CONNOR CASE. All of yesterday the jury sworn to try the case of Patrick Connor of Pittston, guardian of the minor daughters of the late Patrick O'Boyle, was bombarded by expert testimony introduced for the purpose of showing that the flash which is alleged to have frightened Patrick O'Boyle on June 19, 1896, was caused by a fall of jump off the car and resulted in injuries that led to his death, is in no wise dangerous and not an indication of any defect in the machinery.

When court opened in the morning Thomas Miller, the master mechanic of the Scranton Railway company, again took the stand and was subjected to a very rigorous cross-examination at the hands of the attorneys for plaintiff.

General Manager Frank Shillman testified that the Westinghouse controller used on the car on which O'Boyle was a passenger, was the best known in 1896 and is the best known in the world of electricity today.

Elias M. Jones, of Wilkes-Barre, was engineer at the power house of the defendant on the night of June 19, 1896. He said there was no short circuit evident at the power house on the night of June 19. If the short circuit had been serious or lasted for any length of time the fuses would have burned out in the power house and that would have been recorded in a book kept for the purpose.

EXPERTS TESTIFY. George W. Millington, of Wilmington, Del., who in 1886 was chief engineer of the Scranton Traction Company, gave similar testimony with reference to the absence of any report of a short circuit from the Washington avenue line on the night of the accident. He said flashes from the controller box are of frequent occurrence, but are never dangerous. Up to date no means of preventing these flashes has been discovered.

Frederick Platt, of the Scranton Electric Construction company, and Charles Duffy, chief mechanic of the Scranton Illuminating Heat and Power company, gave similar testimony. They said the light from these flashes might brightly illuminate the front platform of a car, but the flame could not possibly extend for more than a few inches from the controller box.

These opinions were reinforced by that of E. A. Wildt, the chief engineer of the Scranton Railway company. He was quite positive that a person standing two feet from the controller box could not have his coat burned.

Michael Lynch, one of the most experienced motormen in the employ of the Scranton Railway company, testified that flashes from the controller box are frequent and harmless. He described how they are caused. After his examination was finished, court adjourned for the day.

THE ANNUAL MEETING. Of congregation of All Souls' Universalist Church. The annual meeting of the congregation of the All Souls' Universalist church was held last evening in the church, at the corner of Adams avenue and Pine street.

Rev. O. B. Hardsley, the pastor, presided. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Secretary, Mrs. A. B. Nichols; treasurer, T. L. Stewart; trustee, Mrs. Joseph Danner. The financial report presented by the treasurer showed the receipts for the year to be \$967.57, and the disbursements, \$939.57.

SMOKER AND EUCHE GIVEN. Enjoyable Affair at the Club Rooms of Elks Last Night. The members of the Scranton Lodge of Elks, last night, came together at the club rooms on Franklin avenue, and spent a very pleasant evening, first indulging in a euchre game and then in a smoker and luncheon.

NEW TELEPHONE BUILDING. Is to Be Erected for the Green Ridge Exchange. Work was commenced yesterday on a new telephone exchange building to be located on Dickson avenue, near Green Ridge street. The building is to be completed by March 1, and will be 17x30 feet in size and one and a half stories high.

ELM PARK CHURCH. Fourteenth Organ Concert. The fourteenth concert in the series of organ recitals given by Mr. J. Alfred Pennington in Elm Park church will occur this evening at 8 o'clock, when Miss Aletha Turnbull, soprano, of Baltimore, will assist. Admission, silver offering.

WEAVER'S TESTIMONY. The first witness put on the stand after court opened was George Weaver, who was the local agent of the defendant company at the time Mr. Miller was insured. The company was at first inclined to refuse to accept Mr. Miller as a risk, but they eventually sent a policy to him, which embraced any injury he might sustain in serving civil writs in his official capacity as constable. Mr. and Mrs. Lee W. Nichols and the wife and daughter of the plaintiff gave unimportant evidence and the case was given to the jury with what practically amounted to instructions to find for the plaintiff, their verdict to be subject to a reserve point as to whether or not the evidence of George Weaver, the agent, was sufficient to show that the company actually did waive the provisions printed on the back of the policy to the effect that the company would not be liable for injuries intentionally inflicted upon the insured.

The jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$807.14. Next was called the case of the North End Lumber company against Dr. J. L. Griffiths, of Taylor. Hugh A. Howells erected a house for Dr. Griffiths and the plaintiff company sues to recover \$180 which it is alleged is due for lumber furnished for the house and which Dr. Griffiths agreed to be surety for. Only a small amount of testimony was heard up to the hour of adjournment.

Opinion by Judge Savidge. Judge C. R. Savidge, specially presiding, handed down an opinion yesterday in the case of Andrew Zaleski

TWO MORE SCHOOLS ARE TO BE CLOSED

THEY ARE NOS. 19 AND 21 OF WEST SCRANTON.

This Makes Five Schools That Pupils Are Denied Admission to. No. 35 Was Reopened Yesterday. Twenty New Cases of Contagious Diseases Were Reported to the Board of Health Yesterday—Committee Considering the Best Manner of Fumigating City Schools.

That the spread of diphtheria and scarlet fever in this city is not being lessened to any considerable extent was evidenced yesterday, when Health Officer and board of health, Nos. 19 and 21, on account of the large percentage of children in those two buildings who were down sick with either of the above-mentioned diseases.

Both of these schools are located in the western portion of Hyde Park, and from the number of cases in each school it would appear that these two diseases are prevalent in that section to a more alarming extent than any other in the city. At No. 19, at the corner of Jackson street and Rebecca avenue, ninety-five pupils are ill with contagious diseases, and at No. 21, which is located at the corner of Jackson street and Van Buren avenue, almost half of the scholars are afflicted with either diphtheria or scarlet fever. No. 25 was reopened yesterday.

The record book kept by the secretary of the board of health is being gradually filled up with the records of cases, just an even twenty being reported yesterday.

The committee appointed by the board of control to decide upon a means of disinfecting met yesterday afternoon in the office of the Health Officer and spent almost two hours in a discussion of the various methods of fumigating and disinfection. While the intention of Controller Langan, upon whose motion the committee was appointed, was to have it decide upon a means for fumigating the buildings now closed to the school, in the future, the members of the committee took a different view of the matter and are going to decide upon a means for fumigating the buildings permanently heretofore.

The committee decided yesterday to purchase of the various school buildings for the purpose of examining the methods of ventilation, etc., and expect to prepare a report for submission to the board of control at that body's next meeting.

In the meantime the formaldehyde method is being used in the school closed, the Scranton Bedding company and Barber & Townsend doing the work. Dr. Allen said yesterday that he deemed this the most thorough method of disinfection that science has yet devised.

KELLY RELEASED FROM JAIL. Ex-Alderman Took Out a Building Permit and Was Freed. Ex-Alderman John P. Kelly, who was sent to the county jail by Alderman John T. Howe, Tuesday afternoon, on his refusal to pay a fine imposed for violation of the city ordinance, by constructing a house without first obtaining a building permit, was yesterday released from confinement and the case discharged.

Building Inspector Jackson, who preferred the charge, yesterday withdrew it, the interested parties coming to an amicable settlement and the ex-alderman taking out a building permit. Mr. Kelly claimed that he had constructed the building, which is being constructed on the Newton road, to be located outside the city limits, and in fact there was considerable room for debate on this point.

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The officers of the company are Captain John Kambeck, First Lieutenant Elmer Berry and Second Lieutenant Guy Reiph.

Tomorrow night Company F, under Captain Stokes, will pass through the ordeal.

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ANNUAL MEETING THIS YEAR. There Will Be an Innovation in the Way It Will Be Conducted.

There will be an innovation this year with regard to the annual meeting of the managers for the Home for the Friendless. Heretofore this meeting has been held in the afternoon of the second Friday of the year. In view of the larger number of people who are now interested in the home it has been thought wise to give these friends an opportunity for hearing exactly what the institution is doing.

At the public meeting, A. J. Colborn, esq., will make an address, Mrs. E. J. Moffat will tell of the work of the past year and Mrs. Thomas H. Dale will give the treasurer's report. It will be a most interesting occasion. The meeting will be held in the hall of the Al-bright library. All friends and well wishers are urged to be present. Previously the members of the association will elect officers, coming together at 7 o'clock for this purpose. The association consists of the officers, managers and all annual and life members who contribute the membership fees of \$3.00 or \$5.00.

DESTROYED HIS EYE. George Norton Meets with a Terrible Accident in Duryea Mine. George Norton, of Avoca, a miner in the William A. colliery at Duryea, was yesterday morning taken to the Lackawanna hospital with his left eye in such a terrible condition that the use of it was entirely gone, and it had to be removed.

Norton, who is a young man of about twenty-one, was in the mine with a friend. The latter had a loaded revolver with him and, suddenly drawing it, said: "I am going to fire, just to give the boys a scare."

He did fire, but instead of aiming at the ground, shot straight into a wall of rock nearby. The bullet struck and splintered the edge of the wall. Either the cartridge itself rebounded or a splinter of rock flew back and struck young Norton in the eye. His eyelid was terribly cut, and the eye entirely destroyed.

He was later in the morning taken to the Lackawanna hospital, and after being received at the institution was operated upon.

SHOP WINDOW BROKEN. Attempt Made to Rob Michaelian Bros' Carpet Store. Yesterday morning the proprietors of the Michaelian Bros' carpet store on Washington avenue, on arriving at their place of business were surprised to find a large round hole in their shop window and on the inside of it good sized stones.

None of their property was taken, however, and it was considered probable that the malefactor, whoever he was, had been frightened off before he could secure any plunder. This is the third case within the last two months, where a window has been thrown through a show window, and an attempt at robbery made.

The first place was the jewelry store of K. Radin, when several small trinkets and articles of jewelry were taken. The next was Schlager's store on Washington avenue, at which place several penknives and other small articles were purloined.

A small tray of odd curios was in the window of the Michaelian Bros' store, and it is thought that it was on account of them that the attempt was made.

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