

THE STATE CLOSES.

Bismarck's Child-Daughter Tells an Effective Story.

Witnesses for the Defense Begin in the Haddock Murder Trial.

The following is from the Sioux City Journal's Thursday report of the trial of Arensdorf for the murder of Dr. Haddock:

Albert Koschniski was on the stand as the first witness. He was still under cross examination by the defense. He bore the same unflinching appearance that he showed the day before, and his answers came with the same readiness, precision and effect.

ALBERT KOSCHINSKI, ALIAS "BISMARCK." The night of the murder about 11 o'clock I went home. I did not stop at the shop of Adolph Metz on the morning of August 4, and say that I did not tell them that I did not go home the night before, nor that I was drunk and slept out of doors most of the night. I know Oscar Bridwell. I think I saw him on the night of the murder at the corner of Douglas and Fourth streets. I might have been a little drunk, but I was not really drunk. I didn't after 1 o'clock that night go to the house of Mr. Metz and wake the family up and tell them to let me in. I did not lay down on the porch there and sleep an hour, nor then wake them up again and ask to be let in again. Nobody told me to go away from there. I was not there. I don't know about being there that night. Mr. Taylor, one of the lawyers for the state, was present when my measure was taken for my clothes. Mr. Taylor and Mr. Swan were present. I saw Grandpa the next day. I did not ask him if he knew who killed Haddock. I didn't tell him that George Treiber said that he [Grandpa] killed Haddock. Grandpa didn't say that, if Treiber said that, he [Grandpa] would make him prove it.

MINNIE KOSCHINSKI.

Albert Koschniski is my father. I will be 12 on the 18th of June. I have been in Sioux City five days this last time. I came from San Francisco. My mamma and my sisters came with me. We went to Des Moines and from there to Sioux City. I know John Arensdorf and Henry Peters. I remember when Mr. Haddock was killed. I don't remember just when my father went away. I saw Arensdorf after father went away. I carried a letter from my mamma to Mr. Arensdorf. He was on the bridge on Fourth street. I told him my mamma wanted him to come up to our house right off. He said he would. He did come to the house in about ten minutes. Mamma asked him about selling the house. He said he wanted to go to San Francisco. Mr. Arensdorf said it would take a little time longer and that there was too much excitement. She said she didn't want to wait any longer, because my papa was sick and she wanted to go to San Francisco. Mr. Arensdorf said he would be arranged right off. The next Sunday Mr. Arensdorf came up to my house. Mamma said she didn't want to wait any longer. My papa was sick. He said he would fix everything for my mamma by the next morning. He asked if she would not sell the house less than \$300. She said she would not. Then he said: "All right—I'll buy it." We sold the furniture the next day, Monday. An express came and got the trunk. I went and got the express. Mr. Arensdorf said he would express be had promised. The trunks were taken to the Milwaukee house. Paul Leader kept the house. I saw Mr. Arensdorf when we went to the Milwaukee house that day. Paul Leader and Mr. Arensdorf came into my mamma's room. Mamma asked Mr. Arensdorf the money for our house. She told him she had not got the pay for the furniture. She said she had a note in the bank from Matt Francis. Paul Leader asked her how much the note was for, and she said \$50. Leader gave her the money, and she signed her name. Mr. Arensdorf gave mamma \$250 and told her to tell papa if anybody asked him about it that he should know nothing. We started next day Thursday and Paul Leader went with us to Council Bluffs. From Council Bluffs we went to San Francisco.

The defense moved to strike out all conversations with Leader not in the presence of Arensdorf. The court replied that he didn't know of any such conversations in the witness' testimony.

Cross examination by defense: We came here last Saturday, myself, my mamma and the babies. We went to the St. Elmo hotel. We've been here ever since. I saw Mr. O'Connell at the hotel. Mr. O'Connell had talked with us a good many times about what we should say in court. I have told it here in court the way he told me. It was on Friday that I carried the letter to Mr. Arensdorf. I don't remember the month. It was in 1896, I know. It was \$250 that Arensdorf paid my mamma at the Milwaukee house. I didn't count the money. Mr. Arensdorf said it was \$250. The money was in gold and paper. I saw it. Q—Do you know how the money was reduced from \$300 to \$250. A—There was \$50 owed on the lot.

Witness, continuing: My mother told me so. She told me before Arensdorf bought the house. Q—O'Connell talked to me yesterday. We stayed eight days at Des Moines. I don't know the name of the place where we stopped. My mamma went to see the governor. Nobody at Des Moines came to talk to my mamma. It was a hotel where we stopped in Des Moines. A man met us at Omaha and went with us to Des Moines. We just got on the train and went to Des Moines. And this man came at Des Moines and took me to the hotel. This man stayed up at the court house. I haven't seen Frederick Glass. My papa was at the St. Elmo hotel to see us one time. Mr. Taylor was there also. There was no waiting done.

Re-examination by the state: Mr. O'Connell and Mr. Taylor were at the hotel and asked me and mamma what Arensdorf had said. They asked me to tell the truth, and to tell just exactly what I heard Mr. Arensdorf say. At 10:30 the attorneys for the state asked permission to retire for consultation. In a few minutes they returned and announced to the court that the state would rest its case at this point. Argo stated that the announcement was not expected by the defense and asked an adjournment over the noon recess to 2 o'clock, which was granted.

TESTIMONY FOR THE DEFENSE. When the court convened at 2 o'clock the defense took the following oath. It announced that Oscar Bridwell was its first witness. But search failed to find him. An officer was sent for him, and pending his arrival the defense began the examination of the first witness on its part.

WILLIAM A. SMITH.

I reside in Sioux City and am a member of the police force. I know Albert Koschniski and have known him two

years, and have seen him frequently. I first knew him when I was working in the packing house. I saw Bismarck the night of third of August on the corner of Douglas and Fourth streets after 11 o'clock. He was somewhat intoxicated that night. He didn't walk or talk very straight that night. He started up Fourth street. I saw Bismarck after the body of Haddock had been removed from the corner where the murder occurred.

Cross-examination waived.

ADOLPH METZ. I live at No. 98 West Seventh street, on Pearl street. I know Bismarck, and have known him three or four years. On the third day of August I was in the shop all day, and in the evening till 9:45. That night I saw Bismarck come out of a saloon. He had been drinking some. I saw him at our house, between 10 and 11 o'clock. He came and woke us up. He had been drinking heavily, and fell off the sidewalk. He called my name and wanted to come in. My father told me not to let him in. He stayed about an hour lying on the front porch. In about an hour he called to me and wanted to come in, but I didn't do it. He was still intoxicated. I saw him about 9 o'clock next morning, at my harness shop. He was there about half an hour. He wasn't sober yet. He told me that he had slept on the ground near N. N. N. N. He said he hadn't been home. My father was present. The night before my mother, father and I heard Bismarck at our house.

Cross-examination by the state: In the evening when I saw Bismarck come out of the saloon, I can't say just what time it was. There wasn't anything to fix my attention. I saw Bismarck at the house. I can't say how he was dressed. I think he had on a straw hat. It was a dark night and cloudy. When Bismarck called me he was on the outside of the gate. After that he stumbled and then came in the yard. It was 1 o'clock that he called me. I think I had been asleep about an hour when Bismarck called me the second time; well, I had been asleep a while. I looked at the clock just before going to bed. I don't know when he went to bed the night before or after or any other time. I can't tell when I woke up, how long I had been asleep. I thought it had been about an hour when I woke up the second time.

WILLIAM METZ.

I live in Sioux City and reside on West Seventh street, just by the bridge. I am a harnessmaker and the shop is on Pearl street. I know Bismarck. I remember the killing of Haddock. I did not see Bismarck that night, but I heard him. I recognized his voice. He rapped on the door. I think it was in the neighborhood of 12 o'clock. I heard my son talking with him. I don't know what was said. Bismarck asked to get in, but we didn't let him in. I did not know him. He dropped off asleep and didn't wake up any more. I think I saw Bismarck in my shop, but didn't hear him say that he slept by Nelson's fence the day before. He got out of the chair and went out. I should think he had been drinking.

Cross-examination waived by the state.

OSCAR BRIDWELL.

I live in Sioux City and am a policeman and have been two years. I know Bismarck and have known him three years. I became acquainted with him in George Treiber's saloon. I saw Bismarck on the night of the 3d of August. I saw him at the corner of Fourth and Douglas streets, about 11:30 that night. I saw him somewhat after the killing. I don't know just how long afterwards. Policeman Smith and I saw him then. Bismarck was drunk. He looked at me saying that he wanted to see me. I told him to go on home or I would look him up.

Cross-examination waived by the state.

MATILDA METZ.

I live on West Seventh street, near the bridge. I know Bismarck when I see him. I was at home the night of the murder of Haddock. That night some one came and tried to get into the house. One of my boys came home about 10 o'clock, and about 11 o'clock, the other boy came and told of the shooting. I was in bed. After that I woke, and some one said "Let me in." My husband told my boy not to let him in. I thought it was Bismarck. He stood around a good while.

Cross-examination waived by the state.

HENRY RICE.

I live in Sioux City and have lived here since 1879. I have known Bismarck four or five years. I dig wells and do general work. I have worked with him some at digging wells. I know him pretty well. I was at his house on Sunday, August 1. I asked him to come and help me dig a well for Mr. Henderson. He said that he wouldn't do it. I offered him \$3 a day. He said he wouldn't take it. I asked him why? He did not say that he and George Treiber would go to killing preachers. He did not say that he and George Treiber could make more money at killing preachers. He said that he and George Treiber could make more money at killing preachers, or words to that effect.

Cross-examination by state: I saw Bismarck at his house the Sunday before the murder. He told me that "he and Treiber could make more money doing up lawyers and preachers."

Here the question referring to the killing of preachers was read over by the witness to the jury, and he said he had not understood it. He then corrected the answer and denied that Bismarck had used that form of language. The defense then, on the objection of the state, re-examined the witness.

Re-examination by the defense: Q—Did Bismarck at his house that Sunday say that he and George Treiber could make more money doing up preachers, or words to that effect?

He said he objected and moved to strike out the impeaching testimony already given by the witness on the ground that the question, in that form, had not been put to Bismarck, who, after considerable delay, was brought from the dungeon and took his seat on the stand as undisturbed and bright as ever.

BISMARCK RECALLED.

I know Henry Rice, the well digger. He was at my house one Sunday. I told him I wouldn't work for him. I didn't tell him that "I and George Treiber could make more money whipping or doing up preachers."

HENRY RICE RECALLED.

"Bismarck" said that Sunday morning that "he and George Treiber could make more money doing up preachers." Cross examination by the state: I have known Bismarck six or seven years. This conversation was Sunday before the murder. The first time I talked with the lawyers for the defense was last Saturday. I talked with Gray. I happened there where Gray was. Nobody told me to go. I went to see Treider about a matter. Gray didn't ask me about Bismarck. I told him I didn't. I don't remember that Treider said anything. Argo and some others were there. My statement was written out then. I don't know who wrote it out. That was the first time I ever talked with any of the attorneys. I don't remember when I talked with John Arensdorf. I talked with John Arensdorf about the matter last Saturday, after I saw the

lawyers. I spoke to him first. I don't remember what I said to him. I told him that I had told the lawyers. I had talked with a great many persons about Bismarck's talk with me. I don't know that I ever mentioned this matter to any person more than a month ago. I will not swear that I ever mentioned this matter to any person before this trial commenced. At the time of the coroner's inquest I was living in Sioux City. I heard of Bismarck's going away and of his arrest. I heard of the coroner's jury being in session.

WILLIAM DOBBS.

I was a witness on this case the other day. On the night of the murder I went to Johnson's for Mrs. Leavitt. I told her about the killing. She said: "God, I am glad the s—n of a b—h is killed." In the back yard at Ryan's I was present when a faded brow was dug up. Kellogg took charge of it. I think it was the same hat that was left in my room by Leavitt the night of the murder. I saw Leavitt, and he wore a light gray hat, a faded one.

Cross-examination by the state: I heard the shot that night. When Leavitt came up stairs he went into Riley's room. When he came into my room he was in his shirt sleeves and had no hat on. He had the straw in my room after Leavitt went away. I don't know who brought the hat into my room. It was a half an hour before Leavitt went away.

MATT FRANCIS.

I live in Sioux City. I lived here in August, 1886, and have lived here about ten years. I know Bismarck and have known him six or seven years. I know his general moral character. It is bad. I did not buy any personal goods from Bismarck's wife. My clerk bought some furniture from her, just before she went to San Francisco. I kept a pawn shop and second-hand goods there. I don't know exactly what was paid for the furniture. I don't know who brought with him on the 3d of August last at my store in the afternoon. He stated in that conversation: "Those fellows want to whip the preachers. I am not in favor of that. I am in favor of killing the d—n—s of b—h."

Cross examination by the state: I have lived in Sioux City, since January last I have done nothing. Before that I was in the pawnbroker's business for one year. Before that I was in the saloon business for four or five years. Bismarck's moral character is bad. I can't tell a single man who said so. I have heard it two or three months ago. I don't know who said it. I don't know who said it since the murder. I know Leavitt. I was at his place twice. My clerk bought Mrs. Bismarck's furniture. I paid for it and drew the check for it. I don't know whether the check was for \$40 or \$50.

THE NEWS EPITOMIZED.

M. Hoxsabo has been elected president of the Danish Folketing.

Fire at Greenfield, Mich., Thursday night destroyed the Keith Exchange, and nine stores, with a total damage of over \$21,000.

The pension office, Thursday, issued 1,000 pension certificates. This is said to be the largest number ever issued in one day by the bureau.

In New York senate and house yesterday morning resolutions were introduced censuring the English government for its management of Irish affairs.

In the British house of commons last night the closure was carried by a vote of 361 to 253 and the first reading of the coercion bill was agreed upon without division.

Col. Robert G. Ingersoll was admitted to practice at the bar in New York yesterday before the supreme court. When asked to be sworn he refused and affirmed instead.

President Strong, of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, denies absolutely that his company has purchased or is interested in the purchase of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois.

The inter-state commerce commission having made a request for temporary clerical assistance, the secretary of the interior has detailed Maj. S. A. Jones, of his office, for that duty.

The Pittsburgh window-glass workers, who have asked for a 10 per cent advance in wages, have decided not to strike until another effort is made to have the matter amicably settled.

The president yesterday appointed Martin V. Montgomery, of Michigan, to be associate justice of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, to succeed Justice MacArthur, retired. Montgomery's appointment as commissioner of patents was one of the first of importance made by President Cleveland.

Three Bulgarian refugees, one of whom is a brother of a man under condemnation for participating in the recent insurrection, shot at and wounded the prefect of Rastchuk, in the streets of Bucharest. Two were overtaken and imprisoned, but the other escaped by taking refuge in the Russian legation.

Mrs. Angus Cameron, who walked off the levee into the water at La Crosse Thursday night, was very comfortable yesterday. She cannot realize what has occurred. After remaining all night at the International hotel she was taken home. No further serious results from her terrible experience are anticipated.

The new secretary of the treasury, Mr. Fairchild, has entered upon the discharge of his new duties. He was sworn in at 11 o'clock yesterday by a notary public employed in the secretary's office and took possession of the office and desk formerly occupied by Ex-Secretary Manning.

Another attempt has been made upon the life of the czar. It is learned that on Thursday, while the czar was exercising in the park connected with the Gatchina palace, he was fired upon by an officer of the army, the ball passing close to his person. The officer was immediately seized by attendants and imprisoned.

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DAKOTA CONDENSATIONS.

Madison promises to have a good growth during the coming season.

Kingsbury county farmers are busy in their fields, though but little grain has been sown as yet.

Watertown's council has entered into a contract to take six electric lights for a term of five years.

Carlston, tried at Bismarck for the murder of Joseph P. Robinson, was acquitted. The jury were out one hour.

Last Friday night the ladies' broom brigade from the Madison normal school gave an exhibition drill at the opera house.

James E. Robinson, of Fargo, Dakota, has been disbarred from practicing as an attorney before the interior department, its bureaus and local offices.

Stock is being taken eagerly for a cheese factory at De Smet by both farmers and merchants; \$5,000 is the limit of stock and \$2,000 will be subscribed.

The Hillsboro National bank has purchased a lot adjoining their present site for \$2,500, and will erect this summer a two story brick 50x80 to cost \$20,000.

The first term of court by Judge Spencer commenced at De Smet Thursday. The judge seems to be pleasing every one so far by his pleasant address and logical decisions.

Meers, Smith & Jacobs, of Madison, have gone to Wisconsin to inspect the new \$6,000 steamer, intended for use on Lake Madison. It proved satisfactory it will be at the lake in a few days.

For the first time in the history of Minnehaha county, there was no business for the grand jury at the April term of the district court, and the judge ordered that no grand jury be drawn.

H. J. Rice accepts the nomination for mayor of Huron on the law and order ticket. This action allays much dissatisfaction and insures Rice's election by the largest vote ever given a candidate at Huron's city election.

A telephone franchise has been granted at Watertown and a contract made with Morfitt, Hodge & Clark, of Watertown, N. Y., for a complete system of water works with five miles of pipe, provided that this action is ratified at a special election.

The new building of the Young Men's Christian association at Fargo was formally opened and dedicated Wednesday evening. The society purchased the old court house, moved it down upon the Northern Pacific right of way, and have expended \$2,000 in improving it.

The north Dakota territorial board of agriculture met at Fargo Tuesday evening and perfected a permanent organization with the following officers: S. G. Roberts, Fargo, president; John DeGroot, Hillsboro, vice president; G. E. Bowers, Hillsboro, treasurer; W. H. Becker, Fargo, secretary.

A child of A. G. Seney, of Sioux Falls, was very badly bitten Wednesday by a large Newfoundland dog. The child was four years old and was playing in the yard with the family dog, as usual, when the dog attacked the child and bit it in the face, the wounds extending entirely on one side of the face.

The Watertown city council has passed an ordinance granting to Charles Joseph exclusive franchise to build and operate street railways in that city for twenty years. Mr. Joseph agrees to build a motor line between Watertown and lake Kampeska within six months and a street railway in the city within one year.

The Hicks, Trask hardware company at Aberdeen has made an assignment to O. J. Hute. The liabilities are unknown, but the firm claims assets largely in excess. John T. McChesney, president of the Aberdeen national bank, is the principal creditor there. Business houses in Chicago, New York, St. Louis and St. Paul are quite heavily interested.

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