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A DEEP-DYED RASCAL

THAT'S WHAT MOONEY PROVES TO BE

Some Points in the History of the Notorious Doctor, John Franklin Shane ali-as Dr. D. L. Mooney--He had Four Wives and Wanted More-He Lies After the Peuitentiary Doors are Closed Bchind Rim.

Cherokee people have heard something of the history of Dr. Mooney, sent to the penitentiary from here last week, but the facts in relation to, his having four wives have been withheld from publication for obvious reasons until justice was meted out to the deep-dyed villian. Something definite in regard to his career will be interesting to our readers, in view of the fact that his plea of guilty to the charge of bigamy prevented the facts from being brought out in court. We are indebt-ed to Marshal Wheeler, who took active interest in bringing Mooney to bay, for letters and information which we give below. When Mooney was arrested here the

fact was in some way made known to his third wife, M. C. Mooney, the lady who was here from Illinois to assist in prosecuting him. She wrote to the postmaster here and the matter was turned over to Marshal Wheeler, who went to work ferreting out the facts. He soon discovered the fact that Moonev had three wives besides the one in Cherokee, and that his real name was John Franklin Shane. The facts will be best explained by publishing a few, of the many letters received and ex-tracts from others. Here is one from Mrs. M. C. Mooney, the fine appearing bedy who was been and who has pro-

Mrs. M. C. Mooney, the fine appearing lady who was here, and who has pro-ven to be wife No. 3: MoxnouTH. III., March 18, 1590.—To City Marshai: Dear Sir-I was married to D. L. Mooney Feb. 6, 1884, in Monmouth, by Rev. W., J. Watson. He (Mooney) was a stranger and boarded at our house. He spoke of his people. By careful tracing I have found his name to be J. F. Shane, and just received a letter from his own cousin. I just found her this last De-cember and found out his rascality. She said bis mother was a true christian woman and was her own aunt. Now, bear in mind what I say is facts and ready to be proven. He (J. F. Shane) was married in Peoria, Nov. 11, 1874, and has never been divorced. J received a letter from his wife, M. C. Shane, Princeville, III., saying she had plead with him to do right and that I was not his lawful wife. I wrote her telling ber that if I could ever find him, which I feit sure of doing, that he must suffer. for his villiany. She wrote saying she thought veich I felt sure of doing, that he must sure. The or his villiany. She wrote saying she thought the imerazy. I thought as much of him at one that time as she possibly could, but now I have no respect for him and want him to suffer. I was that as innocent of him having a wife when I mar-ried him as was his wife Effic May Lisk, and an sympathize with her in her sorrow as those only can who have suffered. ** 1 warn you if he finds this out he will attempt any-thing for freedom. You have a desperate man to deal with, and for the love you bear you cown friends don't let him escape. You may think him unassuming, but don't trust him. Even had he given bail he would have left his bondsmen to pay it. ** My moth-er's name is M. Rabarn. Respectfully, . M. C. MOONEY, . C. B. & Q. Depot.

Enclosed with this letter was one from Shane's cousin, written to Mrs. Lisk, as follows:

fourteen years and of course was glad to see him. That lady sitting by him in the group picture is the lady. his wife: He went to work at Cascade saw. mills. They had not been here very long—say perhaps three weeks—till a letter came to my brother David Moon-ey (now dead) from Mrs. M. C. Shane of Princevill, Ill., inquiring after John of Princevill, Ill., inquiring after some F. Shane, her husband, who had left her and had taken another wife. My brother could neither read writing or write, so he gave the letter to the first ones who trust to his oily tongue." In another place she says: "I hate him as did not want to read he did not read, maker with these crimes on his soul?" so by John's actions my brother be-came suspicious that he, John, had not read all the letter, so he gave it to John's wife to read for him, and it was then she discovered that she was wife No. 2. Her maiden name was May Dean, of Buda. Ill. Then she came to me and begged me to help ber get away from him, which is not." to help her get away from him. which I did, so far as to help her make arrangements to take her baggage. so the officers, as we told Shane. could not trace her trunk up and find him. And so she left him, and the next day John came to me and said, 'Rill, I believe May is going to give me away.' I said to him. What do you mean?' He said. Oh nothing; I am just worried about May,' and when she did not return next morning according to her pro-mise he got so wild he fied in a hurry and I have not seen him since. was about the first week in November, 1883. I had a letter from him in '84 or '85, and that is the last I heard from him except through his first wife, Mrs. M. C. Shane of Princeville, III. She wrote me quite often and would say: "Daisie had a letter from her papa." Then last fall or winter Mrs. Mooney of Monmouth opened a correspondence with me, enquiring after my cousins, Mamie Mooney and her brother David L. Mocney. I answered and told her I had no cousins by that name and knew no one of that name; so we kept on writing and exchanging pictures and we soon discovered Mooney, as he calls himself, to be John F. Shane. He never was divorced from any of his wives to my knowledge. I can not tell you of all his acts and queer doings while he was here. It would be too long at story. I will send you two pictures of John F. Shane. The one pictures of John F. Shane. The one in the group is his natural self and this small the type is him with his hair. and mustache dved as black as coal,

That said she had a bard, time to get Mr. Mooney, as she calls him, to have a picture taken at all, and before he would have it taken he dyed his hair and mustache black, and being lightcomplected, makes quite a contrast Get a magnifying glass and look sharp at the eyes of all the pictures of him. the photo you have and the two I send you, and you will readily see it is the same man, and this picture in the group is John F. Shane and his second

wife, and the small one is John F. Shane and his third wife. This is the

writes to Marshal Wheeler: fle (Moon-ey) came to my house in the fore part October, 1883; bringing his wife of but a few weeks. I had not seen him for has charge of a news depot at Mon-mouth and supports herself and child and her mother. Mooney left there three years ago April 14. She says she could not stand his treatment. He lert a letter on the bridge in Burlington saying he had drowned himself. She says in one letter: "I live in fear he may kidnap my child. O, such a life to live! I was content for a while, for I thought him dead, and still I had a teeling that he was not dead. O, might

man he met to read, and that man happened to be John F. Shane. He read what he wanted to and what he did not want to read he did not read, maker with these crimes on his soul?"

A doctor must be educated, which he is not."

Mrs. Mooney's mother mortgaged her house and Mooney got the benefit of, it and the poor woman he deceived is now trying to pay off the debt. bave many other letters before us that would make interesting reading. but our space will not permit it. It is our space will not permit it. It is shown clearly that, with the one in Cherokee, this villian had at least four wives, and 'How many more nobody knows. It is a pity that Judge Lewis could not have had the privilege of sending him to the pen for the balance of his davs.

Sheriff Unger reports that when he arrived at the penitentiary Mooney gave his age as 30 years, while the re-cord shows him to be over 40. He also stated that he had never been in the pen before and that he bad never changed his name. He would "lie at the point of death." The sheriff says he was a hard looker when his whiskers were shaved off. The warden asked him what his business was and he replied that he was a physician and surgeon. so he was at once ordered to dissect a stone pile.

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she feels very bitter towards him. She FOUR FOR THE PEN

THAT'S THE RECORD OF THE COURT.

Close of An Eventful Term of the rict Court-Miller, Mooney, Dustin and Hugh Etherton to Serve Terms in the Penitentiary-Parr Hangs on the Ragged Edge-Mooney Gets Five Years and a Lecture-Court Notes.

Last Friday afternoon closed what was probably the most important and eventful term of court ever held in Cherokee county. Nine days were given up to the trial of criminals, re-sulting in the sending of four men to

the penitentiary. N. H. Miller, convicted of adultery as reported last week, was on Wednesday afternoon sentenced to serve a term of two and a half years in the

penitentiary. The trial of D. L. Mooney, on the charge of bigamy, was set for Fri-A large crowd of people were on dav. hand expecting to see and hear some-thing interesting, but all were doomed to disappointment. Attorneys Chap-man and Irwin of Storm Lake appeared for the defendant. and after a quite lengthy conference with the state's at-torneys, entered a plea of guilty on behalf of their client. With two of his wives facing him the miserable creature didn't have gall enough to stand trial. Judgment hour was set for 4 o'clock on the same day, and at that time Dustin and Etherton. the cattle thieves. were also sentenced.

Several hundred people were in the court room at the appointed hour, and the scene which followed will long be remembered. Dustin and Etherton were called up first by Judge Lewis. M. Wakefield, their attorney. made quite a lengthy plea in their behalf. explaining the circumstances and asking for leniency on the part of the court. He was followed by H. C. Kellogg, who asked permission to say a few words in behalf of Hugh Etherton. He made such a plea as only II. C. Kellogg can make. It was touching in the extreme, and when he got through there was scarcely a person in the large crowd whose eyes were not dimmed by tears, and those who didn't shed any tears had to bite their lips to restrain them. The Ethertons are neighbors of Mr Kellogy's and the parents are highly respected people. He spoke of Hugh as the light-bearted, good-natured boy he had known him to be, how he had suddenly fallen by evil associations, of the grief of paren's and sister, of the evident intention of the young man to lead a better life, and argued that a short term in the penitentiary would be better in every way than a long one He thought three months would be sufficient, and begged the judge to make it as light as he could.

It is perhaps best that Judge Lewis cannot be swerved from the line of duty by such a plea. After a few re-marks he sentenced Etherton to two years in the penitentiary at Anamosa, and Dustin he gave two years for cattle stealing and two years for forgery. He spoke of having been called upon on a previous occusion to sentence

Dustin for forgery. He had made the sentence light at that time and had of-ten thought the punishment was not

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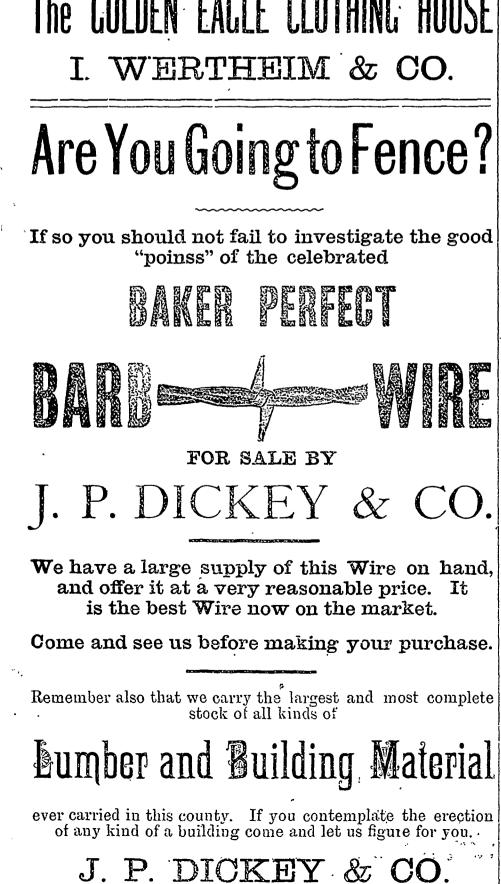
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Her description of the man is such that there can be no doubt that Moon-ey is the man. She was born and raised in Peoria county, where she now

ed at last and is now in the hands of Sheriff Unger. He was enjoying himself in a crowd of 3.000 people at Ylab's,

in Dubuque, when Sheriff Phillips tap-ped him on the shoulder and invited him to take a walk. Sheriff Unger was notified and brought him to Cherokee last night.

last hight. Fiegen has spent most of the time in and around Dubuque. He is smooth shaven and scarcely looks like the Fie-gen of old. He has acknowledged his guilt to the Cherokee officers and will be confined in jail either at Sioux City or Storm Lake until the October term of court of court.

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and. Don't you believe it. When he took it on his self to save him." faces the Monmouth lady and myself that will settle him. He won't care to see anyone else who knows of his wickedness" As Mrs. Bangs says she weighs over S00 pounds it is probable that if she would have sat down on Mooney pret-ty hard. Under date of March 30, Mrs. Bangs

sufficient to deter him from the com-mission of further crime. He hoped that this time it would be more saluta-ry in its effect and that Dustin might never be brought before him again ou a similar charge.

Mooney then stood up for his dose. and it was a bitter one. His attorneys each made pleas in his behalf, but no tears were shed. Mooney had told them that he thought his wife dead when he marined the Charotes girl and when he married the Cherokee girl and they rung this in on the judge. But their remarks were totally "irrelevant and immaterial" when the judge began to read Mooney the riot act. Although no evidence had been brought out in court Judge Lewis was "onto" the facts of Mooney's career and did not hesitate to mention a few things. He had not stolen cattle. but he had stolen the hearts and affections and wrecked the lives of at least four girls. The judge grew eloquent and "the big lump" came up in his throat as he touched up-on these matters, and even the heart of the stolid and indifferent bigamist was touched. For assault with intent to do great bodily harm Mooney was sentenced to six months in the county jail, and for bigamy to four and a half years in the penitentiary, the maximum period being five years. If the maximum had been ten years Mooney would probably have got nine. judging from the remarks made by the court.

the remarks made by the court. Sheriff Unger left for Anamosa Fri-day night with the four men-Miller. Mooney, Dustin and Etherton. All seemed quite cheerful and determined to feel happy until the great doors closed behind them at last.

COURT NOTES. It is estimated that this term of court cost the county over \$2,000. The jurors alone received \$497.65.

Nate Miller struck a snap at the pen. He was put right to work at his busi-ness, photographing. Pounding rock would have gone hard with him. Two divorces were granted during the term. Murin Armstruarg, whose

Two divorces were granted during the term. Maria Armstrong, whose husband deserted her five years ago, was released from the bonds that tied her to her faithless hubby and took her maiden name, Maria Larson. Levi Blodgett secured legal separation from his wife, Sarah Blodgett. He unfolded a loathsome tale. In the case against J. S. Parr two

a loathsome tale. In the case against J. S. Parr two trials were had, the jury disagreeing each time. The first jury stood 11 to 1 for acquittal and the second 7 to 5 for conviction. The case was continued and Parr's bonds fixed at only \$200 He is still trying to get bonds and will probably be taken to jail again tonight if he fails today.

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