

12/8/1894

A BLUFF CALLED.

A. B. CORNELL, OF THIS CITY, PROVED
TO BE A TARTAR

For the Youngstown Board of Health—
He Writes a Sarcastic Letter in Which
He Says He is Glad He Lives in Mans-
field.

Miss Amy A. Cornell, daughter of A. B. Cornell, secretary of the Card Electric Company, of this city, is the owner of a tenement house on Hazel street, Youngstown, which has been declared a nuisance by the Youngstown board of health. On November 22d the Youngstown board of health wrote Miss Cornell a letter notifying her that the nuisance must be removed within ten days. The letter was received on the 27th and handed to Mr. Cornell for attention and reply. On Thanksgiving day Mr. Cornell took a day off and wrote the Youngstown authorities a long letter placing himself and family right in the matter. He very emphatically called attention to the fact that the only way to abate the nuisance complained of was to destroy the property, and as five of the ten days' notice had already elapsed he would not have time to evict the tenants and destroy the building, and he did believe the board of health had a right to do so. Those who know Mr. Cornell, who is a vigorous old gentleman, and cannot be bluffed, will enjoy the closing paragraphs of his letter, which follow:

You declare "the building a public nuisance * * * in that the same is

filthy and the air impure," and we are "notified and ordered to cause the same to be removed within ten days from date." Five days had expired before your notice reached us. It is manifestly impossible for us to remove it within what remains of the ten days. You give no intimation of distance or locality and I infer that it must be removed beyond the city limits and the jurisdiction of the board of health. Of course, as a law-abiding citizen, the impossibility of compliance is the only reason for not obeying the order. I had not supposed that confiscation of property was within the powers and duties of the board, though one of your heralds (a newspaper) made proclamation that the building would be torn down if a law could be found to warrant it. It is a virtual confiscation of the whole property, as we have no means of paying the taxes when deprived of the income, and it must of necessity be sold out.

We have a property on Elm street which you would do well to visit also. You will find earth worms in the back yard, a sudsy smell in the laundry on wash days and a horsey smell in the barn, and a man who will permit such things when he is 125 miles away deserves to lose everything he may have, and to be denounced by every member of the board, as your herald reports was done.

Take the property, Mr. Mayor, honorable gentlemen, grind it to powder, blacken our reputation all you can, leave me only the privilege of thanking God upon our national holiday of good cheer that I have nothing more to attract your attention or offend your delicate sensibilities, and that I am 125 miles away from a place where such sentiments prevail and such deeds are done in the name of law.

Respectfully yours.

A. B. CORNELL.

The Youngstown Vindicator of Thursday said that a warrant would be issued for the arrest of Amy A. Cornell on the charge of maintaining a nuisance, but Mr. Cornell said to the SHIELD today that he is in receipt of a letter from his Youngstown agent, stating that no warrant will be issued, and the matter will be dropped. The board of health will, however, make an effort to evict the objectionable tenants for Mr. Cornell.

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WM. H. LEMLEY,

LATE PROPRIETOR OF THE NEW-
VILLE "HOP TEA" JOINT,

Lodged in Jail on the Charge of Planning
the Robbery of Wm. Garrett—Another
Link in the Chain of Evidence Against
DeWitt.

Without doubt two of the men implicated in the robbery of Wm. Garrett, near Newville, on the night of Nov. 22nd, are imprisoned in the county jail.

Marshal Conrad, of Loudonville, arrived in the city at 8:30 last night with Wm. H. Lemley, who was placed under arrest yesterday on the charge of being implicated in the robbery. Lemley has been running a "hop tea" joint at Newville for the past three months and on the night of the robbery several citizens of Newville were in his place and saw him carry out a number of bottles of "hop tea" and return with the empty bottles. The matter looked suspicious at the time, but nothing more was thought of it until the next morning, when it was learned that Mr. Garrett had been bound, gagged and robbed.

When Lemley was placed under arrest he was very drunk, but denied any knowledge of the affair and also said that he did not take any beer to persons outside the saloon on the night of the robbery. When seen by a SHIELD reporter last night he was still intoxicated. After being pressed closely Lemley finally admitted that he did take "two bottles of "hop tea" to some strangers on the outside of the saloon. He also said he had not seen DeWitt for eight years.

Lemley is a son of Henry Lemley, a stock buyer of Loudonville. He is 30 years of age and unmarried and has a tough reputation.

Marshal Conrad made an examination of the cell in the Loudonville prison which had been occupied by DeWitt and found the underdrawers which DeWitt had on at the time of his arrest and afterwards discarded. They were torn in several parts and tucked in a crevice. The marshal took them to Mr. Garrett, who at once identified them as belonging to him. When DeWitt was told that the drawers had been found and identified he looked rather crestfallen.

Although Lemley did not accompany the robbers to Garrett's home, it is claimed he planned the robbery.

Police Court. 1/8/1894

In Police Court this morning Frank Henry, who was arrested upon a warrant sworn out by Calvin Livermore, charging him with an assault upon his son, Grant, appeared. The trouble occurred Friday evening. Livermore failed to appear and Henry was discharged. From the evidence given by several witnesses it appears that young Livermore made himself very obnoxious around Henry's store on North Mulberry street and when he was ejected from the place he hurled a brick at Henry. After the hearing this morning Henry swore out a warrant for young Livermore's arrest charging him with assault.

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NORRIS TOMLINSON,

A RICHLAND COUNTY MAN, IN BIG
TROUBLE IN INDIANA.

He is in Jail at Brazil, Indiana, Charged
With Swindling and Admits That he is
Wanted in Ohio for Shooting a Man—
Tomlinson is From Bloominggrove
Township, This County.

The dispatch printed below appeared in yesterday's Cincinnati Enquirer and will be of interest to many people in the northern part of this county. Norris Tomlinson, the man named in the dispatch, is from Bloominggrove township, this county, where he lived until a few months ago, when his conduct became so bad that he was compelled to seek a new field of operations and he went to Indiana.

He is the only son of Wm. H. Tomlinson, also of Bloominggrove township, one of the best known and most intelligent citizens of the county. Mr. and Mrs. Tomlinson are highly respected people and they will have the sympathy of many friends in the trouble that has come upon them. They are nearly heart-broken over the waywardness of their son. Only two or three weeks ago Mr. Tomlinson visited the SHIELD office and told the writer of the great distress he and his wife were in concerning their son. He was then on his way to Indianapolis to look after the young man.

The Enquirer report is as follows:

BRAZIL, IND., Dec. 7.—Norris Tomlinson, who is a confessed murderer, is now confined in the county jail, having been captured by Marshal Louderbach last night in a little hut situated in a sequestered spot west of Indianapolis. Some time ago George McHenry, a wealthy business man of this city, employed Tomlinson to superintend his large stock farm near Cloverland, west of this city. Mr. McHenry soon began losing heavily and, supposing Tomlinson was appropriating the proceeds of the farm, discharged him. Soon afterward wheat, oats and fruit amounting to over \$1,000 disappeared.

Detectives traced the crime to Tomlinson, but he had in some manner been forewarned of his danger and left the county, shipping his household goods to Indianapolis under an assumed name. It has been recently discovered that Tomlinson has affiliated with a well-known stock raiser to swindle McHenry out of a flock of fine sheep and some other fine stock that received prominence at the World's Fair. The would-be robbers consulted Attorney Schwartz, of this city, as to the best plan to proceed, and the attorney gave the officers the details of what Tomlinson was endeavoring to accomplish and the scheme was foiled. Tomlinson is a young man and has wealthy parents residing at Greenwich, Ohio. It is also claimed that his young wife has valuable property in Ohio. Tomlinson admitted this morning that he was wanted in Ohio for shooting a man.

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Attorneys Assigned.

Judge Wolfe yesterday assigned the following attorneys to act as counsel for the defendants, who were indicted by the special grand jury, and in which cases the State of Ohio is plaintiff:

Frank Long for John Shearer.

L. C. Mengert for Otto Fink.

J. L. Miller for Joseph Doll.

Edwin Mansfield for Ted Hafer.

T. R. Robison for Ezra Fairbanks.