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CITY NOTES

ACCUSED OF THREATS, - Squire Cooney, of Dunmore, last night committed to the county ail, Patrick Larko, who is charged with

PAY DAYS.—The Delaware and Hudson Bail-road company yesterday paid the trainmen north f this city, and the employes at the Carbon-

FOR COMMON COUNCIL, -P. G. Krugermann has announced himself as a candidate for the Republican nomination for common council the Thirtcenth ward.

POCKET GUIDE.-The December issue of the Scranton Pocket Guide and Business Directory will be issued today, it contains very import-ant changes in time tables, street railway schedules, etc. Be sure and get a copy.

DONATION DAY .- Donations will be received was a generous response vesterday, but as many of the friends of the mission were unable to send their donations yesterday, the manager with be on hand again today to receive them.

THREATENED HIS MOTHER, -- George Marstall, of Carbondale, a middle-aged man, was last night committed to the county jail by Alderman Williams, on the charge of threats pre-ferred by his aged mother. The latter alleges that her sen threatened to kill her and burn

A CHIMNEY FIRE.-A chluncy fire in house at 314 Phelps street, occupied by James Mullarkey and family, caused a deal of excitement but very little damage yesterday afternoon at 5.10 o'clock. The central city companies responded to an alarm from box 62 and succeeded in extinguishing the flames before much

MASS MEETING OF TRADESMEN,-There will tional Committeeman Fred Dilcher, of the Uni-ted Mine Workers of America, and a number of out of town and local labor leaders will deliver laddresses, and a musical programme, has also been against 15th meeting with in public.

CONSOLLY & WALLAGE DECORATIONS -THE "Spirit of Christmas" who presides over the tomping a Wallace store these days is a charming automobile girl, who is poised hard dainty decountions in the dome of the store. In her

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right hand she wields a coach whip and with her left guides by long red ribbons the different departments. The ribbons are connected at the different counters with beautiful standards of wreaths bearing the names of the departments. The display and decorations of the men's furnishing department are most striking. Both designs are the work of the store illustrator,

BUY YOUR OWN CHERRIES, -At the Pent Avenue Baptist church on Sunday evening, the paster, Rev. Dr. Pierce will repeat his sermen on the topic, "By Your Own Cherries or the Price of a Drink," It will be remembered that this sermon was given something over a year quently referred to as one of the greatest object sermons ever given in this city. After making many very and drawings showing the evils of in-temperance. Dr. Pierce spread a large table win many objects, which could be purchased with the "price of a drink." The church should be rowded again, as all who heard the sermon beore will be present, and many others should be here. Temperance piedge cards will be pre-

BUSINESS DONE BY LOCAL POSTOFFICE

Profit of the Government in the Scranton Postoffice Is 61 Per Cent.-Interesting Figures.

No better index to Scranton's growth can be found than the yearly reports furnished by the general auditor of the postoffice department, showing the business done at the lo-

cal postoffice. A record of these is kept by Assistant Postmaster Powell for every year since 1893 and there is a marked increase every year. The report for the fiscal year ending on June 30 last was received yesterday and shows that year to have been the biggest in the

history of the Scranton office. Assistant Postmaster Powell prepares a quarterly report every three months and from these reports the auditor's report is compiled. A resume of the one received yesterday

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It will be seen from the above figures that the percentage of the net revenue as compared to the gross receipts, or, in other words, the profit to the government from the Scranton postoffice, is 61 per cent., which is remarkably high, there being a great many post-

offices which do not even pay anything. The gross receipts since 1893 have been as follows: 1893, \$80,480.03; 1894, \$88,408.18; 1895, \$104,643.67; 1896, \$110,963,-09; 1897, \$122,593.58; 1898, \$142,865.96; 1899, \$143,738.58. It can be seen by these figures that the business done at the Scranton postoffice has been more than doubled in the past seven years. A comparison with other cities hav-

ing approximately the same population as this city is interesting. Fall River, Mass., with a population of 104,863, as compared to Scranton's 102,026, did a business for the last fiscal year of only \$80,000. Paterson, N. J., with a population of 105,171, did only \$83,817 worth of business for the same time. Memphis, Tenn., which has almost exactly the same population as this city, 102,-320, far surpasses us, having taken in \$229,900 for the year ending last June.

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NERUSHAS IS NOT GUILTY

THAT WAS THE VERDICT OF THE JURY.

He Was Charged with the Killing of John Miskus on March 18, 1896. Much Pleased with the Verdict and Warmly Thanked His Attorneys-Many Cases Tried Before the Three Judges-Constable Joseph Woelkers Tried Twice and Escaped on Both Occasions.

Simon Nerushas was returned not guilty yesterday morning of the murder of John Miskus in North Scran-ton on March 18, 1896. The jury retired at 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon and brought in its verdict at 10.30 yesterday morning.

On the first ballot, after the jury retired, it stood seven for acquittal and five for conviction of voluntary manslaughter. Ballots were taken a intervals up to 10.30 Thursday night, when the jury stood eleven for acquittal and one for conviction. Yesterday morning he was won over and the verdict of not guilty returned. As soon as the verdict was returned, Nerushas was called up and discharged. He was delighted with the verdict and warmly thanked his attorneys, Taylor & Lewis. Other cases acted upon during the day were:

JUDGE R. W. ARCHBALD.

The hearing in the case of Constable Joseph Woelkers, charging him with blasphemy, was resumed yesterday morning. Agents Wilson, Keene and Dodge, of the Municipal league, testified that on June 29 last they went to the South Side for the purpose of serving a warrant upon John Woelkers, the defendant's brother, for selling liquor without a license. As they were walking along Prospect avenue near the corner of Brook street, they were approached by the peace-conserving defendant, who not only endeavored to run them down with his horse and carriage, but hurled profane and blasphemous epithets at them, the latter being the basis of the present charge.

It appeared that the defendant was there for the particular purpose of notifying the keepers of speakeasies in his bailiwick of the presence of Wilson and the other detectives and that ne drove furiously through the streets calling out and ringing a gong attached to his wagon, in order to attract attention On Saturday last Woelkers was put under \$500 bail by the court in a surety case growing out of this transaction and his brother was convicted of the charge for which he was arrested on the day of the trouble. The jury, after a hard struggle, agreed upon a verdict of not guilty, the defendant to pay the

Some impersonators are more sucessful than William Hull, who was ried yesterday. The prosecutor, Henthe defendant and Constable Steve Gilby came to his place in Carbondale and threatened to arrest him and his wife on a criminal charge, offering, however, to settie for the sum of \$2. After hearing the prosecutor's testimony the court decided that a conviction could not be sustained and directed a verdict of not guilty.

Martin Burke was then placed on trial, charged with the larceny of a dog from the prosecutor, Overfield Coleman, of Green Ridge. The dog was a hunter valued at \$50. It was missed by the prosecutor in December, 1898, and in October last he found it in the possession of the defendant, who refused to give it up. At the hearing before the alderman the prosecutor said that the defendant admitted that he was satisfied that the former owned the dog, but that he had come by it honestly. After hearing the evidence the court directed a verdict of not guilty, it appearing that the defendant neither stole nor knew that the dog

had been stolen. Another case against Constable Joseph Woelkers was tried before Judge Archbald. This case grew out of the investigations made by the Lexow grand jury last spring and charges the defendant with misdemeanor in office. Edward Melvin, the South Side hotel-keeper, stated that in January last Woelkers came to his place and told him that unless he paid \$5 he would be "pinched" for running a slot machine, as the authorities were after It did not appear that any money had been paid to the defendant or that he solicited money for himself, and a verdict of not guilty was

taken. Anthony Carlucci was sentenced to \$25 and costs and Tomasso Siriano to \$10 and costs. They were convicted during the week.

JUDGE JOHN P. KELLY.

The trial of the case of Daniel Shea, William Gallagher and Martin Farrell, of Minooka, charged with malicious Mounted Pocketbooks, Reynolds Bros, mischief, was resumed in the morning. A verdict of guilty was returned, but the defendants were recommended to the mercy of the court.

A verdict of not guilty was taken in

case of Sidney Williams, charged with adultery. Mary Loftus was the prosecutrix. The costs were placed on he county.

Verdicts of not guilty were taken in he cases against Carrie Styles and Nora Bryden, charged with perjury by Constable Stephen Gilby, of Fell township. The county will pay the costs. The alleged perjury was the testimony of the women at a trial last November, which convicted Gliby of adultery Henry McDermott pleaded guilty to forgery and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$1, costs and directed to spend hree months in the county jail.

M. H. Linnen, of Carbondale, was re turned not guilty of selling liquor without a license, but directed to pay the costs. Frank Shumlel, of the same place, was returned not guilty of the same offense. Constable Henry H. Pierce was the prosecutor in both cases. Marion Kopfchinski pleaded guilty to assault and battery and will be sentenced today. The prosecutor was Chief of Police Robling. A not pros., on payment of the costs, was entered in the case of P. J. Gibney, charged by Edward B. Sturges with selling liquor

without a license and on Sunday. John Sheehan, of West Scranton, and Alice Jacoby were arraigned, charged with robbing T. W. Mansfield, of West Scranton, of a watch and some money in the White House, on Penn avenue, last October. Before the case had proceeded far it was apparent there was no evidence against the woman and a nol pros. was taken in her case. The case as to Sheehan will go to the jury this morning.

C. M. Jones was returned not guilty

of embezzling from E. S. Hardenberg, but was directed to pay the costs.

JUDGE DAVID CAMERON.

Mayor James Moir and the councilen of the city were on trial, indicted for maintaining a public nulsance in that they failed to keep a public street in the Twenty-first ward in good re-

The commonwealth failed to show that the road had ever been accepted by the city, either directly or by im-plication. When the commonwealth rested, Messrs. Vosburg, McGinley and Reynolds, attorneys for the defendants. moved for binding instructions. motion was granted and a verdict of not guilty was directed.

The case of the commonwealth against Mrs. Jennie Duffy, of Bridge street, for selling liquor without a license, was called for trial. The prose cution is conducted by the Municipal league, Colonel F. L. Hitchcock and F. E. Beers assisted Assistant District Attorney Soper. The defendant was represented by Attorneys Joseph O'Brien and W. W. Baylor. The case

went to the jury at adjourning hour. Verdicts of not guilty were taken in the following cases and the costs placed on the county: Mary Murphy, larceny and receiving, Minnie Dougherty, prosecutrix; Mrs. Coleman Loper. pointing pistol, T. J. Price, prosecutor, Mrs. Coleman Loper, obstruction of legal process, T. J. Price, prosecutor; Mrs. Coleman Loper, assault and battery, T. J. Price, prosecutor; William Utley, perjury, Almander Brown, pros-

In the following cases verdicts of not guilty were taken and the costs put on the defendant: T. Hunt Brock, selling liquor on Sunday, Thomas Levshon prosecutor; George S. Brock, selling liquor without a license, Thomas Leyshon, prosecutor: Annie Harwin, assault and battery, Pelogia Micholska,

Bevalacque hust Stand Trial.

It required the testimony of only three witnesses to convince Judge Edwards that Pasquale Bevelacque should be held to answer as an acessory to the murder of Mary Paul Rose, with which his wife is charged. The testimony was presented yesterday afternoon, at a hearing in haeas corpus proceedings by which Bevelacque's attorneys, George S. Horn and Frank E. Boyle, sought to secure their client's release from jail. Attorney Charles E. Daniels appeared

for the prosecution. Tony Rose, husband of the murdered woman, testified that on September 21, Bevelacque told him, during a quarrel, that he had given his wife a revolver, with in structions to kill him and Mrs. Rose

Nicoli Bicartt, a cousin of Mrs. Rose. swore that on the same day, in front of Cassesse's hotel, Eevelacque told him that his wife had gotten a revolver that morning, with which to shoot Mrs. Rose and that "pretty soon" she would shoot Rose, too.

Nana Nicoteri, a midwife, who attended Mrs. Bevelacque in October, about a month before the shooting told that while at the Bevelacque house, the husband came in and learning that Mrs. Rose had been there that day, flew into a rage and said, "Why didn't you kill her." Then, afterwards, showed Mrs. Nicoteri a revolver, and while displaying it. Bevelacque said to his wife: "Why do you think I have this revolver? What do you think I bought it for." This followed immediately a reference to Mrs. Rose's visit to the premises that day. Bevelacque accompanied the witess home about midnight and again talking about killing Mrs. Rose. It was brought out on cross examination that on this trip homeward, Mrs. Nicoteri was set upon by her protector and an attempt made to rob her, and that on account of this she

was not very well disposed towards It was also stated by Mrs. Nicoteri that she once overheard Bevelacque telling his wife that if she killed Mrs. Rose when she was inside the fence she would not have to pay a cent."

Rather Expensive Game.

Attorney H. M. Hannah yesterday instituted a \$10,000 trespass suit for William Repp, of Old Forge, against his neighbor, Francesco Cerro.

Two weeks ago Mr. Repp was engaged in felling a tree, which was near the dividing lines between his and Cerro's properties. Cerro claimed ownership of the tree and warned Repp to desist. Repp paid no heed to him, and while chopping at the tree, was laid low with a charge of birdshot fired from a gun held by Cerro. The suit is to recover for these personal injuries inflicted.

COURT HOUSE NEWS NOTES.

A petition for divorce was filed, yesterday, by Emma Waltz against her alleged runaway husband, Jacob Waltz. They were married Feb. 26, 1896. The alleged desertion took place Dec. 23, 1898. John F. Scragg is the libellant's attorney

RULE HAS BEEN MADE ABSOLUTE

OPINION IN LANGCLIFFE CASE BY JUDGE EDWARDS.

The Rule Granted Some Time Ago Compeling the Defendant to Produce Certain Books and Papers or Satisfy the Court Why They Cannot Be Produced Is Made Absolute. Full Text of the Opinion of the Judge with Reference to This

Judge H. M. Edwards handed down an opinion yesterday in a phase of the important litigation of the Langeliffe Coal company, limited, against the New York, Susquehanna and Western Coal company.

It was an application for a rule on the defendant company to produce certain books and papers used in connection with their dealings with the plaintiff, and Judge Edwards made the rule absolute. The opinion follows:

On the return of the rule in this case defendant made no formal answer and showed no battse against granting the order other than the argu-ment of counsel against allowing the relief sought by the plaintiff. At the argument, the defendant was offered the opportunity of further time to make such answer as it deemed proper and show why the books and papers described in the plaintiff's petition could not be produced at the trial of the case. This opportunity was declined and the argument proceeded with on the papers as they were before us. Defendant claims the the petition is defective for want of certainty in the description of the papers desired. We think not.

The books and papers are sufficiently described -most of them with numistakable precision and the others with reasonable certainty. It is claimed that the provision of the act of February 27, 1798, are to a certain extent obsolete because of the practice prevailing in the courts by which books and papers in the possession of one or the other of the parties to a sait may be secured by the adverse party at the trial. Reference is made to a subpoena duces tecum, to the service of notice on the opposite party to produce books and papers and to the practice, now quite gen eral, of taking testimony of persons in other states by order of court, without resorting to the cumbersome method of interrogatories and a com-mission. Notwithstanding all these opportunities of securing evidence, the decisions of the highest court recognize that the act of 1798 is in full life and that its provisions may be invoked in a

proper case.

It is true that the privilege allowed by this act of assembly may be abused and that the party seeking its aid may undertake what is known as a "fishing excursion" into the enemy's country But this is no answer to the reasonable enforcement of the provisions of the act. Indeed, the act itself provides the means to prevent this. The order to produce books and papers will not be made without giving the adverse party full opportunity to answer.

It may be that the papers demanded have

been destroyed by fire or otherwise and cannot be produced; or, that, though in existence, they may be beyond the legal control of the party who is required to produce them; or, that they are not pertinent to the issues between the par ties to the trial. Such matters should be shown on the return of the rule. The defendant in the case at bar has given us no reason why the order prayed for should not be made, except such reasons as in law might be made on a demurrer to

the plaintiff's petition,
Exhaustive briefs have been submitted on botl. sides. We do not deem it necessary to cite authorities, but we refer to the case of Megargee versus Insurance Co., 15 Phil. 226, in which Judge Finletter as late as 1881 discusses the practice under the act of 1798, and cities the Supreme court cases bearing on the subject. Summariz-ing briefly our views as to the practice under the act, we say that on the return of a rule to pro-1. The averments in the petition. Are they made with reasonable certainty? Are the books and papers described with sufficient precision? 2. The materiality and pertinency of the books and papers demanded. 3. Are the books and papers in the possession

or under the control of the rule is taken? Our duty in the present case is clear. The rule granted Oct. 17, 1890, upon the defendant to show cause why certain books and papers described in the affidavit and petition of the plain-tiff should not be produced by the defendant on the trial of this case, or to satisfy the court why they cannot be produced, is made absolute.

Burgess Rees Gives Reasons.

Willlard, Warren & Knapp, attorneys for Burgess J. Willis Rees, of Old Forge, made a motion yesterday to quash the suggestion for a writ of mandamus to compel Mr. Rees to sign the electric light centract, which the councils are attempting to enter into with the Avoca Electric Light

company. Burgess Rees avers that the ordinance on which the contract is framed was never signed by him and consequently is null and void, and for that reason he cannot be compelled to sign the contract.

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