FRYER, PRATT AND POLICEMEN TESTIFY

They Saw the Men Talk, Cross the Road and Shake Hands.

SAW NOTHING UNUSUAL.

Evidence for Prosecution in Law Case is Now All In—Defense Will Now Begin.

Last night at 6 p.m. Mr. Evans for the prosecution announced that practically all the evidence in the Law-McCune bribery case had been made in submitted.

Following is a summary of the evidence for the prosecution:

EVIDENCE FOR PROSECUTION.

On Friday night last Law reported to Johnson and Smith at the Knutsford that attempts had been made to bribe him.

Chief Pratt was called and a trap was laid to detect the alleged crime by inducing McCune to go to Law's room, hired by Johnson for the purpose in the Jenkins block, and by getting him there to offer or to give money to induce his vote. The officers in the adjoining room were to come in and arrest McCune. Law was first in residence McCune was then also in the Wasatch drug store, and was then to bring him to the room.

By the testimony of Law, Horn, Halliday, Fryer, Pratt and the officers, McCune met Law in the Wasatch drug store on Saturday morning last. They talked one or ten minutes. Law stepped out and spoke to Fryer. McCune followed to the sidewalk, handed a package of bank-notes, paying a dollar bill, and receiving 75 cents change. McCune stepped out, shook hands with a Mr. Shields, who joined by Law, and they walked south across the street. Shields handed the package of money to McCune, who then shook hands with Fryer, came back, handed Law the money, and they walked south across the street to the Jenkins block, and up the stairs to Law's room, in the latter showed it to him.

This is all the corroborated evidence. That given by Law alone is this: Law, Mr. McCune and Mr. Shields met on Saturday morning last, and again on Sunday night, at McCune's headquarters. That McCune's offer was expressed to Mr. W. Fryer on Friday night in the Vienna cafe. That McCune received his offer on Saturday morning in the Wasatch drug store. That Law finally accepted it on the price. That Law put aspirants, namely, Mr. Fryer, and Mr. Shields, to Law, or they shook hands and parted on the street corner opposite.

This for Law's testimony to the only direct evidence that the crime of bribery was attempted by McCune.

No testimony for the defense has yet been heard.

The examination of witnesses for the prosecution was practically completed last night. The defense recalled Law, but the latter was in, and the court of inquiry adjourned till nine o'clock this morning.

REPRESENTATIVE SMITH.

Representative Smith was called in the afternoon. He testified to the offer; Law had come to the Cannon headquarters with a statement of attempts made to bribe him; had been made at a meeting there with Chief Pratt, at which he had assisted, whereby arrangements were to be made to get Mr. McCune. Under cross-examination Mr. Smith told of a meeting he had held with Mr. McCune early in the morning, at which he had attempted to sell a printing press he owned at Ogden, to Mr. McCune's company, a company which McCune had referred to the company, whereas had not such spoken to Law about it. He did not say in evidence that Mr. Chambers was president of the British company.

THOMAS HALLIDAY'S EVIDENCE.

Thomas Halliday testified: He saw on the Saturday night in question, a crowd of Albert A. Law, now Law and McCune in the drug store. Law was talking to Law; McCune was in the back part, but was said, whether McCune was present, Mr. McCune was still talking to an unknown person. He was in the drug store; there other witnesses; the men were sitting close together (witness illustrated) McCune was present.

Bob Freyer was called for.

ROBERT FREYER'S EVIDENCE.

Witness lived in Salt Lake, between Seventh and Eighth West and Seventh and Eighth South, with his wife and children; is a teamster and miner, lived in Utah 18 years, naturalized citizen; had been sworn.

Had known Law about a year, worked with him three or four weeks at Mosier; saw him last January or late since, behind, saw him Saturday morning; he had not seen Law before had any previous arrangement with him. Law came out of the drug store, said to me, "Bob, you run," and said the room to him. Law asked me to watch when a man came out and see what time. Law, McCune came out, shook hands with some man; Law stepped up to them and they walked across the road corner.

After coming out, what, if anything, did McCune do? McCune came out and met another person.

Did you know him? I did not know the gentleman; did not know him at all. He shook hands and then walked then along.

Did you notice whether Mr. McCune had a cane? No, sir.

Did, after shaking hands with this gentleman, what did they do? They walked across the street south.

Did you see Mr. McCune speak to Mr. Law when he met him outside there? No, sir.

Which way did they go? South, to where the drug store at the other corner.

Did you see them walking together? I saw them walking together.

How long together? Just as two men would walk together.

How far were you? I was standing a few feet behind them, walking along and then.

What they appear to be talking? They talked, I guess, I could not hear what they said.

SAW THEM SHAKE HANDS.

When they passed on to the south, some one did they do? They stopped, they stopped and shook hands; McCune and Law, and Law went to the corner.

When they were shaking hands, on which side was McCune? On the west, and Law? On the east.

Which way was you? I was going south.

Did you notice which hands they shook? Right I suppose.

Did you notice anything peculiar about that handshake? No, sir.

Did you hear anything that was said? No, sir.

After Mr. McCune went to the west, which way did Mr. Law go? Law was on the corner till I got to him; then had my hat band and showed me the money. He said, "Did you see that?" I said "Yes."

Law said, was it? It was a roll. Did you count them? No, sir.

Did he say anything else to you at that time? He said, "Do you see that money; that was all. Law said, "I will go and report to the chief."

Did you go with him? I went with him outside; yes, sir.

Went up the stairway, who, if anybody, did you see upstairs? I did not see anyone.

Did you go into the room with Mr. Law? No; he told me to stay outside.

How long did you stay outside? I would not be over four or five minutes.

Then you were called in? Yes, sir.

Did you see this money? No, sir.

Did you count it? No, sir.

Was it counted in your presence? No, sir.

Could you tell what denomination the bills were? No, sir. I could see it was money; that was all.

Who were up there in the room? Chief Pratt, Mr. Hilton, Detective Shields, a gentleman by the name of Burbidge; I think that was all.

CROSS-EXAMINED BY BROWN.

Witness was then examined on Bob Wright, the name of the folks who leased Mr. Law was naturalized about seven years ago; was employed at polishing cars at the Union depot; did not know the man's name who said Mr. Law paid for the money; witness was going that morning to see his boy at 20 Exchange street where he has a shoe store. Mr. Law was at witness's house and Mr. Pratt with Mr. Law, or you have said, where that did you go? Went down to the Knutsford hotel.

With whom? By myself.

Why didn't you go to see your boy? I wanted to find out what they were going to do about this thing.

Why did you go there? To see about it.

You went alone to the Knutsford? Yes, sir.

Did Law send you there? No, sir.

You just went there? Yes, sir.

What room did you go to? I didn't go into any room. I wanted to see any of the boys, Mr. Law, Mr. Pratt—any one.

You just told me that you left Pratt up in the room. They went down with you? No, sir.

Where did they go? I don't know.

Witness did not go home that night till 11 or 12 o'clock; Mr. Law was in company at the Knutsford with Law; was in Senator Cannon's office; understood from Law that Pratt and the officers were there; saw Pratt there Thursday, stayed there an hour—with Law; saw Pratt there Friday night; saw Pratt there Saturday night; saw Pratt a fourth-time parlor to my house; an attorney and a typewriter were there; went to bed thing at about 8 o'clock in the morning.

Stayed the last few nights at 11 P. M. Law was in the room; Law release ever since; didn't know why, but it was a suspicion of Chief Pratt; to that effect; Law was in the room; was in Salt Lake Theater; Mr. Pratt furnished the ticket and he drinks; witness was present when Law was; witness illustrated how Law showed him the money; did not notice anything peculiar about the handshaking; Law showed him the money, and said McCune had given it to him; but witness did not see McCune give Law the money; McCune was facing southeast; did not see McCune put the money into his pocket; was in the house; left behind there.

Chief Pratt was then called.

CHIEF PRATT'S TESTIMONY.

The witness is the chief of police of this city; he was questioned by Evans.

Let me ask you, Mr. Pratt, whether Mr. Law called your attention to any matter connected with an offer of bribery to Mr. McCune? Yes, sir.

When did he first call your attention to it—or who first called your attention to that matter? Friday night last, just a little after 11 o'clock. I received a telephone message to come down to the Knutsford hotel to Senator Cannon's headquarters. I told them I would come down in a few minutes. Some officers of the Legislature were with me at the time. I went down in probably ten minutes afterward, and met Mr. Johnson, representative Mr. Hyde, representative Smith, and was introduced to Mr. Law.

Where was that you say? In the public room at the Knutsford. Senator Cannon's headquarters. It is the room to the northeast corner of the hotel.

What, if any disclosure did Mr. Law make to you at that time? He said to me that on Thursday last, I think it was Tuesday last, that he had been that earlier had asked him to go over to the Wasatch drug store, and that when he got there there was quite a room full in one of the rooms he was in; that they did talk about the bill; and Mr. Law were alone in the room. That he had some talk with Mr. McCune, and that McCune urged him to vote for him; then they went to supper.

Well, we don't care about all the details. The conversation that you want, I presume, is that which, if any, took place in the room. Mr. McCune said to him, in substance, that McCune had asked him to vote for him; that McCune had told him that he could not, McCune said, he was sorry, he would, etc. That Mr. McCune then said to him, "You are a man of family; it is a man's first duty to his family; he is the family; that this is a good world for a man who is poor to do it; he has a hard time, and I want to help him; I am poor and you can name your own price, or 'your own figure.' That is the substance of it. That he had some further talk with him; that Mr. McCune's son came in and told him the carriage was waiting. He said, "In a minute." That his son came back again in a few minutes and he got up, excused himself for a minute, and after Mr. Law approached him. Do you want that conversation?

He told you that he had been approached and a bribe offered? Yes, sir.

PRATT GAVE ADVICE.

What, if anything, did you advise about that? Well, we talked together and he said he would not consider that he ought to expose McCune and he wanted me to assist him. I asked him to come to my office and I gave him quarters. Mr. Johnson called first; a few minutes afterwards Mr. Smith and Mr. Hyde came in. We talked the matter over. It was I voiced in the morning and we talked the matter over, and, I, in substance, suggested that he should go back and give and that he proposed; he have McCune make his statements and I suggested that he "beat it" and get the money found, etc. My first recollection is that it was some of the officers who suggested the room; I don't know which. It was a general conversation. It suggested that he better go back and that he was afterward decided that the better way was to get a room and Mr. Shield suggested the Jenkins block and that was agreed on, and Mr. Law should stay down town and go to bed that night, while officers and Mr. Law and the other gentlemen left my office and I went out for Sergeant Hilton and Detective Burbidge; left my office a few minutes after 2 o'clock. Mr. Shields and Mr. Law, I think it was about half past 2 o'clock; then Shields came back and Sergeant Hilton arrived and I talked the matter over with them, and in pursuance of the arrangement we made we staid at the hall that night; Mr. Shields, Mr. Law and myself. The next morning Sergeant Burbidge came in and we went over to the room. Mr. Law met Mr. Shields and Mr. Law came down