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PERSONAL.

Dr. J. R. Fortham is attending a convention of dentists at Lebanon.

At noon today Miss Lizette Cottle, of Dunmore, will be married to Harry Styles, of Green Ridge, at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Green Ridge.

John J. Gorman, of Penn avenue, and Miss Mattie Gormery, of Railroad avenue, will be married at St. Peter's cathedral this morning at 8 o'clock.

William Hess, of Adams avenue, and Henry Fehorn, of Jefferson avenue, left last night for New York, and today will sail on the Friedland for Europe, to be gone three months.

Dr. John McGrath, who was recently graduated from the University of Pennsylvania, returned to his home, on South Washington avenue, yesterday. Dr. McGrath took a high rank among the members of his class and gives promise of proving a valuable addition to the profession he proposes to devote his life to. He will take a short rest at his home before deciding where he will locate.

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TWO LARGE AUDIENCES.

They Saw the Vitasecpe and Vaudeville Show at Frothingham.

There was another large audience at the Frothingham last night to see the vitasecpe and the excellent vaudeville entertainment. At the matinee there was also a large crowd. Frank Latona's musical tramp act was received with great favor last night and he was compelled to respond to several encores. Latona and Miss Annie Whitney, another member of the company, are members of the League of American Wheelmen being members of a Boston, Mass., club. They have their bikes with them.

Last night's exhibition of the powers of the wonderful vitasecpe was as marvelous as that of the preceding evening and amazed and astonished the audience. The vaudeville entertainment and vitasecpe exhibition will be repeated each afternoon and evening this week. Bicycles will be checked free of charge at the theatre, which is kept very cool.

STRUCK BY THE FENDER.

A Child Fell Into It and Escaped Unhurt.

A little 10-year-old girl was picked up on the fender of a trolley car on Spruce street near Wyoming avenue Monday night. She was crossing the track and looking toward Penn avenue. When the fender struck her she fell into it in a sitting position.

The child was unhurt. She was taken to the home of her aunt, Mrs. Robbins, on Spruce street.

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TWO EYE-WITNESSES IDENTIFY TONI
Their Testimony Will Go Hard with the Defendant.

COMMONWEALTH'S EVIDENCE IN

Attorney Brown Opened the Defendant's Side of the Case to the Jury, but No Witnesses Have Been Heard Yet in His Favor—Cases Tried Before Judge Edwards in No. 2 Court Room.

It required only from the time court convened yesterday until 2.30 in the afternoon for all the evidence of the Commonwealth in the Toni murder case to be presented to the jury; but, nevertheless, District Attorney John R. Jones made out a strong case of murder of the first degree. Ross Keogh, of Old Forge, and John Jenkins, now of Ashley, but a resident of Old Forge the day of the murder, swore positively and unhesitatingly that they saw the defendant fire the shot, and their testimony was also clear that there was no provocation, on the contrary, that Toni willfully and deliberately pulled out his revolver and used it upon the prostrate body of Rafter.

Attorney Joseph W. Brown opened the defendant's case to the jury and outlined the story of the defense. In substance he said that a number of witnesses would go upon the witness stand and swear that Toni was not the man who did the shooting, that he was not in the habit of carrying a revolver, and that he was in another part of the town that night. Their witnesses will be heard today and until their case is closed.

It is a strange coincidence that Toni boarded at the same house in which Creszenzo Merolo lived. The fact that the shooting occurred on the body of Merolo does not deprive the case of the element of first degree murder. The old common law of England, with certain statutory modifications, is a part of the penal code of this state and provides that if a wounded person dies within a year and a day after the infliction of the wound, then the prisoner may be tried for his life.

DR. LONGSTREET'S TESTIMONY.

Dr. S. P. Longstreet, county coroner, was the first witness for the Commonwealth. At the autopsy on the body of Rafter the coroner located the bullet; they were lodged near the hip joint in the pelvic cavity. The primary cause of death, he said, was the bullet wound, the secondary cause was the inflammation or suppuration and the direct cause was blood poisoning.

An anatomical chart was erected near the jury box and the coroner in a very satisfactory and simple manner described the course of the missiles and where they had lodged. He gave his opinion that death was inevitable from the wounds.

Ross Keogh was then sworn. He met the deceased on Feb. 4, the day of the shooting, at Fallon's hotel at the dinner table, and afterward they went out together and visited Cusick's hotel. John Hayspringer, of Glyde Park, was along also. He went on and told of their occupation the rest of the afternoon and evening and led up to the time of the shooting.

They went into Holland's hotel and left it after having some cigars, and stood for a few minutes at the door. The Italian band was practicing upstairs in Holland's hall and Rafter wanted to go up. The witness did not want to go up, and he caught hold of Rafter by the coat sleeve. When the latter said he was going home and both walked a few feet along the sidewalk when they met Toni. Rafter slipped on the ice, fell to the ground, and Toni whipped out his revolver and shot him twice.

TONI HAD THE REVOLVER.

He ran as quick as he did it to his boarding house and the witness followed him. Toni took a revolver out of his pocket and put it on the shelf. Then the witness went back to the office of Justice of the Peace R. Willis Reese and swore out a warrant for the arrest of Toni and went with Constable Patrick Henry and identified the prisoner. There was no hedging about Keogh's testimony and Mr. Martin's cross-examination did not make him any less confident that Toni is the man who did the shooting.

County Detective Thomas Leyshon testified that he was told by Keogh that Toni took a revolver out of his pocket when he ran into his boarding house after the shooting. Mr. Leyshon visited the house and found a revolver on a shelf in Toni's bed room. The weapon was offered in evidence. After Mr. Leyshon, Constable Patrick Henry was called and he testified to making the arrest.

Dr. John J. Timlin, of Old Forge, was sworn and testified to having been called to attend Rafter. He described the wounds and said he probed for the bullets but could not find them. Miss Lallah C. Rafter, a sister of the deceased, testified to her brother's suffering and death. She is one of the staff of nurses at the Lackawanna hospital.

MOTHER ON THE STAND.

John Gallagher, of Old Forge, was the next witness. He was fifteen feet away from Rafter when the shots were fired, but he could not identify the shooter. He saw Keogh follow the person who fired the shot. Mrs. Sarah Rafter, mother of the deceased, and Miss Minnie A. Rafter, another sister of the deceased, testified to his suffering and death, and that he was brought home from Old Forge on Feb. 7, three days after being shot.

John Jenkins, of Ashley, was the last witness for the Commonwealth. He is a young man and used to drive cars in Jermyn's shaft, Old Forge, to Toni before the murder. In that way he was well acquainted with the defendant. He was four yards away from Rafter when the shots were fired and he positively identified Toni as the murderer. The trousers worn by the deceased on the date of the shooting have a hole in them as large as that the thumb can be inserted. The aperture is the one through which the bullets went and is near the watch pocket at the waist band.

QUARTER SESSIONS COURT.

Mr. Campbell, of the Harrisburg Telegram Fared Poorly with Law. Before Judge Edwards in No. 2 the assault and battery case of P. F. Campbell against Mrs. Mary Crew was tried. Attorney T. V. Powderly represented the defendant and Assistant District Attorney John M. Harris was the Commonwealth's counsel. On April 25 last Campbell went up Thirteenth street on the West Side and in front of Mrs. Crew's house shouted out the announcement of a story in the Harrisburg Telegram concerning the death of a relative

of the woman. Campbell is an agent of that paper and he had a bundle of them under his arm and had them for sale. The witnesses for the prosecution testified that Mrs. Crew came out and laid violent hands on the newsdealer. She did not deny it herself, in fact, she admitted it, but urged that she had sufficient provocation. In closing his argument to the jury Attorney Powderly made Campbell hot around the collar by commenting on how brave it is for a man to come into court to prosecute a woman for assault and battery.

SHE CONVICTED HERSELF.

Judge Edwards, in his charge to the jury, instructed them that under the evidence of the defendant herself she had to be convicted, as the law does not justify an assault on the provocation of words. He suggested to them that a verdict of guilty might be taken without leaving the box, but some of the jurors dissented and they retired, but in a short time they returned with a verdict of guilty. One of the jurors said that a suggestion was made in the jury room that they contribute to pay Mrs. Crew's fine if she would receive one.

When they came back with their verdict Judge Edwards said he would confine to the county jail for five months. Crew the lightest sentence the law allows, which is a fine of \$1. He said he was sorry he could not sentence Campbell or any other person who will go around the streets announcing the contents of lewd newspapers.

The assault and battery case of Patrick Hamrick against Bernard McTigue was amicably settled and was withdrawn.

AN OLYPHANT CASE.

William H. Davis, an Olyphant shoe dealer, was tried for putting his boot heel on William Rosser's face and imprinting the shape of it there. Attorney Joseph O'Brien represented the Commonwealth and Attorney Richard Manning, of Susquehanna, and J. J. Manning, of this city, were for the defendant. The defense was that Rosser was drunk and was forcing his way into Mr. Davis' store and got pushed out and got the marks on his face from falling on the floor. The jury will get the case today.

A verdict of not guilty was taken in the case against Frank Matuzas and Anthony Gedraytis, who keep the saloon on West Lackawanna avenue, where William Yuske used to be. They were charged with running a gambling house. Andrew Krouchnos claims he went in there last New Year's day, was inveigled into a poker game and dropped \$90 of his hard earned silver, but he wasn't around to prosecute when the case was called and he will have to pay the costs.

ANOTHER POWER STATION.

It is to be Erected by the Economy Steam Heat Company.

The Economy Steam Heat Company has begun the work of laying a main down Lackawanna avenue from Franklin avenue to Cliff street to supply the buildings at the lower end of Lackawanna avenue. Another improvement the company has begun work on is the erection of a second power house. It will be located on Cliff street alongside of the Everhart brass works.

The building will be of brick, 90x50 feet in size, and be supplied with three 200-horse power Climax boilers, giving a total of 600-horse power plant. This new station will be used in conjunction with the old one on Jefferson avenue, which has a capacity of 2,100 horse power, and will result in a more even distribution of steam on all of the lines of the company. The new plant will be ready to generate steam in September and will enable the company to meet any demands for steam that may be made on it next winter.

BANK CHARGED WITH USURY.

Allegation That Eighteen Cents Illegal Interest was Collected.

What promises to be an interesting case is set down for Wednesday in Alderman Wright's court. Daniel Williams, of Dunbar, has brought suit against the president and directors of the Merchants' and Mechanics' bank of Carbonada, the charge of usury. Williams claims that he had some dealings with the bank and was charged more than the lawful rate of interest, which altogether amounted to the sum of eighteen cents.

DEPUTY SHERIFF RYAN ILL.

Suffering From an Attack of Erysipelas of the Face.

Deputy Sheriff Frank Ryan is seriously ill at his home on Madison avenue, and Dr. John Burnett is in constant attendance upon him. Ten days ago Mr. Ryan suffered an attack of erysipelas and he was beginning to recover from that distressing complaint erysipelas of the face set in. Last night Dr. Burnett said that while Mr. Ryan was a very sick man he did not anticipate serious results.

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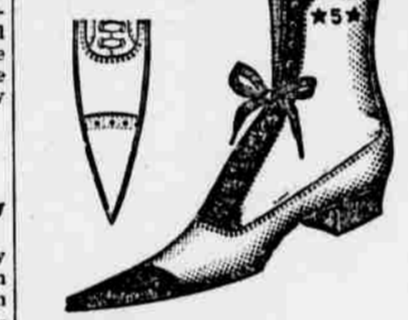
He Boarded at the House of Joseph Kereke, on Second Street, and Was Found Lying on a Bed Last Evening with His Clothes Soaked with Blood—Verdict of Coroner's Jury.

With the blood gushing from a bullet wound in the left breast and a revolver tightly grasped in his left hand, Stephen Vasko, 22 years old, a Hungarian unmarried, was found dead and lying on his bed early last night in a boarding house at 324 Second street, Blievue. Later in the evening a coroner's jury returned a verdict to the effect that the case was one of suicide. Vasko has been in this country five years. He was provident, steady in his habits and had for several years been employed about the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western shops. The house where he boarded is kept by Joseph Kereke. The boarders were all of the hard-working and intelligent class. The house is clean, well furnished and apparently well kept.

Vasko returned from work at the usual hour last evening. He seemed in his usual good spirits and after supper chatted a while with some of the boarders in the back yard. He left them a few moments before 9 o'clock and went to his room off the kitchen.

The room is occupied by four of the boarders. A few moments after Vasko entered the house one of the boarders went to the room and found Vasko lying on one of the beds. Vasko's shirt was soaked in blood. Across his chest rested his left arm, the hand clasping a revolver of 32-calibre. One chamber was empty. The shirt had been scorched by the flash from the weapon. The blood trickled from the bullet wound directly over the heart, indicating that the missile had entered that organ and that death had been instantaneous.

Evidence in accordance with the foregoing was adduced at the inquest. Coroner Lonstreet was notified of the case at 9.30 o'clock. A few minutes later he was at the house in Second street and had impanneled the following jury: Daniel A. Gelbert, John W. La-



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