

OLEOMARGERINE ACT

To be Tested in the Courts by an Agreement.

TWO MEN FINED FOR SELLING IT

Are Refused an Appeal and will try to get Judge Paul to Construe the Act for the Guidance of Justices--Is it Constitutional?--Chicago Manufacturers Kick.

The unique act of the last Legislature governing the sale of oleomargarine and other artificial substitutes for butter is to be the subject of novel and interesting proceedings. There has for a long time been talk of the sale of butterine and other compounds in the Wheeling markets. The United States statute forbids the sale except in the original package, and requires the package to be plainly marked with the name of the compound. It has been charged that both provisions were violated here, but there has never been a prosecution. The last Legislature made it a misdemeanor to sell oleomargarine or any substitute for butter unless it was colored pink. Wheeling dealers bought from manufacturers in Chicago a quantity of the stuff which was so colored, but naturally enough it was unsalable. Nobody wanted rose-tinted grease at any price. It was sent back, and it is alleged that the dealers afterward sold oleomargarine of the same color as butter.

Warrants were sworn out before Squire Gillespie for Peter Dillon and E. L. Myer, on a charge of violating the State law, and after a hearing at which Col. Robert White appeared for the prosecution and Col. W. W. Arnett for the defense, the two men were fined \$25 and costs each.

Col. Arnett desired to appeal the case, but Col. White held that the act did not allow an appeal. This point was argued at some length, and late last night Squire Gillespie announced that while his own opinion was that the defendants ought to have the right to appeal, he was not sure that the Legislature intended that they should have that right. He suggested that Col. Arnett bring before Judge Paul, of the circuit court, some proceeding which would lead to his giving a decision upon this point, and he agreed to hold the matter open for a reasonable time to await Judge Paul's opinion. Upon this suggestion Col. Arnett said he would act.

There are good lawyers who hold that the "Pink-Grease" act is unconstitutional. Prominent firms in Chicago have written to Wheeling attorneys with a view to fighting the law if advised that it could be annulled, and it is likely to be the issue in very interesting proceedings.

THE SHORT TERMERS.

A Reminiscence of the Late Lamented Frat. F. Cop.

Lorin Chambers and wife, S. B. Chambers, Dr. Howard S. Stetie and wife and E. Wingfield Lukins, all of Philadelphia, arrived in the city yesterday and dined at the Hotel Windsor. They left at 4:20 for Parkersburg. With the exception of Dr. Stetie, these are the late officials of the defunct Fraternity of Financial Co-operation, the short term order which came to grief here. They were on their way to Parkersburg, where their cases on the indictments for using the United States mails in conducting a fraudulent scheme, are set for early trial. They were as well dressed and as "hip" as ever, and did not look as if the collapse of their game had been as great a hardship to them as it was to hundreds of people who suffered loss by it. Several other parties are under indictment, but they were not in the party yesterday.

UNPRECEDENTED ACTIVITY.

The Express Companies Rushed With Business Just Now.

The three express companies in the city are doing an immense business. Capt. Jack Merriman said yesterday that the traffic now being handled is the heaviest in the history of the express business, and he has been in the business in Wheeling 26 years. The Adams company took in \$500 cash yesterday, the result of one day's work. The three companies took in fully \$1,000 yesterday. When the Adams was alone in the field in this city, \$300 was considered a big day's receipts.

The railroads are doing an immense amount of freight hauling, the annual scarcity of cars being more marked than usual.

Park Dobbins Goes Home.

Marshal Gill, of East Liverpool, came down yesterday to take away Park Dobbins, who is accused of the burglary of a saloon. Dobbins was arrested by Chief Delbrugge over a week ago, and refusing to go to Ohio without a requisition, has been in jail ever since. He was taken to Bridgeport last night. Dobbins has already been in the penitentiary three times.

A Successful Festival.

The festival and social given yesterday by the Zane Street M. E. Church was an unqualified success, the managers clearing \$160. Dinner and supper was served and in the evening quantities of ice cream were disposed of. A handsome large cake was presented to the pastor, Rev. A. Moore.

A Remarkable Petrosfaction.

A remarkable curiosity is in the possession of Dr. W. E. Stathers. It is a petrosfaction and resembles somewhat a small sausage. It was found by the workmen excavating for the foundation of the stone bridge.

The Cathedral Mission.

The mission services to be conducted by the Jesuit fathers at the Cathedral, will commence next Sunday, lasting two weeks. Sermons will be delivered every day, and ushers in attendance will show visitors to seats.

Poker Room Raided.

Officers Lukins, Gaus and Terrill about midnight raided the poker room of Tom Halpin, on the corner of Market and Twelfth streets, and arrested the proprietor and thirteen players.

At 2 o'clock this morning Officers Seally and Terrill raided Mollie Boyd's house, in Alley C, and arrested her, four other women and two men.

The world is always interested in the cure of consumption; yet its prevention is of far more importance. Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup is guaranteed to cure coughs and colds. Sold by all dealers on a guarantee of satisfaction. Beware.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

Matters of Minor Moment in and About the City.

PAIGE, CARBY & Co.'s hands got their pay yesterday.

LIVELY progress is being made on the Atlantic engine house alterations.

The floor of the new bridge to the Island will be completed this week.

THE GRAND this evening--"An Irishman's Love." Life Woodson's benefit.

THOMAS FREZEY was arrested yesterday by Officer Donley, for drunkenness.

The Magnolia Social will give a dance to-night at the South Side Turner Hall.

The brick work is progressing rapidly on the Fourth ward annex school building.

The new county jail is fairly jumping now. The window gratings were put in yesterday.

THE poles for the city's electric light system are going up pretty fast in East Wheeling.

A DRUNKEN Italian fell through the Terminal Company's trestle yesterday and cut his head.

A PRETTY brown spaniel was run over and killed by an electric car on North Main street yesterday.

COMPLAINT of the dirty streets is general and constant, but it does not seem to have the slightest effect.

TOM MELLISH, a Hungarian railroad hand, was hauled in by Officer Terrill yesterday afternoon, very drunk.

The Wheeling Cyclists have about completed the fitting up of their hall on Thirty-third street, between Chapline and Eoff.

THERE is a great deal of complaint of the ball playing by hinge factory boys at the noon hour, on Nineteenth and Jacob streets.

The Shamrock base ball club has been strengthened and claims the amateur championship of West Virginia against all comers.

The cofferdam in which the west pier of the bridge to the Island was built is being removed by Jolly Bros., the contractors who built the bridge.

CHARLES HILL, yesterday went to the hill for thirty days in default of \$10 and costs for disorderly conduct, and John Pearl, a plain drunk, was let go to leave town.

THE shade trees are shedding their leaves, and on some streets the accumulation is a decided nuisance. Burning gets rid of them, but they make a terrific odor in the air.

The Shamrock base ball club has accepted the challenge of the Athletic base ball club, of Benwood, for \$25 a side, and will play on the latter's grounds Sunday afternoon; game called at 3 o'clock.

The drug store on Jacob street, below Forty-third, formerly owned by McElroy, has been handsomely fitted up and reopened by W. S. McCollough and E. M. Richards under the name of the "Forty-third street Pharmacy."

The supports under a boiler at Reymann's brewery gave way yesterday morning early, letting the boiler fall into the ash-pit, but little damage resulted from the accident. A cloud of steam rose, giving rise to the impression that the boiler had exploded.

ON Monday night Andrew Fife and a boy named Grimes were arrested near Fowler's, W. Va., by Sheriff Curtis of Brooke county, on a charge of stealing about sixteen bushels of wheat from the granary of Elias Jones, of Independence township, this county. When arrested, Fife and the boy acknowledged to having stolen the wheat. They were taken to Wellsburg and lodged in jail to await a requisition from Governor Pattison. Fife is an old offender and has done time in the penitentiary.--Washington Journal.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Strangers in the City and Wheeling Folks Abroad.

Mr. B. A. Rader, of Shinnston, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Isett are home from a western trip.

Harry Cummins is home from a summer sojourn at Aurora.

Ed. Hornbrook, of Kansas City, is among old Wheeling friends.

Mrs. Charles R. Brown, of Ravenswood, is at the Stamm House.

C. Powell, of Fairmont, registered yesterday at the Behler hotel.

Senator William G. Worley, of Kingwood, is at the McLure House.

Cant. B. B. Dovener is at Clarksburg as counsel in a big felony case.

Lewis E. Huseman left yesterday for Poughkeepsie, N. Y., to attend school.

J. S. McCarnell, of Parkersburg, registered yesterday at the Windsor hotel.

Chief of Police Delbrugge left last night for his fishing lodge on Irish creek.

Nine members of the "Irishman's Love" company are registered at the Behler.

George Campbell, of the Hotel Blennerhassett, Parkersburg, was here yesterday.

Mrs. Dr. Conaway and Miss Clara Stathers, of Centerville, are visiting Dr. W. E. Stathers.

Col. Jacob Kemple and wife have gone to Buffalo, N. Y., where they will reside in the future.

Harry King and wife, of South Chapline street are in Pittsburgh with friends for a few days.

Joseph Dimmy, brother of Jailer Dimmy, is lying seriously ill at his home with typhoid fever.

Miss Maud Palmer, who has been visiting Miss Clara Fullerton, returned to her home at Parkersburg yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Gibson and Mrs. Smyth left last evening over the Baltimore & Ohio for Atlantic City and New York.

Mr. Dan Dinger has gone to Mountain Lake Park, Md., where his family have been summering. They will return home to-day.

W. J. Robinson, of Parkersburg, J. E. Watson, of Fairmont and F. H. Park, of Parkersburg, registered yesterday at the McLure House.

W. S. Kitchen has been made general agent of the Provident Life Insurance Company at Parkersburg, and will remove there soon.

Phil C. Bravton, advance agent of the "Cold Day" company, and Albert Scott, of the "Mugg's Landing" company, are at the Hotel Behler.

Mr. Robert McKee, who is connected with the Singer Sewing Machine Company, will be transferred from Wheeling to Akron next week.

Misses Bertie Fry and Nora Williams, of Cameron, were at the Hotel Van Keuren yesterday on their way home from a visit to Uniontown, Pa.

Mrs. Augustus Pollack and daughters, Misses Dee and Gracie, have returned home from Aurora, where they have been spending the summer.

Secretary Otto, of the State Fair Association, with J. B. Handlan, left yesterday for Missouri. Just before leaving Mr. Otto's salary was increased by \$300 a year.

Dr. A. S. Todd's PILLS are an old time remedy, and just as good as they are old.

MOUNDVILLE'S BOOM.

The Second Day's Lot Sale Quite as Successful as the First and Everybody Enthusiastic and Happy.

Another successful day encouraged the Moundville boomers yesterday. Fully one thousand people were present when the lot sale opened in the morning. Major Beckenbaugh was in splendid voice, and lots sold under the persuasive influence of his talk like hot cakes. The lots near the hotel site were first started on. Bidding was lively and continued so until the noon hour, when adjournment was made for lunch.

At 1 o'clock business was resumed. Owing to the hearty dinner that was eaten, the major had pity on the crowd and instead of leading them a distance off, commenced to knock down the lots adjoining the grove where dinner was eaten. Here his irresistible talk met with a repetition of its morning's success, and lots were sold rapidly. At the conclusion of the sale the auctioneer announced that a game of base ball would be played by a nine selected from the best players belonging to the M. M. & M. Co. and the Red Letters, of Moundville.

The following gentlemen represented the company on the field: W. O. Beckenbaugh, first base; J. D. Burley, pitcher; C. C. McColgan, right field; M. V. Richards, left field; J. W. Burchinal, second base; Alfred Paull, centre field; J. F. Burley, catcher; W. W. Dunn, short stop; John Brooks, third base. The Red Letter nine consisted of S. Grandstaff, catcher; C. Criswell, pitcher; G. Stillwell, first base; W. McCaskey, second base; W. Hunter, third base; C. Howell, short stop; A. Wiedebusch, left field; C. Drake, centre field; Joe Gallaher, right field.

Major Beckenbaugh had bragged so much of his ability as a ball player that the Red Letters were rather dubious, and scented defeat. After the game was well under way the change in their opinion was expressed by one of them saying, regarding the doughty auctioneer's base ball playing capacity: "Why, he couldn't catch a balloon." Mr. Alfred Paull wore himself out in the first inning running after the balls he failed to catch, and was obliged to retire. Only five innings were played, the score standing 7 to 5 in favor of the Red Letters.

The amount of sales made during the day aggregated \$19,500, and was a most encouraging reward to the efforts of the company. It has been fortunate in securing the services of Major Beckenbaugh, who is a genial gentleman and one of the best auctioneers in the country. He has sold as high as \$740,000 worth of property in one day.

The following is a list of the lots sold, by whom purchased and the price at which they were bid in.

Table listing lot sales with columns for lot number, purchaser name, and price. Includes entries for J. W. Burchinal, T. J. Patton, M. V. Richards, Mrs. V. L. Cockayne, etc.

MISS GRANGER'S NEW PLAY.

A Strong Drama by a Strong Company last Night.

Maudie Granger presented her new play, "Gabrielle," at the Opera House last night. This was its second public presentation. A refined audience of good size applauded discriminatingly, and it was evident that the piece was a popular success. It is the work of Mrs. Edie Henderson and Mathilde Estyan, but the plot and the dramatic development are worthy of the master hand of Sardou. It reminds one of his work, though only by its manner. It is strikingly original, full of thrilling moments, and has not a weak line in it.

Gabrielle, the heroine, loves Rene de Yalois, but to save her father's honor marries Mona de Savigny, district attorney. Rene intrusts Gabrielle's letters to Gen. Alvarez, a Spaniard, who is arrested for conspiracy. De Savigny by virtue of his office gains possession of the letters, and accuses his wife of being faithless. She confesses, but pleads for her lover, supposing he is known. It is developed that her husband suspects Alvarez, and the wife, at first denying after seeing in the false suspicion a way not only to save Rene's life, but to keep him near her, ceases to deny and then confesses that Alvarez is her lover.

The outraged husband uses his position to wreak a revenge which is the

refinement of cruelty. Alvarez is made to appear a villain and a coward, and is on the verge of ruin and despair when he and Rene discover, from separate sources, the source and the motive of his persecution. The General refuses to explain, but Rene rushes to Gabrielle, reproaches her and declares his purpose to denounce himself to her husband. Her pleading and remonstrance against this course are interrupted by her husband's entrance. Rene tells the truth, and though she declares it is false and still accuses Alvarez, de Savigny believes the story. He summons Gen. Alvarez and his friends and makes the amende honorable; then summoning Rene, he adds that he has another duty to perform--to denounce the guilty. Gabrielle, despairing, takes poison, just as her husband exclaims, "The guilty man, the one to be blamed, is I!" Gabrielle dies, begging her husband's forgiveness. The play is full of morals, not didactically given. Miss Granger, as Gabrielle, makes a scathing denunciation of the injustice of the different judgments of the world upon the woman and the man who have sinned.

The star never did better acting than last night. The death scene can be, and doubtless will be, improved. In the other scenes, all most exacting, she shows the genius which has made her fame. The support is mainly excellent. Mr. Hastings (de Savigny), Mr. Murray (Rene), and Mr. Metayer (Alvarez), were especially worthy of praise, and Mr. Hunt's comedy was fine and pleasing.

Bartley Campbell's Great Play.

Next Tuesday evening, September 29, "The White Slave," one of Bartley Campbell's most successful plays, will be presented at the Opera House. The Philadelphia Public Ledger says:

The dramatic situations of "The White Slave," the late Bartley Campbell's personal play, were evolved in such a way as to keep the lookers on well interested. Campbell had the knack of compelling the attention of an audience on account of his skill in working out scenes and his cleverness of characterization. These qualities are shown in "The White Slave." As to the present revival, it should be said that Miss Julia Stuart made a very satisfactory Lisa, the cast was adequate and the scenic effects were duly appreciated.

"An Irishman's Love."

A good audience enjoyed the comedy-drama, "An Irishman's Love," at the Grand last night. The play has rare attractions in abundance. The scenery is fine and the specialties rich. The Clipper quartette is a show in itself, and made a great hit. J. B. Donovan, as Teddy Brannigan, is a very natural and pleasant Irish lad. Richard M. Carroll is one of the best dialect comedians on the stage, and his Dennis O'Day was a fine bit of acting. Miss Lida Holden Magee, also did well. Miss Lida Holden Lester was a beautiful and interesting Ellen, her personation being strong and artistic, while little Vallie Egars is one of the most accomplished child actors ever seen here. Miss Boshell as Rosie was capable.

The piece will be sure to draw a packed house this evening, when Life Woodson will be given a benefit by the company.

Will Have a New Play.

Mr. Richard M. Carroll, the veteran comedian now with the "Irishman's Love" Company, will leave that organization here Saturday night and go east to begin arrangements for his appearance next season in a new play, written by his son, Richard, jr., and called "The Dago." Mr. Carroll will have good backing and those who have read the play say it is a prize. His son presented it to him. The title role suits him exactly.

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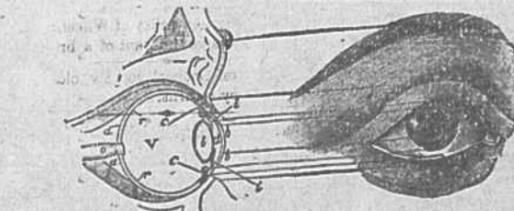
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