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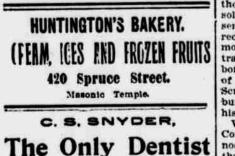


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RELEASED FROM THE "PEN."

Bogart and Schlager Burglars Are at Liberty.

C. J. Beard, alias James Riley, and LeRoy Karl, two of the five men implicated in the burglary of Garrett Bogart's residence, were released from Eastern penitentiary Saturday, after having served sentences of two years and three months each. John Williams and Miles Stacey, two other

of the quartette, served a year and three months each. The fifth man, James Daly, got off with a year in the county jall. Joseph Desmond, alias Joseph Walsh;

John Harris and James Murphy, the trio convicted of robbing the Schlager cutlery and novelty store on Wash-ington avenue, were also released after aving served three year terms.

George Beams, another Lackawanna convict set at liberty, served two years and three months for the robbery of the residence of Julia Ayers, of Carbondale. Joseph Zipay finished a two years' sentence, imposed for stabbing Josenh Rotel.

TEMPORARY SETBACK.

Controller Howell Refuses to Certify the Contract for Electric Street Lighting for the Present.

The awarding of the electric lighting contract to the Scranton Electric Light and Heat company for a period of ten years has received a mporary setback from Controller Howell, who refuses to certify the contract until furnished with a written opinion by the city solicitor stating that it is perfectly legal and correct. Mayor Moir, soon after arriving at his office in the municipal building yes-

to the ordinance granting the Scranton company the contract.

After the ordinance had been signed the contract was prepared in the city solicitor's office and upon being pre-sented to President W. W. Scranton received his signature. Later in the morning Mayor Moir signed the contract also. The company also filed a bond with the city solicitor in the sum of \$25,000, the bondsmen being W. W. Scranton and Robert Reeves. Mr. Vosburg approved this bond by affixing his signature.

When the contract was presented to Controller Howell early in the afternoon for his certification he decided that he would not sign it until he had secured a written opinion from the city solicitor as to its legality. He accordingly filed with the latter a request for such an opinion and Mr. Vosburg replied that he would endeavor to prepare one some time today.

There are three objections raised by he controller against the contract. first is that, according to Section IV, Article 6, of the act of assembly governing third-class cities, no con-tract for "any work to be done for the ity shall be let to any but the lowest bidder." The question that arises here is as to the legal construction of the phrase "any work." This objection is not considered very-serious.

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OPENING OF THE FEDERAL COURT

TRUE BILLS ALREADY RE-TURNED BY GRAND JURY.

Wellington Lavelle, of Honesdale, and John B. Gansel, of Munsey Valley, Sullivan County, Are on Trial, Charged with Making and Having Counterfeit Money in Their Possession-An Effort Made to Have the Dickinson and the Martin Trespass Suits Continued.

had no wish to be mixed up in any

THE CIRCUIT COURT.

In the action of trespass of Anna Dickinson against Dr. James E. Ogelsby, of Danville, an application was yesterday made for a continuance. When the case was called ex-Judge W. H. Jessup presented a letter from Hodge & Ferguson, of New York, Miss Dickinson's attorneys, asking for a continuance, on the ground that they did not have sufficient notice that the case would be tried at this term. The application was opposed by Attorney lames Scarlett, of Danville, who, with A. J. Colborn, jr., of this city, repre-sents the defendant. Judge Buffington will not pass upon the matter of continuance until Thursday. Miss Dickinson sues Dr. Ogelsby for damages because he signed a certificate as a physician at the Danville asylum at the time she was incarcerated there, which set forth that she was insane.

An effort was also made to get a continuance in the case of Michael T. Walsh, executor of the estate of Patrick Butler, deceased, against the Royal Mutual Union Life Insurance company, of Des Moines, Iowa, on the ground that Dr. A. P. O'Malley, of Wiles-Barre, an important witness for the defense, is too ill to come into court. A certificate to that effect was not furnished and an attachment was issued for Dr. O'Malley. Attorney George M. Watson, of this city, made the motion for a continuance and it was opposed by Attorney W. S. Mc-Lean, of Wilkes-Barre. When the return is made on the attachment for Dr. O'Malley court will decide whether

THE MARTIN CASE

terday admitted to practice in the

United States courts: James H. Shea.

of Luzerne county, and Clarence L.

Peaslee, of Lycoming county, on mo-

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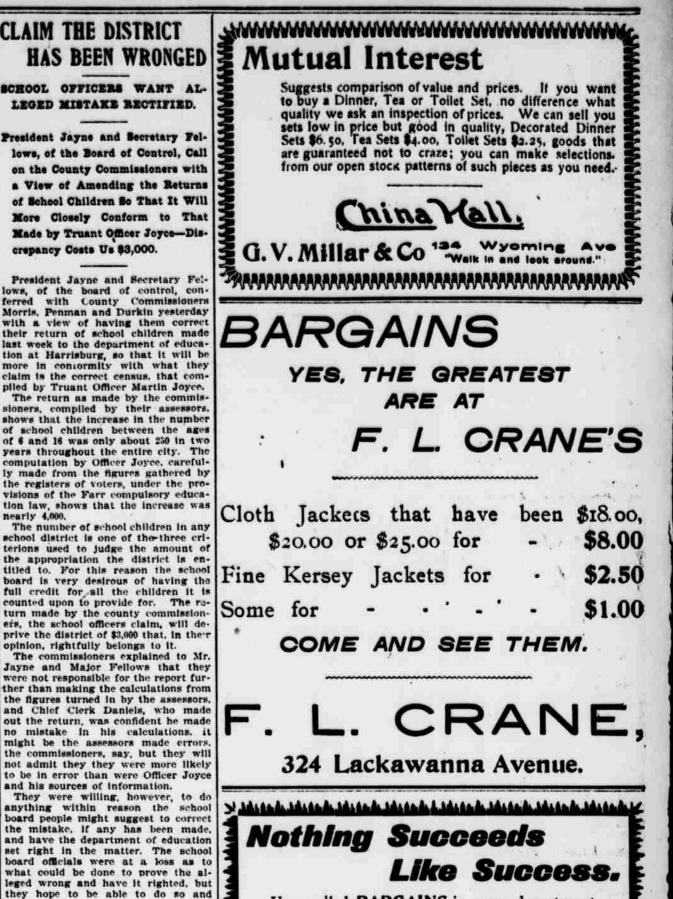
Owner Was Ten Feet Away.

About 9.15 o'clock last night he went

mmediately set about the work of

or not the case is to go over.

were yesterday afternoon nominated Another case in which an application for a continuance was made was John T. Martin against the Delaware and Hudson Canal company. He was ina collision at the Diam crossing while a passenger in a Dela-There were two past grands present ware and Hudson train and sues for from each of the eighteen lodges in \$100,000 damages. He is represented the district and the present district by Major Everett Warren, O'Brien & deputy, A. A. Vosburg, presided. The Kelly and Nathan Vidaver. Ex-Judge other candidates for the nominations were James Metz, of Moosic, and C. W. H. Jessup, who appears for the Delaware and Hudson, asked for a F. VanNort, of Robert Burns lodge. continuance, on the ground that Lewis The election will be held on the last E. Carr, of Albany, N. Y., the general meeting night of the month and all counsel of the Delaware and Hudson, past grands in the district are entitled who wants to assist in the trial of the to a .vote. case, cannot reach this city before The following standing committee of Friday on account of other cases in



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In the United States court room in the Federal building the annual ses-sions of the United States district and circuit courts opened yesterday morn-ing with Judge Joseph Buffington, of the United States district court, on the

bench. Judge Acheson, of the circuit court, will not be here, being engaged in the United States court of appeals. The session of the district court will be short, as only a few cases are to be tried. The circuit court, or civil list, will not be taken up until the district court cases are disposed of in some manner. After the court was formally opened

yesterday morning Judge Buffington charged the grand jury and appointed Attorney William McKennon, of Pittsburg as its foreman. It at once retired to its quarters on the third floor of the building, where cases were pre-sented to it by Assistant United States District Attorney John B. Myers. During the day the following true bills were reported by the jury: Welling-ton Lavalle, of Honesdale, and John

R. Gansel, of Munsey Valley, Sullivan county, two indictments, making counterfeit coin and having counterfeit coin in their possession; Wellington Lavalle, passing counterfeit coin; James Scanlon, of Luzerne county, passing counterfeit coin; Charles Moran, breaking into a postoffice at

Nanticoke, Luzerne county, and carrying away government property. terday morning, affixed his signature LAVALLE AND GANSEL ON TRIAL

> As soon as the grand jury had reported Lavalle and Gansel were put on trial in the cases in which they are

jointly indicted for making and having counterfeit coin. United States District Attorney Daniel B. Heiner conducted the case for the government and C. L. Peaslee, of Williamsport, appeared for Lavalle and W. M. Stevens, also of Williamsport, for Gansel, Lavalle's attorney requested that the decondants be tried separately, as their lefenses would in no way be identical. The request was opposed by Mr. Hiner. who said the men were indicted jointly because they are charged with the same transaction and the government's testimony against both men was in a sense identical. Judge Buffington decided that the men would have to

be tried together. The case was put on trial at 2.30 and consumed the time of the court until it adjourned at 6). m. It is a case with some rather peculiar features. Gansel alleges that he

was acting as a detective to catch Lavalle at the instance of Constable Robert Hess, of Munsey Valley, and Lavalle as positively declares that he was innocent of any wrong doing: that the whole plan to make counterfeit money originated with Gansel and was

arried out by them even to the manufacture of the rather crude coins which

story. He said that about Oct. 10 last CLAIM THE DISTRICT Gansel came to him and asked him to send for babbit metal, block tin and plaster of paris. He said he wanted hem to manufacture masons' plum! bobs. Un Oct. 21 Gansel invited Lavalle to accompany him on a coon hunt. They started out, but did not do anything that night. It was then arranged for the following night and Lavalle, at Gansel's request, took with him a bag to carry apples. In this he

placed his revolver. When he started out with Gansel the latter had neither dog nor gun with him and Lavalle suggested that it was a queer way to go coon hunting. Gansel replied that he had traps set in the mountains. When they got up in the mountain Gansel built a fire and after a time undertook the task of manufacturing spurious coins. Lavalle

such transaction and left his companion. Lavalle's attorney in opening to the jury said they would show that Gansel while in the Lycoming county jail after his arrest told a number of persons that Lavalle was not guilty of counterfeiting. Lavalle was on the stand when court adjourned for the day. His cross-examination will take place today. The following witnesses from Honesdale yesterday testified that he was a man of good reputation and honest: W. W. Weston, Harvey Bish-op, John J. Smith, W. P. Schenk, John Penwarden and George Ross. The following witnesses, in addition to Con-stable Hess, testified for the government: Burt Craft, Munsey Valley; A. J. Bradley, district attorney of Sullivan county: Herman Mitlendoffer, Munsey Valley: John Biggar, Munsey Valley; nugh J. Schaffer, Munsey Valley; Philip Riter, North Mountain, Sullivan county; William Flynn, secret service officer

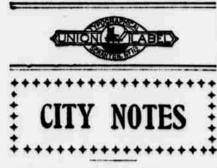
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LECTURE THIS EVENING. - This evening the Rev. James Hughes will lecture at 8 o'clock on the "War in South Africa" in the Second Presbyterian Africa" in the i church in this city.

PAT-DAYS .- The Delaware and Hudson company paid yesterday on the Honesdale branch and at the Racket Brook mines, Carbondale, The Lacka-wanna trainmen will be paid today.

MEETING OF CHAUTAUQUA. meeting of the Jewish Chautauqua cir-cle was held last evening at the home of Moris Goldsmith on Wyoming avenue. It was well attended and much interest was manifested.

APPOINTED CHIEF MUSICIAN. Robert Bauer, leader of Bauer's band, has been appointed chief musician of the Thirteenth regiment by Colonel Watres. Nearly all of the members of the band been sworn into the command

SHELDON'S PAPER .- Scranton people will be glad to know that they will be able to procure copies of the Rev. Charles M. Sheldon's edition of the Topeka Cap-ital at Jonas Long's book department during the week. The first issue ought to reach here by Thursday.

DEMONSTRATIVE LECTURE .- Tues day, March 20, at 3 p. m., Miss Kate L. Smith, teacher of domestic science at the Young Women's Christian association, will give a demonstrative lecture at the mail admission fee will be charged.

MINSTREL REHEARSAL -The participants in the Beranton Liederkranz minstrel performance which is to be siven in this city in the latter part of March, held a rehearsal last night in Music hall. Everything passed without a hitch and the performance promises to e a great success

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION. - The DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION. - The Democrats of the Third legislative dis-trict will convene at the St. Charles to-tel on Wednesday. March 21. at 2 p. m., to elent delegates to the Democratic state convention at Harrisburg. The primaries will be held on Saturday, March 17, at the usual polling places.

BUNAWAY ON PINE STREET .- Dr.

the contract is for a period of ten years and the third one is that the ordinance awarding the contract provides for no

appropriation. This last objection is the only one generally thought to carry any weight. It is definitely known, however, that the controller will not certify for ten years but for one only, as in the case of the Barber Asphalt company's contract.

THE CARBIDE'S NEW PLANT.

Covers Ten Acres of Land and Gives Employment to 650 Hands.

Perhaps the building of the enormous plant of the Union Carbide company is the biggest development of a single industry. The use of acetylene gas has been so rapid in development that the great plants of this company have burst from successive shells as fast as they were made. The new plant

which covers ten acres and gives employment to 650 men is a big single factor in the growth of Niagar. The new buildings of this concern are seen first of all by the incoming visitor from Buffalo and are a familiar sight to recent tourists. It is one of the most remarkable plants in the world.

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Work on the French-Hickman Flax Fiber plant will soon be resumed. The plant will then be pushed to completion and before many months it will be in full operation.

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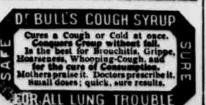
Those interested in the company have not been idle in the meantime however, and now things ary in such shape that operations will soon be resumed. One of the men directly interested in

the work of constructing the local plant stated to a Gazette representa-tive that the sum of \$125,000 has already been expended in the local work and that before it is completed \$150,000 more will have to be spent. This will bring the total cost of the

local plant up to \$275,000 which is an enormous figure. The French-Hickman Flax Fiber Co. already has a plant in operation in North Dakota. It is a branch concern

to the local plant, which, when com-pleted, will be the chief works of the company. The North Dakota plant is designed for the express purpose of supplying the flax fiber for the local plant and it is here that the material will be

converted into paper. The North Dakota plant has been in operation for some little time. The cost of its construction and equipment was \$55,000, and most of the money for it was provided by English capitalists .- Niagara Falls Gazette, March 10, 1900.



were produced by them, but which they made no effort to pass. STORY OF THE CASE. Lavalle is a traveling photographer, who makes his home in Honesdale, where he has a wife and eight children. In winter he conducts a photograph gallery at Honesdale and in the summer he goes out to the small country towns of the state and establishes his

gallery in a tent which he has transported from place to place. In Sepember last Lavalle and his tent made their appearance in the little village of Munsey Valley in Sullivan county and there he made the acquaintance of John B. Gansel, who is a stone mason, and somewhat of a performer on the violin. Lavalle also does some execution on that instrument, and this seems to be the primary bond which brought the men together. A little later they discovered that Lavalle's wife and Gansel are distant relatives. Gansel's story of what happened after they be came well acquainted is substantially as follows:

Lavalle broached to him the project tion of James Scarlett: B. F. Tinkof making counterfeit money, and after ham, of Lackawanna county, and A. some persuasion he agreed to assist in J. Bradley, of Sullivan county, on mothe work. On the night of October 21 tion of C. W. Dawson. it was decided to go up in the mountain and make some coins. They had to pass Gansel's house on the way and when they reached it Gansel went in. His wife would not let him out again

and the idea of making coin had to be abandoned for that night. About the time that Lavalle first broached avenue jeweler and milliner, was last the matter of making spurious money night plundered by some nimble-fin-Gansel told Constable Hess about the gered and exceedingly nervy crook. Mr. Tobey's place of business is locatmatter and the latter advised him to go on and get some evidence against ed at 141 Penn avenue and his show Lavalle. case is outside the door.

ESTABLISHED A MINT.

out of the store and found that the Gansel met Lavalle on Oct. 22, the glass of his case had been broken and day following, and explained to him that his wife would not let him out through the hole thus made . ten watches had been abstracted, which on the previous night. They agreed Mr. Tobey claims averaged in value to go to the mountain that night. about \$10. Gansel borrowed Constable Hess' over-The theft probably occurred between coat and about 7 o'clock they started 8 and 9 o'clock and must have been for the village, Lavalle carrying a bag. done with rare skill and despatch. The After they got up in the mountain they built a fire and Lavalle took police authorities were notified and metals and a mould from the bag and finding a clue. The hole made in the proceeded to melt the metals and cast glass was a very small one of such a half dollars and quarters. They made size that it would only admit two or nine coins, but six of them were poor three fingers of an ordinary hand and and were thrown back into the pot. That ended the night's wors. Gansel the supposition is that either the thief was a young and small boy or that possessed himself of one of the moulds he used some instrument by means of by representing that he wanted to which the watches were removed. make some changes in it. This he turned over to Constable Hess about 2 o'clock the next morning, together with one of the coins. The next day Lavalle was arrested and a few days later Gansel was taken into custody by Secret Service Officer William

Flynn, on information furnished by Lavalle Constable Hess corroborated Ganse in some respects, although he denied that he had requested Gansel to engage in the counterfeiting. He told of getting the mould and coin from Gansel and of other moulds and pieces of metal found on the site of Lavalle's tent after it was moved away and of similar finds at the spot in the moun-tain where Gansel said the coins were

manufactured. He said that Gansel told him when they were going to make coins and asked that they be followed and arrested, as he was afraid Lavalle would kill him because he was opposed to the idea of engaging in counterfeiting. Lavelle tells an altogether different

arrangements was also appointed at which he is engaged. resterday's meeting: Joseph Oliver. Judge Buffington did not allow the Fred Kirchoff and Charles VanNort. continuance, but said he would hold the case back as long as possible, and

it there are cases enough to keep the court going it will not be taken up be-72c. Dissolution Sale price of Ladies' \$1.50 Fine Dress Shoes. Morris Bros. fore Friday. In the meantime the de-330 Lackawanna avenue. fendant company must pay the expenses of the plaintiff's witnesses who are in the city.

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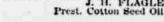
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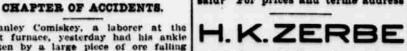
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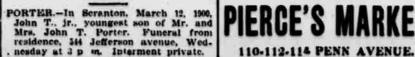
General Office, Scranton, Pa.



Stanley Comiskey, a laborer at the blast furnace, yesterday had his ankle broken by a large piece of ore falling on it. He was taken to the Moses Taylor hospital, and there received treatment. H. Fritz, one of the employes at the Citis works vesterday had his hand 507 Prescott Ave., Scranton.

Cliff works, yesterday had his hand badly injured by catching it in one of the machine straps. He went to the Lacka-wanna hospital and there had his hand, which was badly lacerated, attended to, Pierce's Market Mrs. Oakley, of Priceburg, was yester day received at the Lackawanna hos Springers, Ducks and Squabs; also Rock-away, Maurice River and Blue Point Oyspital and had a needle removed from her hand. She had accidentally run it into the flesh and it had become embedded there, causing great pain. ters: Everything the market affords in

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