

Testimony in the Railroad deal

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., September 30.—All the parties involved in the Attorney General's suit to prevent the sale of the South Pennsylvania Railroad were present this morning in Parlor C, of the Continental Hotel, where the examination of witnesses was begun before John H. Weiss, of Harrisburg. President Roberts and Vice President Thomas, of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, were present most of the day, but they will not be called as witnesses until Friday. Mr. E. C. Knight, of the Reading Railroad, and one of the projectors of the South Pennsylvania Railroad, was the first witness called by Attorney General Cassidy. He testified: "I subscribed for \$200,000 of stock in the South Pennsylvania Railroad, and have paid my installments as they have become due: I have paid in \$76,000; Mr. Vanderbilt said that he had come into Pennsylvania to stay, and that he would build the road to New York; hearing these declarations they gave me great confidence, and I subscribed my stock. In the early part of the year there was a rumor that there were negotiations going on between the South Pennsylvania Railroad and the Pennsylvania people; I wrote to Mr. Twombly, son-in-law of Mr. Vanderbilt, and Treasurer of the South Pennsylvania road, but received no reply; I then wrote to Dr. Hostetter, who wrote that he had no knowledge of the negotiations, but I subsequently saw him, and he told me that he had written to Mr. Twombly and had received no answer. He afterward had an interview with Mr. Twombly, and the latter said that he did not know as much as had been rumored.

PROMISES WHICH WERE BROKEN

"When the first instalment was called for, I think in July, I took my check and went over to New York; I told Mr. Twombly of the rumors that I was ready to pay if others were paying, and he showed me a check from Dr. Hostetter for \$100,000. I told Mr. Twombly that I wanted to be placed upon the platform with Mr. Vanderbilt and the others. He replied that Mr. Vanderbilt wouldn't think of doing anything without consulting his partners, even if he was paid twenty-five millions of dollars. With that understanding I paid and advised my friends in Philadelphia to pay. A short time after that Mr. Twombly came over, and after spending the day with Mr. Frank Thomson called upon me and said he was negotiating for the sale of the road to the Pennsylvania Railroad. The syndicate, comprising the two Vanderbilts, Dr. Hostetter, Henry Lewis and myself, were then called together. A majority of those present were in favor of the arrangement, but the Philadelphians dissented."

In answer to a question from the Attorney General, Mr. Knight said that he told the members of the syndicate that he thought the sale would be in violation of the Constitution. In lieu of his subscription to the South Pennsylvania, Mr. Knight said he expected to receive \$200,000 of the bonds and \$160,000 in stock, and the latter was not regarded of much value. For his \$25,000 to the Beech Creek road he really did not know what he was to get. In answer to Mr. MacVeagh, Mr. Knight also said that Mr. Twombly, the Treasurer, was to receive \$300,000 of the stock without any money investment whatever. He was to get this for the services which he performed and mainly for obtaining the aid and influence of his father-in-law, Mr. Vanderbilt.

A TALK WITH VANDERBILT

Henry Lewis, one of the managers of the Reading Railroad, was the next witness called. He testified that he had no interest in the Beech Creek, and never had, but subscribed \$400,000 in the South Pennsylvania, of which \$40,000 was for Mr. Keim, of the Reading Railroad, and \$10,000 for J. Lowry Bell. The witness stated that, reading the rumors in the newspapers, he tried to get some definite information concerning it, but learned nothing more than what appeared in the newspapers. All he could learn from Mr. Twombly and Mr. Vanderbilt was that it was to be a good bond for 3 per cent, as good as the endorsement of the Pennsylvania Railroad. Mr. Vanderbilt said he was in favor of harmony among all

the railroads, and he believed that a 3 per cent bond would be to his interest. "I told Mr. Vanderbilt that he would be sufficiently benefited himself by securing the West Shore. He admitted that he was interested to that extent, but said that his interest in the New York Central was not as heavy as generally thought. What he was more interested in was the improvement of the general railroad condition of the country."

The hearing will be continued tomorrow.

Birds Forced to Take Medicine

"He's got a sore eye," was the explanation of a clerk in a bird store who was carrying a little green squawking parrot. He cleaned it with a stick, and the parrot struggled to get away, uttering most doleful cries, but was firmly held until sufficiently treated, and was then put back in its cage, where it sat and sobbed and moaned pitifully. "We don't have many such things to care for, and it's a good thing, for they are hard to manage. A sore eye is dangerous always, because we can't always be sure how it should be treated. Besides, it spoils the market value of the bird. Nobody wants to buy a sore-eyed parrot, and one that has a very bad eye is apt to forget how to talk. Parrots seem almost human when they are sick, for they cry and groan and act dumpy, and will submit to medicine easily, unless it is very painful, and then they resist, just like the rest of the animal creation. Other birds act differently. Wild birds will not take medicine. You have to force it down, duck them under water when they won't bathe, stuff the food down their throats when they won't eat, and so on. Canaries dislike doctoring, but are very intelligent, and take it more easily than other birds. Bobolinks are like them only more obstinate, and mockingbirds will some times die of sullessness rather than take drugs. They are hardy, stronger, and rarely sick. Red-birds though, are more delicate, and so wild they won't take medicine."—New York Sun.

The Circus of To-day

When the most pretentious circus in the world, 'The Greatest Show on Earth,' arrives here, many who remember the country performances of the circus as it existed in their younger days, will go with thousands of others and behold really a "revelation." Mr. Merriman and the "here-was-again-circus" will not be seen, but in their stead will be seen twenty-eight clowns not one of them will speak a word, but all will act, laugh, caper, contort, distort, and such pantomimic things as will make the old as well as young laugh until their sides ache. They will behold wonders in nature, astounding feats and marvelous exhibition of training which will actually bewilder them: The purity of the exhibition, its instructive character, and the perfection to which its every feature is brought under a show such as the United Barnum and London, make it as useful as it is always instructing. Children look on with the wonder and delight they experience from the first fairy tales to which they listen. Here are the "Arabian Nights" brought into life before their eyes. The more advanced portion of the audience are none the less captivated, and at the end of the show their astonishment is complete. And no wonder. Nine shows in one, and each one an enormously large one an elephant pavilion, with Jumbo, the White Sacred Elephant, purchased from King Theebau for \$200,000, and a herd of these monster animals, all trained; three big circus rings, each forty five feet across, an elevated stage, a museum of living wonders, an ethnological congress of savage tribes, a real Roman hippodrome, with thrilling races, 100 circus acts, 300 performers, 614 people with the shows, 79 railroad cars, 7 advance advertising cars, 400 horses, and the myriads of curious things comprise these nine shows. It or they will be here on Saturday October 10th when the great free street procession will take place at 8 o'clock in the morning. The press of the entire country has extravagantly endorsed and upheld this monster amusement enterprise for the real merit it contains as a public educational institution.—Telegraph.

Neuralgia of the Face

Capt. John Orr, Pearlborough, Miss., has been a sufferer from facial neuralgia for over twenty years. He has had seventeen operations performed on the nerves—that is, had them divided, cut off close to the bone from which they emerge. But this never did him any good; the most excruciating pain continued without the least interruption. He often wished for death to relieve him of the intolerable pain. The best physicians failed to relieve him. They finally advised him to consult Drs. Hartman & Miller, at the St. Charles Hotel, New Orleans, which he did. They prescribed PERUNA, and in less than a month was cured, relieved of the pain. Before consulting these doctors the least touch to any part of his face or nose would cause the most fearful pain, while now he can blow his nose and wipe his face without the least fear of pain. The captain is grateful beyond measure for this unexpected and unhopd for result. Mrs. Elizabeth Kenner, 98 Laurel street, New Orleans, has been one of the greatest sufferers from Neuralgia of the face during the past year that we have ever heard of. From morning to night, and from night to morning, there was one constant, racking, tearing, burning pain, extending clear around her head and deep down through every muscle, tooth and bone in her face. No rest and no sleep. All physicians failed to relieve her, as well as all remedies. She was constantly in the most agonizing despair. She called on Dr. Hartman, who said the cause was chronic catarrh. He prescribed PERUNA for her and now every pain has left her. She feels like another person and can eat heartily and sleep soundly. Mrs. C. J. Miles, Gallipolis, O., writes: "Dr. S. B. HARTMAN & Co., Columbus, O. My affliction has been rheumatism, located in the right arm and shoulder of more than two years' standing, and after trying a great many remedies without any relief, I commenced the use of PERUNA, which, after using three bottles, found a decided change for the better. I continued to use it and now feel entirely well." Huldah Ward, Wellston, O., writes: "I have been afflicted for years, with that dreaded disease, catarrh. I tried a great many different kinds of medicine, but to no effect. I commenced taking your PERUNA about nine months ago; have taken about ten bottles. It is doing me much good. By its continued use I hope to be entirely cured." Dr. A. B. Lovejoy, Dadeville, Ala., writes: "I have a fine run on your PERUNA and MANALIN. Please send me a lot of books, 'The Ills of Life.' PERUNA is sold by all druggists. Price \$1.00 per bottle, six bottles \$5.00. If you cannot get it from your druggist, we will send it on receipt of regular price. We prefer to use it from your druggist, but if he hasn't it do not be persuaded to try something else, but order from us, at once as directed. S. B. HARTMAN & Co., Columbus, Ohio.

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