

DELAMATER'S STORY

Of the Events Leading Up to the Failure of His Bank. HE WAS ENGAGED IN POLITICS And Did Not Know Much About His Business Affairs Then. A NOT GUILTY PLEA DISALLOWED

MEADVILLE, Sept. 30.—At the opening of court this morning the defense moved for a verdict of not guilty in the cases of G. B. and T. A. Delamater, which was refused. G. W. Delamater was sworn and testified as to the value of the assets of the firm and its individual members. The Delamater bank had over \$149,000 and had a rental value of \$85,000. The total assets, according to the valuation of Delamater, was \$1,127,450. The witness said he only had a general knowledge of the business of Delamater & Co. during 1887, '88, '89 and '90. He had always estimated his property as being amply sufficient to meet his obligations. He believed at the time in 1890 that the bank—that is, the partners taking together—was perfectly solvent.

Before the failure the witness was engaged in politics and business enterprises in other cities. He was also in the State Senate. From the 1st of April until the election the witness spent less than ten full days in Meadville. At the time of the failure, G. W. Delamater was out of town and returned in time only to sign the assignment papers. He had no knowledge of the assignment until he returned to Meadville on the morning of the assignment, December 8. In the week of the failure the witness deposited \$100,000 in the bank of the Delamaters. Mr. Delamater said he had tried to do the best he could for creditors, and made a written proposition to them. In the meantime he, with his father and brothers, had been arrested and indicted. He saw that the creditors were losing confidence in him. He had no recollection of saving to the committee of the creditors that the liabilities were \$1,000,000 or \$1,250,000, but he did say about \$800,000. The purpose of his meeting with the creditors was settlement and the avoidance of the sacrifice of the valuable property. Witness did not make out the list of depositors and the amounts due, which had been given to the creditors, but he believed it to be correct. He said that G. B. and T. A. Delamater had never had anything to do in the bank actively. He said he believed the \$28,000 due to the Philadelphia Finance Company was good today, and would be paid. The defense produced a number of certificates of deposits which had been paid before they were due, to show that defendants had no knowledge of their insolvency. The testimony will close to-morrow.

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