

WOULD SAVE GLENN

Father of Woman Forger's Fiancee Employs Council to Aid the Prisoner.

Strange Developments in a Strange Case—Hillsboro People Are Greatly Fuzzled.

Prisoner in Male Attire Was a Woman—Engaged to Marry Fretty Girl.

Hillsboro, Ill., Nov. 28.—Today brought further complications in the case of "Mr." Ellis Glenn, forger; Miss Alice Glenn, martyr, or whatever may be styled the action that was called in the circuit court yesterday morning.

The central figure in the Chester prison denouement was brought before Judge Dwight, when it was announced that James Dukes, the father of the girl who was engaged to marry Miss Glenn while that person was masquerading as a man, had employed counsel to defend the prisoner.

Permission was asked to withdraw the admission of guilt previously made and to add to the tangle the woman, who still wears the garb of a man, and appeared in court in that attire, averred that her name was really Ellis Glenn, not Alice Glenn, as she has insisted since the discovery of her sex.

A technical defense was set up by the woman's attorney and next Wednesday the court will hear arguments in a motion to quash the indictment.

With these developments the case rested, and the people of Hillsboro are more puzzled than ever. Why the father of Miss Duke should interest himself in the woman who deceived his daughter, and why, now that her sex is known, this strange criminal, who insists that she is doing penance for an erring brother, should continue to wear male apparel is a problem too complex for even the attorneys in the case to solve.

When the Glenn woman was brought before Judge Dwight in the circuit court, Judge Amos Oller, of the Litchfield City court, who announced that he had been retained by James Dukes, the father of Miss Dukes, to defend her, reviewed the sensational developments in the prisoner's case.

Judge Dwight then promptly set aside the judgment and sentence, at the request of Attorney Oller, and permitted the Glenn woman to withdraw her plea of guilty and her waiver of a trial by jury.

Yesterday afternoon Attorney Oller presented a motion to quash the indictment against the prisoner on the ground that the note for \$4,000 alleged to have been forged by her had not been stamped, as required by the revenue law, and therefore was not a prima facie valid note. It is on this motion that Judge Dwight will hear the argument on next Wednesday.

Miss Dukes still avers that Miss Glenn is the same person to whom she was engaged to be married, and she and her father say they will do all they can to secure her acquittal.

Meanwhile the prisoner in her cell in jail retracts her statements of recent date that her name was Alice Glenn and that she wished to serve her term in the penitentiary, and states that Ellis Glenn is her true name, and that her brother's name is Elbert Glenn.

A WOMAN, NOT A MAN.

Yet Ellis Glenn Was Admitted to Chester Prison a Convict.

St. Louis, Nov. 28.—A most peculiar case has developed out of the conviction of Ellis Glenn at Hillsboro, Montgomery county, Illinois, before Judge Dwight about a month ago. Glenn was charged with forging a note for \$4,000 and securing money thereon. There was not much in the trial outside of the conviction, as the evidence was conclusive, and the culprit was shipped off to the southern Illinois penitentiary, where all male prisoners are confined.

Now, however, a peculiar story comes to light. The convict Glenn is not a man, but a woman, and a medical examination at the Chester penitentiary Saturday developed that fact. An order was immediately issued that the name Glenn be stricken from the rolls at Chester and the prisoner be remanded back to the jail at Hillsboro, where Judge Dwight will be compelled to make a new order sending the prisoner to the female ward at Joliet instead of Chester. Such an occurrence was never known in Illinois before, a woman convicted as a man and sent to the penitentiary, passing through the several guards without detection.

The woman arrived at East St. Louis Friday night en route to Hillsboro from Chester. She was requested to make a statement, but said that the world would never know why she practiced the deception.

The young woman, in the garb of a man, landed at Hillsboro about a year ago, claiming to be from Litchfield, and immediately became the idol of the fair sex. In fact, Sheriff Cassidy says Glenn was engaged to be married to two young women of Hillsboro and the arrest and conviction was all that prevented the ceremony with one of the damsels. The time was set for the very day upon which Glenn was arrested. The girl was true and spent time and money in defense of her lover. The case is certainly unique in the Illinois criminal courts, and it is a wonder among the penitentiary officials how the woman passed the gates without detection. She associated with men at all times, and acted as one of them, yet her sex was never discovered, and never would have been had not Sheriff Cassidy received private information and wired the officials at Chester to make a careful examination.