WILLIAMS GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER.

Jury Remained Out Only About Half an Hour Before Returing Their Decision.

Charlotte, July 18.--The fate of H. O. Williams, who has been the defendant in Mecklenburg Criminal Court for two days for the admitted murder of his friend, Dillard Hooker, May 17, was turned over into the hands of the jury last evening at 7 o'clock and after remaining in consultation for a half-hour, a verdict against him for manslaughter was returned. Sentence will not be pronounced until this morning. The trial was finished at 7 o'clock so far as the evidence, the addresses of attorneys and the charge of the court were concerned. It was not the general belief that the jury would occupy much time in arriving at a conclusion, the evidence point ing strongly to second degree murder for which the State asked a verdict of manslaughter. There was little idea entertained by those who have been attendants at court during the two days that the defendan would be able to get even the benefit of a new trial and it was counted a hopeless thing for him to receive a verdict of acquittal.

The court was busily engaged during the greater part of the morning with some testimony that the State inserted tending to show the physical condition of the defendant several hours prior to the shooting. Witnesses testified that he was seen as early as 3 o'clock in a drunken condition. Some other features of evidence were worked in by the State in order to dove-tail some of the testimony which was brought out the preceding day. It was 11 o'clock before the evidence was concluded.

THE JURY ADDRESSED.

Mr. C. W. Tillett, Jr., made the first speech to the jury and he addressed that body for an hour. He hung closely to that part of the evidence having to do with the conduct of Williams in his own house just prior to the shooting, making much out of the statement of Mrs. Williams, which the State got in, that she ran out of the house and called to somebody that she was afraid the defendant was going to shoot her because he had already shot Hooker. Mr. Tillett made a capital speech. He traced the evidence clearly and commented upon it with clearness and with emphatic utterances. Mr. John A. McRae followed Mr. Tillett, his being the first speech of the afternoon. Mr. McRae dealt with the general trend of the evidence which the defense introduced and battered upon the witnesses for the State. He enlarged upon the statements introduced tending to show that Williams was followed into his own house by Hooker, who previously had been nagging at him and while lying on his bed, Williams was attacked by the deceased. It was then, Mr. McRae argued that the defendant wrested the pistol from the hands of Hooker and shot him.

WILLIAMS UNMOVED.

Mr. Plummer Stewart made the next address to the jury and it was the lengthiest of them all. Mr. Stewart spoke with characteristic stress and delivered himself in no half-utterances as to the character and conduct of Dillard Hooker, the deceased. The concluding speech was made by Solicitor Wilson who summarized evidence and drew conclusions therefrom. The State asked for a verdict of murder in the second degree and it was to this point that the solicitor first addressed himself. The charge to the jury was begun at 6 o'clock and Judge Shaw consumed a little less than an hour.

Williams, the defendant, sat with his eye constaintly trained upon the witnesses through the two days of the trial. His wife and children who have remained at his side have received very little attention from him. He has borne himself with eminent calmness, manifesting no superior amount of interest int he proceedings one way of the other. He is a comparatively small man, with thin face, rather emaciated by confinement in prison, and with a sandy mustache. His features have remained uniformly normal during the entire two days. There has not been the slightest evidence of nervousness.

TRAGEDY RECOUNTED.

The tragedy in which Wililams was one of the principals occurred Sunday afternoon, May 17, about 5 o'clock at the Williams home on the Wakefield farm east of the city. It was in evidence that during the greater part of that day the defendant and his victim had been companions and during the early afternoon had made a trip to the city in an automobile. The supposition is that on this trip they got their hands on some whiskey and after they returned home, they went down to the little store run by Williams and drank some of the whiskey with coca-cola. In the store the trouble began. The two men tusseled freely and good-naturedly. There was nothing in the conduct except a desire and a disposition to desport themselves, but from this mirth-making program mischief and finally malice were born. After a friendly encounter in the store, the men came out into the yard of the Williams home and the mischief was renewed. They finally got to the point where they were mad and they had to be separated, according to the contentions of the defendant, the State not having tried to show that their comings together at any time were other than friendly meetings. After a little they went into the house and upon the bed the trouble was renewed, Williams shooting his friend four times, one of the wounds being mortal.

Elon's Speakers and Delegates to Chautauqua.

Elon College, July 20.—Quite a large delegation of Elon people left this morning for the Chautauqua and School of Methods for Christian Workers, which assembles at Virginia Beach at eight o'clock tonight. In the party were Dr. J. W. Wellons, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Dr. W. C. Wicker, Dr. J. U. Newman, Dr. and Mrs. E. E. Randolph, Miss Annie Watson, Mrs. W. P. Lawrence, Rev. J. O. Cox, Mr. J. E. Johnson and President and Mrs. W. A. Harper.

Dr. J. O. Atkinson, the college president, is to preach the Convocational sermon this evening at 8 o'clock, his subject is "Christ's Unfinished Work."

Dr. Newman, of the Theological department of the college is to give two lectures before the Chautauqua, Dr. W. C. Wicker, of the Philosophy department, and also give two lectures, and President Harper will teach three classes in Teacher Training and Christian Endeavor Work. Dr. Newman is also scheduled to give one of the evening Platform Lectures before the Chautauqua.

This Chautauqua is to be in session until the 26th of July and will hold its sessions in the Chautauqua Building of the Baptist Church, located at Virginia Beach. It is expected that 1,000 delegates will be present in attendance on the sessions and it is also understood that this Chautauqua is to be a permanent feature with the Christians from this time on.

Uncalled for Letters.

The following letters remain in the postoffice uncalled for at Burlington, N. C., July 20, 1914:

Gentlemen: Robert Golding, Andrew Joyce, J. M. Underwood, Tom Wicker.

Ladies: Mrs. J. R. Dillard, Mrs. J. M. Hicks, Miss Mary Livinger, Mrs. Josie Skweirs.

Persons calling for any of these letters will please say "Advertised" and give date of advertised list.

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There was scarcely a dry eye, and ne'er a dry throat in the cafe El Globe, on that historic occasion.—The Greensboro News.

That was Minerva's owl that visited the Senate gallery t'other day, and he was in search of the very latest novelties and profundities of wisdom. —Greensboro News.

Logical consequences are the scarecrows of fools and the beacons of wise men.—Huxley.

The ragweed is an humble plant, but the powerful auxilitry of the health resorts.—Greensboro News.

HOUSEHOLD HELPS.

More of Them Needed—Husbands Most to Blame—How Much Spent for Farm Tools.

In these days of progress and wonderful invention for the help of all branches of farming and manufacturing when we see machines of different kinds capable of doing work heretofore consigned to two or three or perhaps a dozen hands and in less than half the time required by the hands how much better than the old method and how much more can be done and at less expense. But for this time let us notice the wonderful improvements for farming as this little talk is especially intended for the farmer and his wife—We pass the field of some good farmer and we see there a reaper cutting and binding and dumping off the sheaves of wheat ready for shocking. A few years ago it was cut by hand with cradles and cycles. Again we pass that same field and we see a steam gang plow tearing up the ground faster than a dozen teams and as many men. Now we do not see this on every farm, but we do see some kind of labor saving machinery on almost every farm worth mentioning or calling a farm; now, of course, we know that the farmer has paid, or will very soon pay for this machinery. Often it is the case that he pays out money for things that he could for a time at least do without, but let us turn about and take a walk through and around the house and kitchen. How about improvements and labor savers there, do you find many?

We know that after you have looked through several average farm homes you will have to say that very few labor saving devices have been added to the farm kitchen and house, surely you may say after the farmer has paid out so much for a fancy pair of horses or an auto, etc., etc., that he has provided some conveniences for his faithful wife. Oh, yes, perhaps he has bought her a ten cent pan cleaner or an egg beater, or some such thing, but stay, open your eyes, Mr. Husband, place yourself in a hot kitchen some day in mid-summer and see how you like the art of cooking with half enough vessels, then *betake yourself* to the spring down and then up a steep hill with a couple of pails of water, then some time along the first of the week comes wash day. Jump right in "Hubby" with a good large bunch of clothes, a heavy pot to fill. No wood to hand without carrying it from the house, a cheap wash-board and lots of elbow grease to get the dirt out of the clothes, no wringer, no, no, scrub, work, work, and the dinner is expected on time too. Mr. Husband, after carefully carrying on the above work for one week only, don't you think you would favor some improvements? Yes, you certainly would and you ought to be kept at the work until the work of your faithful wife has been lightened by the addition of water works for the house and kitchen, and with suitable machinery for the laundry work as well as many other much needed improvements. Oh! but you say it will cost too much. Yes, certainly it will cost something, but not so much, for a very satisfactory water pumping outfit can be installed for from $15 to $50, depending on surroundings, etc., and then Mr. Hubby, how about that expensive machinery you bought to use on the farm, perhaps you needed it, no doubt it is a great help, so will these things we have named for the kitchen be a great help and by purchasing them you may add health and happiness and many days to the life of a faithful wife, for it is certain that many are the wives who undermine their health and wear away their lives in the drudgery of average homes, and now, Dear Wife, let me say to you, don't try to boss Husband, don't nag at him for by so doing you will surely kill his love and respect for you and you will also prevent his purchasing many little conveniences for the home, but above all, you will make home miserable, and finally incur the punishment of the Almighty—But you can help each other. So, Husband do not forget that along with farm machinery to purchase something for the kitchen and house, and then let wife show her love and appreciation, by economy and thrifty housekeeping, and thus shall it be a true Home, a model Home, and a Happy Home.

Husband! Wife! You want a true and happy home? then it is your for you can make it such, and YOU alone.

MOORE.

Heaven first taught letters for some wretch's aid,
Some banished lover, or some captive maid,
They live, they speak, they breathe what love inspires,
Warm from the soul, and faithful to its fires;
The virgin's wish without her fears impart,
Excuse the blush, and pour out all the heart—
Speed the soft intercourse from soul to soul,
And waft a sight from Indus to the pole. —Pope.

I love vast libraries; yet there is a doubt
If one be better with them or without—
Unless he use them wisely, and, indeed,
Knows he high art of what and how to read. —J. G. Saxe.

Such duty as the subject owes the prince,
Even such a woman oweth to her husband;
And when she's forward, peevish, sullen, sour,
An not obedient to his honest will.
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And graceless traitor to her loving lord? —Shakespeare.

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