

SHOOTING AFFRAY IN SALINA

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RESISTANCE TO LAW AND ITS CONSEQUENCE

GAME CONSTABLE RESISTED

ONE MAN SHOT AND ANOTHER WOUNDED

ARREST OF THE OFFENDERS

A BLOODY AFFAIR WITH PROBABLY FATAL RESULTS

AN EXCITING DAY IN THE COUNTRY

Yesterday forenoon about eleven o'clock, John Stetsher came to the police office and gave himself up to the officer in charge, saying he had got into a little squabble in Salina and he guessed he had hurt some one. The officer took Stetsher before Police Justice Corbett, who released him on his promise to appear this morning. Shortly after, however, a farmer from Salina appeared at the police office and said

A MAN HAD BEEN SHOT

In Salina. Officer Group then went and arrested Stetsher and locked him up. The farmer then stated that two men had gone out hunting from this city: that Game Constable Garrett had attempted to arrest them, when they resisted and in the shuffle one Michael Gleason, who was in company with Garrett, had been shot and the constable seriously injured. Stetsher explained that he had no intention of shooting any one, but that in the melee the gun had been.

ACCIDENTALLY DISCHARGED

And hit Gleason. After his arrest our reporter interviewed him, but he was not communicative in regard to the affair,

anyway he could not understand. We, however, ascertained that he has been five years in this country, and that he works for C. C. Bradley and company, and has heretofore been orderly and peaceable.

GARRETT'S STATEMENT

William Garrett, the game constable, makes a statement in regard to the affair substantially as follows:

About nine o'clock yesterday morning he, in company with Michael Gleason and Milton Moore, had started across lots to Mr. Alvord's house. As they passed over the hill they saw two men, who afterwards proved to be Louis Raueke and John Stetsher, with guns in their hands. He asked them what they were after, when they replied they were looking for skunks and rats. Garrett told them he was an officer, and that they were violating the law by hunting on Sunday. They didn't care a d__d for the law. Garrett wanted them to stop, and proposed that they should give up their guns and appear before the justice this morning without any trouble. Raueke replied

"KEEP AWAY FROM ME OR I'LL SHOOT YOU."

With this Garrett grabbed his gun, and the melee began. He called to Gleason and Moore to take care of the other one. He said that Raueke was making an effort all the time to get the gun in a position to shoot, but Garrett prevented this. In a few moments he saw Stetsher about four rods off aiming his gun at Gleason and Moore, who started to run. He heard the report and saw Gleason lying on the ground. Moore then started off, when Garrett told him to stay and watch the other fellow. Moore, however, paid no attention to his calls but ran off. Stetsher then came to help his comrade, clubbing his gun and striking Garrett on the head and arms, inflicting severe wounds. They finally got away and started toward the city, but Garrett, notwithstanding his wounds, followed them until he reached Mr. Alvord's, where he procured assistance, and succeeded in capturing Raueke. Stetsher managed to escape without his coat.

THE WOUNDED

Gleason managed after he was shot to crawl to a fence unable to stand. He was taken to the house, when it was found that the charge (which was shot) had passed through his bowels, even the wadding passing through and lodging in his coat. Dr. Didama was summoned and dressed his wounds. He says it is very doubtful if he recovers.

Mr. Garrett had several severe bruises on the head with a slight scratching of the skull.

Two bones of the left hand are broken and his right arm is also severely bruised.

THE GUN WAS SPOILED

Which Stetsher used, the stock being broken. One gun and a part of the other has been spoiled and they are now in the hands of the justice. Raueke was sent to the penitentiary for safe keeping where he is now.

THE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

for Salina came in town yesterday afternoon for the purpose of having Stetsher taken to Salina for identification before Gleason shall die, and we presume this will be done.

The shooting occurred on the farm of Mr. Malloy about three quarters of a mile from the first toll gate, on the Cicero road, and there is a great excitement in that vicinity. Crowds are around the house where the wounded man lies, and people are continually going and coming, even from the city. Gleason lies in a precarious condition, part of the time unconscious. In one of his waking intervals he said that the man who shot him struck him on the side of the head with the gun after he fell.

Milton Moore came into town in the afternoon and identified Stetsher as the man who shot Gleason.