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# THE TRIAL STILL ON.

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At 2:10 court opened, and Mr. Scarlet read the answer of the defendants to the bill in equity in evidence.

H. C. SCHRŒDER recalled.

I know Moyer, conductor on P. & R. also H. C. Moore, papers shown are their signatures and punch marks. Train No. 4 left Pottsville at 9 a. m., arrives at Reading at 10:05. No. 205 leaves Reading at 1:46, arrives at Harris-burg at 3:40. Train leaves Harrisburg on Penna, at 3:50 p. m., go-ing west. P. & R., and Penna stations are near together in Harrisburg. Reports of conductors offered, objected to, and ruled out.

T. F. CONNOR recalled.

On Oct 19 last I got on train at Herndon and came up to Northumberland in afternoon. Defendant was on the train, came on D. L. & W. from Northumberland. He told me he had been to Pottsville and Reading.

Mr. Graham at 2:35 states that reserving the right to call two conductors, the commonwealth closes its case.

#### DEFENSE OPENS.

Mr. Shields opened the defense.

said, "to call your attention to the business we are about. It is a serious question. I need not detail the you to need any extensive discussion. We propose to appeal to your reason. This charge attempts to brand upon the brow of this man the breaking of one of the great ten commandments.

"Who prefers this charge? Is it the great Commonwealth of Penn- Street from Dec. to March last, livsylvania? Is her duly accredited agent, whom you have elected to try her cases, or is it a lesser in-long, not a year, before that lived with Mrs. Knorr in long, not a year, before that lived with Mrs. Knorr in Bloomsburg, was her servant girl for whether I told him about seeing Cliff dividual, surrounded by five of the at Girard eating house from Nov. bright legal lights of this State, bebright legal lights of this State, be-side your District Attorney? On the living with my husband. Was think was in June '95, he was at fouled this community and himself, he came upon his intended victims me, he was sickly and couldn't Mrs. Knorr's cup one night, didn't under the dark shade of night. We plicates Mr. Wintersteen.

five times and is able to account for on it, had seen dynamite before, every one of them, and that at the didn't do anything about it, nor time Knorr says Wintersteen want- report it to police, nor say anything ed him to buy vitriol with which to to Knorr, spoke to my wife about burn Waller's eyes out there were it, we were subpœaed a little over large carboys of it on the premises a week ago, by detective Motis ; he over which Wintersteen had control. didn't tell me what I was to swear Mr. Shields closed with a careful to. Saw Knorr at different times in survey of the success in Winter- disguise, passed him in the alley, steen's life and paid tribute to his close together, reported him to character, having spoken one hour and fifteen minutes. MRS. L. S. WINTERSTEEN sworn. MRS. L. S. WINTERSTEEN SWOID. Am the wife of defendant. Kate Davis did some work for us. In spring of 1896 I told her I had found some one else to do my washing and work, she went away angry. Mr. Wintersteen never said in her presence anything about blowing up Waller, no such language used, it is absolutely false. Something was said about the Irondale lawsuit

and Mr. Wintersteen said the other side were not pushing it, and Kate Davis said that shows they have the weak side of the case. Cross-examined.

This was at the dinner table, my husband was cool in talking about the case. Knorr was at our house 4 or 5 times in winter of 1895, never talked anything about blowing up Waller in my hearing.

O. B. MELLICK sworn.

Am a lawyer, know P. G. Miller, he used the word knife and didn't use the word Wintersteen.

Cross-examined. Miller said to me, what would you think of a man years in the penitentiary to put a knife in Levi Waller. I said, who pretty soon. Had a second talk I asked who the person was who said bullet through Levi Waller, this would not believe her on her oath. time he said bullet. Cross-examined.

#### EMMA WICKEL sworn.

Live in Reading. Know Sallie Heming and Cliff Knorr, was there at their place in summer of 1894 also knew them in winter of 1894. One day Sallie Gast told me of a package and said I shouldn't touch it, she went away a little while and "It may not be out of place," he when she came back she said it was a good thing I didn't touch it. for if I had put it down hard it would explode as it was dynamite. serious consequences that may re- Soon after Sallie came in crying sult from a case like this. Shattered and said Cliff had struck her behopes and a broken home are ques- cause she showed me the dynamite. tions too near to the hearts of all of I saw Cliff have a revolver and a knife. I was living in sin like the rest of them.

Cross-examined.

Was subpœnaed by detective Motts of Reading. No one had seen me before about being a witness, kept house myself on Cherry his family and his dead father when March. Husband was living with tioned here ; I found some powder in work. Sallie Gast carried a revoldo not deny the story of Knorr that ver in her room, showed it to me to deny every allegation which im- had pistol in her stocking, and her thing about it ; why Cliff said I, how stockings were on her legs, other girls saw the pistol, one time she had it in her pocket when she went over for beer ; saw Knorr with a pistol in 1894, in Sallie Gast's room, don't think I said he always had a revolver. Saw Sallie take a knife out of Cliff's pocket at Girard occasion, Knorr would blow up Mr. eating house, at 716 Cherry Street Waller, swearing and cursing be- he always kept out of sight. Don't have

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him about this fellow that was sneaking around Sallie Gast's. Have told counsel what I would swear to, had no promise of anything extra for coming here, but I want all that is coming to me. Heard the talk between Sallie Gast and my wife, didn't want my wife to talk to a woman like that and I watched her, they were talking about a man who was to be hung at the jail and Sallie said she would swear to anything to save a friend from trouble. Have been arrested twice for assault and battery. My mother was a single woman and she had a friend, and she wanted to marry him and I objected, and they put me in the House of Correction when I was 12 years old.

At 5.48 adjourned to 9 o'clock Wednesday morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING. Court opened at 9:15.

MRS. J. R. PHILLIPPI sworn.

Am the wife of J. R. Phillippi, live at Reading, have four children ; had a who would say he would serve 20 conversation with Sallie Heming, she said she didn't believe in a God or Heaven, said that when you died it said so. He said you'll find out was the last of a person, the conversation took place in my yard in 1895 ; the talk was brought about by the this, Miller refused to tell me, but hanging of an Italian, have known her said he heard a prominent man say for about four years, live next door to he would serve 20 years to put a her. She has a very bad reputation,

Have four children ranging in age from 11 to 28 years, got acquainted with Sallie Gast in March 1895, have had frequent conversations with her, the date of the conversation in which she stated her disbeheve in a God and a hereafter took place in July 1895; can't recall the exact date of the hanging of the Italians ; there are a number of people who have talked about Sallie's bad reputation ; several people are here as witnesses who will give testimony as to her bad reputation. I expect only my expenses, and the regular fees paid a witness ; no, I entered into no agreement whereby I was to receive a certain amount of money for coming here ; Sallie Gast was arrested once. I know of the arrest, was a witness against her but that didn't create any ill feeling toward her on my part.

### DORA MOHARTER called.



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'This case is based upon the bill in equity and it has taken the combined wisdom of the five lawyers, together with that of the prosecutor, who is himself a lawyer, to attach a motive for crime to this defendant.

"We will show you that on one cause he stood between him and the know Wintersteen. Don't know money that he claimed was right- what became of the dynamite. (Mr. fully his. There was implanted in Graham asked the witness ' that man a disposition to commit you ever been arrested? Mr. crime, for before Wintersteen was Jacobs objected, and Mr. Graham connected with this case Knorr had made a speech and the objection shown himself to be a past master was sustained.) in crime. In the years he lived in JACOB R. PHILLIPI sworn. Reading, nobody with whom he came in contact would trust him under oath.

deplored the spirit of "some one" who had brought the Hitchens wothen narrated that it will be shown Wintersteen wanted him to go to Agnes Dewees in her room in Readabout in his satchel for two years before the time that he testified that Wintersteen first showed him how to use it ; that instead of there being a necessity for his buying a revolver, he had carried such weapons,

Live in Reading, treasurer of the Auditorium, own property next to that occupied by Sallie Gast and Continuing he referred to Sallie lived in it up to Sept. '95. Saw Gast as known to the people in dynamite in Sallie Gast's house Reading as "one of the most nefari- from my window, two sticks, saw ous liars they had ever met," and Clifton Knorr in same room, saw him with false mustache, different suits of clothes, sometimes good, men here to unblushingly swear and sometimes looked like a tramp, away the honor of a man and break he sneaked around the yard like a up the home of a devoted wife. He thief, this was in '95, when the bell rang he would run in the celthat before the time that Knorr says lar ; have known Sallie Gast since '94, her reputation for telling the New York and hire an assassin that truth is bad, wouldn't believe her Knorr had bragged that he had under oath. Have heard her say gotten a man from New York to kill to my wife she would swear to any-Agnes Dewees in her room in Read- thing to help a friend out of ing; that he had carried dynamite trouble, that she didn't believe in heaven or hell, that when you died you died like a dog.

Cross-examined.

Don't live in Sallie Gast's neighborhood now, knew her as Sal Heming, never in her house in my in addition to a knife, for three life, a fence six feet high between years previous; that instead of Win- our places, saw dynamite from room tersteen's having been in Reading seven times, as represented by the prosecution, he was there exactly also saw a knife there, cross piece list the Best-in fact the One True Blood Purifier. Hood's Pills pills, aid digestion. 25c.

about eight years ; I know Clifton one side is a witness who has be- housekeeping in Cherry Street, home about a week ; had a talk with keeping a sporting house up to him; can recall the incident menknow what it was so I threw\_it out ; the next morning I found some more he committed this crime ; we are there and down stairs, said no one in the cup ; I asked Clifton what it not here to deny it, but we are here was going to beat her out of money, was, and he said he didn't know anycan you say that, when I saw you put it in the cup ; he denied it again, saying, honest to Christ I didn't ; I told him I saw him, and he asked me where I was that I saw him, I told him that I was looking through the crack of a door ; after he was satisfied that I had saw him, he said don't tell mother, or she will think I was trying to poison her. Cliff had a satchel in the house and also a revolver ; he said if he would hit a man with that revolver he would drop ; he spoke of dyna.nite on several different occasions ; he came in the house one day and said he would like to blow Waller up, because it was his fault he couldn't get any money; he said Waller had his mother under his thumb ; Cliff often told me that he

