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AKRON, OHIO, THURSDAY EVENING, JULY 13, 1899.

PRICE ONE CENT

STARTLING

Increase in Cases

Commenced to Annul the Marriage Contract.

Number More Than Doubled in Year.

Little to Distribute to the Heirs.

Administrators Resigned—Court House News Notes.

There has been a startling increase in divorce cases in this county during the last year.

On July 1, 1898, only 40 cases were pending in Common Pleas court. The county clerk's annual report shows that 96 cases were pending July 1, 1899, more than double the number one year ago.

The report, which has just been completed, furnishes some interesting figures. It follows:

Divorce cases pending July 1, 1898 40
Divorce cases brought during year 104
Total 144

Decided during year 48
Case pending 96

Petitions filed by husband 35
Petitions filed by wife 109

Alimony awarded wife 17
Divorces granted husband 13
Divorces granted wife 26

Dismissed by husband 1
Dismissed by wife 8

Charges alleged: Adultery 11; absence and neglect 47; cruelty 28; drunkenness 12; miscellaneous 6.

Custody children given father 3; custody children given mother 13.

Little Left.

On the application of Gustave Toepfer, administrator, he has been authorized to make a distribution of the funds of the estate of Gottlieb Loeffler, who was killed by escaping steam at the power house of the Akron Street Railroad company.

A judgment for \$1,054 was returned against the company. This has been paid. After paying expenses there is but \$617 left for the heirs. The widow is in the asylum at Newburg.

Appeal Case.

Weiner Brothers have appealed the action commenced by William F. Theiss to Common Pleas court. Theiss was injured by Weiner Bros.' celebrated kicking horse. He was given judgment for \$87 in Justice's court.

Resigned.

H. E. Loomis has filed his resignation as administrator of the estate of Jacob Bowers. The application asking for his removal was overruled.

Appointments.

James V. Welsh has been appointed administrator of the estate of Wm. Moran. Bond \$4,000.

George A. Carmichael has qualified as administrator of the estate of George Carmichael by giving \$10,000 bond.

Marriage Licenses.

Frederick Bodenstern, Cleveland, 29
Emma Bittman, Akron, 26
John W. Wilson, Cuyahoga Falls, 29
Byrd Brown, Cuyahoga Falls, 21
Harry J. King, Akron, 26
Nettie G. McElhinney, Akron, 22

HAD NERVE.

Walked Into Barn at Noon and Stole Bicycle.

A bicycle belonging to Carl Schlieve, who is employed by Commissioner A. T. Paige, was stolen Wednesday while the young man was at dinner. Mr. Schlieve had been riding the bicycle in the forenoon and when he returned put the wheel in Mr. Paige's barn. The thief entered the barn and taking the wheel out rode away. He was not identified, nor has anything been heard of him since.

REVENGE.

Alexander Still on the War Path.

Believes He Should Have Received Consideration—Is a Candidate.

Senator J. Park Alexander of Summit county is still on the war path, says the Plain Dealer. He is seeking revenge against Hanna and Dick for what he claims to be gross perfidy on their part. He believed he ought to have received some consideration at the hands of Dick when he was a candidate for lieutenant governor, but he did not, and later Dick used his influence in Summit county to prevent the senator's renomination for the state senate.

Alexander is out for the lower house and if he wins it is certain that he will use every influence to oppose the will of Hanna. Alexander will fight against any legislation for Cincinnati which will give Cox more power. He will be opposed for the nomination in Summit county by H. C. Sanford, who made a creditable showing in Akron last spring as an anti-republican candidate for mayor.

For sale, fine driving mare. A. B. Smith, 220 South Main st.

WERE HUNGRY.

Italians Had Difficulty in Making Known Their Wants.

"Wanta munya, wanta munya!" These words the new Italians working as section hands on the Erie at Sterling kept saying to their foreman the greater part of the day Wednesday. The foreman couldn't understand, but thought at first that the foreigners wanted their pay.

"Do you want to quit?" inquired the foreman of the spokesman of the crowd.

"No wanta de mun," quickly replied the leader of the gang of 13.

Finally they made it known that they were out of food provisions, and were in a condition that would soon necessitate their feeding on the country at large or any small game that might show up. They were hungry and could scarcely work.

A good supply of provisions was procured for them, and after a hearty feed, they continued their labors without further murmuring.

JONES

Will Not Resign Chairmanship of Committee.

WASHINGTON, July 13.—The Post today said in part: Senator Jones of Arkansas, will not resign his position as chairman of the Democratic national committee. This can be stated authoritatively, once for all. Two letters were received from him in this city, in which he not only makes clear his intention of remaining at the head of the committee, but outlines work upon which he intends to engage as soon as he returns to the United States. His letters were dated at towns in Switzerland and reported the senator as improving in health. He was then preparing to go to Geneva to spend a week or more "and," he said, "I hope to come home entirely well."

Scared by a Light.

DAYTON, July 13.—A powerful searchlight used in a local factory jubilee was repeatedly thrown on a certain clump of clouds. These hung directly over a church in Byron, a village 20 miles distant. A church lawn fete was in progress and was broken up into a hysterical prayer meeting. Religious excitement prevailed for hours, as the people believed it was a sign of the end of the world.

A Bank Robbed.

CANTON, July 13.—Burglars cracked the safe of the Citizens' Savings and Loan company, using dynamite. Officially announced that but \$45 was secured, but it was said there was more taken. The bank is diagonally opposite from the police station, and within a stone's throw of the officers' headquarters.

The Blondon Donkey at Randolph makes the people laugh until their backs ache. The children yell for joy. Every person, old or young, should see it. Old heads say it is the funniest thing they ever saw. Special matinees will be given Friday and Saturday afternoons to enable all to see it. A special rate with admission to show on either day to children, 10c.

THE WEATHER: Showers tonight and Friday.

SUCCESS

Marked the Picnic.

An Immense Crowd Was at Silver Lake.

Perfect Weather Added to Pleasure.

Prize Winners in the Various Events.

Those Who Had the Affair in Charge.

Success attended the mammoth annual picnic of the Akron Retail Grocers' association at Silver Lake Wednesday.

At 7 o'clock in the morning the crowd started for the lake on both lines and every car was crowded throughout the day. Conservative estimates place the attendance at 10,000. Besides Akron being well represented a large number of Cleveland grocers and people from all the surrounding towns and villages were present.

During noon hours the Carathers Preserving Co. distributed apple butter, catchup and pickles.

Free Lemonade.

Free lemonade and coffee were served during the noon hour. The various amusements, including dancing especially, were enjoyed to a very large extent.

The program of sports furnished much amusement. The chase after the greased pig was unusually interesting. About 25 boys gave chase and John Evans was successful in catching the porker before it had run two minutes.

Ball Games.

The South Ends were downed by the Newsboys in a ball game in the morning by a score of 26 to 15. The prize was \$5.

Kent rubbed it into the Akron Indians after dinner. The score was 10 to 6. The winning team got \$22 and the loser \$10.

Prize Winners.

The program of sports and winners follow: Wheelbarrow race—9:30, first prize, \$1 straw hat from J. Koch & Co.; second, small sack flour. C. F. Horn, manager. Roy Ritchie, winner; Joseph Zwiler, second.

Bag race—9:45, first prize, sack of flour; second, 1 box extra fine candy from Nick Laskaris. C. F. Horn, manager. Earl Hanna, winner; Henry Guering, second.

Potato race—10:00, first prize, large sack flour; second, small sack flour, both from Cramer & Logan. G. A. Ellis, manager. Thomas Black, winner; Chas. Mobley, second.

Running race, girls—10:15, first prize, best pair slippers in John Allen's shoe store; second, 5-pound box chocolate creams from A. Swartz & Sons. G. A. Ellis, manager. Carrie France, winner; Gertrude France, second.

Spoon-egg race, girls—10:30, first prize, solid silver souvenir spoon by Frank Laubach & Clemmer; second, water set by Schumacher & Gammeier. Chas. Gille, manager. Elma Burnett, winner; Blanche Myers, second.

Pie race—10:45, first prize, ball and hat from Geo. S. Dales; second, small sack flour. Chas. Gille, manager. David White, winner; Wm. Mobley, second.

Pan water race—11:15, first prize, sack flour; second, small sack flour. Richard Scott, manager. Charles Mobley, winner; David White, second.

Baby show—12:45 p.m. Prettiest child, 12 months or under. First prize, best pair of baby shoes in M. O'Neill's store; second, five pound box chocolate creams from A. Swartz & Sons. N. H. Newswanger, manager. The little daughter of Mrs. Fred. Ritzman was awarded first honors and the child of Mrs. Wm. Lewis was given second prize. About 25 babies were entered in the show.

Watermelon race—11:00, first prize sack flour; second, small sack flour.

WITNESSES

Called by Coroner.

Motorman Earl Martin Had Been Discharged.

Dispatcher Says He Did Not Telephone.

For Orders Before Leaving Northfield Station.

Brakeman Kelly Waved a Signal to Stop.

Richard Scott, manager. David Davis, winner; David White, second.

Boat race—1:15, first prize, half barrel flour from Geo. Bisbee, second small sack flour. Jacob Sidel, manager. Ira Williams, winner; J. Palmer, second.

Trap shooting—1:20, first prize, \$5 in gold; second, 100 cigars from Wm. Wolf; third, 50 cigars from Mat Klink. Mat Klink, manager. Mat Klink, winner; C. A. Smith of Kent, second; J. W. Dunn, third. Mr. Klink hit 13 out of 15, while Mr. Smith hit 12.

Swimming race—1:45, 1st prize, bathing suit from Black Bear Hat store; 2d, sack of flour. Jacob Sidel, manager. Malcolm Dorrance, winner; G. F. Packard, second.

Tub race—2:00, 1st prize, \$2 in cash; 2d, \$1 in cash, both from J. J. Brasenle. Sam. Glenn, winner; F. W. Eichenlaub, second.

Bicycle race—2:30, first prize, one pair rubber tires from the B. F. Goodrich Co.; second, bicycle lamp from Foster Bros. C. F. Horn, manager. Fred Shreffler, winner; Eugene Epply, second.

Fat men's race—2:45, first prize, sack flour from Crystal Flour Co.; second, bread box from Geo. Haas. E. A. Chamberlain, manager. J. F. Duffy, winner; W. J. Mull, second.

Fat women's race—3:15, first prize, \$5 rocking chair from L. A. Barmore; second, sack of flour. E. A. Chamberlain, manager. Mrs. C. M. Boone, winner; Mrs. G. Brown, second.

Committees.

Geo. Haas, president of the Akron Retail Grocers' association, was chairman of each of the committees. The committees in charge follow:

Finance—James T. Diehm, chairman; O. S. Ely, Geo. Schaeffer, Mat Klink, John Russell, H. A. Benner.

Amusement—David Logan, Will Bittman, Richard Scott, Ross W. Johnson, C. W. Carpenter, A. W. Farrand, F. Eberly, D. Morgan, Chas. Gille, Jacob Sidel, S. S. Steimetz, G. A. Ellis, Chas. H. Hammel, W. F. Horn, C. W. Joss, J. L. Kohler, Louis Leffler, N. H. Newswanger, J. A. Rohner, Geo. Schaeffer, F. W. Albrecht, S. Hixson, Chas. E. Atwood, C. F. Frain, E. A. Chamberlain, Chas. G. Foust.

Advertising and Printing—P. P. Cherry, C. W. Hartong, C. Young, H. C. Killinger, F. D. Sharp, F. W. Booth, Howard Rempes.

Coffee—John A. Kempel, Daniel Noe, Geo. Rempes, T. Sieber, W. B. Metlin, Fred Ewald, Frank Rommel, E. J. Koch, J. C. Bahr, F. C. Dye, H. Romig, Frank E. Strobel.

Lemonade—Will Sollenberger, Albert E. Baker, Harry Miller, John Reinecke, C. Harvesty, Harry Foust, Frank Kline, Al Conrad, John Spellman, Henry Holzworth, Harry Foltz, Lee Claffin, John Hoch, John Immel, F. W. Stouffer, Dan Nelson, E. A. Killinger, Will Wolf.

Police—Mat Klink, A. J. Barder, J. D. Pierce, Mike Buechler, Chris Schoeninger, A. L. Thornton, David Crumrine, B. H. Siddall, H. Monroe, S. Weiner.

Reception—Geo. Guth, S. S. Hayes, M. W. Metzler, D. F. Berger, J. G. Blocker, Chas. Foust, D. O. Kendrick, Chas. Leiby, The Toledo Club, Clint Kline, Robt. Estep, C. D. Manbeck, C. C. Cannon, C. W. Mustill, C. J. Snyder, M. G. Hoffman, Henry Seymour, Wm. Hayes, W. Lee, F. M. Long, Ed. Bartlett, Wm. Cooper, F. W. Rockwell, H. Schubert, A. P. Pouchot, Chas. Beck, Willis Teepie, Wm. McGinley, John Bruening, Otto Stetzer, G. A. Rohner, A. E. Myers, Wm. Kline.

Invitation—J. Ben Houghton, Sid Imman, Nic Erdman, A. H. Funk, L. W. Weller, Chas. Marquardt, Fred Bartlett, M. J. Miller, F. B. Adams, Cyrus Miller, J. H. Weiner, Adam Reiter, J. N. Rohner, Mr. Reusch, Seegar Seymour, L. Spellburger, Henry Sprain, W. Amend, Wm. Stenhouse, Geo. Danforth, Chas. Wegman, J. H. Snyder, Chas. Waltz, Wm. Cleve, H. Anderson, Albert Schubert, F. W. Fogarty, Thos. Reinecke, Theo. Lan, Lou Abel, Will Wert, W. Montenyohl, Jas. Eblen, Al Kline, Mr. Immel, Thos. Selby, Mr. Goodyear, J. W. Bulgar, Chas. McCausland, M. H. Zimmerman, J. D. Delling, Hoar, Paschman, Frank Moore, Burt Falor, Jos. Gille, Henry Ruen, Harry Morris, Chas. Palmer, Chas. Claffin, Wm. Webber, Jesse Pfaff, Fred Watkins, Lawrence Brainer, Jas. Ows, J. F. Kiser, Grant McElfresh, J. Delling, L. Mannus, Ed. Diehl, Orville Wright, Marvin Koons, Louis Cline, J. Cleminger, N. L. Ross, J. W. Edging, J. C. Herbruck, A. W. Krause, W. H. Linn, C. Loewing, J. M. McCree, B. F. Nice, F. Reeh, W. L. Selden, M. E. Sander, D. B. Terry, T. White, W. E. Eyster, W. G. Brown, C. Schoenduve, C. G. Weldon.

Decoration—John Russell, Amer Danforth, C. E. Kittinger, W. D. Myers, John Humphrey, Joseph Thomas, B. I. Sanford, Chas. Kempe, Chas. Bodemer, G. S. Clarke, Frank Silcock, Chas. Butler, David Grove, Geo. Acker, Frank Wecht, W. K. Nutt, C. E. Weaver.

Music—Jas. A. Wilson, High Griesmer, Chas. Killinger, E. J. Mustill, Mark Lefever, Werner Gille, Jr., Wm. Stoolmiller, Harry Stipe, Chas. Swain, Chas. Simon, A. F. Berger, Frank Pilmore.

Railroads—P. P. Cherry, W. Formold, J. W. Higgs, Ed Costello, S. J. Swain, Ed Estep, Geo. Flowers, Chas. T. Imman, V. I. Morton, J. Milford.

Entertainment—O. S. Ely, A. C. Guth, T. H. Farrand, Werner Gille, Sr., Wm. Roche, A. Seidel, G. W. Slabough, G. Anzer, Wm. Kauffman, L. Deuber, Chas. Parisette, A. H. Austin, Chas. Ball, A. Blake.

Associate committee, R. M. Pilmore, chairman; Geo. B. Clark, Isaac Reder, Wm. Cook, John Cramer.

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WITNESSES

Called by Coroner.

Motorman Earl Martin Had Been Discharged.

Dispatcher Says He Did Not Telephone.

For Orders Before Leaving Northfield Station.

Brakeman Kelly Waved a Signal to Stop.

Coroner E. O. Leberman on Wednesday morning about 9:20 began the inquest relating to the cause of the wreck on the A., B. & C. road Friday afternoon. The inquest was held in the court room of City hall.

Prior to commencing the inquest proper, Coroner Leberman had secured the depositions of Charles Clogston and Benjamin Exline at the City Hospital, and Geo. Paul, John Geib and Conductor Spurgeon. The coroner has good reasons for not yet giving the evidence secured from these men.

Manager Beilstein's Testimony.

Manager Beilstein of the Akron Traction & Electric company, was the first witness called. He described the system of the schedule on the A., B. & C. road. In part he said that the orders of the road are given to the train dispatcher, who gives verbal orders to the trainmen. Various private telephone stations are located along the line. Many of the orders are given by phone. Telephone stations are located at meeting places and switches.

The stone quarry to which Martin was sent for the stones, was at Northfield switch. A telephone station is located there.

Answering the question, "Are orders ever given in such a way as to leave the schedule of runs to the discretion of the employees?" Mr. Beilstein said that such was not the case with regular trains, but where work trains are used the employees in charge are supposed to, in a measure, keep informed as to the movements of the regular trains and be governed accordingly. They are subject to the orders of the train dispatcher. All trains run under instructions from the dispatcher.

"It is the duty of the dispatcher to issue orders to suit all occasions. That motorman had no right to leave Northfield switch until he received orders from the dispatcher."

Stones have been hauled from Northfield switch at intervals during the past month. Town line, about three miles this side of Northfield switch, is the first telephone station on the return trip. Martin could have telephoned from there.

The train crews are made up by the dispatcher. C. D. Smith, assistant superintendent, killed in the wreck, also assisted in making up the crews.

Dispatcher Called.

Albert F. Welker, train dispatcher at the A. B. C. power house was called. He lives near Cuyahoga Falls.

Mr. Welker has been dispatcher for the A., B. & C. since March, 1896. Describing system by which trains are sent out on time, as nearly as possible. Trains going out must arrange by signals for passing with other cars. Regular cars have schedules to go by. Instructions as to runs are given to both the conductor and motorman. Conductors usually do the telephoning to the dispatcher from the points on the road. If the conductor is busy, motorman may either receive the orders or telephone to the dispatcher. Orders given on an electric road must, by reason of a radical difference, be different from those governing a steam railway system.

"There was no particular differ-

STABBED

By the Prison Demon.

Guard Blocker Probably Fatally Wounded.

He Did Not Know of His Injuries

Until an Hour After They Were Inflicted.

Summit County Man Victim of a Sneak.

Samuel D. Blocher of this city was dangerously wounded by Otis Hurley at Columbus Wednesday.

Blocher is a guard in the penitentiary. Hurley is a prisoner who is noted for his general viciousness. The details of the affair are given in the following special from Columbus:

Otis Hurley, the desperate prisoner and one for whom the steel cage was recently built, has broken out again and this time his diabolical deed may result in murder.

Hurley is the man who will be remembered as having attacked Miss Daisy Sprague in the prison yard sometime ago, for which crime he was recently tried and convicted.

This time he attacked a guard in the prison. Last night Hurley called Guard Blocker, of Summit county, to his cell and told him that he had something to tell him of great importance. He informed the guard that he wanted to reveal to him a plot that was hatching among certain prisoners to escape. He said that he knew of a number of saws that were ready to be delivered to a number of prisoners.

Blocker was led to believe that Hurley was sincere, and on the latter's insisting that he did not want anybody to hear him, was induced to go into the cell with him.

On entering the cell Hurley laughed and gave the guard a stiff poke in the abdomen. The guard thought the prisoner was joking and thought nothing of the act. After awhile he left the cell and went home. A short time later he was overcome by a hemorrhage and an investigation revealed that he had been stabbed by a small pointed instrument.

Search of Hurley's cell revealed

Did Not Telephone.

"I said to Martin, 'You follow this car to Houser's cut where a gang is working under J. Kronk.' The

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that the instrument had been made from the handle of the cell bucket, and was as thin and sharp as a hat pin.
During the day Guard Blocker has been seized with a number of hemorrhages and at a later hour this afternoon his condition was critical.
Samuel D. Blocher, who is about 40 years old, is married and has three children. He was a deputy sheriff under Sheriff S. A. Lane in the 80's. He secured his position as night guard in the penitentiary through Dr. Eli Conn, when he was representative. He was regarded as a very efficient man.

LAST LINKS.

LOST—A wallet pocketbook last night with my name on cover. The finder will be liberally rewarded by returning the same to E. F. Pfueger, 139 Ash street.

OPENING OF OPERA HOUSE—The Grand Opera house will open next season on Sept. 1, under the management of Prof. W. F. Stieckle. The initial attraction will be Hoyt's "A Texas Steer."

KNIGHTS WILL ATTEND—Twenty members of the Knights of Columbus will attend the outing of the order at Put-In-Bay on August 2, 3, 4 and 5. The gathering will be for sociability entirely. Members from all over the country will be present.

POLICE COURT—Thursday morning Mayor Young fined Frank Cook \$1 and costs for riding a bicycle without a light. Geo. Dell, intoxication, \$2 and costs. John Thompson pleaded not guilty to an intoxicant charge. His case will be heard Friday.

BIRTHS.

HALE—To Mr. and Mrs. Hebert Caroline Hale, 684 East Buchtel av., Tuesday, July 11, a son.

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The white and flaky tea biscuit,
The sweet and tender hot griddle cake,
The light and delicate crust,
The finely flavored waffle and muffin,
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