A DAY IN GARY LAND

WIDOW SCROMPSKI CLAIMS STEEL CITY'S PESTHOUSE.

Town Board Doesn't Know What It Will Do In the Matter.

The Gary town board has a problem to solve regarding its pesthouse which had disappeared from its location since last Friday.

For twelve months the building used for housing persons afflicted with contagious diseases stood on the bank of the Calumet river, south of the steel company's plant. Now it is nearly two miles to the south and resting on land owned by the Widow Scrompski. Not only that, but Mrs. Scrompski is living in the building, and claims to be the real owner.

Her friends advise her that the town cannot force her to give up the institution, although they do not see just what need she has for a pesthouse. Her neighbors threaten her with social ostracism, as they cannot call on her without shuddering at the thought of carrying away a few smallpox germs or a case of scarlet fever. Mrs. Scrompski replies that she bought the pesthouse for $25, and that it was thoroughly fumigated before she set up her home in it. More than that it has been months since the place sheltered a patient.

The pesthouse disappeared last Friday or Saturday, but its loss was not discovered until Monday, and it was not until yesterday that the town officials located in on Mrs. Scrompski's land. Two men had taken the building apart, loaded it on a wagon and carried it to the woman and sold it to her for $25.

ATTORNEY CARVER NAMED TO INSPECT COURT BOOKS.

Three Justices of the Peace in Gary Will Have Their Books Examined.

Attorney Carver, of the firm of Manlove & Carver, has been appointed by Trustee William Kunert to inspect the books of the local justices of the peace for the purpose of determining whether or not the necessary amount of money has been paid into the township and state.

This is a customary action and is provided for by law. On each person fined the township is entitled to 50 cents. The justices whose books will be examined are Judge A. C. Huber, P. L. Fitzgerald and H. A. Townsley. Attorney Carver expects to begin work in a few days.

NOTICE.

The election of trustees of Helm Encampment No. 356, I. O. O. F., for the year of 1908 will take place on Dec. 15, 1908, at Odd Fellows' hall, Gary. 2w

REMOVAL NOTICE

The Gasoline Electric Light & Supply Co. have removed from 2129 Broadway to 1076 WASHINGTON STREET between 11th Avenue and Michigan Central R. R.

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HEARD BY RUBE.

Gary was visited by several nice showers last night, which are the first symptoms that we may have a green Christmas.

Of course, if you really can't make a selection for us, an automobile is always an acceptable gift.

The next thing that Gary junk dealers will be carting away will be some of our modern three-story brick buildings.

Don't forget anxious fire laddies you will get all the real practice you want after a time.

Of course, stealing the pest-house wasn't so bad if the thieves only left the microbes behind.

Another real estate firm have opened their doors in Gary, which goes to show realistatically speaking the market can't be so dead.

A bachelor says that a mule is the most obstinate things on earth, but some men know better.

A number of Gary chicken fanciers went to Chicago last night to see the hen on at the Coliseum.

To the person sending the best prophesy on Gary for 1909 we will give one-as-nearly-as-good-as-new straw hat.

Our ice cream soda dispensers report that the sale of cold drinks has not been hindered at all by the warm weather.

A woman in a Gary store last night just had an awful time selecting her husband a Christmas present. She just couldn't decide between a handpainted jelly dish and a drawn work centerpiece. How pleased father will be.

There are several people in Gary who have already agreed to climb on the water-wagon.

GARY BRIEFS.

Attorney Clyde Hunter spent yesterday in Hammond on court business.

The Lady Maccabees of Gary were entertained last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Weber, who lives in the Schlitz building. A large number of the local organization were present and a very enjoyable evening was spent in games and music.

Miss Lena Maxon of Gary went to Chicago yesterday to spend a few days with friends.

The Fern Leaf club are being entertained this afternoon by Mrs. N. R. Wood of Broadway.

Shoe Sale on now. See the R. & Sz. Co. tf

The ladies of the Epworth League of the Methodist church are meeting this afternoon with Mrs. George Deuel of 716 Broadway.

The ladies of the Episcopal church have decided to continue their rummage sale in the Paine building on Broadway and Eighth avenue on Friday and Saturday of this week. A large number of articles were left over from the sale which was held last week and the ladies have added many other pretty things suitable for Christmas gifts to these, and will dispose of them at much less than their real value. The proceeds of the sale will go toward a worthy cause and all are asked to attend.

Benefit performances are being given tonight and Friday night at the Lyric theater for the benefit of the Ladies' Guild of the Episcopal church.

Cut prices on Rubber Ware at the R. & Sz. Co., Fifth avenue. tf

The Gary Bar association are scheduled to meet at the Gary hotel tomorrow night. Matters pertaining to the new superior court for Gary will be brought up for consideration.

The Gary school board will meet tonight for their regular monthly meeting and several matters of importance are expected to take place.

Wm. Whitlieb of Hammond was in Gary yesterday on business.

City Engineer A. P. Melton has been at Dunne Park for the past few days acting on the drainage board in looking up the most feasible method for running the ditch. The surveys in this region are now being made.

"Silver Dick" Elliott, the Elkhart banker, was in Gary yesterday on business.

The R. & Sz. for largest display of Christmas goods, Fifth avenue. tf

The next dance to be given by the Bigelow orchestra will be given on New Year's night. Bigelow's dances are getting more popular each time they are held and the dance New Year's will prove a big drawing card.

A Hard Case, Indeed.

A religious note from Parson Flatfoot's congregation, as recorded in the Chicago Daily News: Parson Flatfoot—"Mawnin', Sistah Snowball. How am Brudder Snowball dis mawnin'?" Sister Snowball—"He am powful bad dis mawnin', parson. De doctah done say he have a 'lignant ulster on his back, an' Ah's 'fraid he am gwine ter be a firm'd infidel."

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SEGREGATION TO BE DICCUSSED TONIGHT

Gary School Board Holds Bi-Monthly Meeting This Evening.

TEACHERS WILL MAKE REQUEST

Want Christmas Vacation to Begin Wednesday Preceeding the Holidays.

The regular bi-monthly meeting of the school board of Gary will take place in Superintendent W. A. Wirt's office on Fifth avenue and Broadway tonight at 7 p. m.

Several matters of importance are scheduled to come up for discussion, namely of which is the settlement of the colored school question and the location of the proposed school.

Robert Waynne Johnson, editor of the colored Press who has taken much interest in the matter of the segregation of the black and white school children in Gary, will apear before the meeting of the board tonight and ask that the location of the colored school be changed from the vicinity of the Dave Johnson boarding house, who since his liquor license expired, is said to be still conducting a disreputable place.

The matter of fixing the dates for the Christmas vacation for the teachers and school children of the public schools of Gary. It was first thought that the schools would be closed on Thursday, Dec. 24, but many of the teachers have asked that the schools be let out on Wednesday in order to allow a number of the teachers, who are not residents of Gary, to reach their homes the day before Christmas.

The board will also purchase furniture for the new portable school, which will open shortly, on Adams and Twenty-fourth avenues.

WILL SELL AQUA PURA

Hammond Distiller to Provide Pure Water Chaser.

John A. Dorman, a prominent farmer living near Hobart, has planned to begin the sale of a pure natural spring water in Gary, Hammond and East Chicago and the other cities of the north end early in the spring.

Associated with Mr. Dorman will be John E. Fitzgerald of Hammond and the two gentlemen will form a partnership and reap the benefits of the spring, which is located on Mr. Dorman's farm, about two miles south of Hobart. The spring water has a reputation for miles around and many automobilist make Mr. Dorman's farm their stopping place when passing his farm. Recent tests of the water have been made and it is said that the water is the finest natural water that can be found in the state.

There is no doubt that the spring water will find a ready sale next spring.

CIRCIUT COURT.

New Cases.

8152. Louise Zeitz vs. Engel Retchlag et al. Petition to sell real estate. Frank B. Pattee, attorney.

8153. Mathias Scholl vs. Matthias Reder et al. Quiet title. Fancher and Smith, attorneys.

8154. State of Indiana ex rel. Marshall E. Gallion vs. George N. Horst. Habeas corpus. Otto J. Bruce, attorney.

8155. McCoy-Wessling Hardware Co. vs. Albert P. Oser. Civil. Barr and Wheeler, attorneys.

8156. Melvin Mudge vs. Albert S. Hill. Foreclosure of mechanics' lien. Dwyer & Robinson, attorneys.

8157. Wood Lumber Co., a corporation, vs. Alfred R. Hoover and Lawrence Hoover. Civil. Hodges and Ridgley, attorneys.

8158. Henry A. Paine vs John McCormick et al. Foreclosure of mechanics' lien. Fetterer and Hall, attorneys.

8159. H. A. Paine Co. vs. George Kirsch et al. Foreclosure of mechanics' lien.

8160. Smith, Roper & Co. vs. Vito Stefanelli et al. Foreclosure of mechanics' lien.

8161. Mamie C. Stutzgrein vs. Charles Stutzgrein. Divorce. J. Frank Meeker ,attorney.

8162. Anna F. Allman and Jessie Allman Pattee vs. Hubbard Dunlevy et al. Quiet title. Frank B. Pattee, attorney.

8163. Ethel Marvin vs. Wallace J. Marvin. Divorce. G. C White, attorney.

Nature's Danger Colors.

The strong yellow and black marking of the European salamander is what is called a "warning" coloration, just as is the yellow and black outfit of the poisonous wasp. Animals learn to leave the yellow and black livery untouched, and tentative bites are thus avoided by the creatures so marked.

Nothing That Is Durable.

Man must be prepared for every event of life, for there is nothing that is durable.—Meander.

CONSTABLES FIND A HOME OF DESTITUTION

Mother of Five Children Is Driven Insane by Hunger and Care.

INFANT IS ALMOST FROZEN

Pitiable Conditions Found to Exist in Doodley Family at Indiana Harbor.

(Special to THE TIMES.)

Indiana Harbor, Ind., Dec. 17.—Half clothed and hungered by a fasting of four days Mrs. David Dooley and family were found living in a little house on Elm street, near One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, Monday evening. Mrs. Dudley has been proven mentally unsound by a commission in Judge G. E. Relland's court and will be taken to the insane hospital at Logansport as soo as the necessary documents arrive. The children, five in number, are now being cared for by neighbors, while Chief of Police Higgins and Constable Mueller of Indiana Harbor are doing all in their power to alleviate the suffering condition of the infant members of the family.

The discovery of the destitute family was made by Constable Mueller, who has been told that the woman was roaming about the prairies south of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, almost naked, and carrying with her an infant daughter, 4 months old. On going to the place the woman immediately began to rave and the local official was soon convinced that the woman was demented. "I know you," she cried, as she hugger her baby even closer to her breast. "You can burn me if you wish, but please don't hurt the baby!"

No Food in the House.

Accompanied by Constable Eisenberg, Mr. Mueller then made a trip to the woman's house. Here everything was the portrayal of disorder. Four other children, three boys and one girl, the eldest of whom was but 10 years old, answered the constable's greeting, and upon questioning them he learned that there had been no food in the house for almost a week. Milk and minor food articles were purchased and the children devoured them without waiting to thoroughly masticate them. Gulping down the milk and rolls they pitiously asked for more, but were refused lest the sudden break of their fast should make them ill.

Furniture for Firewood.

The larder of the home was empty, the children having eaten a few bread crumbs that had fallen on the shelf from time to time. Most of the furniture had been broken for firewood, and all that remained was a dilapidted couch, one bedstead and the kitchen stove, in which a few embers were kept burning from firewood gathered on the streets. Constable Mueller, as commissioner of the poor, for Indiana Harbor, gave the family orders for food, which was purchased at a local grocery, and the larder once more established. The woman was then removed to the city hall, while the children were given into the care of a neighbor, Mrs. George Ball, of Deodar and One Hundred and Thirty-eighth streets.

It was learned on investigation that David Dooley, the master of the house, has not worked for almost a year, in fact, since the fall panic in 1907. As agent for a phonograph concern he has not earned sufficient to maintain his family and was in the last throes of desperation when the officers came to his aid. Dr. C. C. Robinson was called and is attending the children.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

TOLLESTON.

Lot 39, block 47, in second Oak Park addition, Clear Title Land Co. to Ludwig Palko ..... $ 450

Lot 33, block 5, Oak Park addition, Evva C. Bryan to Claude B. Ridgley 350

SOUTH TOLLESTON.

Lots 16 and 17, block 11, M. B. Early to Marshall E. Gallion... 500

HAMMOND.

Lots 1 and 2, block 1, Stafford & Trankle's addition, Englehardt Ullrich to John E. Hussey..... 700

Lot 22, block 5, Birkhoff's addition, Englehardt Ullrich to John G. Stephan 600

Lot 42, block 2, Towle & Young's addition, Mary A. Reilly to Anna Miller 2,300

GARY.

Lot 25, block 5, Broadway addition, Martin B. Rosenthal to Rosa Langendorf 1,050

Section 24-36-10 W—Part—1 acre, John Fredrick Kutzbach to Pier William Jongama..... 150

Section 16-35-9 W—Lots 1, 2, 3, 5, NE ¼ NE ¼ 16-35-9, Scherville, Peter Kolling to Peter Neudorf 1,800

Section 25-34-10 W—Part SE ¼ NE ¼; section 30-34-9 W—Part fraction W ½ NW ¼, Albert Maack to Alfred Schmal 1,000

Section 8-34-8 W—Part NE ¼, Henry Rietman to Anton Husemann 2,050

Section 8-34-8 W—Part S ½ SW ¼, Henry F. Siebach to August Riechers 5,750

Section 16-35-9 W—Undivided ½ north 30 acres E ½ SE ¼; section 15-35-9 W—N 30 acres N ½ SW ¼ and part W ½ NW ¼, Lizzie Reder to M. Joseph Reiplinger 1,600

CHICAGO PARK.

Lot 26, block 10, Ryan's addition, J. G. Ryan to Marshall E. Gallion ..... ——

Lot 14, block 3, Ryan's addition, J. G. Ryan to Marshall E. Gallion 100

EAST CHICAGO.

Lots 28 and 29, block 23, Lake Shore addition, William J. Anable to Marshall E. Gallion..... 500

Lots 46 and 47, block 17, Lake Shore addition, James L. McCluer to Marshall E. Gallion... 500

LIVERPOOL HEIGHTS.

Lots 8 and 9, block 6, Matthias' addition, Sam Armin to Frank Prokupinas 400

Telling the Truth.

The fellow who tells the truth and only the truth all the time, won't be popular but he'll get a rain-check for heaven, all right.—Manchester Union.

REVIEW OF METAL TRADES

Mills Busy With Big Order For Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

New York., Dec. 16.—The Iron Age will say tomorrow:

"The mills have received their allotments for the requirements of the Pennsynvania system, which are placed at a minimum of 135,000 tons with the privilege of increasing them to a total of 160,000 tons. It is understood that, at least in some instances, delivery prior to March 15, 1909, has been asked and that a number of the mills are in an excellent position to meet this requirement. In some cases the makers have been asked to furnish open hearth steel to the extent of one-half of the order.

"A larger percentage of tin plate capacity is operating now than for some time, and similar conditions prevail in the sheet industry. A number of the largest steel bar plants are running close to 90 per cent of capacity. The Steel corporation has 57½ per cent of its pig iron capacity at work, while its mills are operating at a rate estimated at 58 to 60 per cent."

Foreign Ore Purchased.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 16.—The Iron Trade Review tomorrow will say:

"Eastern furnace interests have purchased a large tonnage of foreign ore for 1909 delivery. Mose of this ore will come from Spain, but some will be shipped from Nova Scotia. The purchases amount to about 600,000 tons of foreign ore, and there has also been considerable trading in local ores in the east, consumers figuring that they can get foreign and local ores at lower prices than Lake Superior ores can be delivered. Sales of pig iron have been moderate, including 15,000 tons of basic for the Philadelphia district.

"The first important order for steel rails to be recorded is that of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy for 40,000 tons, of which 30,000 will be rolled by the steel corporation and 10,000 by the Colorado Fuel and Iron company. The buying of track fastenings continues at a heavy rate, and the aggregate since Nov. 15 is fully 300,000 kegs."

SPECIAL ATTRACTION AT SKATING RINK TONIGHT.

Manager Heintz Has Arranged Exhibition Roller Polo—Line-Up Is a Good One.

East Chicago, Ind., Dec. 17.—As a special attraction at the Lewis skating rink this evening, Manager Heintz has arranged an exhibition roller polo game between the Indiana Harbor and the Sans Souci aggregation, who are reputed to be the fastest team in Chicago, and against whom the Harbor boys have already played two games this season. Should the East Chicago patrons of the Lewis rink become interested in polo, a team will be selected from local skaters and games scheduled with Chicago teams for the balance of the season. There are several good skater isn East Chicago, many of whom have player roller polo in Muncie and other cities where roller skating is the main sport of the city.

The line-up for the Harbor aggregation this evening is as follows, and three fifteen-minute innings will be played:

Cooskey, first rush; Gibson, second rush; Bratton, center; Sternberg, halfback; Briney, goal; Saunders, substitute.

An admission fee of 15 cents will be charged for ladies this evening, the gentlemen's rate of 25 cents remaining unchanged.

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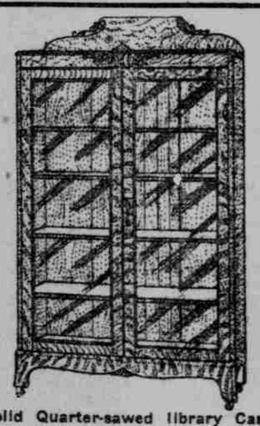

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