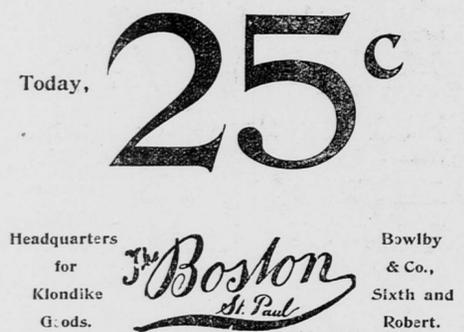


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DEFENDANT'S TURN NOW

PROSECUTION'S CASE CLOSED IN THE CLEWETT TRIAL.

Jury Visits the Home in Order to Judge of the Circumstances—Prosecution Objects, but the Court Grants the Request of the Defendant's Counsel.

The jury in the Clewett-House of the Good Shepherd case had a chance to breathe a little fresh air yesterday afternoon. They were permitted to visit the institution which Selma Clewett says restrained her of her liberty and damaged her to the extent of \$20,000. The plaintiff rested her case shortly after 11 o'clock in the afternoon, after the testimony of James Arkand had been received. Mr. Arkand is a resident of the town of Grant, two miles from White Bear, and Selma Clewett had formerly lived with his family. That was all Mr. Arkand was allowed to say. The testimony of Mrs. George Tibbory, who was an inmate of the House of the Good Shepherd before the plaintiff was received there, was excluded. Mr. Butts wanted to read some of the testimony of Josie Anderson given at the first trial, but as the girl had left the court room the day before, there was no chance for the defense to cross-examine her, and Gen. Clapp's objection to Mr. Butts' offer was sustained. Here the plaintiff rested.

C. D. O'Brien then asked that the jury be permitted to visit the institution. To this Mr. Butts objected. He insisted that when visitors went

there the place was slicked up, and the sisters were on "dress parade."

"If there was any additional reason needed for the inspection," explained Mr. O'Brien, "such a statement as that is sufficient. These accusations are made by a man who sits in this court a convicted falsifier."

Mr. Butts—Now, if your honor please, I've heard that about fifteen or twenty times here, and I ask your honor to make the counsel apologize for it. This is the sixth time during the trial that I have been called a willful liar. Gen. Clapp—Well, you are short on your apologies. Mr. Butts—I'll keep asking the court to make him apologize every time he does it anyway, and I ask a ruling. C. D. O'Brien—The court will observe that, so far as this plaintiff is concerned, there has never been a single word from counsel of the defendant which savored of unkindness—she is a woman. Mr. Butts—Well, I still insist on the counsel being made to apologize for that language. The court—Well, I think the language was a little strong, but I don't think I'll ask one counsel to apologize to another. It's different to ask counsel to apologize to a woman. (Laughter.) Mr. Butts finally withdrew his objection and the court granted the jury permission to visit the House of the Good Shepherd, which they did in the afternoon in charge of Deputies Marks and Peterson.

The trial will be resumed on Monday morning, when the defense, it is reported, will move for dismissal.

CLAIM A PREFERENCE.

Assignee of Lewis Turgimson Asks to Have a Judgment Set Aside. John A. Swenson, an assignee of Lewis Turgimson, insolvent, has brought an action against Julia B. Davidson as guardian of the estate of Lewis Turgimson, deceased. Turgimson declared void as against the assignee. The assignee also asks the court to adjudge him, free and clear of all liens of the defendant. The complaint alleged that the judgment in favor of the defendant, amounting to \$10,000, was obtained by fraud and that Turgimson remained passive and permitted the defendant to obtain judgment against him for the purpose of giving the defendant a preference over the other creditors.

FOUND OSTERLIND GUILTY.

The jury in the case of the state against August F. Osterlind, indicted for forgery in the first degree, brought in a verdict of guilty after remaining out 24 hours. The verdict was accompanied with a recommendation of clemency. Osterlind, a certificate of preferred stock of the St. Paul & Duluth railroad. Judge Willis will impose sentence on Monday. The maximum penalty is 20 years in the penitentiary and the minimum punishment is in the discretion of the court.

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PROBLEM OF THE POLICE

CHARTER COMMISSION DISCUSSES METHOD OF APPOINTMENT

Shall the Department Be Committed to a Commission or Placed Within the Absolute Control of the Mayor. Subject to Civil Service—Municipal Judges Salaries.

Shall St. Paul's police department be entirely committed to the management of a police commission, or shall it be placed within the absolute control of the mayor, subject only to the civil service commission? This was the question that furnished the theme for a lively discussion at the meeting of the charter commission last night.

The members present were Chairman Horn and Messrs. Alness, Clark, Clough, Dean, Innis, Lindeke, Murray and O'Brien.

After disposing of chapters 6 and 7 and the amendments already offered thereto, which were adopted at previous meetings, by ordering the same to be printed, Mr. Dean, the chairman of the committee, proposed that the subject be taken up at the meeting of the commission on the 15th of the police department, reported that, upon conferring, it was found that some members of the commission favored the creation of a police commission to which the mayor should be committed the entire management of the police department of the city, wholly independent of the mayor or the council.

Other members of the committee, Mr. Dean said, favored changes in the present chapter so as to authorize the appointment of all members of the department by the mayor without reference to the council and subject only to the rules laid down in the chapter already adopted governing the civil service administration of the city; also giving the mayor absolute power of removal, requiring him, however, to give a detailed and specific reason for any removal, if demanded of him, within twenty days thereafter by the officer removed.

As the framing of the chapter will be entirely different under the two plans, the committee desired to have made by a man who was familiar with the undertaking any work on the chapter. Mr. Dean expressed his belief that the power of appointment and removal of police officers should be vested entirely in the mayor. The objections to placing the mayor such power, under the existing system, would, in Mr. Dean's opinion, be done away with by reason of the adoption of the chapter creating the civil service commission. The mayor would, it is true, make the appointments, but he would have to select his appointees from a list recommended by the civil service commission after examination. Neither could he remove a policeman without word from a specific cause as required by the officer removed.

John D. O'Brien, who is one of the members of Mr. Dean's committee in favor of creating a police commission, followed with a statement of his reasons therefor.

"The difficulty with Mr. Dean's suggestion is, to my mind, this," said Mr. O'Brien. "It is to give the mayor the present system and simply curtail the class of citizens from which the mayor may make his appointments. I am a firm believer in the government of municipal departments by boards, especially by boards, the members of which do not reside in the city. Experience has shown us that you get better and more efficient boards when you don't pay them any salaries."

"Now, the objections to placing the absolute control of the police in the hands of the mayor are obvious. In all cities where this is the case, I think it will be conceded that the police are operated as a political body. The whole force is turned into an electioneering body through which the mayor rewards his friends and punishes his enemies. The lives and liberties and property of the citizens are not protected.

"Take, for instance, our own police force, numbering some 150 men. Each one-third of this force has been changed during the past two years, mostly for the good of the service, as it is frequently known, that the mayor. Now what is the result of such a system? Does it not render the whole police force less efficient? Certainly the newly appointed men are as a body less efficient."

"Again, what, after all, is the police force engaged in doing, but protecting saloons and disreputable resorts, those centers of the vote-yielding districts. As long as appointments to and removals from the police force are dictated by political motives, there will be no improvement in the force."

"I contend that these abuses would disappear in large measure if the police department was controlled by an honest and fearless board. Policemen would then know that they were appointed to their positions on political influences, and that their term of service did not depend upon their political beliefs or actions upon their efficiency as officers of the law. The sympathy or comradeship that arises so often between police officers and the criminal classes would soon cease to exist, and the police would be more efficient."

Continuing, Mr. O'Brien declared that as a citizen of St. Paul he would rather have no police force than one controlled by the present system. He pointed out that one of the great benefits arising from the board system consisted in the rivalry that would exist between the various municipal boards in the efforts of each to perfect the best system and effect the greatest economy. A police board would not, like a mayor, be looking for a way to get rid of the force, there would be no difficulty in securing worthy citizens to serve on the police board without compensation. In concluding his remarks, Mr. O'Brien said that he was not in favor of the city of New York in which the police department is controlled by a commission.

John W. P. Murray expressed his views. Among other things Mr. Murray said: "I fully concur with every word Mr. O'Brien has said. One would think he had served on the police force, for he certainly knows all about it. I favor appointing a police commission of four to serve for four years. I am confident you can get the police force out of the hands of the present system. If you do, you are appointed now who don't know the names of the streets on their beats. It is just as Mr. O'Brien says, the present system is a disgraceful one."

Mr. Murray recited some of the other abuses resulting from the political system, such as the official deca-

tion of policemen who are known to have voted against the mayor. Mr. Lindeke took issue with Messrs. O'Brien and Murray, saying that he believed in government by boards, he was not in favor of extending the system to the police department. Mr. Lindeke had been in New York a good deal of late, and his observation had told him that the police commission government did not work satisfactorily owing to the conflict of authority between the commission and the mayor. In Mr. Lindeke's opinion the right kind of a mayor ought to have the absolute power to appoint and remove policemen.

Col. Clough, in the views of Mr. Dean and Mr. Lindeke, Col. Clough thought that the local conditions and the size of St. Paul were not adapted to the commission plan. St. Paul could not afford to employ a police commission with salaries attached, which would be in session all the time as in New York. But it could employ a mayor who would give his time to the city.

The question, as Col. Clough put it, was how to unite the advantages of a police commission with that of direct control of the police by the mayor in preserving order. Col. Clough believed that Mr. Dean's plan was the most advisable. Under the civil service plan, the mayor would have the control of appointments, and therefore would not have previously promised an appointment to any individual. Therefore the incentive to remove men would be reduced, and some of the evils of the present system would be avoided.

Mr. Innis suggested that the matter be laid over, as he was not prepared to vote on the question. It was accordingly postponed until the next meeting.

Earlier in the evening there was some discussion over the chapter establishing and regulating the municipal court, which had been adopted. Judge Clark called attention to the salary of \$4,000 a year paid by the city to each municipal judge. It was too large a salary, said Judge Clark. "The young lawyers here are tumbling over each other to get these judgeships, which offices are paid double what they should be."

In this connection, Judge Clark offered the following resolutions: Resolved, That the following legislation be requested and procured, if possible, from the legislature: First—An act to include in the ordinary tax duplicate, and to collect as a part of the ordinary tax, all assessments by cities for local improvements.

Second—An act conferring upon cities the power to change and fix for the future the salaries of all judges, officers and employees of the courts, and to provide for the salaries of all judges, officers and employees of the courts, established in any such city, when such salaries are to be paid by such city, and to ratify and confirm the action of any such city changing and fixing such salaries in and by a charter adopted by it, and to pass as each act.

Third—An act fixing the salaries of county officials and municipal expenditures. Resolved, further, That a committee be appointed, to consist of Messrs. Murray, Clough and Innis, to prepare bills for such legislation and secure their passage if they should be able.

Resolved further, That in the chapter on salaries this commission fix and establish the salaries of the judges, officers and employees of the courts, to take effect upon the close of the term of the present incumbents.

The resolutions were unanimously adopted. The commission adjourned until next Tuesday instead of next Monday evening.

BRIDE OF THE GUILLOTINE.

Mr. Seymour Tells of the Crimes in the Life of Marie Antoinette.

Pathetic incidents were given the strongest emphasis in the story of the life of Marie Antoinette, France's inexperienced queen, in the lecture on the career of the ill-fated sovereign delivered at the Central high school assembly hall last evening by Mr. Seymour, for the benefit of the Franklin school library fund.

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The flight of the rulers from Paris and their early escape to the guillotine, and Mr. Seymour presented a like picture of the sad experiences of the fugitives, following their seizure. The lecture was the first of a series being given by the Franklin school library fund, and will be given this evening, and the third, on Francesco Pizarro, Monday evening, both at the same place.

ASK HIM TO TAKE IT BACK.

Minnesota River Farmers Call on the Mayor About the Pike Island Dam.

J. H. Beck headed a delegation of farmers owning land on the Minnesota River at Mendota, which waited on Mayor Doran yesterday afternoon. In 1892 the government constructed a dam on the Minnesota river at the head of Pike island, the purpose being as stated in the title of the dam, to improve the navigation.

For the last two years the dam, it is claimed, has caused the overflow of lands in the vicinity and a petition has been filed with the city and Nelson to have the obstruction removed. A counter petition, signed by Gov. Clough and Mayor Doran and others, was also sent to Washington, setting forth that the dam was necessary to assist navigation. It was to get the mayor to withdraw his name from the last mentioned party that the committee called yesterday.

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