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POLICEMAN O'DEA'S TRIAL.

HE CHEWS GUM WHILE THE WITNESSES TESTIFY.

Gen. Catlin Opens the Case for the Defense - Capt. Jewett Tells a Story that Cross-Examination Does Not Shake - Witnesses Who Say the Prisoner Was Never Quarreling - Objections by Counsel.

When Judge Moore opened the Court of Sessions in Brooklyn this morning to continue the trial of Policeman Francis M. O'Dea, who is accused of causing the death of Edgar Smith, standing room was at a premium.

Gen. I. S. Catlin opened for the defense by calling Capt. Henry L. Jewett to the witness stand.

Capt. Jewett testified that he was the captain of the Tenth Precinct, the one in which the killing took place. He said he had known O'Dea for a long time and had always found him a quiet and peaceable man as well as an efficient officer.

He remembered Edgar Smith being brought to the station-house on the night of Nov. 1. He seemed so far as he could judge, to be in an unconscious condition.

He noticed that there was a cut on the back of Smith's head, from which the blood poured down his neck. When O'Dea, the man who was Smith's companion, was brought in he seemed to be dazed.

This concluded Capt. Jewett's testimony, and he stepped down.

Sen. Thomas Harold was next called to the stand.

He said that he was in the station-house behind the desk when Smith was brought in. He did not see O'Dea until he was on the floor. He noticed an abrasion on his face, but no blood.

Assistant District-Attorney Shorter cross-examined both witnesses, but could not get them to commit themselves in any way.

The examination was marked by many objections on both sides.

Several other officers were called to the stand. Their testimony only tended to show that O'Dea has the reputation of being a quiet and respectable man.

All through the proceedings O'Dea sat beside Gen. Catlin, his mouth chewing gum. There is no likelihood of the trial being concluded to-day.

ASSEMBLYMEN MAY BE SLAUGHTERED.

Senators Ask Protection for the Members of the Lower House.

(SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.) ALBANY, Jan. 25.—The Senate devoted an hour this morning to a discussion of the resolution which provides for an investigation of the condition of the Assembly ceiling.

Oliver Sloan begged that there might be no delay in preventing the impending slaughter of members of the lower House.

George Zerbebal Erwin declared that it would be simply inviting murder should action be postponed.

Old Sen. J. C. Hawkins said he had made a personal investigation of the ceiling condition and had discovered tons of pig iron piled up just over the dome of the Assembly Chamber.

Pluto Vedder, Elmira Fessett, Col. Murphy and others participated in the debate.

THE DAY IN WALL STREET.

Smaller and Smaller Grows the Business of the Stock Exchange.

Business at the Stock Exchange grows smaller by degrees and beautifully less. The sales up to noon were less than 50,000 shares and the Board room was almost as noiseless as a churchyard.

Money easy at a 3 1/2 per cent. call. Governments are weak and the 4s have sold down to 103 1/2.

THE QUOTATIONS.

Table with columns for various commodities and their prices, including Canada Southern, Chicago, Burlington, etc.

New York Markets.

WHEAT.—Reports of a snow blockade in the West, steadier cables and a decrease in the amount of wheat on passage, all tending to build the market. At 10 a. m. May contracts opened at 85 1/2 bid and at noon were quoted at 92 1/2 on the split.

COTTON.—Speculation was without feature this morning. Futures opened quiet at 1 point advance; Jan. 10 1/2; Feb. 10 1/2; March, 10 1/2; April, 10 1/2; May, 10 1/2; June, 10 1/2; July, 10 1/2; Aug., 10 1/2. Cables were steady. At noon the market had advanced 1 1/2 points from opening prices.

COFFEE.—Futures took another big drop of 35 points to-day as compared with last night's closing price. The market was very quiet and the price of the most active contracts was 10 1/2.

FRUIT.—All opened to-day at 57, and during the forenoon sold down under pressure to 56 1/2, when a slight reaction advanced the price to 56 1/2, at which price the market was barely steady at noon.

LIVE STOCK.—Receipts, 5,160 head—108 carloads for the market and 18 carloads for slaughterers. Cattle, 2,000; sheep, 1,000; hogs, 1,000. The market was very quiet and the price of the most active contracts was 10 1/2.

PAQUETTE PERL, of 43rd Street, a swarthy Italian, was arrested by Policemen Constant and Forster on a charge of robbing a man named James Street last night. He is now in the Tombs.

Cotton Broker Breddie Stricken Down. W. H. Brodie, one of the oldest members of the New York Cotton Exchange, was stricken down by apoplexy to-day. His place of business is 97 Pearl street and his home is at Elizabeth, N. J.

THE KING OF THE WILDCATS. A gang of toughs, went to Patrick O'Donnell's saloon at 913 East Thirtieth street last night for the express purpose of drinking it out. He first attacked the bar, and when O'Donnell interfered beat him on the head with a bottle. Then he flung paving-stones through the windows. Policemen Burke arrested him and he was committed to the Yorkville Court-house to-day.

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