

## BUT ONE SIDE HEARD

## No Evidence Given for the Defence

## In the Grymes Case.

## SENT ON ONE CHARGE.

## Examination Waited As to Other Four

## Warrants.

## FRIENDS ON HIS BOND.

## Several Volunteer Their Services--The

## Evidence of Treasurer Chidley.

## Major Ellyson, and Others.

## "I wish you would execute those war-

## rants on Mr. Grymes."

## The special session of the Police Court

## held just before noon and Justice Crutch-

## field addressed the remark to Sergeant

## George H. Matthews, of the First District.

## That officer pushed his way through the

## dense crowd that stood to the right of the

## justice, and advancing to the front of the

## bar, handed five papers to Mr. E. Buford

## Grymes, who until last Tuesday was the

## first clerk in the office of the City Treas-

## urer.

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## beginning of the preliminary hearing in

## a case of alleged embezzlement of munici-

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## justice. Instead of the loafing element it

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## sional men upon whom the eye rested.

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## of the accused assemblage of a curious turn

## of mind began to drip in. By 12 o'clock

## all the available space in the room was

## occupied.

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## Courtney, Jefferson Wallace, C. I. Phillips,

## P. W. Rafter, and Richmond Lewis.

## A LONG CONFERENCE.

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## tice were also in consultation.

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## wood, and A. B. Gwynn, counsel for the

## defence, with Mr. E. Buford Grymes, brother

## of the accused, entered the court-room and

## took seats within the space reserved for

## members of the bar.

## Mayor Ellyson and Commonwealth's

## Attorney Smith occupied seats between the

## bar and the bench.

## JUSTICE CRUTCHFIELD.

## Justice Crutchfield ascended the bench a

## few minutes later, and as soon as Clerk

## Edgar White could finish copying the new

## warrants that it had been decided to issue

## there were three gentle taps, and Sergeant

## Thomas was directed to call the court to

## order. This he did by commanding as

## usual and asking the gentlemen to remove

## to the bar. The five new warrants arrived

## being read by Mayor Ellyson, upon whose

## information they were issued, were signed

## by Justice Crutchfield and handed over to

## Officer Matthews for service.

## The first of these charges that E. Buford

## Grymes had within a certain past, being

## there and there an agent, employ, and of-

## ficer of the city of Richmond, and as such

## having custody of public funds of said

## city, did unlawfully and feloniously, know-

being asked, "What office do you hold?"

replied "City Treasurer."

Q. Do you know Mr. Grymes?

A. Yes.

Q. What position did he hold?

A. Clerk to the City Treasurer, to which

position he was elected by the City Coun-

cil.

Q. Does he give bond?

A. Yes, sir, and has to qualify as a city

officer.

Q. And he so qualified prior to February

23, 1891?

A. I don't know positively, but I think

he had. It was not my business to ascer-

tain.

Q. Was he your clerk on February 23rd?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did the custom in your office

when a man pays a gas bill?

A. We generally enter it on the book.

Q. That book, and water-book. Then we

receipt the bill and hold it until we get the

money. We have adopted that plan be-

cause we were very certain of getting

the bills on the book.

Q. Mr. Chidley was then asked by counsel

to examine the Treasurer's books to see if

he could find Thalhimer's bill listed. He

looked and said he could not.

Q. You have heard the evidence of Mr.

Warriner. Do you find those other two

bills of Thalhimer on the book?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. The handwriting is the entry?

A. Mr. Grymes's. I am not an expert at

handwriting, however, but I should say

that it is his.

Q. Did you have any conversation with

Mr. Grymes about this affair?

A. Yes, sir. Wednesday morning, March

4th, I went to the Treasurer's office and

first I heard of it and of course I was

very much surprised. I think I heard it

from one of the clerks. Then I saw Mr.

Grymes, and then I saw Mr. Turpin, the

Auditor.

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in that office access to Mr. Grymes's

drawers?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Look at the two Thalhimer names and

see who wrote the names under them?

A. Mr. Chidley wrote the name under

the book which was handed him.

Q. Who wrote this? Have you

ever seen any of young Mr. Reynolds's

handwriting?

A. Yes, sir; it looks like his.