

"I DON'T MEDDLE IN MY NEIGHBORS' BUSINESS!"

Homely Philosophy of Aged Mrs. James Sherwood, Equinunk, Who Swears She Saw Leona Lord Strike "Sike" Lord With A Pick.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

When the sessions of court were resumed Wednesday morning, the prosecution in the case of the Commonwealth versus Leona Lord, who is indicted for the murder of Silas E. Lord at Equinunk last July, William Lord was recalled as a witness.

Mr. Lord's recollection seemed rather faulty as to some of the events connected with the big fight. After identifying Samuel Reed, he was excused.

Joseph A. Bodie was the next witness for the prosecution.

Mr. Bodie testified to being a photographer for almost forty years. There was considerable objection by the defendant's attorneys to the introduction of

pick and screaming: "D-n him I'll kill him." "Well," continued the witness, "she went at him with a pick and at that I turned my head and I didn't see any more."

Samuel Reed, who is also under indictment, sat through the morning with an impassive face. Although but a few feet away from his former alleged love, he made no attempt to speak to her.

Wednesday Afternoon.

The first witness called Wednesday was Mrs. Harford. She testified as follows:

Mrs. Jas. W. Harford: I live on same side of street—on the corner—south. At about 11 o'clock saw Mr. Lord lying in the road. She stood on the road; saw them fighting and turned and went back a little ways.

James Harford: Was at the meat shop on July 12 at about 12 o'clock or thereabouts. Would you recognize the pick that she gave you at the time? Yes. (Exhibits 4 and 5—two picks.) Can you tell which of the picks you saw on the porch covered with blood? Yes; the one in the left hand, number 4. That is the one? Yes. Can you fix the time when you saw it there covered with blood more definitely? Not exactly; it was around 12 o'clock. Did you see Leona Lord there? After dinner she was there.

Cross-examination—Have you looked at the pick carefully recently? Did on that day. Look it over carefully now. Where is the blood on the pick now. (Marks with pencil spots where blood is). All blood. The black spots are blood? Thinks they are. The pick was covered with blood? The whole handle was covered with blood. You didn't use the pick afterwards? No. Where has it been since you took it? I delivered it to Oakley Tyner. How long did you keep it? About one or two days. Examined it carefully at Mrs. Lord's request. Thinks the blood is changing or fading; not quite as red as it was before. The black spots were red then. When you had Reed arrested you didn't have pick before justice? No. The blood was smeared and spattered on the pick. On what part of it? On the iron part. Where was the blood on the porch? On the floor, on the north side of the meat market door. Mrs. Lord was washing the porch. Used a broom to wash the porch with, and a cloth on the siding. You didn't see the place where Mrs. Lord got the pick from? No.

Oakley S. Tyner: Where do you live? Equinunk. What relation are you to Mrs. Lord? Nephew? Leona Lord's husband was Silas Lord's brother. Identified picks. The distance from Gilbert Lloyd's porch to the northwest corner of the meat market is 105 feet.

Will Lord, recalled: Were you present at the death of your father? Yes, sir. When was that? The 12th of July. Where do you live? Equinunk.

Mrs. Dr. F. C. Frisbie Testifies. Mrs. F. C. Frisbie sworn: I am a physician and live at Equinunk. Went to see Mr. Lord in her husband's place. Knew Silas, but not personally. Lived there about eight years. Knew him by sight. Called at house between 11 and 12

o'clock. Where did you first see him? He was in his bed in his own house. What did you do? I went in the house, and saw there was two beds in the room. His bed was in front of a window, with his head to the window. She couldn't see him distinctly. Asked a lady if they wouldn't remove him to his wife's bed and they did. His body was covered with blood. The pillow was covered with blood. His outside shirt was removed and there was blood all over his chest, face and

that sneered me, and I ran home." Cross-examination—The first thing I saw was Will Lord come down and he had hoos. Did you see him swing the hoe? Yes. Did you see him bring the hoe down on his head and then jump on Millard at the same time? I saw Willie jump on him from the rear. Did you watch Mrs. Lord all the time until the time Tane Logan shoved you? No, not all the time. She went direct to her son, Millard, and kept her hands over his face to keep Will from punching him. She was down on her knees reaching over the dirt pile trying to help him. Sammy Reed struck Sike Lord several times.

Dr. F. C. Frisbie sworn: Practicing since 1898. In Equinunk for about eight years. About 12:30 or 1:20 to 7 when he went to the house. How

ward he couldn't use his thumb and finger at all; then he couldn't use his arm. Then he had difficulty with his speech. He could understand, but couldn't talk; all he could say was yes and no. Lastly the leg was paralyzed. After four or five days he couldn't move right hand at all. Then he had paralysis in right foot. This was all due to the wound on the left side of the head, in the Rolandic area. Gained Dr. Searles' consent in everything he did.

Counsel for defendant object because the defendant is not present. Any other organs of the body out of order? Looked at the intestines. They were healthy and normal in every way. The liver seemed to be all right and normal. The body was opened above the chest on one side to experiment on the organs in the chest and found them normal. The heart was all right and in the proper position. Took heart out and examined the valves. They were all right. There was nothing to interfere with the blood passing through. Then I examined the lungs, cut out the top point of the right lung. Cut it all to pieces. There was nothing in it. Couldn't find anything the matter with the body. Then I took the head; sawed right straight across the head through the brain. Then sawed around the head on the left side. Found pus. Pus extended downward and forward. Took a knife and cut down in the brain in the same direction as he sawed around the head. This one wound was the cause of his death—the wound in the Rolandic area.

Doctor, how did the wound in the brain compare with the point of pick?

(Exhibits cast of skull).

When did you make this cast? At the time of the post-mortem.

How did you make the impression?

By pressing soft puddy in the hole and then made impression. Cast of the hole in the skull.

Objected to. Objection overruled. Have you ever seen wounds in the skull? Yes. A large number?

Yes. Reason for stating that wound was caused by a pick, shovel and a hoe which made impression? The hole was too small for shovel; not too small for hoe. There are other reasons why hoe didn't go in. On account of depth of blade of hoe. Triangular hole. The skull is 3/4 or 1/2 inch thick. This man's was 3/4 of an inch thick. The hole was broken straight into. The hole was too narrow to allow the point of a hoe to go into as far as depth of the hole. At the post-mortem I had exact impression of pick axe and compared it.

What caused the wound?

The pick-axe, as it was exactly the same shape; of that I am positive.

Dr. F. C. Frisbie was on the witness stand when court adjourned at 4:30 p. m. Attorney F. P. Kimble stating it would take fully half a day to cross-examine him.

Thursday Morning.

On Wednesday night the jurors wanted to go to the revival meetings and when they found out that they couldn't they wanted to get shaved, so Mr. Schoell came over and shaved them.

When Mrs. Leona Lord walked in the court room, she looked rather nervous and very pale, and, after shaking hands with Mr. Lee took her usual place. Dr. W. T. McConville was at the defendant's table, and Dr. Harry B. Ely sat next to him.

Dr. Frisbie recalled: The shape of the wound in the head was triangular and was 1 3/4 inches on one side, 1 1/2 on the other side and 1 1/4 inches at the base across bottom.

Cross-examination—How many times have you sworn and testified to this matter? Before this time, once at Honesdale, two times before Grand Jury and I think two times at Equinunk.

Attorney Kimble objected to his argument before the jury. Sustained.

Is your reason for believing that the pick did the injury inductive or deductive?

A. Deductive.

Q. On what day did the pus make its appearance?

A. On the 4th day. Paralysis made its appearance on the 3rd day.

Q. Did you not say that if a person had the strength of 17 men he could not drive shank of the hoe in the head, breaking both bones?

A. A man wouldn't swing a hoe over and make a death wound. A man of average strength would be unable to wield a hoe and break skull of the man with shank of hoe, so as to break both bones of the skull, and make wound such as this one was made. (Exhibit made from cast showing size of wound was now shown, but this was objected to. Objection sustained.)

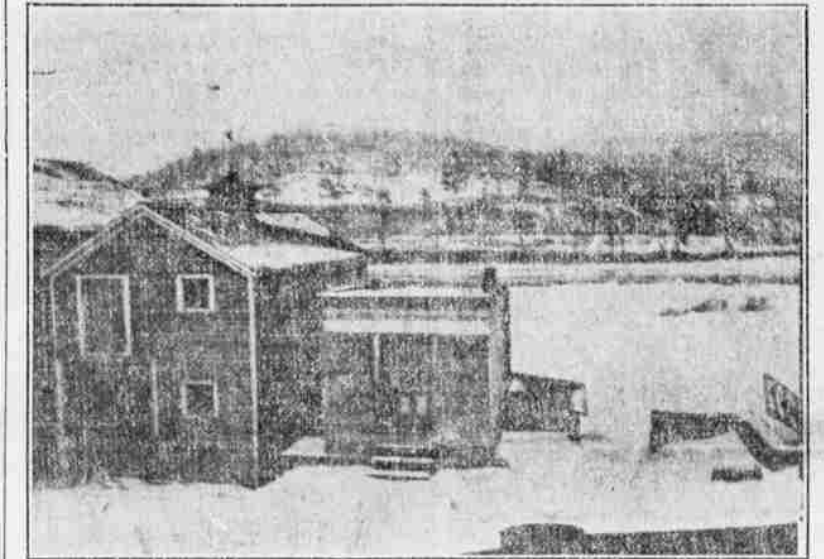
What is now and has been Mrs. Leona Lord's physical condition during the past year?

Practically helpless. She is paralyzed on one side, and she is unable to speak. She might be able to say a word or two. I think I could draw anything out of her that I want to as I understand her. She can't say many words, and might say the wrong ones, saying yes when she means no. Don't think she could give intelligent answers.

James Sherwood: Lives at Equinunk. Was up to his house on the 12th of July. Where were you, what did you see? I was in front of the house. They had a fight, the two cousins, Will Lord and Millard Lord. Saw Leona Lord come on her stoop. Sam Reed struck Sike with hoe. Then Leona Lord hit Silas Lord on side of head. Then Reed struck him with hoe on the head. He was struck on the head and laid there.

Cross-examination—Sherwood is 83 years old. House is about seven feet from where fight took place. You appeared before Justice of the

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SAMUEL REED'S JEWELRY STORE. Little Shop In Centre Of Picture Is The Watchmaking Establishment, At Equinunk, Of Samuel Reed.

hands. There were clots of blood all over his hair and moustache. You could take them in the hand and put them in a basin of water and they would be still formed. It was sometime before I came to the cut. Then I saw a bone which stood up, but it was difficult to get hold of it. I asked for a pair of scissors, Mrs. Emery gave hers. He had very heavy hair. I cut off the hair to get to the wound. Then I used carbolic acid and washed it. I saw the brains pulsing. I worked at him until my husband came, when I went home. Were there any wounds on the head? There were large cuts; a number of cuts. The piece of bone sticking up was on the left side. The wound from which the bone protruded was triangular in shape. The other wounds were longitudinal and some transverse. There were many of them but the large wound caused the trouble. Said to Mr. Sherwood and Mrs. Emery in front of Mr. Lord: "He will never get well."

Walter Anderson sworn: You were at the meat market on that day? Yes, sir. What time of day was it? About five minutes to 12. Did you observe any blood about? Yes, the pick was covered with blood.

Cross-examined—How did you recognize the pick? Looked like the one on the porch. It is not covered with blood now. No. Was it all covered with blood? All but about six inches from the top of handle. How far away from the pick were you? About two feet.

Mrs. Mary Slater recalled: Heard Mrs. Lord say that if she knew that it wouldn't cost any more than it did she would knock his other eye out. She was talking to my husband's mother, but within my hearing.

Ten-Year-Old Boy Testifies. Willie Blaes sworn: How old are you? Ten years. With whom do you live? My aunt and uncle, Jas. Harford. Were you there when they had the trouble? No. Where were you when the fight commenced? On the road coming up toward Mr. L's barn. I saw Will Lord strike Millard Lord with a hoe. Sammy Reed struck Silas Lord several times. Then Sike went down and Sam Reed after him. Leona Lord ran down from the stoop, and as she ran down she was screaming and put her hand over Millard's face. Then Sike Lord pushed her back. Struck him again and again. Then Sike Lord got up, and "Tani" Logan screaming, drew my attention that way. I went down the road before Silas got up.

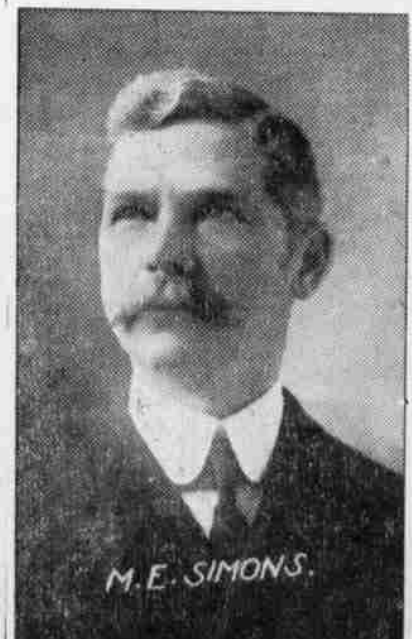
"Was that before Silas got up?"

"Yes, when he was knocked down

did Mr. Lord look when you saw him? He was not looking very bad; he had been washed up. Recognized him when he stood before him, perfectly conscious. He was not in an extreme weak condition. I found several wounds on his head; one on the side and several others less dangerous. There were no wounds on the forehead of his head. At this particular time the wound was bleeding some. Used cotton; put it in wound, then took it out and kept on until it stopped bleeding. There were other wounds similar in appearances to cuts. About 7 or 8 of them. No great attention was paid to them. One cut was of the nature of cut made with a longitudinal instrument.

I shaved around an area of 20 or 30 square inches in order to get around the wound. Then washed around the wound again. Put finger in, after surveying the deep wound. Treated the wound once or twice a day. Called Dr. Woolsey.

Different symptoms. The wound was on the left side. Couldn't handle the thumb and first finger of the right hand. Lost power to use them. This showed that injury was done to the brain. After a day or two he complained of a headache. He was not as interested and pleasant with those around him as he was before. Shortly after-



District Attorney M. E. Simons Who Is Vigorously Conducting The Prosecution, In The Case Of The Commonwealth Vs. Leona Lord.



FRANK P. KIMBLE, ESQ., Counsel For The Defendant.

LAST BONUS VOTE OFFER ANNOUNCED

CANDIDATES IN CITIZEN'S CONTEST HAVE ONLY SEVEN DAYS TO WORK FOR BONUS VOTES—POSITIVELY NO OFFERS LAST FOUR DAYS.

Friends of Young Ladies Should Come to Their Rescue With Subscriptions this week.

(By H. C. Van Alstyne)

The Last Special Offer.

From Friday, Jan. 20, to Thursday, Jan. 26, at 10 p. m., a Bonus Ballot of 15,000 votes will be issued for every club of \$15 turned in on subscriptions by candidates or their friends.

Positively no other offer will be made in this contest. This is not to be repeated.

All money turned in on last week's offer will also apply and this one and bonus ballots will be mailed candidates.

Tour Department The Citizen.

THE CITIZEN'S Tour Department to-day announces the Last Special Vote offer, which is briefly outlined above. Several offers have been made during the contest, but this is the last. There will positively be NO OFFERS OF ANY KIND.

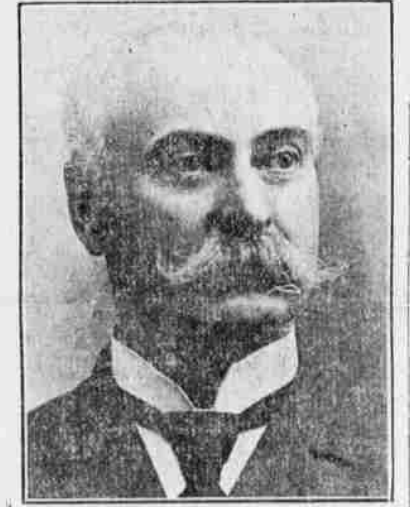
This is POSITIVELY the last offer of special votes. Subscriptions will have more voting power, dollar for dollar during the first three days of this offer than at any future time.

This is positively the last subscription offer of the contest. When we say last it will be the last with a big "L." There will be no other. Do not wait expecting it. It will not be made.

You should govern yourself accordingly.

For every \$15 turned in on subscriptions to THE CITIZEN by candidates or their friends a special ballot for 15,000 will be issued in addition to the schedule of votes prevailing during the week in which

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certain pictures in evidence. It was finally agreed by the Commonwealth and defendant that the distance from the "L" of Silas Lord's house to the northeast corner of Leona Lord's house is 38 feet, and that the distance from the kitchen door in the "L" of Silas Lord's house to corner post of the meat market is 58 feet. The pictures were then marked and handed to the jury for inspection.

Mrs. Estanya L. Logan, New York city, testified to being in Equinunk last summer. She swore to seeing parts of the "big fight" on July 12, 1910, at Equinunk. She was not positive as to the exact time of the "difficulty," but it was "somewhere between 11 and 12," she said.

She related seeing Silas Lord and Will Lord passing her home, and told of the conversation between Silas and Sam Reed about the marker.

Mrs. Estanya L. Logan, New York, the "star" witness of the prosecution, was called and gave damaging evidence against the defendant. The severe cross-examination to which she was subjected by Attorney F. P. Kimble, leading counsel for the defendant, did not shake her testimony in the least. She swore to being in the lower story of her mother's house at Equinunk last summer, and gave a circumstantial account of what took place at the "big fight."

She dramatically described Mrs. Leona Lord's coming upon the scene screaming "Oh," and giving an inarticulate shriek, dashing down the front stoop and picking up the pick. "Shall I go over the ground again, Mr. Kimble?" she said, when the defendant's lawyer tried to trip her up. At the time the fatal blow was struck she said, "I covered my face and screamed."

Every available seat in the court room was occupied, and a large percentage of the gaping curiosity-seekers were women.

"I'll Kill Him, I'll Kill Him."

Mrs. Meda Denio described graphically how Leona came down the steps and ran in front of the house, stooping over and picking up the