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For the state created a sensation, was on the witness stand this afternoon for the defense. He explained how the defendant had fainted twice while in the office.

Mrs. George B. Tyler had known defendant thirteen years and was frequently in her society on account of her musical ability, and had known her to have been in queer moods.

Miss Emma Young stated how Viola Horlocker had often come to choir practice seemingly in distress.

Mrs. John Slaker had frequently called at her house of an evening and called to see her after the accusation and found the defendant in a state of complete prostration.

Mrs. Morey testified that she was away about six weeks during the summer of 1898.

Mrs. Allen Brown, a neighbor, had observed that the defendant was frequently melancholy prior to the poisoning. The defendant had complained to her of serious pains in the head.

William Franklin of Ayr told of Miss Horlocker's peculiar conduct while boarding at his home, while teaching a school. He also told of Mr. Morey's visit to his home in 1896, when Miss Horlocker was visiting there. Mr. Morey had ridden his wheel down to see Miss Horlocker, and together, the two took a ride on their wheels down through the trees to the creek. Mrs. William Franklin also testified to Mr. Morey's visits to the defendant and of the two going away together on bicycles.

Miss Horlocker's History.

At the opening of the trial this morning the state's attorney withdrew the rest of the state for the purpose of hearing Dr. Cooke, who testified to having received a box of candy on the 10th day of last April from Charles E. Morey, and the candy gave Pharmacist Parents was from the same box.

The first witness to take the stand for the defendant was the deputy clerk of the district court, A. T. Bratton, who testified as to the good character of defendant, Hayes Pottinger, who lived in the Lincoln avenue flats just above the rooms occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Morey. He also stated that on April 12 and 1 o'clock on the 10th of last April, and saw two women on the second floor of the flats and they were on the side where Mrs. Morey lived. He knew Viola Horlocker, but neither of these was the defendant. He also stated that he had told the state's assistant attorney, Will Hutton, what he had seen.

Mrs. Vance Phillips of New York, sister of the accused, told of her mother's two marriages and said her mother went to New York last fall and is still there. Mrs. Vance Phillips was eight years old when her mother married Captain Horlocker. The witness was asked to tell of the temperament of her stepfather. The state's attorney objected.

Object to System of Defense.

Judge Adams then excused the jury in order that he could address the attorneys. He said the counsel for the defense had outlined to their attention that they would establish such a condition of affairs as to prove the defendant insane. He warned the attorneys for the defense to lay the foundation showing the defendant was insane at the time of the crime and then go back to show that she had inherited it. Judge Ragan in reply to this said that the jury was the one to determine whether the accused was sane or insane, and in order to do it they would

have to first hear evidence and draw conclusions from the girl's life history. Judge Ragan said the judge was forcing his hand, but he wanted to lay bare the life this girl has lived and show that this woman's ancestry was abnormal.

State's Attorney McCreary told of his reasons for objecting. He said that they were making the law in the northwest north to handle these kind of cases that necessary to make it right. R. A. Batty spoke for twenty minutes along the line taken by Attorney Ragan and said that the defendant's counsel ought to have the right to start their case in any order or work back, or at the first and work to the end. The state's objection was overruled and the jury called back and witness placed upon the stand.

She stated that her mother was a high-tempered woman, easily excited and very nervous. She told of the peculiar condition of her mother just before the birth of Viola Horlocker and said it was then that she attempted to commit suicide. When Viola was a child, she was bright, but nervous. A brief history of the family was given to show the constant ill-feeling between Mrs. Horlocker and her husband.

Isaac Ledwith testified to having known the defendant and her parents for twenty-three years, and she had always had an excellent reputation. In telling of her demeanor he said that within six months of the tragedy he had often met the defendant and at times she would not recognize him. Ex-Circuit Judge William Burton testified that the defendant had been employed in his office for two years, and during that time he had observed her nervous and depressed. The defendant had told him her home was so unhappy that she could not endure it.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

G. E. Barber of Lincoln is at the Millard. W. J. Foye has gone to Chicago on business.

Henry R. Gering of Plattsmouth is at the Merchants.

A. Friehle of Lincoln was a Friday guest at the Murray.

R. J. Vinton, a Gothenburg merchant, is in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Abbott of Schuyler were guests of the Millard Friday.

Miss Josephine Brady left on Friday for Chicago and will be absent ten days.

Dr. W. W. Bailey, the dentist, has returned from his hunting trip on the Platte.

Colonel Cody arrived in the city yesterday morning from the west and registered at the Merchants.

G. W. Meyers and bride, nee Adelaide Nash, have returned from their wedding tour to the Pacific coast, and the guests of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Meyers.

J. B. Sheehan, assistant attorney for the Elk Horn road, has returned from Hastings, where he acted in on the Horlocker trial. Mr. Sheehan says but few men get into court house, owing to the fact that the elite women of Hastings occupy nearly all the room.

Colonel P. R. Dolman, a capitalist merchant and mining man of Butte, Mont., spent yesterday in Omaha on his way home from the east. While here he was the guest of Attorney Ragan. He and Mr. Richardson were schoolboys together, and had not met before for many years.

TROOPS GUARD COURT HOUSE

Armed Followers of Beckham at Trial of Goebel Suspects.

LITTLE EVIDENCE BEING DEVELOPED

Crowd in Court Room Jumps Up with Hands on Hip Pockets When a Soldier Outside Drops a Gun.

FRANKFORT, Ky., March 23.—The preliminary examination of Secretary of State Caleb Powers, charged with abetting the assassination of William Goebel, began today before Judge Moore. The court house was guarded inside and out by militia and scores of deputy sheriffs armed with Winchester rifles to prevent possible interference from mountaineers who were reported on their way to Frankfort, but their presence was unnecessary, as the mountaineers failed to appear and no disorder occurred.

The Lexington and Winchester militia companies, armed with rifles, were scattered through various rooms. Only the usual crowd was on the streets and there was no excitement.

The witnesses today included Warden Eph Lillard, Detective Doc Armstrong, Sheriff Bosworth of Fayette county, who arrested Secretary Powers, and Captain John Davis and Elias Jones, who is now under bonds charged with complicity in the murder. The testimony taken in the court room was a scene from that section of the executive building in which Secretary Powers' office is located, although no one swore that the shots were from the secretary's office. The strongest evidence, perhaps, was given by Elias Jones, who was in Governor Taylor's ante-room when the shooting took place.

No evidence was adduced tending to show that the defendant was implicated in any conspiracy, but in one of the frequent wordy disputes between the attorneys for the defense and the commonwealth, the fact was brought out that F. Wharton Golden, who is said to have made a confession, would be put on the witness stand before the hearing ends.

Prosecuting Attorney Polsgrove said tonight that sufficient evidence had already been heard to warrant holding Powers, but that the case would be much stronger before he was through. On the other hand, former Governor Brown for the defense expressed himself as well pleased with the situation, regarding the evidence so far as decidedly weak.

It is probable that all the witnesses for the prosecution will be heard by tomorrow afternoon.

Hands on Hip Pockets.

An incident occurred during the afternoon that showed the feeling and also how the people are prepared for emergencies. A soldier in the rear court yard dropped his revolver on the stone flagging and it exploded. In an instant every man in the crowded court room was on his feet, fully half of them with their hands to their rear pockets.

Brown Brings Up a Nice Point.

During Captain Hawn's testimony Governor Brown made the point that a man cannot be convicted as an aider of a crime unless some principal is convicted of the crime. He said that on the other hand, if a man has not been named, the point possibly involved the liberty of Powers. Judge Moore ruled against the defendant.

Chief Justice J. F. Hahn of Barboursville testified in connection with Powers at Barboursville, previous to the shooting, in which Powers asked him to turn over his ammunition and company to Lieutenant Gibson.

Allen Goes to Lincoln.

Omaha Man is Appointed to an Important Missouri Pacific Station in Nebraska.

James H. Allen has been appointed agent of the Missouri Pacific system at Lincoln, Neb. Mr. Allen, who is a native of Lincoln, was appointed to this position by the Missouri Pacific system at Lincoln, Neb. Mr. Allen, who is a native of Lincoln, was appointed to this position by the Missouri Pacific system at Lincoln, Neb.

Trouble Told to McKinley.

Prominent Republicans and Friends of Governor Taylor Call on the President.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Colonel Andrew Cowan, a merchant of Louisville, Ky.; Samuel J. Roberts, editor of the Lexington Leader, and John Marshall, republican lieutenant governor of the state, all prominent republicans and friends of Governor Taylor, called at the White House before the latter was in the city today and had a half-hour conversation with the president on the political situation in Kentucky. On leaving the executive mansion they stated that they had called on Mr. McKinley for the sole purpose of explaining to him the extent of the present condition of affairs in that state.

Chief Witness in Frankfort.

FRANKFORT, Ky., March 23.—Sergeant F. Wharton Golden, who, it is alleged, will be the chief witness for the commonwealth in the Goebel assassination case, is said to be in the city, but his whereabouts are being kept a secret. It is not known when he will be placed on the stand.

Mercer is Endorsed.

The Ninth Ward Dave Mercer club held a large meeting Friday night, at which resolutions were adopted for the re-election of Mercer to congress from the second congressional district. The preamble declared that Mercer is a man of high character in an efficient manner and that there was no other reason to believe he would continue to do the same unless another man were doing so. It is for the purpose of electing Mercer to congress to increase the republican vote in the Ninth ward next fall.

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recently made a pronounced cut in rates on shipments of fertilizer from Kansas City to the southeast and the rates from Omaha were accordingly lowered. The packing houses, with whom the fertilizer business is an important factor, have respiced the benefit of this action to the south and to them the announcement that the former rates will be restored is by no means pleasing information.

NEBRASKA SUGAR RATE DECISION.

Present Charges from Pacific Coast to Omaha and Kearney.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—The Interstate Commerce commission today rendered its decision in the case of A. J. Gustin against the Burlington & Missouri River railroad in Nebraska, et al, as follows:

"That the competition of carriers from San Francisco to the Gulf of Mexico and Atlantic seaboard, and such competition as the eastern seaboard and the application of the Pacific coast rate, in connection with transportation rates in effect from the east and south to Omaha, to render the circumstances and conditions governing the carriage of sugar by defendant from San Francisco to Omaha, and the application of the Pacific coast rate to the shorter distance over the same line from San Francisco to Kearney, Neb., and to justify a rate of 50 cents per 100 pounds to Kearney, while a rate of 50 cents per 100 pounds in force to Omaha, but such circumstances and conditions do not justify the present rate of 75 cents per 100 pounds, as compared with the rate of 50 cents in force to Omaha."

NEW TRANSCONTINENTAL TRAINS.

Belief in Portland that Through Chicago Trains Will Be Introduced.

From Portland the authoritative statement comes that about April 15 a through daily service between that city and Chicago will be instituted by the establishment of two new daily trains, one leaving Portland in the morning and the other in the evening. The trains will be operated over the Oregon Railway & Navigation, the Oregon Short Line, the Union Pacific and the Chicago & Northwestern.

At Union Pacific headquarters in this city no verification of this report can be obtained. It is admitted that such a plan has been in prospect for some time, but whether it will be attempted this year or not is yet so officials assert, undecided. Some time ago a conference of the officials of the four lines interested in this contemplated service was held in Ogden and the assertion was made that it was held for the purpose primarily of discussing the proposed Chicago-Portland train. In railroad circles it is generally believed that the contemplated service will materialize during the coming year.

Allen Succeeds Vail.

E. Gillette has been appointed assistant superintendent of the Wyoming division of the Burlington headquarters at Sheridan, succeeding Harry C. Nutt, who was promoted to the position of superintendent of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy at Burlington. Mr. Gillette has been connected with the engineering department of the Burlington system at St. Louis, is a business visitor in the city.

General Agent J. A. Kuhn of the Northwestern has returned from a business visit to several Nebraska towns.

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Railroad Notes and Personal.

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Rumor of Big Railway Deal.

Union Pacific and Three Other Lines Said to Plan Consolidation.

KANSAS CITY, March 23.—The Star says: There are rumors of a consolidation of the Union Pacific, Chicago & Alton, Illinois Central and the Kansas City Southern railways. The latter road is the successor of the Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf.

The probability of effecting such a consolidation is denied by the men in a position to consummate it, but it is undeniable that the closest of traffic and other relations are to be formed between the transportation lines named.

While the announcement of a probable consolidation of the lines named may seem incredible, there is abundant reason to believe that such a scheme is under serious consideration by the interests involved. The representatives of the Chicago & Alton and Union Pacific now have the closest traffic relations and these are to be extended to include the Kansas City Southern and the Illinois Central in the event of a consolidation.

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