

IS GUILTY OF FORGERY
SO SAID THE JURY IN SECOND OF THE INSURANCE FRAUD CASES.
SEVEN MORE ARE TO BE TRIED

Their Investigation Will Probably Keep the Court Busy Until Christmas - William Fisher is Now in Jail Convicted of Forging Florence Chadwick's Name to an Application for Insurance - The Case as to Levi T. Noe Was Not Pressed

TRENTON, N. C., Dec. 13. (Special) - The trial of the second of the series of Beaufort grave yard insurance cases State vs. Levi T. Noe and William Fisher was concluded at a late hour last night. The defendants were indicted for forging the name of Florence Chadwick to an application for life insurance in the sum of \$2,000 in the Massachusetts Benefit Life Association of Boston.

The principal witness for the State was Florence Chadwick. Her evidence was as follows: "I can write. I did not sign my name to this application. I have never been examined for life insurance by Dr. Delamar. My name is not spelled correctly on the application. I did not authorize anyone to apply for insurance on my life. William Fisher married my aunt. I have received notes from William Fisher and think I know his writing. My name to this application looks like his hand writing."

"Shortly after the preliminary hearing before the justices at Morehead City, last August, Fisher approached me in Beaufort and asked me if I could not change my evidence at Morehead City. If I did not it would give him trouble and might send him to the penitentiary. I refused to do this."

"In the spring of 1894 Noe sent for me to come to Fisher's house in Beaufort and then told me that Bill Fisher had my life insured in the Mutual Benefit of New York. That there was an insurance agent in town and for fear the agent would come to me and ask me about it to tell him that I got out the insurance and my mother was paying the premiums. This was the first I knew of the policy."

"At the time the policy was taken out in the Massachusetts Benefit Company, October 4th, 1894, my health was very poor. I had been sick for eight or ten months with rheumatism. I had been so I could not work. I have never entirely recovered."

Witness testified that the statements contained in the application purporting to be signed by her were in the main false. The witness was cross-examined to considerable length, with a view to discrediting her testimony.

Jennie Chadwick was the next witness for the State. She testified that Florence came home after her interview with Noe at Fisher's house, very much distressed. Her testimony corroborated that of her daughter, that shortly after the Mutual Benefit policy was taken out William Fisher informed her why he had done it, and he said he thought it would be a good thing for her as well as himself.

John Forlaw testified that Florence's character for virtue was bad. He had never heard her character for truth questioned.

Robert C. Strong, of Kinston, was examined as an expert on handwriting, and testified that in his opinion the name of Florence Chadwick to the application was signed by William Fisher.

Charles B. Felton was then introduced by the defence. He testified that Florence Chadwick swore to an affidavit before him as notary public, that the affidavit had been dictated by William Fisher. This affidavit was to the effect that she had made application to the Mutual Benefit and had been examined by Dr. Delamar. Fisher told her the purpose of this affidavit was to enable him to get back premiums he had paid to this company, it being in the hands of a receiver.

Louis Washington testified that Florence told Fisher in his presence that she was sorry she had sworn against him and would not have done so but for pressure brought to bear on her by Abrams and Massey. This conversation took place, witness said, at a camp-meeting last summer at River Dale.

Emma Mitchell testified that she was walking behind Florence one night in Beaufort and heard her remark to one Bob Chadwick that she (Florence) did not care what became of the defendants, so she got her money.

William Fulford testified as follows: "I live in Beaufort; know Florence Chadwick. I heard her state sometime during the fall of 1894 that she was going to take out insurance. This was in Fisher's shop."

On cross-examination he said this was in September or October, 1894, the latter part of one or the other of these months.

"Whom did you tell about this?" "I was speaking about it I reckon about 2 or 3 weeks ago. That was the first time. I remembered 2 or 3 weeks ago what I heard last year. I was home, sitting around the fireside and we were speaking about this insurance business and I said there were several parties knew they had been insured and probably these agents coming around the town had got them frustrated and had caused them to say what they did. This is the only time I ever spoke about it. My family was present; my wife and my wife's mother and children's. This was probably three weeks ago. I was not examined about this before the magistrate and had no right to tell anybody about it then."

"How happened you to speak about Florence?" "We were just talking around the fire side about one thing and another and I says 'I suppose they will have a right dig court in Jones county.' My wife says, 'I am glad you have nothing to do with it.' I was telling the women. I knew they talked. I did not want to get out. I just let out this secret I had been keeping for a year. This was not a secret I had been guarding."

On re-direct examination Fulford said: "I was in Fisher's shop talking

and Florence came in and says 'Uncle Bill, I am going to Dr. Delamar's shop to have myself examined. Come on and go.' He says, 'I have not time now. You go on.' We talked awhile. Presently she came in and said, 'Uncle Bill, I have been there and had that business attended to and if there is any more signing to be done, being as you are in the family, I wish you would go down there and attend to it.' 'She said she had been around there and had the thing all fixed up?' 'Said she had been around and had herself examined. She said if there was any more signing to be done for him to do it for her as he knew more about it than she did.'

"Why didn't you think about that a little while ago when you were examined in chief by the other side?" "He didn't ask me. William and I are not friends more than anybody else. We both live in Beaufort."

"I have not talked with anybody at all about this matter except my family until I came here on the stand. I have not talked with the lawyers on the other side."

"Have you not been in a caucus with William Fisher's witnesses since you came to Jones county?" "I have not."

"Have you not been in a caucus since you came to court in this town when William Fisher and his witnesses were present and didn't William Fisher try to make you?" "Were you not present at a caucus with William Fisher and Bill Fulford and someone of William Fisher's witnesses summoned to this court?"

"No sir."

"Did you not have a caucus at Beaufort in which William Fisher and some of his witnesses were present?" "No sir."

"I will ask you if at a caucus of William Fisher's witnesses, at which you were present in Beaufort, if William Fisher didn't tell some of his witnesses what they were to swear to, and if one of the witnesses didn't cuss him out and tell him he would not allow him to put words in his mouth?"

"No sir. Fisher never told me what to swear to. I never told him what I was going to swear to. I never told his lawyers. I told my family circle and this is the first time I have told anyone else. William never talked to me about this matter at any time. I never mentioned it to him. Never mentioned it to anybody except my wife."

The Judge: "Who was present in Fisher's shop when Florence came in there?" "Nobody but Fisher and I."

Alonza Gardner lives in Beaufort; is acquainted with Fulford's character. It is good.

The State called several reputable witnesses, who testified to the good character of Florence.

Mr. P. M. Pearsall made the opening address to the jury in behalf of the State.

He was followed by Mr. Clark for the defence. Then Mr. Allen for the State, and Owen H. Guion for the defence.

Mr. Simmons closed the case for the State.

The judge delivered a very able charge, defining the crime of forgery and marshalling the facts and laying down the law as applicable to the case.

At 11 o'clock the jury returned a verdict of guilty as to William Fisher, the State having not pressed the defendant Noe.

As the foreman announced the verdict, Fisher said in audible tones, "Well, Mr. Clark, what next?"

As I left the court-house the sheriff, with lantern in hand, was conducting Fisher in the direction of the jail.

Thus ends the trial of the second of these noted cases.

Seven more are yet to be tried, and they will no doubt occupy the attention of the court until Christmas.

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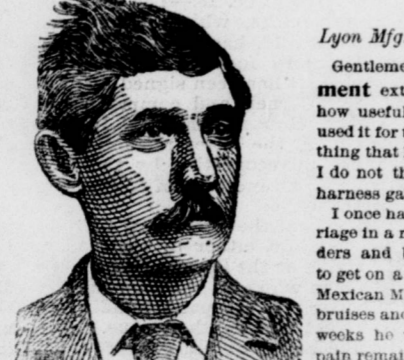
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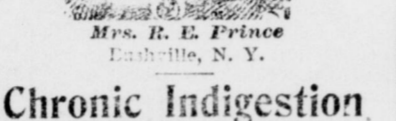
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A certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Wake county, Barton Creek township, and bounded as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a stone, corner of lot No. 3 in W. A. Jones' line; thence with lines of lots No. 2 and 4, south 87° east 39-00-00 chains to a stone, corner of lot No. 6 in line of lot No. 4; thence with line of lot No. 6 south 24° west 25-64-00 chains to a lightwood knot, corner of lot No. 6 in W. H. Ray's line; thence with W. H. Ray's line north 77° west 40-70-00 chains to a lightwood knot, N. S. Jones' corner; thence with N. S. Jones' line north 42° east 19-30-00 chains to a lightwood knot, N. S. Jones' and W. A. Jones' corner; thence with W. A. Jones' line north 32° east 21-00-00 chains to a stone, corner of lot No. 3 in W. A. Jones' line to the beginning, containing 94 1/2 acres more or less.
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