LOCAL AFFAIRS.

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—AT—

CITY HALL

Every Evening this Week.

Trial of Thomas Sheridan for the Murder of Conrad Theisinger.

Court of Oyer and Terminer.

Before Hon. W. B. M'Clure, President Judge, and Gabriel Adams and John E. Parke, Associates.

SECOND DAY

WEDNESDAY, January 6.

Morning Session.—Court met at nine o'clock this morning, and Charles M'C. Hays opened the case for the prosecution in a very able argumentative speech. He argued to the jury that it was necessary that the laws of the Commonwealth should be sustained and vindicated by an upright verdict of the jury, to lay aside all prejudices, weigh the evidence carefully, and render such a verdict as the testimony would justify.

Marshall Swartzwelder, Esq., followed in an exceedingly happy effort for the defense, the principal object of which was to convince the jury that the prisoner at the bar was not guilty of murder in the first degree, but only of manslaughter.

District Attorney Collier then closed the argument for the Commonwealth, in one of his plain, but very effective speeches. Mr. C. has a virtue quite rare among members of the bar, that of speaking briefly and to the point. He first alluded to the main points of the counsel for the defense, then summed up the points of the prosecution, and concluded by submitting to the jury to examine the case thoroughly and impartially, and to render a verdict in accordance with the facts, and what plain, common sense might teach them concerning the motives of Sheridan in killing Theisinger.

His Honor Judge M'Clure made a brief and impressive charge to the jury, in a clear and succinct manner, defining the law and their duty in the case.

At twelve o'clock the jury retired, and Mr. Swartzwelder announced that he would file exceptions to the charge of the Court.

Afternoon Session.—At four o'clock, the jury came into Court, and gave in a verdict of *"Murder in the Second Degree."* Sentence was deferred, and the prisoner remanded to jail.

The Court was then adjourned until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

Pittsburgh Horticultural Society.—The Pittsburgh Horticultural Society held its annual meeting yesterday morning, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Robert M'Knight.

Vice Presidents—Hon. G. Negley, John Marshall, Jas. Robt. Reed.

Corresponding Secretary—Jeremiah Knox.

Recording Secretary—Alex. M. Stevenson.

Treasurer—Chas. Lockhart.

The following committees were also appointed:

Finance—G. G. Negley, C. L. Goehring, J. G. Coffin.

Library—Jeremiah Knox, James Reed, D. Lange, Robert M'Knight, Randall Morton, Thomas Aiken.

Vegetables—Wm. C. Dunn, Robert Cummings, Israel Gelsler, C. L. Goehring, Alexander Negley, A. J. Wooldridge, S. Spohr, John Young, Jr., J. M'Candless, Shadgrass.

Printing—J. Wardrop, J. G. Coffin, Finley Porterfield.

Flowers—James McKnight, James Wardrop, James Marshall, G. G. Negley, James Reed, J. G. Coffin, James Lamont, John Ferguson, George M'Hattie, James S. Negley, J. C. Hopkins, F. M. Gordon and A. H. Grant.

Fruits—Charles Lockhart, J. Knox, James Marshall, Adam Aiton, R. M'Knight, W. S. Bissell, Jas. S. Negley, James Lamont, and John Marshall, Jr.

Arrangements—Jeremiah Knox, James M'Knight, James Wardrop, Charles Lockhart, Robert Cummings, Henry Beatty, C. L. Goehring, A. J. Wooldridge, James Marshall, Alex. Negley, J. G. Coffin, W. C. Dunn, Thomas Aiton, and W. S. Haven.

Premiums—James Wardrop, James McKnight, J. Knox, R. M'Knight, J. S. Negley, C. Lockhart, Adam Amon, James Lamont, James Reed, and Robert Cummings.

Court of Quarter Sessions.

Before Hon. William B. M'Clure, President Judge, and Hons. Gabriel Adams and John E. Parke, Associate Judges.

Commonwealth vs. John Oliver—The indictment in this case was for an assault and battery, with intent to kill, committed on the person of Ann M'Millan, at Robinson street, Allegheny city. The accused and his wife are the prosecutor and her husband live in the same house. M'Millan had informed against Oliver for disorderly conduct in abusing his wife, and the assault was to revenge himself. He went into the room of Mrs. M'Millan, knocked her down, struck her with a chair, and otherwise abused her. The jury rendered a verdict of assault and battery. The prisoner was sentenced to the county jail for three months.

The grand jury ignored a bill indicting John Shawhan for assault and battery, and ordered the prosecutor, John Dunning, to pay the costs.

Commonwealth vs. Henry Myers—This prisoner was indicted for larceny on oath of James Bell, the prisoner having stolen several articles of clothing, valued at $35, from the office of the Pennsylvania Salt Manufacturing Company, on Penn street, on the 31st of October last. The goods were found in the possession of the prisoner, and identified by Mr. Bell as the stolen property. The jury came in with a verdict of guilty, and sentence was deferred until Saturday.

Miss Cecile Rush.—As we announced yesterday, this lady has at length consented, at the solicitation of her friends, to give a public recitation at Concert Hall this evening. We are happy to announce this fact, and we hope she will be well sustained. Although Mrs. Rush has been long out of the short time she has already appeared in Pittsburgh, which is evidenced by the fact that hundred tickets have been sold for the entertainment. The programme selected is a good one, comprising several pieces we do not remember to have heard recited before. Mrs. Rush is a fine reader, and if she is as successful in the rendering of the other pieces as we have heard her in the "Maniac," she need have no fear of the result of this, her first entertainment of the character in our city.

Agricultural Society Supper.—A complimentary supper was given on Tuesday evening to the Pittsburgh Board of Directors by the Allegheny county Agricultural Society. A large company was present, including several members of the editorial and legislative fraternities. The supper was excellent, the songs lively, and the toasts appropriate. Several short speeches, some of them quite spicy, were made during the evening. John M. Kirkpatrick delivered an address in his usual eloquent vein. Altogether, the occasion was one of interest to all present. We were prevented from noticing this supper yesterday for the excellent reason to prevent the crowd of our city readers, and the consequent filling up of our columns.

Scott Legion.—A call written from this society met yesterday at the Exchange Hotel, in the Fifth Ward, and after some deliberation, recommended to the Legion:

First—The adoption of Dixie, to be worn by the members of the Legion, which badge is to be *worn already* for the members who served in Mexico.

Second—A further organization as a Uniform Military Company, inviting all worthy persons, independent of service in Mexico, to join the same.

Third—The election of honorary members, who may be willing to pay over their military dues to the organization according to law.

Republican Convention.—The Convention to nominate candidates for the Legislature, to fill the place left vacant by the death of J. J. Buchanan, assembled at the Court House yesterday. The candidates and balloting were as follows:

CANDIDATES.	BALLOTS.			
	1.	2.	3.	4.
W. P. M'Dowell	28	31	33	
John Scott	16	29	52	55
George Dixon	9	4	8	12
J. K. Kerr	10	1	1	
Robert Buchanan	11	15	2	22
N. P. Sawyer				
Wm. M. Bertolet			(withdrawn)	
W. J. Packhouse	8	3		
Joseph Courtney		(withdrawn)		
G. A. Whitesell	2	2	2	
Solomon Salade	2	1	1	

As soon as Mr. Scott was declared nominated, it was moved to make it unanimous, which was done.

After passing a number of resolutions, the Convention adjourned.

Suicide.—News was brought to the Mayor's office last evening that Lewis P. Holmes, a resident of the Dr. Stepley R. Hunter's of this city, had committed suicide in the neighboring village of Temperanceville, by shooting himself through the head. The Coroner was sent for and went there, but had not returned at the time we wrote.

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