

JURIES, JUDGES ARE KEPT BUSY

Four Courts Are Trying Variety of Civil and Criminal Suits.

MINELLI LOSES DAMAGE CASE AGAINST DULUTH

City Is Defending Action for \$2,283 for Alleged Neglect of Bridge.

Two juries reporting about the same time in two divisions of district court yesterday in damage suits returned verdicts of an opposite nature—in Judge Hughes' court one jury awarded \$500 to John Langnesse for alleged false arrest, against the Duluth Log company and in Judge Cant's court the other jury found for the defendant city of Duluth and against Leonard Minelli, who asked for \$600 damages, because of injury to his lot on Commonwealth avenue.

Judge Hughes was engaged all day in the further taking of evidence in the \$5,000 damage suit of Albert Glasser against Leonard McNamara and others, brought because of alleged injuries to Glasser's little daughter, Eva, by the defendants' automobile.

Richards Sue for \$2,283.

In Judge Cant's court the combined cases of Henry and Sadie Richards, three suits in one, are being heard against the city of Duluth. These plaintiffs seek damages in the combined sum of \$2,283, for the Chester creek automobile accident of Nov. 15, last, when the Richards automobile was overturned because of alleged negligence upon part of the city, whereby they claim to have sustained bodily injuries.

Judge J. D. Ensign's court yesterday heard part of the damage suit of L. Q. Marchand against the Duluth Street Railway company, in which damages to the amount of \$500 are asked when the plaintiff is alleged to have injured his leg by a car starting too quickly at Grand avenue, when Marchand was about to board the car. It is a hotly contested case, with M. E. Louisell representing the plaintiff and Thomas S. Wood the defendant company.

Guilty of Grand Larceny.

In the same court yesterday a jury rendered a verdict of guilty against Mike Smith, a lumberjack, who was accused of stealing \$205 from his roommate, Mike Zavis. The crime is grand larceny in the second degree and the punishment is not more than five years in the state penitentiary.

At the conclusion of the final argument in the paving suit between the city of Duluth and the Duluth Street Railway company, which has been pending for some time and decision in which will later be handed down by Judge H. A. Dancer, that court began the hearing of the case of Daniel E. Hall against the Duluth & Northern Minnesota Railway company and the Curry & White company, in which plaintiff asks \$825 damages because of the destruction of their log camp house and contents April 15, 1915. They lived along the Greenwood lake branch of the railroad.

The plaintiff alleges that the Curry & White company had timber slashings ready to be fired in the region of their home, and that the railroad company negligently set fire to it. Besides all their household goods the Halls claim \$215 in greenbacks were consumed by the fire.