

THE EVENING HERALD.

VOL. IX.—NO. 19.

SHENANDOAH, PA., TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 1894.

ONE CENT.



Study A Moment!

You are a business man, and used to straight forward business talk—facts—facts—facts. Your wife has been looking for a

**Piano,
Sewing Machine,
Organ,
Chamber Suit,
Parlor Suit,**

Or something else in our line. Why not buy it now. We are selling cheaper than ever.

J.P. WILLIAMS & SON

1894.

Clearing Sale!

We begin this new year with an immense... In Dress Goods. Come and see our windows. No two prices. Every piece bears the mark of reduction price; will be sold at such prices only.

It is acknowledged by most of the ladies now that P. N. CORSET is the best.

Max Schmidt,

116-118 North Main Street, - Shenandoah, Pa.

Girvin's

IT PAYS to buy good TINWARE. And our Anti-Rusting Tinware is absolutely the best made. Every piece is warranted not to rust if kept clean. Come look at our big attractions now for TEN CENTS.

- Fifty-four feet of Rope.....10c
- Best Scrub Brushes.....10c
- Glass Rolling Pins, regular 25c, now.....10c
- Salt Boxes.....10c
- Sauce Pans.....10c
- Sugar Bowls.....10c
- Japanned Trays.....10c
- Bread Pans.....10c
- Two quart Coffee Pots.....10c
- Child's Tin Cup.....2c
- Comb and Brush Case.....10c

Chas. Girvin,

Successor to GIRVIN, DUNCAN & WATLEY.

8 South Main Street.

RELIABLE - HAND - LAUNDRY.

139 South Main Street, Shenandoah, Pa. All work guaranteed to be first-class in every respect. We respectfully solicit a share of your patronage. Goods called for and delivered. Silk ties and Lace Curtains a specialty.

SHAVE!

For a Neat and Clean SHAVE! CHAS. DERR'S SHAVING PARLOR, PRINCETON HOUSE BLOCK. Everything in the tonsorial line done in first class style. Everything neat and clean.

To-day!

We open a new stock of

FLOOR OIL CLOTH!

Two yards wide, at 50c a yard.

All New Patterns and the Best Quality

We have yet offered at the price.

Also a line of New Rag Carpets

Excellent quality and low prices.

A Lot of Moquette Rugs!

Beautiful Patterns at Greatly Reduced Prices, From 85 cents up.

A Special Drive in 50 Doven Men's Cotton Half Hose.

4 pair for 25c. Excellent quality, about half price.

Try our New Bloater Mackerel—fine, white and fat.

AT KEITER'S.

BRUNN'S QUESTIONS!

Witnesses Continue to Testify Against John Briggs.

LENGTHY EXAMINATIONS

The Counsel For the Defense Directs Most of Its Attention to the Firing and Grabbing of Briggs' Gun—The Main Point of the Case.

Special to the Herald.

POTTSVILLE, Jan. 8.—The defense in the case of John Briggs, charged with the murder of James Parit, and now on trial at Pottsville, is pretty well outlined. It was practically set forth in the testimony given by Richard Anson on Friday last. Mr. Brumm is devoting most of his cross-examination to shake the credibility of the witness of the Commonwealth and lead them into an admission that the shot by which Parit was killed was from Briggs' gun, but that the weapon was discharged when Briggs and Mahony were struggling for it.

In this the defense has not been successful, but it succeeded yesterday in getting one of the witnesses, Charles Kern, to admit that he couldn't swear whether or not the fatal shot was fired before or after Briggs and Mahony had their struggle. All the rest of the witnesses who claimed to have any knowledge of the struggle declared it was after.

Dr. D. S. Marshall sworn.—I am the Coroner of Schuylkill county. I was called to hold a post mortem examination on the body of James Parit and assisted Dr. Esterline in holding it. I found a gun shot wound. It penetrated the right hip bone. There was a compound, comminuted fracture. We found the lungs and intestines in a healthy condition. From my entire examination of the body I believe the cause of the death of James Parit was due to shock, superinduced by the injury and its effects. The injury was caused by a gun shot wound. I found no other marks of violence on his person. The thigh bone was shattered. It was broken about the middle of the centre portion of the bone to an extent of about an inch. I found the back bone shattered about two inches to the right of the centre. The lower portion of the bone was shattered—the end of the spine. All the intestines were sound, except the major colon, which was perforated. From the injuries and course of the wound I would regard that it was necessarily fatal.

CROSS EXAMINATION.
Q. If Dr. Esterline swore that the injured colon was not penetrated, but only cut a little on one side, and he was there when the examination was made, do you still say you are correct?
A. Yes, sir; I am positive.

Q. And you say the same as to the spinal column?
A. Yes, sir. The bullet entered the body about an inch above the right hip bone. At the entrance the wound was from 1 to 1 1/2 inches in diameter. The exit was from 1 1/2 to 1 1/4 in diameter. It looked to me that the victim was leaning forward when he was shot, not standing upright.

REV. JOHN RICHARDS

Affirmed: I am Methodist minister of the Gospel and resident of Gilberton. I saw part of the difficulty on the night of August 21st. On that evening I had a class meeting. As I was passing by the parsonage in front of the church I saw a crowd on the street and noticed people tearing up the track. That was about 7 o'clock. I stood a few minutes and then went into the church. After church I came out and stood two or three minutes, and then went back to the parsonage. At about 10 o'clock I retired. I had been in bed about half an hour when I heard some loud talking and I rose and put my head out the window. Just as I did so the first shot was fired. I saw a man coming from the inside of the car. As he got in the front of the car he shot immediately, and I saw a man, after the shooting, go down as if he fell. I didn't recognize these parties because I was not near enough. I saw other shots fired and that is about the result of what I saw. I remained at my window during the time of the shooting and withdrew after the shooting ceased. I knew my brother was somewhere on the streets and I went down to inquire for him. I was about 150 feet from the shooting. The window was next to the street on which the shooting occurred. There was an electric light in the street and there was a light in the car. I couldn't tell how many people were in the car. The man who fell was about from 3 to 5 feet from the car. When the shot went off it created a flash. I didn't know at the time who the man was who fell, or the one who shot. The rest of the shots came from the car. I really couldn't say that a shot came from any other direction. I didn't see any. I could see the fire from each shot. Of course there were likely a couple of shots fired at the same time. Up to the time I saw the shot fired and a man drop I had heard no shooting at all. From where I was I couldn't tell whether or not anybody interfered with the man who came out on the car. I can't tell whether anybody was on the platform with the man who shot. I didn't see anybody else hold the gun. From the position I occupied I could have told if any other shot went off.

CROSS EXAMINATION.

I don't think I could see all of the dinkey, but I could see the most of it. Quite a number of people were about the dinkey and were close to it. About 8, 9 or 10, shots came from the dinkey. There was a little interval between the first and second and the rest followed rapidly. I didn't see anybody with fire arms up the street that night and I didn't see anybody other than those on the car shoot, or hear any reports between the place where I was and the dinkey, or the street above me.

PATRICK O'REILL, sworn: I live in the East ward of Gilberton and am a tea and coffee agent. I was at Gilberton on the night of August 21st and saw the electric railway torn up. That was about 7 o'clock in the evening. I was not there when the dinkey arrived. I saw the dinkey and was about six feet from it, a little south of the south rail. I was close to the west end of the car. I recognized John Briggs on it. I don't think I would know Anson now. I recognized a stout man standing on the north side of the car. I saw John Briggs with a gun, but I don't know that I could tell the gun. Shortly after my arrival at the dinkey I heard John F. Reynolds say, "You can't see the Gilberton people," or something like that. Heard some one holler, "Homestead." That is about all I can swear to. I saw, when Homestead was mentioned, John Briggs walk to the front of the car and James Parit fell with the shot. Briggs came out of the car on to the front platform with a gun. He seemed to come on a rush. He says, "Here you are" and "take that" and "From the time he came out of the car, until he fired, I should judge about thirty seconds. I have made a mistake. I misunderstood the question. It was instantly. I saw James Parit. He was shot that night by John Briggs. I saw Fla. Mahony that night and saw him, after the gun had been discharged, catch the gun and wrestle with Briggs. Briggs seemed to be stronger and I think Mahony got one foot on the bumper of the car, he was pulled up, and with that I ran away. It was from 20 to 25 seconds from the time the shot was fired until Mahony grabbed the gun. I saw Mr. Anson there that night. I couldn't say I could recognize him now. He seemed to be facing northeast. I got excited when Mahony grabbed the gun. I ran down Siebert street, south; I didn't see or hear any other shots. When Parit was shot he seemed to fall and shouted, "Oh!" and crawled a little south. I didn't wait to see where he got to.

CROSS EXAMINATION.
I didn't shoot anybody that night and had no firearms. I didn't throw any stones or see anybody throw any. I didn't hear any glass rattle. I was not too excited. I only heard one shot. I didn't hear any threats or see anybody drunk, or under the influence of liquor. I didn't hear anybody say they were "prepared for them" either before or since. I have said nothing about the case since, except that it was too bad that it happened and didn't mention it to a soul what I knew about the case.
Q. Can you tell, then, how they happened to get you here as a witness?
A. No, sir; I can't just say.
Q. What did Briggs do with the gun right after he shot it off for the 20 or 25 seconds that passed before Mahony grabbed it?
A. I couldn't say. If I said Briggs held the gun for 20 or 25 seconds. I made a mistake.
Q. You are sure that as Mahony grabbed the gun you got excited and ran away?
A. Yes, sir.
Q. Just the instant?
A. Yes, sir. No, sir; not just the instant. I made a mistake. I got a little excited and I was excited that night. I don't know that there is any feeling about this matter in Gilberton. I have none.

ELI EVANS

sworn:—I was there when the dinkey was there. I was about 8 or 10 feet from it. I recognized John Briggs as one of the occupants of the car. I couldn't recognize anybody else. I didn't see any fire arms. I saw shots fired and saw Mr. Briggs fire. I got there about five minutes before the shooting started. Some person hollered, "Where is your Girardville militia or Homesteaders?" and Briggs came out and said, "Here I am, you take that," and the shot went off. I saw a big man standing on the north side of the car. That was the man's position when Briggs fired. I didn't know the man. I didn't see James Parit that night. I didn't see any more shots than one. That was the first fired. I saw Fla. Mahony there that night. I saw him grab the gun about 8 or 10 seconds after the shot.

CROSS EXAMINATION.

I was employed that night to help tear up the track by Councilmen Stone and Klenfles and said by the borough treasurer. We worked from 3 1/2 to 4 hours and got \$3 for it. We didn't get any drink thrown in. I had two glasses of beer between working times. Mr. Reynolds went with me the first time. He treated me both times and he treated the rest of the working gang. There were 6 or 7 of us. I treated back. I took a beer when I treated back. I treated once and had three beers altogether. I made a mistake when I said I had only two beers. That was all I had—three beers. None of the others treated and I had no drink after the job was finished. I was not there when the dinkey came up. I went home. When I heard the dinkey coming I went back. I understood that if the track would be laid down it would be torn up again. We were not going to stop them from laying it, but wait until they would lay it and then tear it up again, if we were ordered to do it. The Councilmen furnished the tools. I didn't shoot anybody that night and didn't have any firearms. I didn't see anybody

CROSS EXAMINATION.

(Continued on fourth page.)

NEWS OF THE REGION.

Our Traveling Correspondent's Notes.

ALL ALONG THE LINE.

Interesting News Items From Mahanoy City, Girardville, Tamaqua, Mahanoy Plane, Conrath and Other Places Briefly Chronicled.

MAHANOV CITY, Jan. 8.

During the Humane Fire Company's fair Butcher Quinn generously offered the boys a pig to be chanced off. Books were passed around and \$21 collected on the porker. It was chanced off and won by the entertainment committee, who decided to ask their friends to a pig roast in Kaiser's opera house hall. Wine and dainties were ordered and the guests invited, and Chief Butler James Foley instructed to procure the pig. A wagon was dispatched to Mr. Quinn's shop. "I will send it down," said the butcher.

In the course of an hour a team drove up to Mr. Foley's house and a large box was unloaded by the driver. "What's that?" "Your pig." "New way of bringing a pig." The weighty box was carried into the house and as a dozen committeemen looked on with expectation the lid was forced open. A big bundle lay in the box. It was tenderly lifted from its coffin. The crowd was now astonished. A layer of paper was taken from the bundle; another and another, layer after layer, was peeled off, until the floor was covered with big sheets of brown and yellow paper. Still the paper came off and the bundle grew beautifully smaller. The last sheet was finally removed, revealing a little black pig weighing, perhaps, a pound, and made of cast iron.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Brouse have been visiting their parents on East Centre street. The colliers in the valley are working this week.

Steve Middleton, of Matzeville, was in town yesterday placing an order for new mine wagons.

Andrew D. Kopp, of Tremont, was a visitor this morning.

George Britz has gone to Philadelphia to take a course in a business college.

William H. Snyder went to York this morning, to attend the Master Painters' convention.

Prof. T. J. Broderick went to Frankville, this morning.

Miss Annula Lusk, of Tamaqua, is visiting her brother, John Lusk, of East Centre street.

Miss Mary Singler, of Middleport, is circulating among numerous friends about town.

D. M. James and family, of Olyphant, have moved into their residence on West Mahanoy street.

GILBERTON.

Mrs. Lewis Hinkle is a prisoner to grips. Frank Morgan is improving.

The entire family of E. J. Bower, who took the grips at the same time, are now improving.

E. J. Painter is on the sick list. Mrs. Ellen Sands desires to express thanks to her many friends and to the P. O. S. of A. for their generous aid during the illness and burial of her husband, John M. Sands.

John Henry has quit working in the mines to accept a position with a tea company.

Joseph Painter has returned to Dickinson College, Williamsport.

Miss Kate Reed is visiting in Shamokin. Mrs. Patrick Robin, who died on Saturday, was buried to-day in Minesville.

Matthew Francis will start in the milk business to-morrow.

MAHANOV PLANE.

George Ravitz was escorted into a boarding house by Anthony Jinks on the pretense of getting a glass of wine, when Jinks brought a glass on Ravitz's head, cutting an ugly wound, which was dressed by Dr. Esterline.

Our people, who were witnesses or spectators in the Briggs' trial, say that of all newspaper reports of the court proceedings the Herald's is the most authentic.

The sight of "Big Jack" Greedy in charge of an electric car awakened recollections in the minds of one of our citizens when he and "Jack" were sports together.

"Jack" was never easy when out of trouble. He was always happy when in hot water. We planned to steal a neighbor's pet dog, make way with him and lay the blame to some one else's door. So the unsuspecting canine was coaxed into the woods, where a stick of dynamite and a squib were attached to his body. "Jack" lighted the squib and then ran for a place of safety to watch the dog go tearing through the tree tops. We forgot to tie the dog and "Jack" yelled "Leg for it," and leg for it we did. I got out of his reach, but the dog kept right up with "Jack" and the squib grew shorter. Seeing that he might take a mill, too, "Jack" jumped for a tree and scrambled into the branches just as the bit of dynamite exploded and sent the poor dog out of sight. "Jack" slid down the tree, snatched home and got a job on the electric railway and you didn't say "dog" to him any more. I swore I'd never give it away and don't you let on I did, or your word! And the reporter promised he wouldn't.

Fried oysters a specialty at McElhenry's 9-12-14

A COMPLAINT.

An Old Time Democrat Speaks Out of School.

This morning's mail brought the following letter for publication. We give it verbatim except in the spelling:

EDITOR HERALD:—You will please allow me a short space in your valuable paper to give the high politics of the Third and Fifth wards, including some of the would-be leaders of the First ward that hold office at present, to understand that those who work at the polls and receive nothing must be recognized at this coming election. They have a Poland in the field for the maintenance of Council. Will they nominate him or will they slaughter him as they did their Polish "cop" last spring? Should they nominate him, they will do it to benefit those high political bosses of said ward? People that would cut your leg off then try to make you believe a cork leg would answer so good. Is it not gall? Yes, and the First ward is heavily charged. We must and will have a change. Citizens, place your minds on politics; the evil is easily remedied.

Don't be influenced by those old time flatterer tongues. Use your own good judgment and vote for who you think is the best. Don't be led by those that will knock at your door, walk in, shake your both hands and say, "Why, John, I hope you are well." Tell Frank you are always well on election day, but don't let Frank deceive you. Take time and think. Well, there is lots of men in dark cells.

AN OLD TIME DEMOCRAT.
Shenandoah, Jan. 8, 1894.

DOUGHERTY CONVICTED.

A Jury Declares Him Guilty of Adultery—New Trial Asked For.

James J. Dougherty, of town, was placed on trial at Pottsville, yesterday, charged with adultery, on oath of his brother-in-law, John Casey. By means of photographs and the testimony of John Mullin and two of his employees it was shown that Dougherty and Miss Bridget Cuff, also of this town, had spent a night in the same room at Mullin's hotel in St. Clair. Mrs. Dougherty, the wife, was a witness, but only testified to her marriage. Mr. Dougherty did not take the stand. The only evidence introduced was to the effect that John Casey, the prosecutor, had boarded him for years and that Casey had declared that he would board Dougherty until he would get him into jail and let him rot there. Casey denied this, but admitted that he had said that if Dougherty didn't stop his fast living he (Casey) would put him in jail. Constable Toth was also a witness and swore he had once denounced efforts to subpoena Miss Bridget Cuff for the trial but failed to find her. The jury was out but a short time when it returned a verdict of guilty. J. H. Pomeroy, Esq., at once moved for a stay of proceedings and a new trial and Dougherty was released on \$1,000 bail, pending the determination of the motion which, if denied, will be followed by an appeal to the Supreme Court, so that Dougherty will not be called up for sentence for several months.

TAMAQUA.

The child of Jerry Dugan, which was run over by Chris Walters' wagon a month ago, and was expected to die of its injuries, is now much improved.

The house of Samuel Bevel caught fire yesterday morning. Both hose companies responded. The flames were soon under control, the damage being chiefly confined to the roof. Loss \$100.

Harry Krebs, of Mahanoy City, was a visitor here to-day.

Have you tried McElhenry's fried oysters? 9-12-14

Administrative Free.

This evening the public installation of the officers of Maj. Jennings Council, No. 367, Jr. O. U. A. M., together with a musical and literary program, will be held in Ferguson's theatre, commencing at 7:30 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended the public to witness the ceremony. The admission is free to all.

Theatrical Notes.

"The Trukey System," Lew Dockstader's funny farce comedy, will be given for the benefit of George Walters, in Ferguson's theatre, Thursday evening, January 11th. This is one of the best attractions on the road and a big reception should be given them.

Madden and Lowery's Vaudeville Company will hold the benefit at Ferguson's theatre, Saturday evening, 12th inst. The show is a good one, well worth the price of admission.

Don't Tramp!

All over town hunting FRESH EGGS.

BUT—Come straight to us. We have enough to supply you all. Strictly fresh. Remember we positively handle no lined nor ice-house eggs.

Graf's

122 North Jardin Street