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Owing to the long illness of our Scranton manager, we have concluded to sell out our entire stock, consisting of Pianos, Organs, large Church Organs and general musical merchandise, including sheet music. There is not a cheap line of goods, but the best the country affords. Look at the bargains, we can only mention a few today:

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Knahe Grand piano, old price, \$850.00; sale price, \$700.00
Vose piano (a beauty), old price, \$500.00; sale price, \$375.00
Vose piano (very fine), old price, \$400.00; sale price, \$350.00
Lauding piano, new, old price, \$375.00; new price, \$300.00
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CITY NOTES

INITIATIONS TONIGHT.—The Scranton Lodge of Elks will hold a meeting this evening at which time initiation will take place. HOSE TEST TODAY.—The 1,000 feet of rubber hose recently purchased by the city has arrived and will be tested today on Franklin avenue.

THE SPEEDWAY HOTEL (Open All Year.)

Special Gentlemen's Races. Scheduled Races Saturday at 2:30 P. M. A competition between the best horses in Northern Pennsylvania. All Erie and Wyoming Valley trains stop at Speedway Crossing.

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THREE VIOLATIONS OF LICENSE LAWS

RUMOR OF ILLEGAL LIQUOR SELLING FULLY CONFIRMED.

Daniel Lynch, of Simpson; Z. Lopatyner, of South Washington Avenue, and J. J. Mangan, of Stone Avenue Convicted of Keeping Speakeasies—Others Who Are Similarly Charged Fail to Respond When Called and the Sheriff Is Sent for Them.

Three more convictions for illegal liquor selling were recorded yesterday. Daniel Lynch, of Simpson, prosecuted by James Doolittle; Z. Lopatyner, of 223 South Washington avenue, prosecuted by Ike Karpunkle, and J. J. Mangan, of Stone avenue, prosecuted by the Men's union, are the victims.

Lynch was charged with doing a wholesale beer business. His defense was that he was an agent for the late James Burns, of Carbondale, who had a wholesaler's license. Since last September, Lynch claims, he has not done any business, and previous to that he was simply custodian of Burns' warehouse or distributing depot.

James Doolittle, the prosecutor, his wife, Andrew Moran and John Ruane swore to having purchased beer at retail at Lynch's place and the jury believed them. Judge Cameron tried the case.

Lopatyner's defense was that it was his wife who conducted the place and that at all events nothing was sold there stronger than corn beer. Half a dozen witnesses told of having purchased beer and whiskey from Lopatyner's place.

Judge Archibald, in charging the jury, remarked that he had never heard of corn beer except in a trial for illegal liquor selling. There may be such a beverage, the judge said, but he had never encountered it and thought it was safe to assume that the jurors were not familiar with it. "They say they got it from the farmers," the judge continued. "The farmers, it seems to me, have responsibilities enough without making them the source of this mysterious concoction."

The jury was out only half an hour. The very first ballot was eleven to one for conviction. The twelfth juror came around on the next ballot.

CONVICTED BEFORE. Lopatyner was convicted two years ago of keeping a speakeasy at this same place and served six months in the county jail for it. After his conviction yesterday, Judge Archibald immediately released him until Saturday under \$1,000 bail, furnished by his landlord.

J. J. Mangan was the first of the alleged speakeasy keepers prosecuted by the Men's union to be brought to trial. Agent Robert Wilson and his assistants, having been notified, purchased drink there and the jury did not hesitate long in bringing in a verdict of guilty. Mangan's defense was a simple denial of the charge. Attorney James H. Torrey appeared for the prosecution. The case was heard before Judge Edwards.

Adam Wassner and John Clark, two others charged by the Men's union with selling liquor without a license, failed to respond and capias were issued for their arrest.

Thomas Durning, charged by David Hughes with selling liquor illegally, and by Stephen Hughes with felonious attempt to kill, was to have been tried before Judge Archibald, but failed to appear. The sheriff was directed to bring him in. Last year Durning applied to court to have a license transferred to him. Judge Edwards dismissed the application with some caustic comment on the impropriety of a man of Durning's record asking the Lackawanna court to give him a license to sell liquor.

Norman Anderson, of Blakely, was tried before Judge Cameron for assault and battery on Mrs. Wilson Bridges. Anderson caused Bridges to be sold out. Mrs. Bridges was in bed when the sale began and refused to get up. The bed was taken apart while she lay in it and carried away piecemeal and sold. She claims Anderson handled her violently and injured her internally, with serious results to her unborn child. The jury was out at adjourning time.

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