

THE VERDICT IS IN, But Will Not Be Announced Until the Court Opens This Morning.

JUDGE KENNEDY'S CHARGE

Upon the Law and the Evidence in the Wyman Extortion Case.

FEATURES OF THE ARGUMENTS.

Many Anxious Watchers Waiting for the Result Last Night.

A BELIEF THAT IT IS AN ACQUITTAL.

Ting-ling, ting-ling. "Hello!" "Is the verdict in the Wyman case in yet?"

The above query was wafted over THE DISPATCH telephone from Allegheny hundreds of times last night. To the inquirers the information was given that at 4:35 the jury retired and adjourned. If a verdict was agreed upon during the night it was arranged that it should be sealed and opened this morning in court.

This sealed verdict was returned at 11:20 last night. The jury was released and the members retired to their homes. Chief Murphy, Joseph Horne, Jr., James Hunter and other Allegheny politicians remained over in Pittsburgh until the verdict was returned. The general impression among them and other lawyers and politicians on the streets last night was that the verdict was acquittal.

The Points Raised by Marshall. When the trial was resumed yesterday morning some time was occupied in discussing points submitted by Attorney Marshall for the defense. In the points it was contended that the charge of extortion on the part of a public officer could not be sustained unless it was proven that it was done with a willful and malicious intent and the money taken devoted to the benefit of the person so charged.

"It seems to me this prosecution is an utter failure from beginning to end," Mr. Marshall exclaimed. "The only charge," he continued, "is the collection of illegal witness fees. They don't belong to him and were not taxed by him, therefore, how could it be extortion?"

Attorney Bennett followed with another point, basing it on the salary ordinance of 1888, which it was said makes it the duty of the officer in whose favor the fees are charged, to turn into the city the said fees, and not the duty of the Mayor.

Mr. Patterson, for the prosecution, entered his protest against the affirmation of the points. He maintained that it was immaterial what was done with the money, except to show the intent. The acts of the clerk, it was held, could not shield the Mayor, if the latter, by color of his office, caused the collection of illegal fees. It was the duty of the Mayor to see that the ordinance was enforced. He was also responsible for his clerk.

Called It a Baby Argument. Mr. Marshall next tried to throw cold water on Mr. Patterson's views, and the latter responded by saying: "The term baby might apply to that argument, if we might use it, Your Honor."

Attorney J. A. Langitt then opened the closing arguments for the prosecution. He said that in Allegheny City justice had not only been blind but lame. The law was not dead, only sleeping. Tactics and cunning long kept of the eye of a public investigation, but a faithful and able auditing committee began the work that culminated in the case on trial. Mr. Langitt continued reviewing the evidence as the arrests in question and the witness fees charged, claiming a clear case of extortion. He claimed the Mayor knew what his clerk was doing, and it was his duty to know. Referring to the manner in which the witnesses in the trial gave their testimony, he said:

"Never were the merry men of bold Robin Hood more steadfast to their robber chief than these men were to their lawbreaker. As to the custom coming from Mayor Wyman's predecessors, what would Pearson say when his turn came? Why that he got it from his predecessor Wyman? He next criticized the defense for making a scapegoat of Clerk Hunnesbagen. In conclusion he asked for the conviction of the man who had made the honor of Allegheny 'a by-word and a shame.'"

The Pleas of the Defense. T. M. Marshall spoke next for the defense. The burden of his address was the "intent" necessary to make a crime. The Mayor did not know that improper fees were assessed, therefore, having no intention of fraud he was not guilty. He detailed the routine of the work of the Mayor's clerk, mentioning the confidence and trust reposed in the clerk, and concluded by ridiculing the charges against the Mayor.

John S. Robb followed Mr. Marshall for the defense. He said that the work of fixing the costs has been the Clerk's for years and the Mayor knew nothing about the amount exacted. Before the jury decide that Mayor Wyman, a man elected by the people is a thief and an extortioner, they must be satisfied beyond doubt that he had a full knowledge of the acts of his clerk. They were not trying to make it appear that Clerk Hunnesbagen is a dishonest man, but if he has done anything wrong it was the result of a mistake and not an intent to defraud. What Mayor Wyman had done was under the color of right. He thought he had a right to collect these fees and he had done so. There was no intention of wrongdoing, and he held the money for the witness for which he had called for it. In conclusion he asked for his acquittal.

D. F. Patterson made the final address for the prosecution. He reviewed the evidence in the case and read the ordinance and acts of assembly defining the Mayor's duties. He also defined the duties of the Mayor's clerk, who is in charge of the city seal. The Mayor, all the clerk does is subject to the approval of the Mayor. The system of collecting fees, he said, was a cunning scheme devised by the Mayor or his clerk to make money. It was a system for practicing rascality. The class of people on whom this extortion was practiced was composed of those who were only too glad to pay a dollar or two to get out of the neck. They were not the ones who would go to a lawyer and first pay him \$5 to find out if they had been charged 50 cents too much. He scored the Mayor severely, claiming he new all about the alleged charges and made them willfully and with intent to defraud. In finishing, he said it was not simply a suit against James G. Wyman as an individual, but against him in his official capacity with an end to secure a pure, upright government.

Judge Kennedy's Charge.

Judge Kennedy next charged the jury. He read the law on the crime of extortion, defining it as the taking of money by a public officer. The Mayor of a city was such a public officer as was referred to. If the defendant knew at the time he received the money that it was illegal, and he knew that if he did not know that the fees were illegal he should be found not guilty.

disposition of the money did not matter only so far as it might show a fraudulent intent. That illegal fees had been received, he said, was admitted, and the only question seemed to be whether there was a matter for the jurors to decide. At 4:35 the case was given to the jury. They retired and court adjourned.

DUMPING IN THE RIVER.

The Garbage Furnace Not in Operation Because the Appropriation Has Run Out—Pittsburg Refuse Is Dropped Into the Ohio—Not Notified to Stop It.

Mayor Somers, of Milwaukee, while in the city Monday inspecting the garbage furnace, gave a little piece of news away which to the public in general was unknown. It was that owing to the appropriation having run out, the garbage furnace had not been in operation since January 12, and the city was dumping its refuse in the river. It would now be open for the assessors, he said, as the Government had so ordered it.

Yesterday Superintendent Baker, of the Bureau of Health, explained the situation. He said:

"We are allowed about \$38,000 to run the garbage furnace. The amount was not sufficient to keep it up the entire year, and on January 12 we had to shut down. The garbage could not be allowed to collect about the city and the only thing left us to do was to dump it into the river. I went to see United States District Attorney Lyons and he gave me permission to dump the garbage into the river until March 1, when we will be able to start the furnace. He told me, though, not to allow any tin cans or ashes to be dumped as they would fill up the channel.

"The way we are doing it now is to gather the stuff up every morning and load it on a boat on the Allegheny river, at Duquesne way. The stuff is then hauled down to the foot of Neville Island and shoved off into the river. Mayor Somers was mistaken in saying we had been notified by the Government to stop. He got the city and the case of John Clark, of the Southside, mixed up. Some time ago Clark, who had been dumping refuse at the Tenth street bridge, was retained by a United States detective for throwing tin cans and ashes into the river. I think this is what Mayor Somers meant.

"That gentleman also made a mistake in estimating the power of consumption of the Pittsburgh furnace. He said it was only capable of burning two tons per day, while it consumes 50 easily when in good running order.

The bureau has not asked for an increased appropriation for next year, and will run as best it can on the \$38,000."

LOOKED LIKE ONE OF THE FIRM.

More Developments in the Mysterious Liberty Street Fire Case.

Coroner McDowell took more testimony yesterday morning in the mysterious case of the man found dead in the ruins of the burned building occupied by Saitta & Fugassi, Italian fruit dealers on Liberty street. S. Oppenheimer heard the explosion, and running toward the building saw a small man crawl out of the coal hole in front. C. F. Ellis, of Bradock, was crossing Sixth street at the time the explosion occurred. He saw the man who looked like Mr. Saitta and he called to him. The man, however, took to his heels and did not answer. The case was continued till Saturday, when some startling testimony is looked for.

THEY FELL IN HARM'S WAY.

A Small List of Accidents Chronicled for Yesterday.

There were only three accidents yesterday. The street cars caused two and a rolling mill the other one. The list follows: Gray-William Gos, a 12-year-old boy, while riding a horse out of a blacksmith shop, yesterday afternoon, was struck by a Birmingham trolley car. One of his legs was broken in two places and he was severely bruised. He was taken to his home at the corner of South Twenty-second street and Carey alley.

McCleary-Mrs. Sarah McCleary, of Brush street, was struck by a trolley car while crossing the tracks at Wood street yesterday afternoon. Her right shoulder was dislocated and her body badly bruised.

Walrus-James Walters, an employe at Carnegie's mill on Thirty-third street, had several ribs broken by being struck with a piece of flying metal last evening. Dr. Clark removed the splinters and then he was removed to his home on Liberty avenue.

Finnerty-William Finnerty, a laborer employed at the Keystone Iron Mill, was brought to the Mercy Hospital last night suffering from a broken leg, which he received by a large timber falling on it.

No Trouble in the Sharon Church.

A number of items have within the past few weeks appeared in THE DISPATCH in reference to alleged dissensions in the Sharon Presbyterian Church of this county. We have since been assured by responsible and entirely satisfactory authority that the reports were very misleading and unworthy of the importance given to them. The real facts are in respect to the Sharon Church that it has been pre-eminently both peaceful and prosperous under the pastorate of Rev. J. M. Mercer, which has now continued for eight years. In that time the relations between pastor and congregation have been most cordial and co-operative; and the membership and the attendance at services are now larger than ever before, as are also the contributions for the benevolent work of the church. It is to be regretted under the circumstances that an incident, originating outside of the church, and which should have been magnified and diverted into allegations of "trouble" where none existed. THE DISPATCH is entirely satisfied that undue emphasis was given to the matter, and wishes to correct any false impression by giving the substantial facts above, with which all the friends of the church certainly have reason to feel gratified.

Pattison Declines to Talk Politics.

Governor Pattison and his staff, Secretary Harry and the other Eastern people who attended the funeral of Adjutant General McClelland yesterday, returned home in a special train last evening. While the Governor walked through the depot a number of people shook hands with him, but there was no attempt at a demonstration. Mr. Pattison thought it was out of place under the circumstances to talk politics and so did Secretary Harry. Both asked to be excused. When Mr. Harry was questioned about his deal with Wallace by which J. M. Guffey and Mr. Fleming will be two of the national delegates from Allegheny county, he said he didn't know anything about it.

Sickness Among Children.

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TAXES AND POLITICS

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ASSESSORS MAKING REDUCTIONS.

C. L. Magee Addresses a Fourteenth Ward Meeting on the Subject.

LIVELY ORATORY ON THE SOUTHSIDE.

A force of men in pay of the county are now engaged in taking the valuation of taxable property in the Fourteenth ward. Samuel Josephs, the regular ward assessor, is in charge of the work, and with the data he had in hand and the force of assistants provided, the County Commissioners expect to have the assessment completed by the end of March. The assessors' clerks are shaping up their work so that as soon as the county books from the Fourteenth ward come in they will be able to devote their entire attention to them and will endeavor to have the city assessment completed before March 10.

City Assessors Case and Larkin were both reported last evening to be much improved, and it is probable Mr. Larkin will get down to his office by next Monday. Mr. Case would have been down yesterday had his physician permitted. While kept at home by his ailment, he has books there and is working on the proposed charter. He is auditing Committee. Allegheny had done for that city and said that a similar committee in Pittsburgh would make some interesting reading matter.

He was very happy to see the city and said that the city was run by the machine and not by the Mayor. Chairman Powell then made a few remarks and stated: "From the evidence exhibited in the audience during Mr. O'Brien's talk on the proposed charter, it would judge that many Southsiders have read the charter, if the Mayor of Allegheny had not read that one."

The meeting then adjourned to meet at the polls on Tuesday next.

NOT INDORSING PHILIP FLINN.

The Sixth Ward Democrats Adopt Very Vigorous Resolutions.

The Sixth Ward Democrats met last night at the Forbes school, with John Cahill in the chair. James Gorman acted as secretary. The following ward ticket was named: Select Council, James McGinness; Common Council, David Larkin, John Dunn, Jr., and John Finnerty; School Directors, John Hare and W. G. Ide; Alderman, Michael Rafferty; Assessor, John McFadden. The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, It is announced that the Democracy of the Sixth ward, Pittsburgh, has entered into a coalition or "deal" with the Phil Flinn as Select Councilman, the Democracy of the Sixth ward, in public meeting as a demonstration of their repudiation of such a coalition as untrue and without foundation in fact; and Resolved, That we denounce the instigators of this report as city payroll scoundrels, and as such, unworthy of belief in matters pertaining to honest municipal government, and that we proclaim our adherence to the principles of a righteous and economical administration of the city, and demand that our representatives in Councils shall stand pledged to economy and honesty in their administration, and that dates for Councils shall conform to the above shall receive our hearty and united support.

The taxpayers and renters of the Sixth ward held a meeting at Fisher's laundry on Stevenson street last night and nominated the following ward ticket: Select Council, Michael J. Stone; Common Council, William J. John; School Directors, John Hare and W. G. Mahaffey; Assessor, John L. Hamilton.

THE FIGHT IS OFF.

No Contest for National Delegates in the Allegheny District.

The fight for national delegates in the Allegheny district has been declared off since Mr. Blaine made public his determination not to stand for the nomination. It was announced yesterday that an effort would be made by William Witherow for one of the places. It was also reported that both B. F. Jones and Harry Oliver, Jr., had decided to withdraw from the contest for the delegateship, and that John Chaffant would be chosen without a fight.

Lost Faith in His Party.

Robert S. Bussing, Jr., of Brooklyn, is registered at the Duquesne. He was one of the organizers with Seth Low and others of the Young Men's Republican Club of Brooklyn, in 1880. Now he is a Democrat, and he says 24 of the 25 men on the Executive Committee who worked for Garfield have gone over to the Democratic party. He thinks the Republicans live too much in the past and are not progressive enough. Mr. Bussing has been traveling lately in the West, and he believes that the Republican party will not be able to carry Iowa, Michigan, New York or Massachusetts in the coming Presidential election. He is a Cleveland man, but he doesn't hesitate to rush to the defense of Hill when the ex-Governor is attacked. He doesn't think that Hill will be the Democratic nominee.

A Satisfactory Readjustment Promised.

The sub-committee of the Twenty-sixth ward Republican Executive Committee, which was appointed to lay before Chief Assessor Frank P. Case, the recent resolutions of the committee relative to a readjustment of the assessments of the Twenty-sixth ward, reported last evening that promises had been given of a satisfactory readjustment of the matter. A public meeting will be given at a special meeting called for Saturday evening at the Humboldt school house.

JOHN M'BRIE TO BE PRESIDENT.

F. H. Penns and Patrick McBrady Win the Offices in the Mine Workers. The most important feature in the convention of the United Mine Workers at Columbus yesterday was the election of officers. They are: Hon. John McBride, Commissioner of Labor of Ohio, President; F. H. Penns, of Indiana, Vice President; and Patrick McBrady, Secretary-Treasurer. The Committee on Salaries reported the following: President, \$1,500; Vice President, \$1,000; Secretary-Treasurer, \$1,000; Executive Board, \$3 per day and expenses while employed.

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Appeals From the County Valuations.

The County Commissioners yesterday heard appeals from the assessments made, in Marshall, Springdale, Sewickley and Union townships. Very few appeals were received. In Springdale the assessor's books showed no increase, but the Commissioners made a reduction in the Marshall township the assessors increased 3.5 per cent, and the board added 20 per cent. In Sewickley township the assessors increased one-half of one per cent, and the board added 10 per cent. In Union township the assessors increased 3 per cent, and the board added 10 per cent. In Marshall township the assessors increased 3.5 per cent, and the board added 20 per cent. In Sewickley township the assessors increased one-half of one per cent, and the board added 10 per cent. In Union township the assessors increased 3 per cent, and the board added 10 per cent.

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The Ordinance Defining the Mayor's Powers Will Be Changed Slightly.

The Sub-Committee on Corporations met yesterday afternoon to consider the ordinance "to perfect the efficiency of the different departments of the city government, prescribing the duties of the heads of departments, relative to the general supervision thereof by the Mayor."

A note was received from Mayor Gourley expressing regret that he was not able to attend, and stating that the ordinance combined the sentiments he had about the matter. Mr. Wilson remarked that it appeared that the Mayor wished to take the power from the heads of the various departments. Controller Morrow stated that he had spoken to the Mayor about the matter, and the latter did not entertain such views, his object being to have a manner of supervision and power in complaints to direct an investigation.

New Prisoners for the Pen.

Sheriff Seigle, of Erie county, brought the following prisoners to the Western Penitentiary yesterday: George Town, sentenced to one year and six months for attempted assault; William Simon, Jr., three years and three months on two charges of larceny; Patrick Curran, four years and three months on two charges of larceny; Richard Alexander, one year and six months for larceny; Sheriff Cotter, of Clearfield county, brought John Allen, sentenced to two years and six months for aggravated assault and battery.

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