

THE TEWKSBURY EVIDENCE.

The almshouse investigation completed its 38th hearing yesterday noon, and adjourned till Monday next. Yesterday was the tenth day of the defence, and, as last week, the evidences given continues to be largely confirmatory of the claims of the prosecution. This is true even where, as in the case of Dr. Putney, the witnesses answer significant questions put by the Governor by saying that they "don't remember." Dr. Putney is married to one of the Davis girls, Capt. Marsh's granddaughter, and of course can see nothing but good in the almshouse management. Others of the witnesses for the defence are attendants at the almshouse, depending for their employment on the favor of the Marshes and the Republican party. Their testimony would seem to show that they had paid more heed than Night Watchman Dudley did to Capt. Marsh's oft-repeated injunction "not to see too much."

The week began in a failure to break down Cornelius O'Brien's reputation for truth and varacity, all that was shown being the fact that he used to get drunk occasionally and possessed an ungovernable temper. In fact, his regard for truth was such as to cause him to plead guilty each of the several times he had been before the courts for drunkenness or disorderly conduct.

Joseph Howard, known as "French Joe," who has charge of the baggage and store-rooms at the almshouse, testified among other things that he got about \$120 "extra" pay, partly from the office, and that he didn't know what that extra pay which he received was for! He wouldn't say it was paid him for robbing graves.

Dr. Putney, in answer to the Governor, said: "To the best of my knowledge and belief I never heard of any complaint of any ill-treatment of anybody by anybody else there; my memory is very good for anything that I wish to remember."

Catherine Powers had testified for the Governor that she and her children were clean and free from vermin when they went to Tewksbury, and were allowed to get lousy while there. Counsel Brown, for the defence, called Capt. W. E. Huff, warden of the Cambridge almshouse, to contradict her, but, on the contrary, Capt. Huff testified: "Catherine Powers, before transferred from Tewksbury, was in a bad condition, and her children as well, from vermin; their clothes had to be steamed, pickled and washed, and their heads thoroughly combed before they were sent away. She has never returned to our almshouse since."