

## HOTEL ROW AT BOULDER

### ALLEGED STABBING.

#### RUSSIAN COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

The hearing of a charge arising out of a stabbing affray at the Horseshoe Inn Hotel, Boulder, on April 4, came before the acting R.M., Mr. E. McGinn, in the Boulder Police Court yesterday, when Jack Pavelkin, a Russian, who wore a returned soldier's badge, was proceeded against on a charge of having assaulted Samuel Keenan. Mr. R. F. Cook appeared for the prosecution and Mr. P. F. O'Dea for the defendant.

Dr. Connelly gave evidence that on Sunday, April 4, he was called to the Horseshoe Inn Hotel, Boulder, about 2 p.m. There he saw the licensee, Samuel Keenan, who had a wound over the shoulder. The wound was about one and a half inches long, and went right to the bone. It could have been inflicted by the knife produced, which he saw with blood on at the hotel. The singlet produced was being worn by Keenan at the time and had a blood stain on the shoulder. Keenan also had a cut on the finger.

Samuel Keenan, licensee of the Horseshoe Inn Hotel, said that between 12 and 1 o'clock on the afternoon of April 4 he saw Pavelkin at the hotel. He was accompanied by a mate; and they asked if they could get dinner. Witness took Pavelkin into the dining-room and gave instructions for him to be attended to. Pavelkin commenced using bad language, and as he would not refrain witness took him by the arm and put him out the front door. Witness then went inside and found defendant's mate lying on one of the clean beds, and put him out also. About half an hour afterwards defendant returned to the hotel, and

defendant returned to the hotel, and witness told him not to be using bad language. Witness said, "Wrestling would be of no good to you, Jack, if I went outside." Pavelkin then stabbed at witness with the knife produced and caught him on the left shoulder. Witness then ran into Forrest-street and around the side of the hotel. He saw two men, O'Connor and Treacy, standing outside. Defendant was chasing him, and he called out to O'Connor that he had been stabbed. He ran around into the back of the hotel, and came out through the front door. There he saw Brown and the defendant running up the road and saw Pavelkin throw away a knife, which O'Connor brought back to witness. About 2 o'clock he was attended by Dr. Connelly.

To Mr. O'Dea: He saw Pavelkin last running up the road chased by Brown.

Is that the famous "Knock-out" Brown?—He is known by that name.

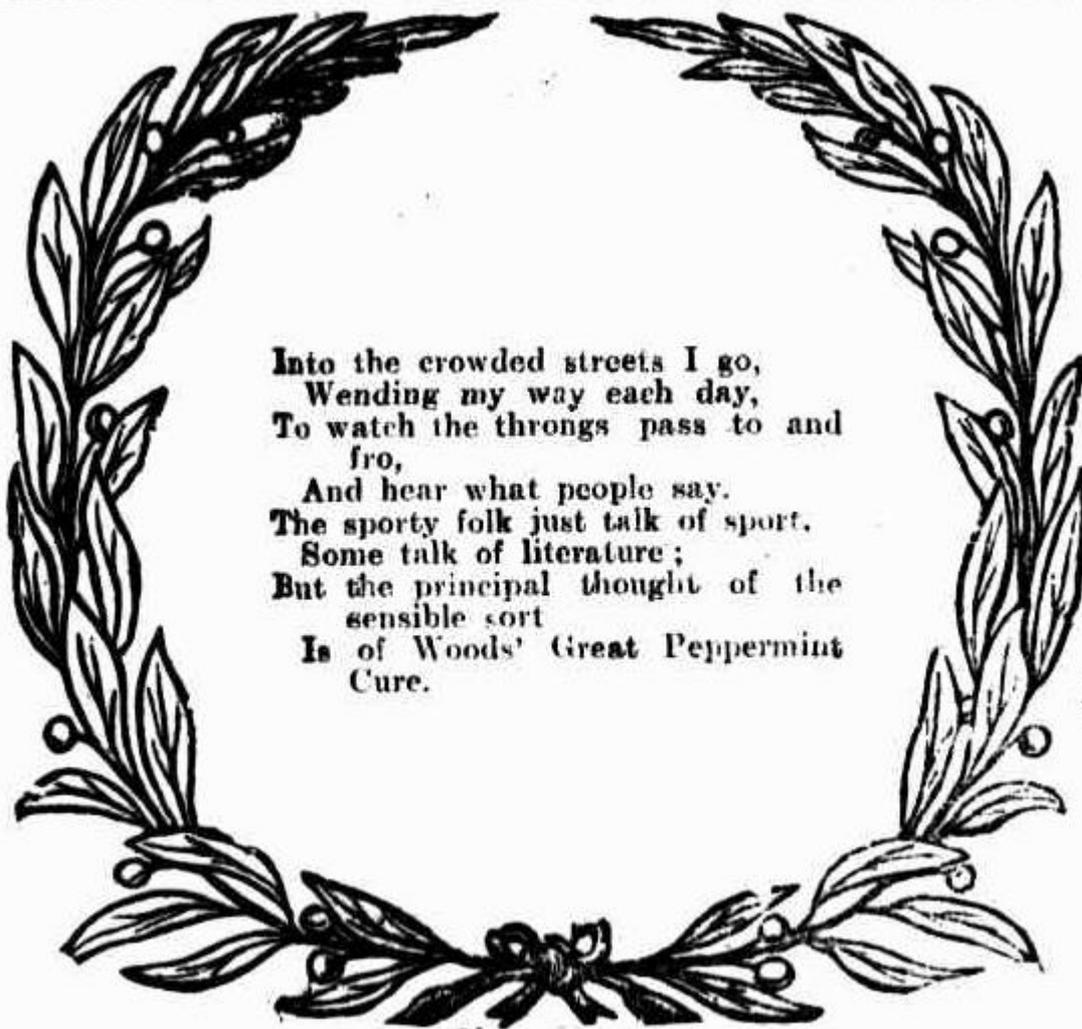
Did you see Pavelkin knocked over?—No.

Did you see him on the ground?—Yes, sitting down.

Was he hurt?—He was bleeding at the mouth.

Was that from the kick you gave him?—I never kicked him.

Robert Smith, a trucker on the Ivanhoe mine, said he boarded at



Into the crowded streets I go,  
Wending my way each day,  
To watch the throngs pass to and  
fro,  
And hear what people say.  
The sporty folk just talk of sport,  
Some talk of literature;  
But the principal thought of the  
sensible sort  
Is of Woods' Great Peppermint  
Cure.

Keenan's hotel. He was having dinner on the Sunday in question when Keenan brought Pavelkin in and told him to sit down and have a bit of dinner. Pavelkin commenced swearing, and, as he would not stop when told to, Keenan took him by the arm and put him outside.

To Mr. O'Dea: Pavelkin showed signs of drink.

James Treacy, a miner, boarding at the Horseshoe Inn Hotel, gave corroborative evidence. O'Connor and Brown were standing at the side of the hotel and Pavelkin made to wards Brown with the knife in his hand. Brown moved away and accused went off. O'Connor then called out to Brown and they chased the accused to get the knife off him.

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To Mr. O'Dea: He did not see Keenan go up to the defendant and did not see him kicked. He saw Brown catch up to the defendant and both fell near the crossing. He did not go up for about ten minutes, and when he arrived Pavelkin was bleeding at the mouth.

John Peat, a tributer, also gave evidence.

Patrick O'Connor, a miner, boarding at the Horseshoe Inn Hotel, gave similar evidence regarding the stabbing. Witness and Brown chased defendant, who threw the knife away and witness picked it up and returned to the hotel and

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Constable McGillivray said he was called to the hotel about 2.25 and on arrival Keenan gave him the military jack knife produced. Keenan's shoulder was bandaged up and also two of his fingers. He assisted to put Pavelkin into the ambulance. Pavelkin appeared to have been knocked about and was lying on the ground when he arrived.

This closed the case for the prosecution.

Accused, who reserved his defence, was committed for trial at the next sitting of the Circuit Court in Kalgoorlie.

Bail was allowed in one surety of £20 and accused's recognisance of a like amount.

Mr. O'Dea asked for an adjournment for eight days in the cross-summonses for assault lodged by Pavelkin against Samuel Keenan, Thos. Brown and Patrick O'Connor. He said his client would be in an unfair position by having to disclose his defence in proceeding against the defendants, and asked for time to give the matter consideration.

The adjournment asked for was granted.

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Delegates of the Eastern Goldfields Trades and Labour Council at their latest meeting congratulated the secretary, Mr. Edgar H. Harris, on the substantial victory he had secured as a National Labour candidate in the contest for the North-East Province in the Legislative Council. On the motion of Mr. Eli Shaw, seconded by Mr. C. E. Ogier, a resolution expressive of delegates' feelings was unanimously carried. Mr. Harris, in the course of his reply, hoped that his actions in Parliament would justify him at the end of the next six years in asking the electors to re-elect him for a further term.

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