

JUDGE WING'S LOGIC.

He Exercises It in Behalf of the Cronin Suspects.

DAN COUGHLIN AND HIS KNIVES.

Two Witnesses Swear That He Possessed Them Prior to Dr. Cronin's Murder. Judge Wing Scouts the Idea of Conspiracy and Pays His Respects to the White Horse.

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—In the Cronin trial the defense introduced some testimony in rebuttal of the evidence concerning Coughlin's possession of Dr. Cronin's knives.

August Lowenstein, a dealer in clothing, was put on the stand and testified that he sold to Dan Coughlin on April 29, the week before the murder, a pair of pants which Coughlin then and there put on. In doing so he took off the old pair which he wore and emptied the pockets, placing the contents on a chair. Among these things were two knives. The knives alleged to have been Dr. Cronin's property were shown him. He could not say positively that they were the ones he had seen but they looked something like them. The cross-examination brought out the fact that the witness is a brother of ex-Detective Jake Lowenstein, Dan Coughlin's partner.

The next witness was Jake Lowenstein. He testified that he had seen one of Coughlin's knives quite often and the other he had himself carried. When shown the knives already in evidence, he said: "This one—the large one—is Dan Coughlin's. I know from the way it is ground, from the color of the handle and from its general appearance. It had been ground to a point on the sandstone at the station. As to the other, I know he had one just like it."

Judge Wing continues his address to the jury. The idea of a sane man while suspected of murder carrying for two weeks in his pocket the knives of the murdered man was, in Attorney Wing's mind, too ridiculous a proposition to be entertained for a moment. The conspiracy and its relation to Camp 20 next claimed the advocate's attention. "A case of conspiracy must be established by the state beyond a reasonable doubt," he said. "Either such a case must be proved or this trial must be stopped and the prisoners discharged. And the only proof that such a conspiracy did exist is circumstantial evidence, and circumstantial evidence of a very flimsy nature. I have heard of many cases of conspiracy, but never have I heard of a case so absurd as this one."

No Conspiracy Proved.

"There is nothing to show that a conspiracy existed. It may be true that factions existed in the society, that Cronin led one faction and somebody else another, but the only thing that can be made of it is that some men disliked Cronin for his stand on certain points." The assertion that the murder of Dr. Cronin had been decided upon at a meeting of forty persons, many of them intimate friends of the doctor, and for no other reason than that he had read a report of a trial in another camp, the speaker characterized as nonsense and absurdity, and asked the jury could they as men believe it.

Concerning the White Horse.

"As to the white horse hired from Dinan," the attorney continued, "it is likely that a man contemplating murder would have hired a horse from a place at which he was known? It has been frequently asked why, if Coughlin's connection with the white horse was innocent, why hasn't the man been brought back? Why hasn't the man come back? I wish he had come back. But the state with all its resources has been unable to bring him back and neither has the defense. As for the man himself, there is little reason why he should come back. It would have been too risky a thing to do with a prosecution able to identify anything and anybody. That man would have been identified by Mrs. Conklin. He knew it and stayed away."

Longenecker's Speech.

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—State's Attorney Longenecker finished his arraignment of the Cronin suspects, and Judge Wing, for the defense, began his plea for Coughlin. Mr. Longenecker scored the suspects so roundly that little Kunze could not contain himself, while at the noon adjournment Mrs. Dan Coughlin went over to the state's attorney and asked him to be more tender with her husband.

The state's attorney summed up the case quite adroitly and gave the jury a good insight into it. He dwelt upon the inception of the conspiracy in Camp No. 20, the renting of the flat at No. 117 Clark street, the purchase of the furniture by "Simonds," the appearance of Burke to rent the cottage, why the cottage was rented, Cogan O'Sullivan's contract, the plot to get Cronin to the cottage, Coughlin's animosity, the fatal trip of May 4 behind Dinan's white horse hired by Dan Coughlin, the murder, the finding of the body, Burke's flight, O'Sullivan's refusal to identify the body, the finding of the clothes, and finally, the disclosure of the fact that Coughlin had Cronin's knives in his possession.

The State Springs a Sensation.

CHICAGO, Nov. 30.—At the opening of the Cronin trial the state called Bernard F. Carberry in rebuttal. He testified that he was in Matt Danahy's saloon, at the corner of Clark street and Chicago avenue, on the night of May 4 and that he did not see Defendant Burke there, as testified to on behalf of the defense.

The state then sprung a sensation that had come into its possession in the morning by showing by Officer Flynn that when Dan Coughlin was arrested two knives were found on the suspect and that the knives belonged to Dr. Cronin. To identify the knives Mr. T. T. Conklin took the stand and swore that they were identical in every detail with two knives carried by the witness for two years and given by him to the doctor shortly before the murder. He was not positive that they were the same, but believed them to be so. The testimony created a decided stir in the room.

Dan Coughlin looked steadily at the ceiling and tried hard to assume indifference, but the nervous twitching of his eyelids and hands told a tale of anything but composure. The defense will put in rebuttal evidence.

World's Fair Fund.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The world's fair guarantee fund now amounts to \$5,059,977.

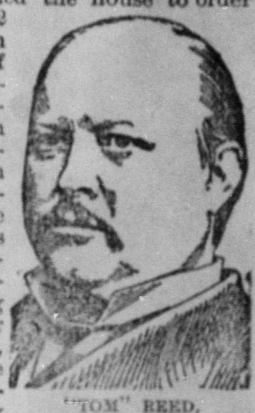
SPEAKER TOM REED

Grasps the Gavel and Haps the New Congress to Order.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—At high noon today the fifty-first congress assembled. As the senate is a continuous body very little interest was excited by the formal commencement of business in that branch of the national legislature, but the opening scenes in the house of representatives at a new congress are always full of new sights and peculiar interest to every one, no matter whether he has witnessed the assembling of half a dozen houses before or it be his first experience.

The clerk called the house to order sharply at 12 o'clock and then called his roll of members-elect according to the certificates sent him by the state governments. When there is a contested seat he gives the votes for each candidate and his reasons for placing the member named on his roll.

Oftentimes these contests cause discussion and delay the proceedings. Immediately after the reading of the clerk's roll the election of speaker was proceeded with. Mr. Thomas B. Reed, of Maine, was nominated and received the full vote of the Republican members, and ex-Speaker Carlisle received the complimentary vote of the Democrats.



"TOM" REED.

Mr. Reed was declared elected and was escorted to the chair by Messrs. McKinley and Carlisle, where he grasped the gavel and rapped the house to order amid the cheers of his associates. After a brief speech expressive of his appreciation of the honor conferred upon him Speaker Reed proceeded to swear in the members whose certificates had been accepted.

The Republican Caucus.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—In the caucus of Republican members-elect of the house of representatives on Saturday afternoon the vote for speaker on the first ballot stood: Reed, 73; McKinley, 29; Cannon, 22; Henderson, 10; Burrows, 10. The second ballot, which gave Mr. Reed a majority and elected him, stood thus: Reed, 85; McKinley, 20; Cannon, 19; Henderson, 15; Burrows, 9. For clerk of the house Edward McPherson, of Pennsylvania, was nominated by a vote of 116 to 50 for Maj. John M. Carson, of Pennsylvania. Ex-Congressman Holmes, of Iowa, was nominated for sergeant-at-arms. Charles W. Adams, of Maryland, was elected doorkeeper by a majority of one vote over James A. Wheat, of Wisconsin, and then Wheat got the consolation stake of postmaster. Charles B. Randall, of the North Presbyterian church of Washington, was nominated for chaplain.

Big Snow Drifts in Indiana.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., Nov. 30.—Traffic on the roads centering in this city was greatly delayed and in the case of the Nickel Plate line, entirely suspended by the heavy fall of snow. Drifts four feet high near Knox, west of this city, stopped all trains on the Nickel Plate road. Two unimportant wrecks occurred on the Pennsylvania road. West bound freight No. 59 was derailed near this city by a broken frog and ten cars were piled up in a heap. Freight train No. 89, also west bound, was wrecked near Elida, O., and several cars were demolished. No one was injured but passenger trains were delayed for five hours.

Gov. Jackson Withdraws His Proclamation.

SALISBURY, Md., Dec. 3.—Acting upon the advice of Attorney General Whyte, who, by the way, had not been consulted at all until Saturday, although when in the United States senate he had the Hog Island dispute in hand, Governor Jackson withdrew his proclamation which opened the Hog Island oyster grounds to the public. Governor Lee sent Jackson a telegram inviting him to come to Richmond and discuss the matter over an oyster stew as the governors of the Carolinas used to do.

Jay Gould Heads Off the Bears.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Jay Gould appeared on Wall street just before noon when the declines in stocks was at its worst point. He visited some prominent brokerage houses in Broad street and the market quickly turned, with the Gould stocks leading, and advanced steadily to the close, early losses being more than recovered. Money, however, was feverish all day and as high as 20 per cent. was paid for call loans, the rate at the close being 10 per cent.

Calls the Silver Convention a Farce.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 3.—Hon. W. H. West, of Bellefonte, who headed Ohio's delegation to the national silver convention at St. Louis today submitted his report of that event to Governor Foraker. The report characterizes the convention as a farce so far as being conducive to any general benefit, and states that the entire affair was manipulated as a machine in the interest of a ring or combination.

Republicans to Attack Spain.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—A dispatch to The Times from its correspondent at Lisbon says that both the governments of Spain and Portugal have received reliable information of the intention of the Republican element to make an attack upon Spain with Portugal as their base of operations. Precautions, deemed ample, have been taken by both governments against an attempt.

New Montana Complications.

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 3.—The decision of the caucus of the sixteen Republican members of the legislature to support ex-Governor B. Platt Carpenter for the United States will further complicate matters. Several Republican malcontents threaten to join forces with the Democrats to put Carpenter out of the way.

Peynaude, the Jumper, Killed.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 3.—Baptiste Peynaude, the serial diver who was badly injured Friday night while diving from the tower at Faranta, died yesterday. Peynaude has practiced the profession of performing baloonist for about twelve years and has appeared in all parts of the world.

Death of a 500 Pound Woman.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 3.—Mattie Johnson, colored, aged 54 years, died suddenly at her home, No. 543 West Preston street. The woman weighed over 500 pounds.

Salvation's Headquarters Burned.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—The headquarters of the Salvation army were burned last night.

BURNED IN A BAKERY.

Six Persons Lose Their Lives in a Philadelphia Fire.

WOMEN AND CHILDREN THE VICTIMS

The Egress Was Cut Off Before All the Sleeping Inmates Were Alarmed—Several Jump From Windows and Suffer Serious Injury—Origin of the Fire Unexplained.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 3.—Not since the Randolph mill fire several years ago has the district of Cohocksink been visited by such a calamity as that which befell it yesterday when the Vienna bakery of Gustav Gross, northeast corner of Second and Huntingdon streets, was burned and six persons lost their lives. The building was occupied by two families, and this is the record wrought by the flames and the smoke:

Dead.

Mrs. Annie Bittner, aged 32 years.
George Bittner, aged 9 months.
Ida Bittner, aged 6 years.
Bruno Gross, aged 5 years.
Gustav Gross, aged 11 years.
Mattie Gross, aged 2 1/2 years.

Injured.

Mrs. Minnie Gross, aged 33 years, badly burned on the face, hands and lower limbs.
Joseph Bittner, aged 40 years, badly burned; also severely injured about the back.
John Elzahn, a journeyman baker, burned on face and limbs, and also injured about the body.

The Origin a Mystery.

The origin of the fire is a mystery. Whether it originated from spontaneous combustion or from the heater setting fire to the woodwork of the cellar ceiling has not been ascertained. The bakery is a three-story brick with brown stone trimmings. That portion of it fronting on Huntingdon street is occupied by a store by Baker Gross. Beneath this is a cellar, while directly back of it is the bakery containing the ovens.

The fire was discovered by George Funk, the journeyman. He was mixing a batch of dough when clouds of smoke began pouring into the apartment where he was working. Baker Gross had but a few moments before gone up to take a half hour's sleep. When Funk observed the place on fire, it is said, he lost no time in running up stairs and notifying his employer.

The Stairway Aband.

Baker Gross, to make sure his journeyman was not mistaken, descended to the cellar and found the front part burning. Hastily he climbed the stairway to alarm those sleeping up stairs, but when he reached the first floor he found, to his horror, the flames had preceded him. A half dozen steps were already partly burned, while the smoke was so dense that it was utterly impossible to ascend them. Almost frantic with terror, Baker Gross rushed out of doors upon the street, as the only stairway in the building would not permit him to rescue his family.

A Horrible Scene.

When the engines arrived on the scene of conflagration the firemen were met with a sight they will long remember. Standing at the open upper windows were men, women and children; and, as the flames poured out of the lower windows and illuminated the neighborhood, they added horror to the scene as the blanched faces of those above were plainly seen. Mrs. Gross had been awakened by the smoke in her bedroom, and, hastily picking up her infant daughter Mattie, she also appeared at the window with the child in her arms. The shouts of the firemen to wait a moment longer until the ladders could be raised she heeded, but when the flames began licking about her feet she became panic stricken. Her clothing took fire, next her face was singed, and, a moment later she leaped from a second story window to the pavement below.

Leaping from Windows.

The woman fell with a sickening thud and a score of people who had been attracted to the fire rushed to her side. Although seriously burned and injured Mrs. Gross still held her babe tightly clasped in her grasp. She and the child were removed to a neighbor's house. The next person to leap from the burning building was Joseph Bittner, a weaver, whose family occupied the third floor. He had also been badly burned, and when picked up his back was nearly broken in his attempt to escape from the burning furnace. John Elzahn was also severely burned and hurt on the head and body in jumping from one of the upper stories.

Those rescued were kindly looked after by the neighbors who, besides giving them shelter, gave them clothing, as all their own had been burned.

From Wilkesbarre to Williamsport.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Nov. 29.—Details have about been completed for the construction of a railroad between this city and Williamsport to form a connecting line between the great lines of the east and the west. The road will be about seventy-five miles long and will shorten the distance between this city and Williamsport by about thirty miles and will bring Williamsport closer to New York by about an hour and a half. It will be known as the Wilkesbarre and Williamsport railroad. The capital is \$1,600,000. There is sound financial backing behind the enterprise.

A Giant Pair of Shoes.

LITIZ, Pa., Dec. 2.—Joel Hippert, a shoemaker, three miles north of this place, has just finished a pair of shoes 14 inches long, 5 1/2 inches wide and weighing over seven pounds. The shoes were made for a German tramp, who is a veritable giant in size.

Reading's October Statement.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 30.—The statement of the Reading railroad for October shows a decrease of \$103,171 in profit of operating expenses as compared with October, 1888, namely, \$264,845 against \$1,054,159.

Beach Creek Rescued.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 30.—The Beach Creek railroad, which was badly damaged by the recent flood, will be reopened to passenger and freight traffic today.

The Flood Relief Work Extended.

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Dec. 2.—Secretary Kressler, of the flood relief commission, practically finished, in connection with the local board of inquiry, the distribution of \$1,600,000 in Johnstown.

Death of Rev. Dr. Murray.

CARLEISLE, Pa., Nov. 20.—Rev. Dr. Murray, an eminent divine of southern Pennsylvania, died here at the age of 74 years. He was the oldest member of the Carlisle Presbytery.

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