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AMUSEMENTS.

"The Great Triple Alliance" at the Park Last Night.

Leroy, Fox and Powell, the three magicians, who have united their forces under the name of "The Great Triple Alliance," give exhibitions of sleight-of-hand tricks and spectacular illusions that almost rival those of Herrmann and Kellar for cleverness. The performance is divided into three parts. In the first the three exponents of the "black art" individually and collectively display their remarkable ability to deceive the eye by swift movements of the hand. A multitude of mystifying and diverting illusions follow each other in rapid succession. After the intermission a series of good vaudeville acts follows, the most entertaining of which is the musical turn of Lelliott, Busch and Lelliott, who furnish ample proof of their right to the title conferred upon them in the programme—"Merry Monarchs of Melody." Bertha De Vere springs on the audience one of the heaviest baritone voices ever heard to issue from a female throat. Charles Marines gives an excellent shadowgraph pantomime. The vaudeville portion of the performance concludes with a highly sensational triple bar exhibition by Zazelle and Vernon. The entertainment concludes with a more elaborate demonstration of feats of magic than was given in the first part. This portion of the entertainment is itself subdivided into three parts called, respectively, hypnota, the magic waters and burning enigma. The first is Kellar and Herrmann's well-known "levitation," differing from it in the fact that Leroy, Fox and Powell have the assistance of blinding electric lights placed in front of the table on which lies the girl who is to apparently rise in the air without any help. The magic waters is the most mystifying and amusing of the three. A seemingly empty washtub is filled with water, immediately following which live ducks appear swimming about in the tub, coming from no one knows where. In the burning enigma a young lady is seen lying on a table surrounded by cowled figures holding torches. One of the magicians throws over her a cloth, the figures groan, the lights dance about fantastically, the cloth is jerked quickly away and a skeleton has taken her place. The cloth being placed over the ghastly object and again removed, the girl reappears, attended by a demon, who stands over her in a threatening attitude. Magician Harry Kellar came over from Frankfort, Ind., yesterday afternoon to see the "Triple Alliance" and expressed the opinion that they are as clever as any in the business. "The Great Triple Alliance" remains at the Park the rest of the week, with daily matinees.

"Gay Masqueraders" at the Empire.

The performance of "The Gay Masqueraders," who began a three-days' engagement at the Empire Theater yesterday afternoon, opens with a burletta entitled "Hotel de Cake Walk," in which the entire company is introduced, and closes with a satire on the Philippines. In both burlesques a dozen or more young women of various types of beauty appear. Mabel Harrison has the center of the stage with Margie Tebeau. Bessie Stanton, who successfully makes herself up to represent Anna Held, is also a striking figure in the opening burlesque. It hasn't much of a plot but furnishes an opportunity for comedy work on the part of a tramp, a policeman and a countryman. Following the "Hotel de Cake Walk," Miss Lillian Durnham heads the olio with a phenomenally high soprano voice, which ranges from F to high E. An exceptionally clever musical team, Swife and Huber, follows Miss Durnham. In this act they introduce, among other novelties, the singing dog, "Blootch." George Daily and Hariett Vokes have an eccentric comedy sketch, and Hanly and Jarvis appear as "sidewalk" comedians. The acrobatic act of Carlos and Vouletti won a great deal of applause on account of its daring and novel character. The comedy work of Brown, Harrison and Brown was pronounced as excellent by the crowd, this trio introducing some entirely new features in their act. The olio winds up with a series of vitascope pictures of the Jeffries-Sharkey fight. A novel feature of the closing burlesque was the posing of Bessie Stanton under vari-colored lights. Some artistic effects were shown. "The Gay Masqueraders" will be here the rest of the week, with daily matinees. Next week there is a double bill, the "Imperial Burlesquers" and the "City Sports."

Notes of the Stage.

Maude Adams presents "The Christian" at English's the first half of Christmas week, beginning Christmas day. John Drew in "The Liars" is the attraction for the latter half of the same week.

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A glaring faux-pas in scene painting at the Grand this week is completely lost sight of by the cleverness of the members of the stock company. In the race scene, in the fourth act of "The Jilt," almost the entire track is shown on the "drop" at the rear of the stage. The audience somehow fails to notice that the horses never cover the "back stretch" in the race, so skillfully is the excitement kept at fever heat by the actors.

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Maude Adams, who is starring with pecuniary success as Babbie, in "The Little Minister," has an eye for business that is surpassed by few. Some time ago, when it was announced that she was threatened with consumption and would have to abandon her tour, temporarily at least, she really desired an excuse to get back East, where she had received tempting offers. The very night of the day on which the direful news was promulgated by her press agent, the shrewd little woman played in Boston. However, she is under definite contract to appear at English's Christmas week, and it is scarcely probable that she will evade the issue another time.

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The real reason for Stage Director Brooke's palpable embarrassment at the Grand, Monday night, has leaked out. Soon after his first appearance upon the stage as Myles O'Hara in "The Jilt," it is the duty of Tom Reynolds, who plays Geoffrey Tudor, to burst suddenly upon the scene and excitedly exclaim, "It's all right, O'Hara." However, Mr. Reynolds became a trifle involved in the meshes of Irish nomenclature and thoughtlessly blurted out, "It's all right, O'Grady." This was too much for the delicate sensibilities of the precise stage manager, and in his vexation at thought of being called "O'Grady" he halted in the reading of his lines quite noticeably several times.

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The women of Victorien Sardou's plays are usually of the variety that make things lively whenever a fit of passion strikes them. This is probably the secret of their marvelous success, when given proper interpretation. Sarah Bernhardt and Fanny Davenport have both succeeded in portraying the fiery temperaments of "Fedora," "La Tosca" and "Gismonda," and now comes Blanche Walsh as a worthy successor. She will appear in all three plays, with stalwart, handsome Melbourne McDowell as her leading man, at English's, Dec. 11, 12 and 13, with a matinee on the last day (Wednesday.) Mr. McDowell's virile style of acting, when he supported Miss Davenport, is still fresh in the minds of those who saw him a few seasons ago.

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Those in search of diversion next week will find plenty of it at English's. For the first three days Blanche Walsh and Melbourne McDowell, supported by an excellent company, will present Fanny Davenport's great plays, "Fedora," "La Tosca" and "Gismonda." "La Tosca" will be the bill Monday night and Wednesday matinee, "Gismonda" Tuesday night and "Fedora" Wednesday night. Immediately following the Walsh-McDowell engagement "Shore Acres," a play of perennial freshness and beauty, comes for one night only, Thursday. This is the piece which James A. Hearne made famous, both as author and actor. The week at English's will come to a fitting close with Dan Daly and "The Rounders," of which much has been heard since its first success in New York, and its triumph recently in Chicago. "The Rounders" will be here Friday and Saturday nights, Dec. 15 and 16.

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What is luck? This is a question about which much has been said and written. Liebler & Co., the New York theatrical managers, are in a position to answer the query. At present they control three pronounced successes, James A. Hearne's "Sag Harbor," Viola Allen and "The Christian" and James O'Neill, the well known repertoire actor. All of these enterprises are pouring a golden stream daily into the coffers of the firm that stands behind them. It has been definitely settled that they will be the sole attraction at Hammerstein's new theater, the Republic, for the entire season next year. When "The Christian" shall have been withdrawn, if at all, it will be succeeded by an as yet unnamed play by F. Marion Crawford. Lorimer Stoddard, who put "Tess of the d'Urbervilles" in shape for Mrs. Fiske to produce, will adapt Mr. Crawford's play for Miss Allen.

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Mrs. Leslie Carter's illness and the consequent stoppage of "Za-Za" were the topics of discussion among a group of newspaper men and theatrical managers in this city a few evenings ago. The business director of a company that was playing here at the time gave the interesting information that Mrs. Carter is stingy. "Why," said he, "she won't pay one of her company a day's salary unless they work. When she took sick she bundled every one of them off to New York post haste to avoid paying them for idle time." This brought the statement from another of the group that Nat Goodwin is of the same bent of mind. "When Goodwin was indisposed in Cincinnati one time," said this man, "he docked every one of his people just because they couldn't give a performance." The New York Morning Telegraph contradicts the story about Mrs. Carter's stinginess, saying that she really sent her company to New York to spend Thanksgiving, paying the expenses out of her private purse.

PERSONAL AND SOCIETY.

Mr. John Pohlman has gone to Wisconsin.

Mrs. George K. Trask is visiting friends in Connersville.

Miss Gertrude Talbott and Miss Mary Van Winkle have returned from Columbia, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn B. Millikan have issued invitations for a card party on the evening of Dec. 12.

Circle 7, of Central-avenue M. E. Church, will hold a reception at the home of Mrs. Frank H. Carter, 1529 Broadway, this afternoon.

Miss Erwin was the hostess last night for a handsome dinner in honor of Mrs. Reid, of Paris. Covers were laid for fourteen guests.

Miss Myla Coburn gave an informal dance last night for her guests, Miss Alice Day, of Milwaukee, and Miss Ethel Fletcher, of Scranton, Pa.

A special meeting of the Maennerchor Ladies' Society will be held Monday afternoon, Dec. 11, at 3 o'clock, for the purpose of amending the constitution.

The Young Women's Missionary Society of the Second Presbyterian Church will meet this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with Mrs. Edwin Hendrickson, 1971 North Pennsylvania street.

Miss Ophelia Helena, daughter of Mrs. Mary Thiele, of 913 North Illinois street, was married at her home last night to William N. Johnston, by Rev. J. Peters, of the German Evangelical Church, of this city. Only the relatives of the bride and groom were present, the out-of-town visitors being ex-Senator and Mrs. J. P. McGeath and E. H. Thiele, of Fargo, N. D. Mr. and Mrs. Johnston will be at home after Jan. 1 at 1113 North Alabama street. Mr. Johnston is connected with the Interstate stockyards.

The fifth section of the Free Kindergarten will give a musical festival at the residence of Mrs. J. A. Lemcke Friday afternoon, Dec. 15, from 3 to 6 o'clock. Mrs. Lemcke and her daughter, Mrs. Harry L. Hicks, will be the hostesses, and the participants in the afternoon programme will be Mrs. Hugh McGibeny, Mrs. Lottie Adam Raschig, Mrs. Hicks, Mrs. John T. Brush, Mrs. Edward Hunt, Miss Clayton, Miss Owen and Miss Eleanor Lemcke. The accompanists will be Miss O'Donnell, Miss Florence Atkins and Miss Anna Sickles.

Mrs. Frank Van Camp was the hostess yesterday afternoon for a delightful card party at her home on North Pennsylvania street for her guest, Mrs. George William Teasdale, of St. Louis. Mrs. Van Camp was assisted by Mrs. Courtland Van Camp, Mrs. Harris Galbraith, Mrs. Frank O. Wood and Mrs. Lynn B. Millikan. There were twenty-one tables. The decorations were pink roses in the parlors and red carnations in the library, and in the dining room pink chrysanthemums were used. In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Van Camp entertained guests for twenty-two tables. Those assisting in the evening with the host and hostess and Mrs. Teasdale were Miss Dorothea Van Camp, Miss Alberta Langhorn and Mrs. William Craig. Among the guests from out of town were Miss Hawkins, of Louisville, and Miss Potterfield, of Richmond.

Mrs. Henry Latham was the hostess yesterday afternoon for a delightful reception for Mrs. Charles Latham, from 3 to 5 o'clock. Assisting the hostess in receiving and entertaining were Mrs. Charles Comstock, Mrs. W. F. C. Golt, Mrs. J. F. Wallick, Mrs. George Chapman, Mrs. J. L. Mothershead, Mrs. Charles Lilly, Mrs. Louis Hollweg, Mrs. T. P. Haughey, Mrs. A. P. Spruance, Mrs. W. J. Hiss, Mrs. M. L. Haines, Miss Mary Rariden, Miss Eleanor Smith, Miss Julia Mothershead, Miss Katharine Edith Wallick, Miss Pauline Moon and Miss Julia Hollweg. Christmas ideas were carried out in the decoration, red and green being the colors used. Southern smilax and holly trimmed the doorways and mantels, together with red poinsettas.

FOR MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM CLUNE.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Clune gave a handsome reception and dance last night at their home, on North Pennsylvania street, in honor of their son, Mr. William Clune, and his bride, who were recently married. The guests were received in the north drawing room by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Clune, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. William Clune and the bridal party, consisting of Miss Cecil Clune, who was bridesmaid, and Miss Langsenkamp, who was maid of honor, with Mr. William Langsenkamp, jr., who was the groom's attendant, and the ushers, Mr. Charles F. Steffen, Mr. William O'Connor, Mr. Bernard O'Connor, Mr. Herbert Fieber and Mr. Bernard Fitzgerald. Mrs. Eugene C. Gramling, Mrs. Joseph Greenan, Mrs. John Clune, Mrs. Frank Kenny, Mrs. Henry A. Gramling, and Miss Lillian Langsenkamp also assisted in receiving. In the dining room Miss Bertha Langsenkamp and Mrs. Charles Greenan presided at the punch table, assisted by Mrs. Frank Fitzgerald, Miss O'Connor, Miss Blanche Greenan, Miss Edith Langsenkamp, and Miss Mayme Glass of Madison. The house throughout was beautifully decorated. The front entrance was closed, and the interior banked with palms, in the recess of which the musicians were stationed. In the south parlor white and green were the colors used. The mantels were trimmed with ferns and smilax, mixed with white chrysanthemums and a touch of pink begonia. In the library white and green were the predominating colors, while in the drawing room red poinsettas prevailed. They were grouped in tall vases, and formed the trimming around the room. Ices were served in the breakfast room, which was in yellow. The table had an oval basket of yellow chrysanthemums, and yellow chrysanthemums decked the mantels. The dining room was in pink. A French basket of pink roses formed the centerpiece for the table, and bouquets of flowers were placed around the room. In the ballroom Southern smilax and palms formed the principal decoration, with chrysanthemums placed here and there to add color. Mrs. Michael Clune wore a handsome gown of brown velvet, with point lace and trimmings of marten fur. Mrs. William Clune wore her wedding gown of white duchesse satin, trimmed with point lace. Miss Cecil Clune was attired in a gown of pink silk, with an overdress of white applique lace. Miss Bertha Langsenkamp wore yellow silk, with a lace overdress. Nearly all of the three hundred invitations issued were accepted.

FOR MISS ANTHONY.

A large luncheon was given yesterday noon for Miss Susan B. Anthony and the visiting members of the National Suffrage business committee, which is convening in this city. Mrs. Alice Wheeler Pierce was the hostess, assisted by Mrs. May Wright Sewall, Mrs. T. C. Day, Mrs. John C. Dean, Mrs. Jacob P. Dunn, Mrs. John M. Judah, Mrs. O. B. Jameson, Mrs. John L. Ketcham, Mrs. John W. Kern, Mrs. A. B. Leck, Mrs. Milton Robertson, Mrs. C. F. Sayles, Mrs. Emil Wulschner, Mrs. John R. Wilson and Mrs. W. A. Woods, with the following reception committee: Mrs. John H. Baker, Mrs. Eli F. Brown, Mrs. Scot Butler, Mrs. Mary Nedham Carey, Mrs. G. A. Carstensen, Mrs. John E. Cleland, Mrs. John Coburn, Miss Mary Dean, Mrs. Frederic Dewhurst, Mrs. John S. Duncan, Mrs. Joseph F. Jenckes, Mrs. John M. Kitchen, Mrs. Horace McKay, Mrs. Ethel Brown McMullen, Mrs. George Philip Meier, Mrs. Joseph A. Milburn, Mrs. S. E. Morss, Mrs. James A. Mount, Miss Mary C. Rariden, Mrs. Alfred P. Potts, Mrs. W. P. Fishback, Mrs. J. Dorsey Forrest, Mrs. Henry Scot Fraser, Mrs. John H. Furnas, Mrs. Andrew J. Graham, Mrs. Hugh H. Hanna, Mrs. George C. Hitt, Mrs. T. A. Hendricks, Miss Caroline B. Hendricks, Mrs. W. Jacquelin Holliday, Mrs. Lois L. Hufford, Mrs. Henry Jameson, Mrs. W. J. Richards, Mrs. J. Cumming Smith, Miss Margaret Stevenson, Dr. Rachel Swain, Mrs. Thomas Taggart, Mrs. John S. Tarkington, Mrs. Charles M. Walker, Mrs. Harriet Perry Wheeler, Mrs. James M. Winters. Over eighty guests were entertained. The decorations were yellow chrysanthemums.

MRS. CAMPBELL'S RECEPTION.

Mrs. Henry C. Campbell was the hostess yesterday afternoon for an informal reception for Mrs. Harry R. Campbell, of Atlanta, Ga., wife of Lieutenant Campbell, who is serving in the Philippines. Mrs. Campbell was assisted in receiving by her daughter, Miss Genevieve Campbell, and Mrs. Charles E. Wilson, with Mrs. D. T. Shields, Mrs. R. W. Laurie, Mrs. Charles Murphy, Mrs. O. J. Conrad, Mrs. G. F. Burroughs, Mrs. Edward Bair, Mrs. William Moore, Mrs. O. J. Fox, Mrs. Norris Suter, Mrs. Frank R. Harding, Mrs. Gertrude Brennan, Mrs. Joseph Keegan, Miss Belle Daugherty, Miss Bertha Heron, Miss Edna Mullins and Miss Marguerite Minor. The decorations were chrysanthemums. Mrs. Frank R. Harding will give a dinner for Mrs. Campbell Sunday evening at her country home, west of the city, and Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Henry C. Campbell will entertain the Sorosis Club in her honor. Wednesday night Mrs. O. J. Conrad will entertain the North Side Card Club, with Mrs. Harry Campbell as guest of honor, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Wilson will entertain for her before her return to Atlanta on Thursday.

SMITH—CARROLL.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LYNCHBURG, Va., Dec. 7.—St. Paul's Episcopal Church was the scene at 9 o'clock this evening of a beautiful and brilliant marriage, the parties to the union being Mr. Harold O. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith, of Indianapolis, Ind., and Miss Elizabeth Carroll, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William S. Carroll, of this city. The ceremony was performed in the presence of an immense assemblage by the rector, the Rev. T. M. Carson, D. D. The ushers were: Messrs. John A. Faulkner, Garland E. Vaughan, R. T. Watts, jr., John M. Otey, John M. Miles, Guy M. Langhorn, C. S. Adams, George Miles and W. W. Dickerson, of Lynchburg; John W. Carroll, of the University of Virginia; W. Duval Adams, of West Virginia; George Rockwood and Clarence Zener, of Indianapolis. The bridesmaids were Miss Josephine Smith, of Indianapolis, sister of the groom; Miss Maude Smith, cousin of the groom; Miss Mabel Turyman, Miss Sallie Carroll, Miss Fannie Cheatwood, Miss Lou Hardenburgh, Miss Emma Adams, of Lynchburg, and Miss Madge Layman, of Indianapolis.

Miss Maude Carroll, sister of the bride, the maid of honor, was gowned in pure white. Dr. D. W. Layman, of New York, formerly of Indianapolis, was best man. The bride's gown was of heavy white duchess satin, hand-embroidered, and trimmed with rose point, and over it in graceful folds fell the bridal veil of tulle, caught at the top with orange blossoms and a diamond pin. She carried a shower bouquet of orchids. The maid of honor wore a costume of white bengaline, with a lace bodice, and skirt heavily trimmed in lace, and carried American Beauties. Of the dresses of the maids of honor six were of green and two of white taffeta, trimmed in white point d'esprit. Mrs. Carroll wore a handsome gown of silver gray silk, trimmed in opal sequents and American Beauty velvet, and carried American Beauty roses.

At the conclusion of the ceremony the party went to the bride's home, on Court street, where a reception was held from the hour of 9:30 to 11:30. The guests were received by Mr. and Mrs. William S. Carroll and the bridal party in the white and green drawing room to the left of the entrance. The bride and groom received at the rear of the apartment. Refreshments were served in the library, where the guests were received by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Smith, of Indianapolis, assisted by Mrs. George P. Watkins, Mrs. R. C. Turner and Mrs. W. M. Carroll, of Lynchburg, and Mrs. Louis Minnigerode and Mrs. N. R. Savage, of Richmond. All these ladies were costumed in white and green.

After the guests of the evening departed supper was served to the bridal party in the library. At the conclusion of the supper Mr. and Mrs. Smith, accompanied by a few friends, went to the Union Station, where they boarded the early train for a Northern tour. They will be at home at the Victoria in Indianapolis after Jan. 1.

Among those present at the wedding from out of town were Dr. and Mrs. John Mahony, Mrs. Norton R. Savage and Mr. R. W. Jeffery, of Richmond; Mrs. James T. Layman, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Smith, of Indianapolis; Mrs. George Miles, of Appomattox; Miss Bessie Miller, of Staunton; Mrs. Louis Minnegerode, of Richmond.

RUBY-BLYNN.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., Dec. 7.—Miss Millie Blanche Blynn, of Fort Wayne, and Prof. Edward E. Ruby, of New Albany, were married at Westminster Presbyterian Church last evening. The bride is the youngest daughter of Mrs. Harriett Blynn, and the groom is professor of languages at the State University, Bloomington. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. James L. Leeper. The bride's attendants were Miss Katherine Blynn, Miss Clara Webb, of Fort Wayne, and Miss Nellie McMahon, of Monroeville. The groom was attended by Mr. Glenn Gifford, of Tipton, Lenpha Folsom, of Booneville, and Oliver Ruby, of New Albany.

ALLISON-BASSETT.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

ELWOOD, Ind., Dec. 7.—Miss Grace Bassett and Mr. Charles Allison were married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bassett, in this city, yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. After a brief wedding trip they will be at home at Logansport.

TO THE EMPLOYES.

Republic Steel Payment Plan Will Have to Be Submitted.

Col. G. Watson French, of Chicago, and Mr. James Nutt, of Youngstown, O., representatives of the Republic Iron and Steel Company, which has a number of factories in this State, were in conference with the state labor commission yesterday. The company has, heretofore, been paying its men an average of twenty-four payments a year. The employes objected and insisted that they be paid every week, and yesterday the representatives of the company made the proposition to the labor commissioners that they pay twenty-eight payments a year.

There are four months in the year that have five Saturdays and the men are to be paid in addition to their former bi-weekly payments on the last Saturday of each of these four months. In addition to this the pay days are to be advanced one week, and both of these propositions are to be submitted to the workmen, and if they accept them, then a certificate will be issued by the labor commission granting the company this privilege. The company has eleven factories in this State and the representatives who were here yesterday will start out immediately and submit the proposition to all the men in the various factories. As soon as they have completed this they will report to the labor commission.

JOHN L. JONES DEAD.

For Years He Was an Express Messenger on the I. & V. and J., M. & I.

John L. Jones, sixty-six years of age, living at 421 North Illinois street, after being confined to his house for six months died at 10 o'clock last night as the result of a paralytic stroke suffered in June last.

Mr. Jones was born Sept. 20, 1833, in Jennings county, Indiana, and lived there until a young man, when he removed to Seymour, Jackson county, where he resided for fifteen years, during which time he served several terms as sheriff of that county. At the commencement of the civil war he enlisted at Seymour and served throughout the war. For forty years he was in the employ of the Adams Express Company, being for sixteen years on the Indianapolis & Vincennes Railway as messenger and later on the J., M. & I., running between this city and Louisville, Ky. He was familiarly known among railway and express company men as "Pap" Jones. He was one of the charter members of K. of P. Lodge No. 56. About twenty years ago he built the house at 421 North Illinois street and had lived there ever since. He leaves a widow, a daughter, Mrs. Dill, and a granddaughter. The funeral will be held from the home Sunday afternoon and will be in charge of K. of P. Lodge No. 56.

BOARD OF SAFETY SESSIONS.

Members Busy Yesterday with Superintendent Quigley.

The informal sessions of the Board of Safety continued yesterday in the basement of the courthouse, and during most of the afternoon Chief Quigley was kept busy going over the police rolls with the members. Contrary to the custom of the office, the gate separating the office proper from the entrance was kept closed against the public, and Clerk Ed Davis had all he could do through the pigeon hole keeping applicants for places on the police and fire forces from invading the inner sanctum. He handed out application blanks and furnished information to hundreds during the day, while his superiors compiled data over a table behind him. Even the city officials are not able to guess what will be the extent of the changes in the two departments, but it is felt that from the number of applications prominent politicians of both parties are taking an active interest in, many heads may fall into the basket.

CITY NEWS NOTES.

C. Rademacher, of Decatur, was arrested and brought to this city yesterday. He was indicted for failing to scratch a stamp, as required by the revenue law.

There is trouble among the physicians in Gibson county. Three of them are claiming the position of health officer, and each claims that he is a bona fide appointee of the county board.

In the primary oratorical contest at Butler College Wednesday evening, John Carr was decided by the judges as entitled to first honors. Mr. Carr, whose subject was "Our Country and Our Immigrants," will represent the college at the State contest.

Joseph R. Gordon W. R. C. has elected the following officers to serve for the ensuing year: President, Anna Harvey; S. V. P., Ella Kiger; J. V. P., Una Daugherty; chaplain, Ruth Clay; treasurer, Kate Goth; conductor, Maria Daugherty; guard, Maggie Breyer; delegate to Department Convention, Bessie Miller; alternate Una Daugherty.

Yesterday the Manual Training School was visited by Secretary Butler, of the Board of Charities, Superintendent Graham, of the State Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home at Knightstown and the trustees of the institution, Hon. Harry Watts, of Knightstown; Hon. George W. Horn, of Wilkinson, and Mrs. Julia S. Conklin, of Westfield. Mrs. Watts was also one of the party. The visitors were much interested in what they saw on practical education at the school.

Trouble with a Wheel.

John A. Lutz, of the Pembroke Arcade, had a habit of leaving his bicycle in front of the building until late in the night. Several times the police took it in charge, and Lutz was compelled to call at police headquarters to get his wheel. Yesterday morning he appeared in front of the desk sergeant and said: "I wish the police would let that wheel of mine alone. They always bring it down here. I leave it in front of the Arcade, and want it left there."

Sergeant Boylan apologized for the action of the police, and Mr. Lutz sought the custodian to find his wheel. He was much chagrined, however, when Custodian Stevens told him the wheel was not there. It had been stolen.

The Y. B. 10c Cigar will prove a boon to the smoker who wishes to get up in the morning with a clear head.

CASE OF JOHN M. CRAIG

HE WAS CHARGED WITH BEING AN ACCOMPLICE OF BELLE HAUSER.

Cannot Be Tried on Account of His Mental Condition—Cordes Case Again.

The case against John M. Craig, charged with conspiracy, was to have come up for trial in the United States Court this morning. It is claimed that Craig was an accomplice of Mrs. Belle Hauser, who was sent to the woman's prison a little over a year ago on the charge of using the mails for fraudulent purposes. Craig will not be tried to-day, as his case has been indefinitely postponed. This action was taken yesterday evening when Charles B. Clarke, attorney for Craig, filed a petition in the Federal Court asking that the trial be postponed on the ground that Craig is mentally unfit for trial at this time. The petition was presented to Judge Baker and he granted the request. Craig is out on bond and is living in the city.

Mrs. Hauser and Craig were arrested over a year ago in this city. The woman was arrested first and was charged with using the mails in the interests of an alleged fraudulent matrimonial scheme. She related a story to the officers and implicated Craig, who was also arrested. He denies having had anything to do with the woman's scheme. It was claimed that Mrs. Hauser would send out photographs of different women, alleging that they were pictures of herself. She would represent herself as being willing to marry some responsible man, and would ask that money be sent her so she could go on to meet her wooer. One man, it was claimed, sent her $45 for this purpose. Mrs. Hauser was tried and was sentenced to a year in prison. Her time has expired and she has been released. It is said that Craig's mental condition is such as to prevent him from going into a trial of his case at this time. Last summer he was ill at St. Vincent's Hospital. It is said that while there he became deluded with the idea that people were arrayed against him and were after him, and one day he jumped through a window.

WAYS OF TWO WOMEN.

Mrs. Shackelford and Mrs. Cordes Dismiss Their Divorce Suits.

The divorce suit of Mrs. Margaret Shackelford against Richard Shackelford, which was filed in the Superior Court some time ago, has been dismissed by the plaintiff. This was the second suit brought by Mrs. Shackelford for divorce. She was formerly Mrs. Margaret Roy and married Richard Shackelford after they had both been arrested for unlawfully living together. The woman spent an hour or two in jail, but Shackelford was kept there for several days. Shackelford's wife sued Mrs. Roy for alienating her husband's affections and was awarded damages. Then she procured a divorce.

In the last suit for divorce brought against Shackelford by his new wife she complained that he had circulated scandalous stories about her. A few days ago she called on her lawyer, accompanied by Shackelford, and in the presence of the attorney made him admit that he had told stories about her that were not true. Then the attorney was instructed to dismiss the suit and Mr. and Mrs. Shackelford returned home, their differences having been adjusted.

The divorce suit of Augusta Cordes against Herman Cordes is also about to be dismissed. Mrs. Cordes has brought eleven different suits for divorce. She and her husband are middle aged people, living on the Shelbyville pike near the city. They are thrifty Germans and Cordes is said to have accumulated considerable money. Of the eleven suits brought for divorce by his wife, one was successful. The woman was granted a divorce and in a short time was remarried to Cordes. All the others, with the exception of the last one filed, have been dismissed. It is understood that this one will be dismissed to-day. The Cordes' have grown children.

FEDERAL COURT CASES.

Matters Disposed of by Judge Baker and Jury Yesterday.

Isaac Little, ex-postmaster of Swayzee, Ind., who was charged with being about $700 short in his accounts, was given a sentence yesterday, by Judge Baker, of six months in the Marion county jail, and fined a sum equal to the amount of his shortage.

The case of Edward Johnson, who was charged with robbing a store in Treaty, Ind., in which the postoffice was located, was on trial yesterday in the Federal Court. Johnson was suspected on account of having some shoes in his possession, which were afterwards identified as having been stolen from the store. The jury returned a verdict of guilty.

James Lixon, who was charged with having a counterfeit dollar in his possession, pleaded guilty before Judge Baker, and was given a sentence of sixty days in the Marion county workhouse.

The case of M. J. Stewart, the proprietor of stores on East and West Washington street, charged with a violation of the law in selling oleomargarine without license, was up for hearing before Commissioner Moores yesterday. The evidence disclosed that one of Mr. Stewart's clerks, a young woman, had sold twelve pounds of oleomargarine in one package. The license for retail dealers only permits them to sell ten pounds to the package, and to sell more they must have a wholesaler's license. The commissioner bound Mr. Stewart over to the next grand jury, and fixed his bond at $500.

MANY BOUND OVER.

Cases Sent to the Grand Jury from the Police Court.

In Police Court yesterday Wayman White colored, charged with the murder of George Williams, colored, and Morris White, charged with being an accessory to the murder, were bound over to the grand jury.

Carl Stein, alias Carl Hoffman, charged with stealing jewelry and other valuables from women of this city, was bound over to the grand jury on a charge of grand larceny. There was no direct proof of his having committed the thefts, but the circumstantial evidence was so strong that Judge Daly bound him over.

Henry Meckel, who is charged with having obtained money and merchandise by false pretenses, was after a preliminary hearing bound over to the grand jury. Meckel professed ignorance of American terms, and the examination was in consequence rather amusing, the prosecution trying to show his ignorance was only feigned. Mrs. Ella Martin, the young widow from whom Meckel secured $500, was in court and testified against him. Meckel claimed they were sweethearts at the time, and said he had many love letters written by her.

Dollie Johnson, for stealing men's clothing from Thomas Conners, was held to the grand jury.

DIAMONDS IN THE CASE.

Wm. Koelling Trying to Recover a Ring He Gave His Sweetheart.

Justice Lockman yesterday took under advisement the case of William Koelling against Maggie Overfield in which the plaintiff seeks to gain possession of a diamond ring which he claims is being unlawfully held by the defendant. Koelling, as the woman's lover, gave her a diamond ring, and after a disagreement demanded the ring, which she declined to return. A constable reported that she claimed she would mash the diamond into small pieces rather than give it back, but another constable succeeded in getting it under writ of replevin.

Another case in Lockman's court yesterday in which a diamond figured was one in which Daniel V. Ritchey was defendant. Judgment was rendered against him, and in company with Constable Huston, he went to a pawn shop on South Illinois street and procured $30 on the ring and satisfied the judgment.

MRS. KIRK'S PETITION.

Asked to Be Allowed to Sell Property Without Husband's Consent.

The petition of Mrs. Amelia Kirk to be permitted to borrow $300 on property owned by her and her husband without the consent of the latter was granted yesterday by Probate Commissioner Walker. John Kirk, husband of the petitioner, is said to be hopelessly demented and is confined in the St. Elizabeth Asylum for the Insane at Washington, D. C. Kirk is a veteran soldier and was shot in the head while serving in the war of the rebellion. His present condition is due to this wound, it is said. After the war he was confined for a time in the hospital for the insane here, and from there was sent to the Poor Farm. Mrs. Kirk was not satisfied to have her husband at the county farm and he was finally taken to the Dayton Soldiers' Home. After remaining there for a time his family had him brought home and tried to care for him. It was finally decided to send him to the government hospital for the insane at Washington, and he is still there.

BRACKIN'S EXCUSE POOR.

Judge Carter Refused to Accept It and Granted a Divorce.

In Room 3, Superior Court, yesterday Anna S. Brackin was granted a divorce from Thomas Brackin. The main charge was drunkenness. Mrs. Brackin charged that her husband got drunk five times a week, while Brackin averred that this was a mistake. He thought he had been drunk about twelve times in the last four years. Judge Carter declined to accept his excuse for abusing his wife when he was intoxicated. He explained to the court that he had always told his people to let him alone when he was drinking and have nothing to say to him. He said that had this policy been carried out there would have been no trouble in his family. On the contrary, he said, his wife talked to him and quarreled with him and got him stirred up.

EBY BRINGS SUIT.

Man Who Kept the Police "Guessing" for a Time.

Oliver F. Eby brought suit yesterday against the Standard Life and Accident Insurance Company of Detroit to collect a policy. Eby, it will be remembered, appeared at the police station last May, with his hand badly mutilated, and said that while out driving, near Allisonville, he had been attacked by highwaymen, and in defending himself had been shot. The police department was unable to substantiate Eby's story after a thorough investigation.

The Custody of a Child.

A case was filed on appeal in the Supreme Court, in which Simon M. Berkshire is seeking the custody of his child on a writ of habeas corpus, from the possession of James W. Caley, Edward Caley and Augusta Caley. Plaintiff claimed that Nora Berkshire, his daughter, was over nine years of age, and that she was being forcibly deprived of her liberty by the defendants. Edward Caley and Augusta Caley denied the possession of the child, but James W. Caley answered that he had been appointed the lawful guardian of Nora Berkshire after the divorce of the father and mother of the child, and further said that the plaintiff was of such a malignant disposition as to be totally unfitted to have the care and custody of the child. The court below, after hearing the evidence in the case, found for the defendant, and the plaintiff then appealed to the Supreme Court.

In Justice Hay's Court.

James H. Hinkle against the North American Construction Company, of Chicago, was the title of a case tried yesterday in Justice Hay's court. Hinkle claimed $7.95 due on account, but admitted having received a part of it. The company claimed the account had been paid, and there was only a difference of $1.40 between them in a settlement. The construction company requested a continuance of the case until a foreman under whom Hinkle worked could be sent for to testify. Questions put by the court showed the company did not know what the foreman, who is in Ohio, knew about the matter, and what his testimony would be, yet it wished to bring him here from Ohio to settle a matter involving $1.40. The costs taxed up to the constru