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AT KEITER'S.

MR. AMOUR'S WOUNDS

A Side Issue in the Briggs Trial.

ATTENTION IS DIVERTED.

The Detective Spends Some Time on the Stand Telling How he Knows Larry Keating of Gilberton. Shot Him - Other Proceedings of the Day.

SPECIAL TO EVENING HERALD.

POTTSVILLE, Jan. 17.—The sensation predicted for the Briggs trial in the early dispatch received by the Herald was fulfilled later in the day by the statements made by Richard Amour, while on the witness stand. The sensation was briefly referred to in the late dispatch, but is given to-day in full.

Within the next forty-eight hours, and perhaps in less time, this sensation may be followed by other striking developments. Yesterday was one of victory for the defense and if the same impression was made upon the minds of the jury as the majority of the spectators professed to have gleaned from the evidence, a strong tide has turned in favor of Briggs.

Among the witnesses called yesterday was WILLIAM AMOUR.

He testified that he was a Justice of the Peace at Mt. Carmel and was a brother of Richard Amour.

Q. Mr. Amour, have you a writing that was prepared with reference to this case?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. The paper was produced.

Q. Was that prepared while your brother was in fear of dying?

A. Yes, sir; we thought he would die at the time and that is the reason we took it.

Mr. Whitehouse objected to the introduction of the paper and stated, among other things, that it had no bearing on the case.

Mr. Brumm said he acknowledged that the writing was not a statement bearing materially upon the case, but he wished to introduce it in corroboration of Richard Amour's previous testimony that at the time he thought he was about to die a statement he made was put in writing.

Judge Weidman decided that the paper could not be introduced.

Q. Was there any statement made by your brother at that time, in writing, or otherwise, under fear of death?

A. Objected to and objection sustained.

CROSS EXAMINATION.

Q. You have a paper purporting to be an alleged statement by your brother. Do you know that it was written and made in the presence of your brother?

A. No, sir.

Q. It is in typewriting?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. And you didn't have a typewriter there at that time?

A. No, sir.

The paper in question during this examination, was shown only to the lawyers interested in the case and the reporters were not allowed to see it, but the Herald reporter subsequently learned that the paper was a blank warrant which was prepared for the arrest of Larry Keating and which Richard Amour was to have sworn to in case the doctors had decided that Amour could not recover.

RICHARD AMOUR.

Q. Have you the clothing with you which you wore on the night that this difficulty occurred?

A. Objected to.

Mr. Brumm: We propose to show the clothing worn by Mr. Amour that night for the purpose of showing the bullet holes that were in them and show that an attack was made on the party in the dinkey and contradict the witnesses who have sworn that they saw no shots fired outside of the dinkey.

Judge Weidman decided that the clothing could be introduced and Amour produced the uniform he wore that night, pointing out a bullet hole in the cuff of the right sleeve, on the lower part of the coat on the right side, one in the vest and three bullet holes in his pants, one of which he could not account for.

Mr. Brumm: Mr. Amour, who shot you that night?

A. A man from Gilberton by the name of Larry Keating.

Q. How do you know?

A. He stepped up to the front part of the dash board of the dinkey as quick as the struggle between Briggs and Mahony was over and the shot was fired. He stepped up and shot me in the right breast. I was shot in the right breast. Where the other shots came from I don't know. The shot that went through the breast and into the lung affected these two small fingers of my right hand. It is supposed to have cut the nerves. At least the fingers are now useless.

Testimony was then introduced showing that Amour was appointed a detective by the Court of Schuylkill county, that he operated by paying a license fee of \$25 and filing a bond in \$2,000. When an attempt was made to prove Amour's employment as a special officer by the Schuylkill Traction company the Commonwealth said it was not necessary.

CROSS EXAMINATION.

Q. You say Lawrence Keating shot you?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. And you say that because you saw the man who did it?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. You knew who shot you on the night of this difficulty just as well as you do now?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Can you tell us how long the car remained in Gilberton after the riot and before it left to take you home?

A. No, sir.

Q. How long do you recollect having been there before you became unconscious?

A. A very short time. Anything under a minute.

Q. Did you, during the time you were lying there, speak to different persons of the borough of Gilberton with relation as to who had shot you?

A. No, sir.

Q. Did you make any statement during the time you were lying there with relation to the shooting that was done there?

A. Objected to. The objection was sustained and the witness was not required to answer the question.

Q. Mr. Amour, did you identify or recognize the man who shot you before he shot?

A. I saw him a few minutes before. I had no idea there would be any shooting.

Q. Where was he standing?

A. In front of the dinkey.

Q. How do you address any remarks to you, or you to him?

A. I didn't talk to him. Whether he did to me, or not, I can't tell.

Q. Was your recollection several days ago as clear as to what occurred at Gilberton as it is to-day?

A. I suppose it was.

Q. Will you tell this jury why you didn't tell, when you testified before this jury, that it was Larry Keating who shot you?

A. Mr. Wadlinger, if I owned the value of this court house, I would freely, in every sense, rather not have answered that question about the shooting to-day. It was not my wish or desire to answer that question.

Q. Then the other day, when you were told to tell us all that occurred and what different persons said, you supposed that portion of your testimony?

A. Oh! no, I described all I saw.

Q. Why didn't you tell who had shot you? I thought it would not have any effect in this case. I had my own reason for not telling it. I had reason from my attorney.

Q. Is it not a fact that the very second you were shot everything went red in front of you and you couldn't tell who shot you?

A. I said after I was shot everything went red before me.

Q. Didn't you testify the other day when on the stand in this language, "That the very second I was shot everything went red in front of me, as though I was looking through a red glass."

A. Certainly.

Q. And you couldn't recollect from that time on what the actual occurrences were that took place there?

A. From the time I was shot.

Q. At the time you were shot, Mr. Amour, what position did you say you were occupying in this car?

A. I was standing on the north side of the car with my back towards the dinkey and Mahony were having their fight. Briggs and I turned with my face towards the dinkey from the dinkey and as I went up after the first shot went off I was looking east over the dinkey, and that was when I received that shot. The first shot I received hit me in the breast. After Mr. Keating put the pillow under my head in the car I knew nothing until I got to Shenandoah. The last recollection I have of seeing Briggs that night was just as I was shot. I did not see him again until I saw him in this court house.

E. C. WAGNER.

I have known John Briggs for about six years past. His character is very good. He is a good, steady, hard working man and took good care of his family.

CRAWFORD BENNY.

Lives in Girardville and is a son of Robert Benny, a previous witness. In describing the dinkey accident at Gilberton, he said as follows: Amour was talking to Mr. Reynolds and Stone and I heard Amour call on Reynolds, Stone and the Chief Burgess to assist in keeping the crowd down and lay the tracks. They refused to do so and Reynolds said, "Dick, you are a good officer, but you are late to night. Why are you here for you?" Mr. Keating then said that he was on in favor of the road setting fire to it, but he didn't think it right to come there with arms and he would stand by the borough. After Superintendent Jones arrived and spoke to Amour he left on the car and came upon Williams street. When the burglar got off the dinkey some man said the first man who put a pick in the ground he would put a bullet through him. Mr. Dooley stepped off the car and Mr. Sweeney stepped on it, on the south side of the front platform. Then I walked towards the dinkey. I thought it was all over, but I heard the dinkey whistle in the distance and I heard Amour say, "Here we are, here we are," and saw him come out and put a gun over the railing. Just as he did some fellow's arm came up and grabbed the gun and the gun went off, and I heard somebody yell, "He's shot! He's shot!"

The witness also testified that he after words offered to run the dinkey out of the town, but some people told him he had better leave it alone, as he might get shot if he attempted it. A man named Haggerty offered to run the car and as there was no motor lever, witness broke open the tool box in the car and gave Haggerty's monkey wrench to use as a lever. Haggerty then took the car out of the borough. While Amour was lying in the car some men said, "Let him die there. Our boys are dying, let him die." Some wanted to hang him. When the dinkey was going to Gilberton Amour told the men on it that they should shoot until they got orders from him.

CROSS EXAMINATION.

I did not tell Albert Arnold or James Brazey, of Girardville, that I saw Briggs shoot Paritz, or that I saw Briggs and Wadlinger each about a man. I saw a man named Davis, of Mahanoy, with a revolver right after the shooting. He was standing at Russell's corner. He was flourishing the revolver and looking towards the dinkey. I saw two men with revolvers, but only knew Davis.

WILLIAM DOOLEY.

was called and sworn, and in telling of the shooting said: I was about midway in the car with my back turned to the east when I heard the cry, "Where are the Haggertys now and the Girardville militia?" I heard a voice from the car say, "Here we are, here we are," and then I heard the shot. I looked around and I saw a man standing near the car who was I. I then ran away and when about the middle of the square I heard a volley of shots.

Mr. Brumm wanted to show that the witness made a different story in writing on the second day after the shooting to the one he told on the witness stand.

The Commonwealth objected and then long and vigorous arguments followed on both sides.

Mr. Brumm said that Dooley was one of the men he had asked the Commonwealth to call before its case was called, so that the prisoner and counsel on the behalf of a cross examination, but the Commonwealth refused to call these witnesses and the court declined to direct it to do so and now the prisoner is forced to put the witness on the stand, but not allowed to cross examine him. Mr. Brumm said a man's life was at stake and the Commonwealth should not be given any advantage.

If the District Attorney had called the witness as requested the prisoner could have then had the benefit of a cross examination, but now he is bound by the statements of the witness and dare not attack his credibility. Upon the conclusion of the arguments Judge Weidman decided that the written statement made immediately after the shooting should be used to help refresh the mind of the witness, but not to contradict him.

The witness stated that he made the statement in the presence of Messrs. Farquhar, Williams and MacIntyre, Williams and a stenographer, but not under oath. He decided that he stated then that he saw Briggs place

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ARE ON THE WARPATH

The Three County Commissioners Arrested.

COUNTY AUDITORS SUE.

They Claim the Right to Audit the Accounts of 1893, and Take Vigorous Steps to Secure Documents for Inspection of the Same.

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD.

POTTSVILLE, Jan. 17.—The County Commissioners and County Auditors are at loggerheads. Yesterday County Auditors Thomas E. Samuels, of Mahanoy City; John E. Doyle, of Shenandoah; and Emanuel Jenky, of Tremont, came down to this place to organize and prepare to audit the accounts of the county for 1893.

The trio met in the county Auditor's room on the top floor of the court house and effected the following organization: Thomas E. Samuels, president; Emanuel Jenky, secretary; John E. Doyle, treasurer; William Wilhelm, Esq., solicitor.

Speeches followed, the two listening auditors applauding the deserving remarks when the third auditor was speaking.

Messrs. Samuels and Jenky thanked Providence for its liberality to the Republican party in Schuylkill county last fall and Mr. Doyle, after candidly admitting that the tightest squeeze of his life was the one through which he passed last fall, expressed an enjoyment to Zimmerman's and this suggestion was adopted by a unanimous vote.

During the day the auditors called upon the various county officers for the 1893 accounts and vouchers and the request was complied with by all except the County Commissioners, who stated that County Solicitor Ulrich had given an opinion that the supposed existence of county auditors since the creation of the Commonwealth was only a dream.

Later in the day the auditors, by advice of their solicitor, caused warrants to be issued for the arrest of County Commissioners Charles F. Allen, John P. Martin and Frank Bentz, charging them with a misdemeanor in withholding public documents and thus throwing obstacles in the way of the auditors in the performance of their duties.

Of course the Commissioners were released on bail and the arrest was a mere matter of form.

One of the auditors stated last night that the question would be settled very soon and the auditors expected to begin their work next Tuesday.

The County Commissioners have been drawn into many suits of late that the first question put to almost every stranger who visits the office is, "Well, what is the change and how much bail is required?"

"The Black Crook."

"The Black Crook" is coming in all its regal splendor embracing a wealth of superb scenery, gorgeous costumes and glittering array, together with a large number of Lithuanian, Slavonic and European specialty artists. The dramatic cast is unexceptionally strong, and in fact nothing has been overlooked. Over 100 people are engaged in this superb production, and scenic artists have been for months preparing for its tour. Manager Ferguson has positively arranged for its appearance here this evening, and his many friends and patrons can congratulate him in securing this grand spectacle. It is the same production that attracted world-wide attention last winter in New York at the Academy of Music, and that grand old structure was rated to its utmost capacity, so eager were the people to see it.

Sherrill's Deeds.

The following deeds were acknowledged in open court by Sheriff Wall:

A lot of ground in Ashland, sold as the property of William D. Dyer, to the Citizens' Savings Trust and Loan Association of Ashland, \$2,000.

A piece of ground in Ashland, sold as the property of Henry Young, to J. J. Young, \$1,000.

A piece of ground in Ecktown, Butler township, sold as the property of John Stehr, to Nicholas H. H. H. H., \$300.

Four pieces of ground in Rocktown, Butler township, sold as the property of John Stehr, to Thomas E. Esterline, \$215.

Two pieces of ground in Shenandoah, sold as the property of William Miller, for \$750 and \$1,000, respectively.

A Coincident.

It is remarkable as a coincidence that engine No. 248, which drew the freight train that killed Charles H. Sneyder, of town, at Lost Creek, on Saturday last, was the same engine which pulled the coal train by which Wm. McQuinn and William Burns, both of town, each lost a leg at different periods a few years ago.

"The Limited Mail."

Elmer E. Vance's realistic drama, "The Limited Mail," was presented in Ferguson's theatre last evening to one of the largest audiences of the season. The wonderful scenic effects were highly appreciated by those present. The show is a good one in every respect.

Up Town Office.

All orders for advertising, job work and subscriptions can be left at Reese's Auction and Commission rooms, Dougherty building, W. Centre street, where they will receive prompt attention.

Hall Postponed.

The first grand ball of the Mahanoy Athletic Club, which was to have taken place Monday evening, January 15th, has been postponed until Monday, 22nd inst. 1-18 15 18

Given Away.

For sixty days Keeger, the photographer, will give a 10x12 platinum picture with every dozen of his \$3 cabinet.

Have you tried McBenny's fried oysters? 2-12-17

BOILER EXPLOSION.

The Accident Occurred at Indian Ridge Colliery.

Much excitement was occasioned last evening about 10:30 o'clock by a dull sound coming from the western end of town, and many people made their way in that direction. The cause of the report subsequently proved that one of the large boilers at the Indian Ridge colliery, situated at the extreme eastern end of Centre street, had exploded.

It was at first erroneously stated that several men had been killed by the accident, but investigation proved that such is not the case. Fortunately the firemen were all at the northern end of the boiler house at the time of the explosion. The wrecked boiler is situated at the southern end. There was no one injured.

The exploded boiler was torn in half, one part of which was thrown a distance of 600 yards and landed about ten feet in the dirt bank.

The cause of the accident is supposed to be due from the use of sulphur water and too great a pressure in order to keep up sufficient steam. Several other boilers were thrown out of the boiler house and the latter structure is a total wreck. The large stack was also misplaced.

The colliery was idle to-day, but the officials state that an effort will be made to start up to-morrow. It is doubtful, however, that the effort will be successful, as it is not thought that sufficient steam can be generated with the remaining boilers to run the machinery.

TRAINS COLLIDE.

Twenty-five Passengers Killed and Injured.

SPECIAL TO EVENING HERALD.

CHESAUTEA, N. C., Jan. 17.—The Richmond and Danville limited express collided with the Virginia, Colorado and Northern train near here this morning. Both trains were running at a high rate of speed. Twenty-five passengers are reported to have been killed and injured.

PRESIDENTIAL.

George H. Krick visited Pottsville yesterday.

William Anstok, of Mahanoy City, spent the day here.

William Wetzel, of Pottsville, is drumming up trade in town.

John B. Laloring, of Hazleton, was seen on our streets to-day.

William Slaght, of Philadelphia, transacted business here this morning.

Rev. J. H. Lintz, of Pottsville, will preach in the Presbyterian church this evening.

Chief Burgess Hines and County Auditor Doyle transacted business in Pottsville yesterday.

Dr. G. F. Muller, Patrick Dougherty, John McGowan and Frank Everett were county seat visitors to-day.

Miss Nellie Davis, who has been having a pleasant time with friends in Philadelphia and Camden, N. J., is home again.

Frank Freiler, of Pottsville, representing the Evansville Quaker City Soap Company, of Philadelphia, looked after the firm's interests here.

Miss Edith Miners of East Cook street, returned home yesterday after spending three weeks with friends at Pottsville, St. Clair and Fort Carson.

PENGUE POINTS.

A deed from James S. Thomas to Benben J. Hall, for a lot in town, was placed on record yesterday.

The stock of shoes that were to be consigned to J. W. S. Sneyder and commission house, for sale this week, will not arrive until Tuesday next. Wait for bargains.

The funeral of the late Charles Sneyder, who was killed on the railroad on Saturday, took place yesterday. It was largely attended.

The boardman are again making it unpleasant for persons by in front of the theatre building to show nights. The nuisance ought to be abated.

The following are the newly elected officers of the First National Bank of town: President, J. J. Ferguson; vice president, John E. Laloring; cashier, S. W. Yost; chief clerk, George Krick; assistant clerk, S. H. Zwick.

The castings for the Lakewood Electric Railway, to be used at the East Centre street crossing of the Litchburg Valley railroad, arrived here yesterday.

The members of "The Black Crook" company, which appeared at Ferguson's theatre this evening, found much difficulty in obtaining accommodations at the hotels, because of the crowded condition of the latter.

Rev. P. W. Potts, of town, read an essay entitled, "Parliamentary Usages," before the P. M. conference in session at Pottsville. The next conference will be held in Gilberton on the next Monday in March, 1894.

Notice to the Public.

All persons are forbidden to skate or trespass on the dams of the Shenandoah Water Company under penalty of the law. By order of the company.

1-16-4w S. D. Hess, Supt.

"All born out" is the expression of the sleepless sufferer with that terrible cough. Pan-Tin puts a stop to it. It's a remedy for Cough, Cold and Consumption. So potent. Pan-Tin is sold at E. P. D. Stryker's drug store.