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whose names you will note the alliteration, were now haled into court with the same Brevard against them.

"I seed Son—didn't see Toad—on Walter Mack on Henry—out at de boot er de road, in de woods, 'tlowin' dice." "Walter were you there?"

"Now, s'r," Walter answered, "I don't know nothin' about dat game. Son was chewing a wad of gum. He wore a 3 or 3 1/2-inch collar. He denied any knowledge of the game or communication with Brevard."

"I don't associate with him at all," he proudly swore. "He's too tough to go with me."

Have you ever gambled any?" Son's counsel objected.

"But you had on the book," the recorder commanded son, and swore him to answer truly such questions as should be asked him about gambling in North Carolina in the last five years.

The lawyer strenuously objected on the ground that the witness was protected by the constitution from answering incriminating questions. The court held that he waived this right when he took the stand. A Code was sent for to determine the difference.

Aside from the constitutional question, the lawyer warmly protested. The court has a plenty of machinery to get evidence against defendants without taking short cuts on them. It put my client up to deny the charge upon trial, and not to expose him to a broadside question."

The court explained that he did not intend to use Son's evidence against him. He discharged Son as a defendant, and proceeded to examine him as a witness.

"If you refuse to answer my question, I'll jail you for contempt," said the son. But Son had not gambled in more than two years.

But the whole paper cannot be surrendered to these gambling boys. Mack Williams, Mack Chapel, John Simmons, Tom Mason, a fellow whom they call briefly "Kitten" alias "Kidney," and others, got into the drag net in due time. And the end is not in sight.

MR. WILEY'S SONG RECITAL. At the Presbyterian College last Evening—The Audience Small but Enthusiastic—The Singer Encored Again and Again—The Programme.

To a rather small audience at the Presbyterian College last night, Mr. Clifford Wiley, of New York, gave a song recital. His programme was as follows:

"O Du Mein Bolder Aelsterm." Wagner. "I. B. III." (Dichterliebe). Schumann.

"Under the Rose." Fisher. "The Maiden Awa' to the Land of the Free." Foster. "O He! Carita." De Koven. "Nothing But a Rose." Welch. (Prolonged encore "The Roseary.")

Prologue—"Pagliaccio." Leoncavallo. (Prolonged ineffectual encore.)

"Cupid's Wings." Wm. G. Hammond. "Cloud Shadows." Wm. G. Hammond. "When Stars Are in the Quiet Skies." Wm. G. Hammond. "Lorna." Newton. (Prolonged ineffectual encore.)

"Border Ballad." Wm. G. Hammond. "Drink to Me Only with Thine Eyes." Old English. "The Day After Tomorrow." D'Hardest. (Encore.)

"Because." D'Hardest. Mr. Wiley's voice is a rich baritone. He himself would do for the definition of a handsome man, and his appearance on the stage created enthusiasm. The applause which the German songs created was slight. But the second division of the programme was persistently encored. Mr. Wiley came back and sang "The Roseary."

The third number received an enthusiastic but ineffectual encore.

The applause between the fourth and last division was unbroken. "Lorna" was really the prettiest thing on the programme, and it completely captivated the crowd. "The Day After Tomorrow" also swept the crowd, and was twice encored. When the programme was finished, the audience kept its seats and would not be comforted until he came back and repeated "Because."

Mr. Wiley is a capital singer, and the only pity is that more people were not in attendance to enjoy him.

JEFFERSON'S RETIREMENT. Really, the Great Actor Has Not Been in the General Public View for Many Years—Tim Murphy Is to Take Up His Repertory.

Although Joseph Jefferson retired from active stage work only this fall, the careful compiler of theatrical data on a Boston paper calls attention to the fact that, so far as a large proportion of the American public is concerned, the veteran actor has been retired for many years. He made his last Chicago appearance in 1902, to be sure, and Boston saw him in 1902, but Broadway has not seen him in five years.

It is ten years since he has been west of the Mississippi, and his acting is practically an unknown quantity, except as tradition, to the theatre-goers of the Pacific coast. Though he has played his Candy Pummer in "Pickout on the Beach," his Mr. Gault in "Lead Me Five Shillings," and his Bob Ayres, "The Rivals," in Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago and New York within the past few years, it is some time longer since Joe Jefferson retired from the stage of the cities in middle-west.

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ANOTHER SUNDAY MARRIAGE. Miss Julia Howie, a Former Telephone Girl, Becomes the Bride of Mr. Morris Howie, of This City.

It came out yesterday that there was more than one Gladys Green affair in the city Sunday. Just as H. Hill received a message Sunday afternoon to come to a hotel in the city, where two young people were staying, on his arrival he was informed that he was wanted to preside in a wedding ceremony. He then inquired of Waxhaw, Union county, and Mr. Morris Howie, formerly of Monroe, now of this city. The young couple informed him that there was no objection on the part of the parents of either the young lady simply informed her parents that she was going up to Charlotte to get married, and then took her departure.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Howie of Waxhaw, and was a telephone girl at the Monroe exchange. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Howie, of Monroe. He is connected with the Stand of Electric Co. of this city. Mrs. Howie is quite comely and made a very pretty bride.

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Mr. W. F. Harding, as commissioner in the proceedings entitled Henry L. Surges vs. William Surges, for partition, sold 104 acres, in Berryhill township to H. L. Surges, for \$500.

As commissioner in the proceedings entitled M. J. Kizer vs. T. N. Alexander, Mr. Harding sold 178 acres in Berryhill township to J. P. Sloan for \$1,100.

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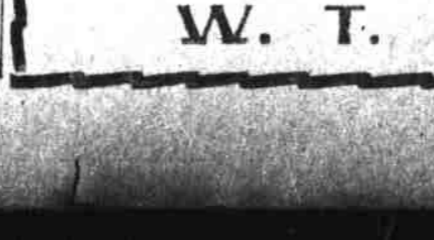
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