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PERSONAL. J. M. Conright, of Montrose, was in the city yesterday. Attorney C. A. Battenberg was in Wilkes-Barre yesterday. City Treasurer R. G. Brooks is ill at his home, on Quincey avenue.

PRINCESS ROSERUD. Will be produced in Y. M. C. A. Hall tonight and tomorrow night.

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A. B. WILLIAMS INDICTED. His Trial Postponed Until the May Term at Pittsburg.

WALTER PIERCE IS ON TRIAL. Charged with Passing Counterfeit Money in this City on a Number of Persons—Other Cases Heard in United States Court.

In the United States district court yesterday morning the grand jury found a true bill against A. B. Williams, late cashier of the "Traders' National Bank" of this city. The indictment drawn up by the district attorney charges that Mr. Williams embezzled funds of the bank to the amount of \$2,000.00.

Mr. Williams retired from his position in the bank on Jan. 1st last, but it was not until Feb. 19 that information of the embezzlement was lodged before the United States authorities. In view of the short period of time which has elapsed between then and now, which caused for the defendant thought was insufficient to allow them to properly prepare their case, Judge Bullington granted the continuance.

Judge Bullington authorized clerk Lindsay to return the bail out of court which was done last night. Bail was renewed in the sum of \$5,000, the same amount fixed by United States Com. H. D. Guernsey and C. H. Welles became bailmen, H. D. Guernsey taking the place of J. H. Torrey, who was on the first bail bond.

THE FIRST CASE TRIED IN THE DISTRICT COURT yesterday was that against A. B. Williams, who was charged with taking letters from the postoffice at DuBois, Clearfield county, containing checks and drafts to the amount of \$2,000.00. The case was heard by Judge Bullington, three of which charged the defendant with embezzling the contents of the letters and the other with fraudulently securing letters addressed to the postoffice at DuBois.

THE POSTOFFICE CLERK at DuBois testified that Anderson called for letters addressed to Andrew D. Anderson or A. D. Anderson, and was given the letters containing the checks and drafts. Anderson was defended by Attorneys John T. Martin, of this city, and John L. Jones, of DuBois.

THE DEFENDANT'S DEFENSE was that he had never seen the letters, and that in respect to the embezzlement of the money the quarter sessions court of the county in which the offense was committed was the proper place to try that. Judge Bullington refused the motion, and the case went to the jury, which returned a verdict of guilty as to the three counts, charging the defendant with embezzlement.

PASSED COUNTERFEIT MONEY. S. M. Welsh and William C. Pike were convicted of passing counterfeit money in Wampum, a small town in the western part of the state. It was proved by the government that each of the defendants passed or attempted to pass counterfeit money in the town in which they were arrested. After they were arrested they were searched and on the person of Welsh was found a bag containing forty counterfeit quarters. On Pike's person was found a similar bag containing seventy counterfeit coins of the same denomination.

THE DEFENDANTS' DEFENSE was that they had never seen the counterfeit money, and that in respect to the embezzlement of the money the quarter sessions court of the county in which the offense was committed was the proper place to try that. Judge Bullington refused the motion, and the case went to the jury, which returned a verdict of guilty as to the three counts, charging the defendant with embezzlement.

AN ATTACHMENT FOR JENNIE. Jennie Flynn was absent but was brought in later on an attachment. She testified that she thought the counterfeit money was given to her by Pierce but that she did not know they were counterfeit when she took them. She placed them in the money drawer in which were also other half dollars. When Mrs. Jones discovered that the money was counterfeit she accused Pierce of circulating it and sent for the police. Patrolman Goscholle came and arrested Pierce. Pierce was very drunk and denied all knowledge of having had any counterfeit money, and said that if he had any he must have obtained it while playing cards in the afternoon. When taken to the police station Pierce had over \$200 of good money in his possession.

NON-SUIT NOT DISTURBED. Judge Edwards Sees No Reason for Striking It Off.

OPINION HANDED DOWN BY HIM. Gives Reasons Why He Refuses to Again Put on the Trial List the Case of Jennings Against the Lehigh Valley Company and Others.

On Aug. 20, 1895, Attorney Cornelius Smith instituted an action of trespass for John G. Jennings with damages alleged in the sum of \$10,000 against the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, Hon. E. N. Willard, Hon. R. W. Archibald, Major Everett Warren, J. H. Burns, essay, Hon. Leonard Armerman, Prothonotary C. E. Pryor, Deputy Prothonotary Myron Kasson and Detective Thomas E. Reynolds.

THE CASE OF THE SUIT was that the defendants had conspired and conspired to hinder, delay and defeat the action brought by John G. Jennings against the railroad company to recover damages in the sum of \$10,000 for injuries Mr. Jennings' son, James, sustained in the Mud Run wreck on Oct. 16, 1888.

THE COURT MADE AN ORDER on Sept. 22, 1895, directing that the suit be placed first on the trial list for the November term of common pleas court. The court opened on Monday, Nov. 11, Judge Edwards on the bench. Mr. Smith represented the plaintiff and the defendants were represented by Attorneys Joseph O'Brien, J. Alton Davis and C. Conroy.

MR. CONROY announced that their side was ready for trial. Judge Edwards said the plaintiff's attorney desired to try the case and was not ready for trial. Mr. Conroy then moved for a non-suit. Judge Edwards granted it. When everything was ready to go on Mr. Smith came forward with a long petition containing the oft repeated charges he has made about not being able to get a fair and impartial trial in Lackawanna county, and asking for a change of venue to some other court.

SMITH LEFT THE COURT ROOM. Judge McPherson, of Harrisburg, was assisting the local judges that week and Judge Edwards ordered the case to go on before him. This did not satisfy Mr. Smith. He wanted to get out of the county altogether, alleging that the conspiracy was so great against him and his client, Mr. Jennings, that he would have to leave the county.

JUDGE EDWARDS' OPINION. "We see no reason to disturb this non-suit. The case was regularly on the trial list, and no legal grounds for a continuance were disclosed. We refused a change of venue, not only because the evidence taken at the hearing of the rule was entirely insufficient but for the further reason that it appeared to us the motion was made to avoid the trial of the cause. The trial list was called on Nov. 11, 1895. The petition for a change of venue was sworn to Sept. 27, and the attorney for the plaintiff did not present this petition to the court until the next day. The continuance had been denied and the case called for trial. It is unnecessary to discuss this matter any further. The rule is struck off and the case put back on the trial list. The non-suit entered in this case should not be taken off as discharged. Exception for the plaintiff is noted and a bill sealed."

COMMON PLEAS COURT. Actions that came up for hearing there. There was but one court in session yesterday and Judge Gunter presided. The cases were very few and the hearing began. The first case was that in which William Morley was plaintiff and E. S. Douglas, defendant. The former was represented by Attorney W. Gaylord Thomas and the latter by Attorney J. Elliot Ross. It was an action in replevin.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE. Under this heading short letters of interest will be published when accompanied, for publication, by the writer's name. The Tribune will not be held responsible for opinions here expressed.

THE CUBAN QUESTION. Editor of The Tribune. Sir: It seems to me a very strange policy on the part of the United States government, who have been and are to be looked after the interests of our country that they should seem it fit to waste their time and intelligence in treaty interference with the ruling of Spain in Cuba.

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