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The preliminary session of the Sunday-school normal class of this city, as announced heretofore, will be held this evening in the lecture-room of the Second Presbyterian Church.

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H. P. Wetzel, general agent of the Vandalia in this city, died yesterday afternoon from congestion of the bowels, followed by peritonitis, at the age of thirty-nine years.

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District Attorney Sellers is not giving much attention, beyond that of a supervisory character, to the United States grand jury's investigation of the election cases. The labor in examining witnesses and arranging the probable indictments, his assistant, Mr. Bailey, has in charge.

Mr. Bailey also took an interest in the Coy and Bernhardt indictments, and his usefulness at that time was such that President Cleveland and Attorney-general Garland, at the request of citizens who were anxious to let justice have a good chance at the tally-sheet forgers, appointed Judge Claypool to assist the district attorney in the prosecution. As Mr. Bailey is a non-partisan of the most pronounced description the intimation that was thrown out yesterday that the alleged election officers in Shelby and Hancock counties had been examined, having been examined were to be used in sustaining Scott Ray's contest in the State Senate, is likely due to prejudiced minds.

One of the peculiar cases of election-law violation occurs in the attempt of a man to obtain a residence in a certain county through his having been confined in its jail. He was sent there by the United States court to serve a term for some minor offense, but three days before the election was released through the poor convict act. Instead of leaving the county at once for his home he remained in the jail, and was confined in it. At one of the precincts in another county one of the challengers had been a convict and was on parole, but that did not relieve him from the disqualification that attached to his sentence. He did not dare to vote, but he stood at the polls all day as a challenger.

A Servant's Suit for Wages.

Francis Schobel, who was a servant in the family of George W. Galvin for many years, has brought suit against him for \$250, alleged to be due her for services. She relates a long story of mistreatment. She says that after she had worked in the family several years she was discharged, and Mr. Galvin gave her his note for \$250, and then discharged her. The note, she alleges, is still unpaid, and she alleges that Galvin now claims that he owes her nothing.

Wants the Husband Restrained.

Amy C. Barnachio, in a complaint for divorce from her husband, Wilbur G., says that he has threatened to kill her for nearly a year, and after driving her from home he has come to her mother's house and renewing his threat. She has reason to think that he will carry out his threats, and she asks the court to issue an order restraining him from coming to the place where she is stopping. She also asks for \$1,000 alimony, and the custody of their child.

Damages for the Loss of an Eye.

A jury in Judge Walker's room, Superior Court, is hearing the suit of Frank Richardson against Henry Coleman, the heading manufacturer, for \$10,000 damages for the accidental loss of an eye. Several months ago, while working in Mr. Coleman's feeders mill, a belt broke and Richardson's eye was put out. In his complaint he alleges that the accident was the result of faulty machinery.

Reviving an Old Incident.

Fred Wells, a West Indianapolis saloon-keeper, is soon to be placed on trial in the Criminal Court, on the charge of selling liquor to Edward Taylor, a convict, who was then in the city riding in a street car. Neimeyer and Jack O'Day, who were together on the Sunday the liquor was bought, have been summoned as witnesses in the case. Neimeyer has served out his sentence for the shooting, and is now in Memphis, Tenn.

Fell Into an Excavation.

Dora D. Jones, by her father, James W. Jones, has filed a complaint against the city of Indianapolis and the Gas-light and Coke Company for \$5,000 damages on account of personal injuries she received by falling in an excavation of the defendant company, and left for work in the city. The accident occurred last May, and the complaint alleges that the girl has not yet recovered.

Too Much Liquor and No Insanity.

The man who attempted to commit suicide Monday by jumping into White river is George Seaman. An effort was made to send him to the Insane Hospital yesterday, but the commission examining him found that he was simply addicted to the excessive use of liquor, and refused to send him to the hospital.

Mickey's Valuable Fingers.

Henry Mickey wants the Superior Court to allow him \$2,000 from the treasury of the Moore Desk Company, on account of the loss of two fingers from his right hand six weeks ago. He was engaged in operating a rip saw when the accident took place, and he thinks it was the result of faulty machinery.

Administrator Qualifies.

John Lutz has qualified as administrator of the estate of Ernestina Sophia Lutz.

The Court Record.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Room 1—Hon. N. B. Taylor, Judge.

Commercial Saving and Loan Association vs. Frank E. Wilson; foreclosure. Finding for plaintiff and costs, \$100.

Mary M. McIntyre vs. Chas. McIntyre, et al.; for support. Cause dismissed.

Lizzie vs. Pary E. Noland; decree of divorce set aside.

Room 2—Hon. D. W. Howe, Judge.

A Beadly & Co. vs. Frank H. Selden; account. Judgment for plaintiff for \$380.

Perilla Monroe vs. William Monroe; divorce. Decree granted to plaintiff on ground of abandonment.

Room 3—Hon. Lewis C. Walker, Judge.

Frank Richardson vs. Henry Coleman; damages. On trial by a jury.

Frederick W. Dea Walker vs. Frank Miller et al.; complaint for injunction.

Rachael Calvin vs. Scott Calvin; complaint for divorce. Allegation, abandonment.

Frances Schobel vs. George W. Galvin; complaint on note. Demand, \$250.

Dora D. Jones, by James W. Jones, vs. City of Indianapolis and Indianapolis Gas-light and Coke Company; complaints for damages. Demand, \$5,000.

Grafton Peck vs. Robert Craig; complaint on note. Demand, \$700.

Cearese Hafani vs. Isaac King; suit for replevin.

Katherine V. Neal vs. Waldo T. Davis et al.; complaint on note and to foreclose mortgage.

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CIRCUIT COURT.

Hon. John Y. Hasley, Judge.

Amanda Hunt vs. Christina A. Schradler et al.; appeal from justice of the peace. Appeal dismissed.

John M. Pruitt vs. James Neen; to foreclose mechanic's lien. On trial by court.

Amusements.

"Zig-Zag," which Va. packing Pop's Theater at St. Louis this week, and causing more fun than anything that has been seen there for a long time, will be seen at the Grand here the first three nights of next week. It is a new musical comedy of an original kind, and has made the hit of the season so far as such popular entertainments are concerned. Seats will be placed on sale this morning.

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"Scarlet IX" is doing well at the Park, and will fill out the week, and the Eden Musee is being well patronized by those who want to see its new curiosities.

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