

Q. And you were trying your best to collect all you could in order to meet that note; isn't that so? No; I did not pay enough to make any effort on that note.

Q. You were about \$700 short then? A. You are not right with the account.

Q. Well, they were pressing you at that time, weren't they? A. About what time?

Q. Sometime in March? A. I guess so.

Q. And you tried your utmost to meet your liabilities at that time? A. Yes.

Q. You tried then to collect all you could to make headway, didn't you? A. My efforts were not directed in collecting. They were directed in settling with them by an extension or otherwise.

Q. Then you tried your best to get in all your assets, didn't you? A. That might be. I presume it would be about that time I presented the bill.

Q. How did you come to get Miller here in one book and the other in the other? A. Because Miller was allowed to remain longer there, thinking he would pay it from day to day.

Q. Where is that other book you talk of? A. I have not got it.

Mr. McCarthy:—Did O'Neill pay you for those shoes? A. No.

Q. Did you ever ask him for it? A. No.

JOHN TETRAULT, sworn.

Examined by Mr. McCarthy:—

Q. You are the son of the last witness? A. Yes.

Q. Do you know O'Neill? A. Yes.

Q. Do you remember O'Neill trying on a pair of overshoes in your father's establishment in December last? A. Yes.

Q. Which O'Neill was that? Do you his first name? A. I do not.

Q. Had you known him before? Had he ever been in the store before? A. Yes, he had bought goods from me before.

Q. Did any person come in while O'Neill was there? A. Not that I remember, except Mr. Campbell.

Q. You say that you remember Mr. Campbell coming in? A. Yes.

Q. What was O'Neill getting? A. A pair of overshoes.

Q. Do you remember O'Neill saying anything? What were they talking about? A. He was talking of the election with my father, I think, before Mr. Campbell came in.

Q. And after Mr. Campbell came in what was he talking about, or what were they talking about? A. They continued then on the same subject.

Q. What was Mr. Campbell talking about? A. Mr. O'Neill says, pointing to my father—I forget the exact words he used though—meaning to say “He is on our side; he is a Liberal; that is a good man,” or something like that.

Q. What did your father say to that? A. He said, “No, Sir, I do not think it.”

Q. Then what did Mr. Campbell say? A. Then Mr. Campbell started figuring on the counter; and he said, “Oh, we will have a majority in Dover of so many,” which I forget; “We will have a majority in Raleigh of so many,” which I forget.

Q. Who did he say would have a majority? A. Oh, he thought he would get in all right. Then he called my father aside and spoke to him a few minutes.

Q. Did you hear what he said to your father? A. No.

Q. After that what happened? A. Then Mr. O'Neill said, “Well, I will take this pair if Mr. Campbell says it is all right.”

Q. What pair was he referring to? A. To a pair of overshoes he had on his feet.

Q. Did he say anything more than that? A. No, that is all he said. He said something more, and that is all he said—that he would work for him and get some more votes for him; I forget the exact words he used.

Q. What did Mr. Campbell say to that? A. He did not say anything; he bowed his head and started talking again about the election; and then Mr. O'Neill asked him the second time, and he said, “I will take this pair if he makes it all right.”

Q. That is, repeating what he had said already? A. Yes. Then Mr. Campbell nodded his head to father, and said, “I guess you had better give it to him.”