

## Highwaymen are Captured!

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found in a comfortable room, on third story, with about a dozen or more people crowding about his bedside our request the room was cleared. The wounded man was willing to answer question asked, except as to his name and home, saying: "I will die before I give that." He breathed with some difficulty, could speak only in a husky tone, was quite pale and weak from loss of blood. He said, among other things: that he once was in the newspaper business, and had often read "The Centre Democrat," knew Sheriff Taylor; that he never saw the other men until that morning and no one could say he was a robber. He said he was sleeping when Taylor opened the door got up and while looking out from the door to see what was going on, while rubbing my eyes, the big man shot and I fell unconscious and some one of the other men put the revolver in my hand." He was repeating that it was a cowardly act.

When this man was searched at hotel about thirty caps, for exploding namite or nitro glycerine, were found in his hip pocket.

He willingly permitted the writer



SHERIFF H. S. TAYLOR.

take several photographs from a sitting position in bed, but this slight movement gave him great pain, but never murmured.

### THE WOUND.

On the photo, notice "A" on the side of throat, showing where the bullet entered, penetrating the windpipe, of the upper lobe of the left lung, coming out of right shoulder at the neck. The ball made a small opening, proving that it was a 30 calibre steel-capped projectile, from one of the Krag-Jorgensen rifles.

The man was in a weak, feverish condition, yet hopeful of recovery, although at every breath the wind could be heard making a wheezing sound, passing through the wound at the throat to the windpipe.

From this point the journey was continued where another picture was taken of the Faust barn at which the arrest was made. In this picture, the camera is standing on the spot where Taylor and Foster stood when they shot, and gives you some idea that these men were right on the "firing line," fifty feet from the barn. All day Sunday hundreds of curious people from all parts of the county came to see the prisoner, and, we are told, say, the exhibition was public and patronized, to the annoyance of the suffering man; crowds of people also gathered at the Faust property the same day.

### A FAULTY REVOLVER.

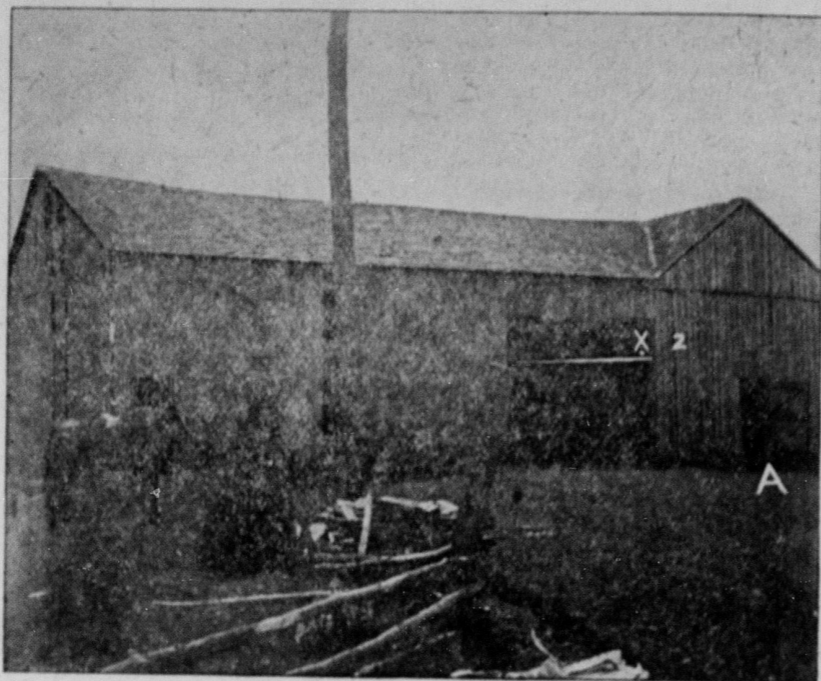
The revolver used by the wounded man proves defective, and that alone may have saved both Taylor and Foster's lives. It is a self-cocking weapon. Sometimes the trigger can be drawn a half-dozen times and the chamber will only revolve, while the hammer fails to strike. All declare they heard the revolver "click," "click," when pointed at the men.

### DRAGGED TO BELLEFONTE.

Early Monday morning Sheriff Taylor, upon the orders of the County Commissioners, accompanied by Dr. Hayes, the jail physician, went to Potlars Mills for the man, who protested that he was too sick to be moved, begged to be let alone for three or four days until he could regain strength, and the windpipe could heal. He feared hemorrhages would cause his death. Notwithstanding, his cot was loaded on Baam's spring wagon and he was dragged over rough roads, suffering much, screaming often when the vehicle jolted. To our mind, having seen the man the evening previous, and knowing his suffering, we can only look upon this act as unnecessary and cruel. He was taken to the Bellefonte hospital where the best of treatment will be accorded him, but will constantly be under guard.

The prisoner is in a critical condition, having grown some worse after the trip. Wednesday evening a slight improvement was noticed. He is a fighting chance for recovery.

Monday, C. D. Motz, Woodward, was in town and examined some of the belongings. He says one of the revolvers was taken from that store, they sell the "Worth" brand of tobacco, "Ingersoll"



FAUST'S BARN IN SEVEN MOUNTAINS WHERE THE MEN WERE CAPTURED.

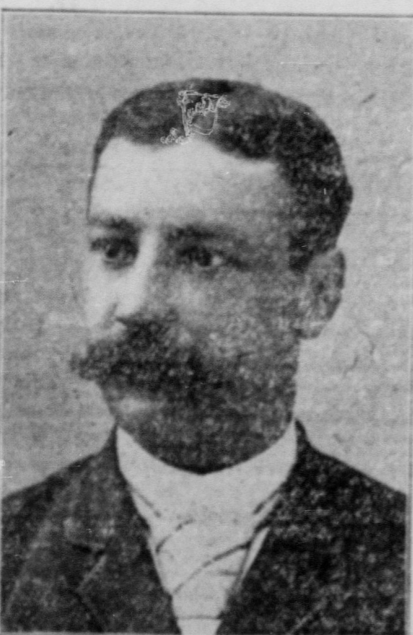
watches, same kind of handkerchiefs, and pocket knives. He is positive the stamps were taken from that office, as the quantity and date of issue of certain denominations tallies exactly with those stolen from them. In this pack there were several dollars worth more stamps than were taken from Woodward, proving that the same men had robbed other postoffices.

(Look at cut of barn and note white characters. "X" represents a position on second floor of barn over the horse stalls, and the dark place is the drive way under the attached shed to the left. "Z" is where a 3 inch strip is broken off on the front and near position "X." "A" is the front entrance to the horse stalls.)

The man was at the opening when shot, at point "X" near the corner, second floor, and that is where he took aim at the sheriff and not from "Z."

### THE TRIAL.

Many people are anxious to know where the men will be tried. All post-office robberies are tried in the U. S. District Court, which meets at Pittsburg, Williamsport, Scranton and Erie, Pa. Our local courts have the jurisdiction over them, and if they can make a stronger case for burglary than for postal thefts, they will be tried here. District Attorney Spangler says, that question will not be taken up until the trial master. It is his opinion that the \$165 in stamps were taken from the post-



CO. TREASURER PHIL D. FOSTER.

office at Woodward and a small portion from Laurelton.

James H. Wardle, of Altoona, post-office inspector of this district, was in Bellefonte on Tuesday, in reference to case is carefully investigated.

At this writing, it appears that the case will likely be turned over to the postal authorities for trial in the U. S. District Court. As to the reward for capturing postoffice burglars we quote the following from the "U. S. Official Post Office Guide," as found on page 946:

### GOVERNMENT REWARDS:

Fourth. Fifty dollars for the arrest and conviction of any person, in any United States court, on the charge of breaking into a postoffice with intent to commit therein larceny or other depredation.

Fifth. For the arrest and conviction of any person, in any United States court, on the charge of breaking into a postoffice and stealing therefrom, or of larceny from a postoffice, or of robbing a postmaster, or any employee of a post office of money or property of the United States or of larceny from a postoffice: Fifty dollars in each case wherein the amount stolen is \$50 or less; one hundred dollars in each case wherein the amount stolen is over \$50 and not more than \$100; \$150 in each case wherein the amount stolen is over \$100 and not more than \$500; \$250 in each case wherein the amount stolen exceeds \$500. Provided, that in every case wherein a safe in a postoffice is broken open \$250 will be paid regardless of the amount stolen, or whether or not anything is stolen. In every case wherein the larceny of mail matter is effected, whether containing valuable inclosures or not, \$100 reward will be paid.

In every case in which actual larceny of property of the United States from a postoffice is clearly shown to have occurred and the amount thereof can be ascertained with reasonable certainty, reward will be allowed according to the amount of such property so found to have been stolen, notwithstanding that the indictment in the case may have charged merely breaking into the postoffice with intent to commit larceny therein.

### WAYLAI'D AT LAURELTON.

Clubbed and Gagged—Postoffice Robbed—Safes Cracked.

From Lewisburg Pa., Journal, 18th.

Wednesday night, 17th, Reno Zimmerman, while on his way home from Laurelton, was stopped on the race bridge between the Laurelton Lumber Company's saw mill and the Laurel Park flouring mills owned by C. C. Yeagle. Zimmerman was ordered to stop by a man who was standing on the

bridge, and as a convincing argument presented a revolver to enforce his demand. Zimmerman was not frightened, and coolly walked on with the remark, "I don't know if I will." When close enough to the robber, Zimmerman grabbed the revolver in the hand of the highwayman, and pushed its muzzle aside. A lively tussle ensued between the two, and Zimmerman was getting the better of the man and had almost wrested the revolver from its owner, when the robber called for help, and soon four others came to his assistance.

Zimmerman was fighting desperately, and to subdue him, he was struck several blows over the head with a railroad pick handle, and knocked down three times before he was overpowered. Zimmerman made several calls for help, which were heard by several people in the vicinity, but not understood.

Clubbed into insensibility Zimmerman was gagged, and several handkerchiefs tied about his eyes. His hands were tied behind his back, and was marched up the railroad to almost opposite the house of Simon Book, which stands back several hundred yards from the railroad. Here Zimmerman was searched for valuables, and \$15 75 was taken from him, the balance of his month's pay from the Laurelton Lumber Co., by whom he is employed. His watch and hat were found later at the place where he had the scuffle with the thief on the bridge. After being relieved of his money, one of the gang was left to guard Zimmerman, and the rest of them came back down the railroad and broke into the office of the Laurelton Lumber Company.

The safe was blown open, and they secured about \$8 in cash, with a lot of checks made payable to the company's employees, but had not been endorsed by the men. Other papers of value only to the owners were also taken from the safe. The checks and papers have since been found in and along the run where the robbers threw them away.

After robbing the lumber office the men went to Laurelton, and broke into A. M. Reedy's clothing store, and relieved him of about \$12 worth of jewelry and clothing.

The Laurelton hotel was the next scene of their operations. The hotel safe was the object they had in mind, and the safe was rolled out of the hotel and pushed and dragged down the street about two hundred yards close to the barber shop, where it was blown open. Landlord Pursley kept no money in the safe, and the robbers were rewarded for their work by securing several old coins which Mr. Pursley had placed in it. Valuable papers, several notes and deeds in the safe were taken.

After robbing the safe the gang were traced out the pike to the spring house on the place of Mr. Strausser, where they regaled themselves with milk and other eatables. Here all trace of them was lost. Zimmerman's description of the men is necessarily somewhat vague.

### FARMERS' MUT. FIRE INS. CO.

For the benefit of many inquirers, we print the names of officers and directors of the Farmers' Mut. Fire Ins. Co., of Centre county, which has been in successful existence for nearly 45 years. The office, formerly at Centre Hall, has been changed to Bellefonte, the enlarged territory making it central.

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Agents: John Shook, for Gregg, and J. H. Beck, for Walker.  
\*Also act as agents.

The territory embraces the following: Haines, Miles, Penn, Gregg, Potter, Harris, Ferguson, Walker, Patton, Halfmoon, Spring, Benner and Marion townships.

The absence of gas during a courtship isn't always an indication of economy.

A vein of sentiment is all right if it isn't all in vain.

### RECENT DEATHS.

MRS. F. H. WHIPPO:—Widow of the late Rev. C. O. Whippo, of Port Matilda, died at her home in that place Sunday morning June 21 from a complication of diseases, aged 74 years. Interment was made in the Friends cemetery at Half Moon on Monday.

JAMES W. LUCAS:—Of Curtin township, died on Saturday, June 13, aged 79 years. The deceased was held in high esteem and had an honorable record as a soldier. He was carried to his burial by six of his old comrades in arms. The George L. Potter Post, No. 261, G. A. R., of Milesburg, attended in a body.

MRS. MARY SHIFFER:—Died at the residence of W. H. Musser on Lamb St., Thursday evening, June 18th, aged 83 years. Deceased was the widow of John Shiffer, of Pine Grove Mills, who died many years ago. She leaves the following children: Mrs. W. H. Musser, of Bellefonte; W. M. Shiffer, of Sunbury; Mrs. Ella Fugate, of Joliet, Ill.; Mrs. Lide G. Meek, of Irwin, Pa., and Mrs. Kate M. Woods, of Pine Grove Mills. Interment at Pine Grove Mills.

LEVI GRAMLEY:—Died at his home in Lewisburg, Saturday morning, aged 85 years, 7 months and 1 day. Mr. Gramley was practically in good health up until Thursday noon previous, when he was stricken with paralysis. Deceased was born in Miles township, Centre county, September 12th, 1817, and spent his early life in Brush valley. He purchased the Union Hotel, which he took possession of March 27, 1863, and where he remained until death. Mr. Gramley was married to Miss Mary Benfer, in Snyder county, in 1848, from which union eight children brightened their home.

WILLIAM FOSTER:—Died at State College, Wednesday morning 17. Interment took place Saturday morning. Mr. Foster had been ill for a long time, his chief ailment resulting from his advanced age. Deceased was born in Buffalo Valley, Union county, March 22, 1819, and in 1848 he came to Centre county. In 1847 Maria Cori, who died a few years ago, became his wife. The children born to them were Elizabeth, dec'd, Charles H., a U. S. mail agent between New York and Pittsburg; James dec'd; John a chemist in Tennessee. Mr. Foster was the only resident in the vicinity of State College who was living there when Penn'a State College was built, making him the oldest pioneer in that locality.

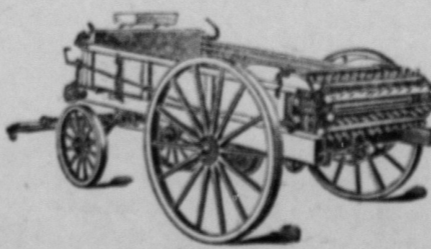
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### Watch for Him.

The Philipsburg Ledger says: "The Village Improvement society congratulates itself on driving to earth the 'tree doctor' who having 'skinned' Clearfield to the tune of \$700 came here to ply his trade. A letter to the Cornell State Forestry department verified the sus-

picion that his claim to being a graduate of that institution was utterly without foundation. He didn't stay in Philipsburg to do \$700 worth of work, but quietly and unexpectedly departed. The owners of the 'doctored' trees are watching them anxiously." It's no crime to steal a kiss if you give it back.

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