

FRED IS NOT SANE

So Decide the Jurors Who Tried the Leonard Case.

QUESTIONED AS TO BECKER

Several Jurors Say He Approached Them. Closing Scenes in the Leonard Trial. Will Probably Appeal.

The Leonard case is at an end, and the jury has decided that Fred H. Leonard is mentally incapable of caring for his property or himself. The jury desired to come in at 8 o'clock, but it was 8:30 before Judge Adams arrived in the court room.

QUESTIONED THE JURY.

There was a moment's pause, and Judge Adams said: "Now that the verdict is in, gentlemen of the jury, I wish to inquire about a certain matter that was mentioned before you retired. It is in regard to a person who attempted to converse with you, and offered to treat you to cigars and drinks. I understand one or more of you were approached. I wish to know the facts."

WILL BE APPEALED.

The jury was discharged, but will meet again at 9 o'clock today, when the judge, jury and all the court officers will be photographed. The trial of the case began three weeks ago last Monday, and the jury was out twenty-eight hours considering the case. It is stated that on the first ballot they stood 19 to 2 in favor of deciding that Fred was incapable. In a short time the vote stood 11 to 1 and remained that way until a few moments before the jury came in. The case will undoubtedly be appealed.

HORACE BECKER'S RECORD.

In the forty-eighth Michigan, page forty-three, of the Michigan supreme court reports, is found the decision in a case appealed from the Bay county court. Horace Becker was convicted in Bay city of robbing a man named Henderson of \$200. It appears from the decision that Becker represented himself to be a deputy sheriff and, becoming acquainted with Henderson, a branch of the city night by gas light. About 10 o'clock he grabbed Henderson's pocketbook containing \$200 and skipped. He was arrested and convicted and the supreme court affirmed the conviction and Becker served a term in Jackson.

NOT THE SAME MAN.

Attorney N. P. Allen says the Horace Becker referred to in the reports is not the same man as the one now wanted here on the bench warrant. J. N. Glidden, manager of the Happy Home, says Becker is not connected with the club, as he stated on Wednesday, and never has been, except as an outside solicitor.

CHRIST CHURCH CONVENTION.

It Opens With an Exhortation to Christian Workers. The Michigan Christian Missionary association of district No. 3, comprising several counties in western Michigan, commenced its convention in the church of Christ last evening. In the congregation were several delegates from out of the city and many more are expected today, when the real work of the convention will commence.

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ABOUT 100 PERSONS.

Attended the leap year dancing party at the Bicycle club's hall last night. Capt. Dennis Rogers has moved his office into the Michigan Trust company building. Dr. Fyfe has returned from three months of practice in the Chicago hospital.

CAPT. DENNIS ROGERS.

Has returned from three months of practice in the Chicago hospital. Capt. Wilson Jones and wife will celebrate their golden wedding January 2. B. R. Squires of Rockford was in town on business yesterday. S. Monroe of Berlin was in the city yesterday. The subject for the fortnightly St.

W. Spayd, state secretary; paper, "Our Duty as Endeavorers," Walter A. Bally; paper, amusements, Miss Helen Clark; address, "The Chief Aim of an Endeavorer," L. W. Spayd. 3 p. m.—Paper, Mrs. Charlotte Hastings; reading, "No Man to Do at Home," Bertha Field; solo, Mrs. R. M. Linton; paper, "The Great Need of Workers in the C. W. B. M.," Mrs. H. G. Holt; paper, "Individual Responsibility," Miss Sarah Ogden; solo, Mrs. Franklin Smith; report of C. W. B. M., Miss Abby Field.

7 p. m.—Sermon, "The Fullness of Time, or the World Prepared for the Introduction of Christianity," W. J. Russell. The officers of the association are: President, G. A. Willett, Ionia; vice president, J. W. Humphrey, Wayland; treasurer, C. E. Church, Englishville; secretary, Miss Abby Field, Grand Rapids. Executive committee, Lyman Field, Grand Rapids; L. C. Stov, Grand Rapids; M. B. Rawson, Wayland; F. A. Moon, Greenville; H. G. Holt, Cascade.

C. W. B. M. managers, Mrs. S. L. Thayer, Ballards; Mrs. E. D. Butler, Grand Rapids.

STOP IMMIGRATION.

J. E. McBride Discusses the Question and Demands Restrictions.

James E. McBride addressed an enthusiastic audience of forty-two persons in Malta Castle hall last night. One of them was a woman. Mr. McBride discussed immigration and the necessity for laws to restrict it. He said the demand that the influx of immigrants be stopped is aimed at no nationality or race. It is no one class of foreigners that is jeopardizing American institutions, but all aliens. America is for Americans, he said, and we demand that all persons coming to the country shall adopt American customs and live in conformity with American regulations; but something more is needed. The narrow and bigoted ideas of Europe are crowding themselves upon us, and our system of government is suffering from contact with European principles. It will not do to restrict immigration to a certain class. Rich foreigners are as dangerous as the poor—more so, in fact, because their pernicious influence extends farther. All of them should be kept out.

Mr. McBride said he could consistently support a platform embodying a reasonable protection to American industries and a complete protection to American laborers. Wages are regulated by the law of supply and demand, and the most elaborate system of protection to manufacturers will not benefit the workmen if the laborers of other countries are allowed to compete with our free labor.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES MEET.

Comptroller's Bills for Extra Clerk Hire Investigated.

Nothing was done by the council committees last night except by the committee appointed to investigate the necessity of extra clerical help in the comptroller's office. Comptroller Vandenberg stated that he had asked repeatedly for clerical help without response. The committee on ways and means had never been in his office to learn anything about the work and yet it had reported a careful investigation to the council, refusing him the assistance.

Mr. Vandenberg showed by the council records that the charter required him to do certain work which he claims to be unable to do with his present help. The council refused to give him aid, so he hired a clerk to force the matter to the attention of the council and at the same time clear himself of any charge of not having done his duty under the charter. The committee looked over the work in the comptroller's office and will meet Saturday night to formulate a report.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

A meeting of the Kent Scientific institute, a sub-branch of the Electrochemical branch of the K. S. I., will be held this evening in the central high school building. Louis Cody, late graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, will read a paper on "Electrical Measurements and Measuring Instruments," after which the subject will be discussed. All are invited.

Katie Harris, a 3 year old girl, who has a mania for running away from home, was found last night at the Briggs toll gate on Plainfield avenue. She was taken to headquarters and the county agent will add her to his kindergarten class.

The raffle for the tool chest and tools of the late Charles Livingston, who was killed on the Y. M. C. A. building last summer, will take place at Saunders' store, on Plainfield avenue, Saturday evening. The tickets are sold.

The young people of Westminster church are preparing for an elaborate Christmas entertainment a week from tonight and are already at work building a large temporary platform and making other preparations.

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Cecilia meeting this afternoon will be French composers. The music will all be of French origin.

T. J. Lucas has gone to Cleveland on business.

SOUTH END ENTERTAINMENT.

Several hundred persons attended an entertainment at the Engineers' hall, on South Division street, last night. The promoters of the entertainment were about a score of young society women in the south end. The program consisted of: Opening address, W. T. Johnston; chorus, Marcelline, Dr. Ross, director; piano solo, Miss Edith Kegan; recitation, Miss Benson; selection, quartet; cornet solo, George E. Boggs; tambourine drill, Miss Nellie Johnston, captain, Misses Carrie Ellis, Pauline Stein, Bertha Stein, Mable Shaw, Rose Ludden, Lottie Smith, Maggie Orman, Bertha Coleman, Cora Brink, Ellen Eddy; recitation, Mrs. Hester; vocal solo, Miss Stein; violin obligate by G. Levy; selection by quartet; piano solo, Miss Rosenberg; vocal solo, Miss Riley, and a number of choruses.

ONE OF THE BEST RECITALS.

The eighteenth of Prof. Colwell's pupils' recitals was given in the Pearl street Congregational church last evening. Master Fred Warner was the star of the evening and amply demonstrated his reputation as a pianist of wonderful ability and taste for his age. His selections were by Raff, Wieniawski, Schumann, Hoffman and Mendelssohn. Mrs. Minnie Nichols' part on the program was exceedingly entertaining. She sang an aria from "Puritani," "The Madrigal," "The Lady of Seville" and De Koven's Japanese Lullaby. The audience was large and appreciative.

OFFICERS OF THE GRANGE.

The officers of the Kent County Grange are as follows: Master, H. C. Benson, Ada; overseer, S. G. Peterson, Alaska; lecturer, W. T. Adams, Grand Rapids; steward, R. Dockery, Rockford; assistant steward, M. H. George, Grand Rapids; clerk, J. D. Best, Grand Rapids; treasurer, I. D. Davis, Crosby; secretary, Myrtle Preston, Grand Rapids; gatekeeper, S. Moffit, Rockford; Pomona, L. A. Dockery, Rockford; Flora, Mrs. W. T. Adams, Grand Rapids; Geres, Mrs. S. G. Peterson, Alaska; lady assistant steward, Mrs. John Graham, Grand Rapids.

MERCHANTS SIGH FOR SNOW.

Merchants who have prepared extensively for Christmas feel encouraged at the way purchasers and prospective investors in Christmas presents turned out yesterday. Nearly all of the fancy stores and bazaars were crowded all day. Many, however, were "just looking around," but the crowd bespeaks large sales in the future. Business men say that the trade this year is fair as compared with other years, and that with a few feet of snow the trade would probably surpass that of recent years.

AKESLEY INSTITUTE RECITAL.

An interesting musical recital was given last evening in the assembly hall of Akesley Institute at Grand Haven by piano pupils of Henry C. Post and vocal students of Francis Campbell. The participants were Miss Annie Martin of Charlotte, Misses Edna and Fannie Ford of Fruitport, Miss Alice Morgan of Pontiac, Mrs. S. Boyce and Miss Mabel Beaudry of Grand Haven and the Misses Marguerite Jewell and Genevieve Boorham of Grand Rapids.

RELIEF CORPS ELECTION.

The annual election of the Woman's Relief Corps of Kuster Post, G. A. R., gave the following officers: President, Mrs. Lou E. Johnson; senior vice, Mrs. Carrie Jackman; junior vice, Mrs. Helen Pendell; treasurer, Mrs. Viola G. Dimple; conductor, Mrs. Angie Price; guard, Mrs. Jennie Lalone. Delegates to department convention, Mrs. Angie Price, Mrs. Lizzie Babcock, Alternates, Mrs. Helen Pendell, Mrs. Hattie M. Huff.

CYCLE COMPANY'S OFFICERS.

The Grand Rapids Cycle company has elected the following officers: President, S. A. Norman; vice-president, A. B. Richmond; secretary and treasurer, L. F. Wilmarth; superintendent, H. E. Hain. These officers with Julius Berkey constitute the board of directors. The factory will be pushed to its utmost capacity during the coming year.

PLAYED THE FIRST GAMES.

The Nameless Pedro club held its first party last night at the residence of Miss Manie O'Hearn, No. 22 Miller street. Honors were won by Anna Cody and Ernest Grace, while Mamie Linton and Harry Middleton contested themselves with the boobies. After the games supper was served and a general good time enjoyed.

WILL MAKE DUSTPANS.

Articles of association were filed yesterday by the Novelty Dustpan company. The capital stock is \$12,000. The company is organized to manufacture a novel adjustable dustpan, patented by E. Crofton Fox of this city. The factory will be at G. D. Miles of Big Rapids, G. A. Coffee, J. W. F. Holcomb and F. A. Denny of this city.

BURIED UNDER TIMBERS.

James McCarthy, a G. R. & I. brakeman, was seriously injured in Sand's lumber yard at Lake City Wednesday night. While switching a carload of long timber the car upset and McCarthy was buried under it. He was injured internally but the doctor thinks he may recover.

MONEY FOR THE MISSION.

The St. Agnes guild of the St. John's Episcopal mission gave a pleasant literary entertainment at No. 62 South Division street last evening, which was attended by a large audience. After the program was finished a box social was held, and a neat sum was realized.

NORTH END CHURCH FAIR.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Plainfield Avenue M. E. church held a fair at Pettet's hall on Plainfield avenue last night. It was so successful that it was decided to hold it open again tonight. The proceeds go to the parsonage fund.

INCREASED THE FUND.

The women of the Universalist church gave a supper and sale of fancy goods at the residence of K. D. Kems, No. 97 Ransom street, last night. The furnishing fund of the church was increased about \$50.

YOUNG INDIAN FLAYS.

Dec. 15.—Fred Fisher, aged 14, son of the drayman, and Harry Paddock, aged 13, left home on a west-bound train last evening, and where they went is what their distracted parents would like to know. Both boys are respected, and their running away is a mystery to all.

GRAND is the verdict of the masses when commenting on Fredrick's refined home. The same expression will also apply to the big line of Holiday goods he has on hand for the coming Xmas time.



ONE ENJOYS

Both the method and results when Syrup of Figs is taken; it is pleasant and refreshing to the taste, and acts gently yet promptly on the Kidneys, Liver and Bowels, cleanses the system effectually, dispels colds, headaches and fevers and cures habitual constipation. Syrup of Figs is the only remedy of its kind ever produced, pleasing to the taste and acceptable to the stomach, prompt in its action and truly beneficial in its effects, prepared only from the most healthy and agreeable substances, its many excellent qualities commend it to all and have made it the most popular remedy known.

Syrup of Figs is for sale in 50c and \$1 bottles by all leading druggists. Any reliable druggist who may not have it on hand will procure it promptly for any one who wishes to try it. Do not accept any substitute.

CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.

San Francisco, Cal. New York, N.Y. Louisville, Ky.

ANTIQUITY OF FOOTBALL

It Was Played by the Greeks and Romans

In answer to a query whether football is a modern game the Baltimore American says: "No; it was a sport which highly delighted both the Romans and the Greeks. It was known by the former as harpastum, and by the latter as episkuros. There is a reference in Plutarch which is supposed to indicate that the amusement was popular in England during the reign of Henry II., about 1150. This mention has a doubtful meaning, and may refer only to tennis. It is certain, however, that it was familiar to the subjects of Edward III., for he in 1341 compelled to issue an edict prohibiting it, not because of its undecorability, but because it impeded the progress of archery. For a similar reason James II. of Scotland also put the ban on the game. Sir Thomas Elliot, writing in his Fifth Eclogue, dated 1698, had these lines: 'The sturdy plowman, lusty, strong and bold, Overgrowth the winter with driving the football, Forgetting labour and many a grievous fall.' The poet Waller says of it thus: 'As when a sort of lusty shepherds try Their force at football; care of victory Makes them exult so rudely, breast to breast, That their encounter seems too rough for jest.'"

LOOK FOR THE GRAND

Opening of the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company

The grand opening of the great Atlantic and Pacific Tea company takes place Monday December 19 and is to last all the week. Be sure to get one of those handsome panel pictures entitled "Good Morning." These pictures are given away to all purchasers. Look for their advertisement in the Sunday papers giving full description of the picture. Remember the place, No. 108 Monroe street.

Corl, Knott & Co. are selling hand-somely decorated slippers for ladies at 65 cents a pair. A great value.

Game of all kinds received daily at Dentist's.

Mrs. F. Maude Hughes, harp recitals every afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock, at Eaton, Lyon & Co's.

Splendid opportunities are offered the ladies at the great ribbon sale of Corl, Knott & Co's.

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See Kramer's great offer on pastel pictures in another column. Examine his samples.

ONE HALF OFF on trimmed on goods for this week. Miss Minton & Co.

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Ladies should not fail to attend the great ribbon sale this week at Corl, Knott & Co's.

Advertisement for Kemp's Cough Balsam, featuring an illustration of a bottle and text: "DO YOU COUGH? DON'T DELAY TAKE KEMP'S BALSAM THE BEST COUGH CURE"

Don't Stand On Your Head To Read This IF YOU DUNSTONERED, RO-A WEN KOBORNALH, ROF EHT WEN EARY, SI BLOW W EN ERW OT "ED A EVOM OS," "EMIT STIAW ROF ON NAM." Barlow Bros., 5-7 Pearl St., Near the Bridge

MORSE'S DEPARTMENT STORE, MONROE AND SPRING STREETS.

What is going on in the city today?

Verdict For Leonard Boy. Police and Fire Board. "Grimes' Cellar Door," Richmond's. Powers' Grand-Dark. St. Mark's Academy.

What is going on at Morse's today?

Special Sale of Hosiery.

Something good in our Hosiery department near the Monroe street entrance - 100 dozen Black Wool, Ribbed Top Hose at 15c a pair - 50 dozen Misses' Wool Hose, 10c a pair. Look at these, ladies, for there's money in it.

We sell the celebrated Burlington Fast Black Hose in all qualities - conceded by all to be the best guaranteed Fast Black Hose in this market.

That special Sale of Foster Hook Kid Gloves at 75c still in force. All colors, all sizes, and worth \$1.

MORSE'S DEPARTMENT STORE, MONROE AND SPRING STS.

DO YOU WEAR PANTS? If so, remember we make a specialty of Pants made to measure. 250 styles of Woolens to select from. \$3.50, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00 to \$10. Perfect Fit or No Sale. BODENSTEIN'S, 47 to 53 Canal Street.

FOR the coming Holidays an elegant line of goods has been selected. Each and every article a Novelty, a display you will enjoy. A. PREUSSER, 35 MOROE STREET.

Leonard's! CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. In every shape. Call before buying. You will be surprised at the wonderful collection of Toys you will see on the 4th floor (take the elevator). This is Where Santa Claus Holds Forth. H. Leonard's Sons & Co., 25 and 27 Monroe St.

RUPTURES Destroy Comfort. RUPTURES ARE DANGEROUS.

Ruptures Cured!! \$5. No Knife or spinal operation. No iron used. Dr. S. Clay Todd's treatment restores ruptured condition in 10 to 15 days. Medicine used in any advanced condition of rupture.



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Cure Paralysis, Twitching, Flushing or Prickling Sensations, Trembling, Painful, Back or Head Aches, Back or Neck Pains, sometimes running down the arms or back, Dizziness and other symptoms leading to paralysis. Nervous Debility and Female Complaints and Chronic Diseases. Consultation free and confidential. No charge for services until cured. Directions in all languages.

RHEUMATISM ALWAYS CURED. CATARRH AND HEAD NOISES CURED. DROPSY CURED. FITS AND ALL NERVE AND BRAIN DISEASES CURED. EYE AND EAR DISEASES CURED. THE ONLY ONE WHO CURES DEAFNESS.

Catarh, deafness, rheumatism, nervous debility, impotence and all diseases resulting from early indiscretions and excesses of manhood, all diseases of the urinary organs, partial paralysis, varicose ulcers, tumors, scrofula, old sores, dropsy, skin diseases, liver and kidney complaints, head dizziness, shortness of breath, back aches, small of back, etc., including all female complaints and chronic diseases cured quickly and permanently. That cough, slight fever and weakness, shortness of breath, palpitation of heart, my means sure and quick if you are nervous, restless, irritable, sleepless or wake after hurried dreams, tired mornings, with a head aching, bad taste in the mouth, sometimes discharge, and so about your employment without energy, courage or ambition, desire to be alone, gloomy forebodings, a disposition to worry and fret about troubles about that never comes, spells of feeling afraid or uncertain, sometimes low spirits, you are suffering from nervous debility and exhaustion of nerve power, which may end in utter prostration, insanity and death.

If you have a great sense of weakness and weariness, with tired limbs, numbness, trembling, prickly skin, cold feet or legs, you are advancing to that most serious disease - Paralysis. If your head aches, feel numb and red, with strange sensations, loss of memory, and you think with difficulty or you are sleepless at night, with drowsiness and dulness during the day, the nerves and brain fatigue may soon run into insanity or death. If you have any of these feelings do not neglect them, or they will culminate in paralysis, insanity, prostration or death.

As you value your life do not neglect these warnings. Time and opportunity has shown, and hundreds of starting and marvellous cures have proved, that these diseases are curable and completely cured by DR. S. CLAY TODD, 16 N. DIVISION STREET, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. Under the use of DR. S. CLAY TODD'S remarkable remedies all those symptoms yield so if by brain, and strength of nerves, vigor of brain, vitality of blood, and health of body are soon restored. His remedies are purely vegetable and harmless, and can only be obtained at his office. DR. TODD'S compound preparations before each patient in his office. DR. TODD'S office is at 16 N. Division street, rooms 1, 2 and 3, Grand Rapids. His medicines agree with the stomach, and you can eat anything you choose. Call everybody. A friendly talk will set you nothing. Low charges. Rapid cures.

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