

ABOUT TOWN.

The Burglary that Led to the Chinese Battle.

The Examination in Progress in Court.

A Mysterious Cellar in Commercial Street Turns Up.

Another Cut in Railroad Rates—Other News of an Interesting Nature Gathered on the Streets.

Yesterday afternoon the examination into the cases against Mary and Henry J. Canneban, charged with the burglary of the Chinese theater on the morning of May 1st, was commenced in the township court before Justice Savage. As the recent murder of Fong Ah Lung was to a great extent due to the trouble which arose between the two factions, into which Chinatown is divided, the case attracted a good deal of attention and the court room was crowded with interested spectators of both white and Chinese races.

Lee Low, the complainant, was the first witness called. He testified in effect that he was a female impersonator at the Chinese theater. On the night of the 30th of April he left his room shortly after midnight, leaving the door locked. On his return he found that it had been broken into and \$100 in cash and a trunk containing a number of valuable costumes and stage properties of the value of \$489 stolen therefrom. He identified the trunk, which had been found after the burglary in the yard behind Mrs. Canneban's house on Alameda street, as the one that had been stolen from his room.

Chan Kin Sing, an interpreter, testified as to the location of Lee Low's room, in relation to the theater.

Wong Gow, a friend of the complainant, testified in effect that Lee Low asked him to see whether his door was locked or not about 1 o'clock in the morning. On going over to his friend's room he found Lem You, Fook Sing and another Chinaman attempting to pick the lock of the door. Fook Sing immediately drew a pistol, and presenting it at the intruder's breast, held him up with it until the door was forced, and the other two went into the room, and took the costumes and other property, dropping it through the window into the yard below.

Guoy You stated that on the night in question he was walking along Alameda street, in the vicinity of the theater building, and heard a sound like the noise produced by a heavy body falling to the ground. He listened intently for a few seconds, and hearing men's voices in undertones he started to investigate. He went up a little hallway and saw three Chinamen attempting to break open a trunk with a hatchet. While they were doing so a woman came out of a door, in her nightgown, and picking up a pillow-case box carried it into her room. The Chinamen succeeded in breaking the trunk open, and carried off its contents, saying as they did so that they were very valuable.

At this juncture, it being 5 o'clock, the court adjourned, the case being continued until 9:30 o'clock this morning.