

BYERS

Of Williamstown on the Witness Stand.

Parkersburg, W. Va., July 9.—The taking of the testimony for the State in the Ellis Glenn trial was commenced this morning. M. J. Byers, a hotel keeper at Williamstown, in whose employ E. B. Glenn was for several months, being the first witness for the state. He positively identified Ellis Glenn as the same person who had worked for him and whom he knew as E. B. or Elbert Glenn.

BYERS' TESTIMONY.

Mr. Byers testified that he has been engaged in hotel business for five years, and had in his employ in September, 1896, a person named E. B. Glenn, who was there about four months. Glenn left my place and went to work at Hoover's. Glenn worked for Mr. Richter as clerk, then engaged in paper hanging, and then engaged in trading in the Hoover loan and mortgage. Had conversations with Glenn, who is the prisoner at the bar, and she told him she had a sister who had attempted to cheat her out of some property. Never heard Glenn say that he had a twin sister. The prisoner at that time wore men's clothing. Ellis Glenn, the prisoner, is the same person as E. B. Glenn who was at Williamstown. He was satisfied on that point. When Glenn left my house I purchased several articles from her but no clothing. Glenn's clothing was all men's clothing, two or three suits. His laundry was not put with ours. Glenn had my son Frank as a room mate while at my home, and slept with him. At times there was a light in the room and at other times there was not.

CROSS EXAMINATION.

First became acquainted with Glenn in August, 1896, and saw him last in the summer of 1897. Never saw him before he came to my house. He was not lame and was probably five feet six inches and weighed 130. Glenn worked first as a carpenter, laying a floor, papered and painted the hotel, and boarded at my place. He also worked in the office, waited on the table, worked in the livery stable and drove light teams but no heavy ones. He was with him about four months. My son slept with Glenn, but I never slept with him. Saw him frequently after he left my place. Glenn had his hand cut on a bone in a quarter of beef, the cut being about two inches in length and he called in a physician. That is the only mark that I know he had on him. Never saw him undressed. Did not make a close examination of him. Never saw Glenn after he left Williamstown until I went to see her at the jail when she was brought back from Illinois. Did not remember of talking with Richardson or Beeson before I went to see the prisoner. Recollected having a conversation at Commercial hotel with Carney, Mayhew and several others about a mark on the hand, and that she could be identified by it, but denied that he stated that unless that scar was there it was not E. B. Glenn.

Witness said he knew the prisoner Ellis Glenn was E. B. Glenn, of Williamstown. Could tell it by her general appearance. Don't know whether prisoner has one leg shorter than the other and knew that E. B. Glenn had no such defect, as he did not limp. Saw Ellis Glenn, the prisoner, in jail after her arrest, and identified her there as Bert Glenn. Did not notice any scar on Bert Glenn's head.

On the question propounded by the defense whether he would swear positively if the prisoner was Bert Glenn the witness was perfectly satisfied that the prisoner was Bert Glenn. He had never seen Bert Glenn undressed, nor had he ever examined Glenn's bust or arms. Witness said he had not talked with William Richardson, Hoover, and Beeson on any particular phase of the case since this term of court began, but only in a general way. Fur-

Other questions of this character were ruled out by the court.