

Representatives of the bonding company and the Great Western elevator company have been here recently investigating the alleged shortage of S. E. Wickham, the buyer, until in January, of the elevator company, and complaint was made last week before Justice Rearick and he was arrested, charged with embezzlement, therefore we deem it nothing more than proper that the developments, so far, be published, though we have no desire to enter into these matters to give them as a merely sensational news item. For several weeks there had been rumors of a sensational nature and after the legal steps had been taken the newspapers probably owe it to the accused as well as to the public generally to give the facts so far as learned. Mr. Wickham's hearing was set for Monday and was taken up at that time. After the taking of what evidence could be had at that time it was adjourned until Tuesday afternoon to await the arrival of another witness. This witness did not arrive and the case was submitted, the defendant, Mr. Wickham, not offering any evidence. In that case the justice could do nothing but bind him over to the district court, which was done, and the matter will be tried out there. Everyone will be pleased if Mr. Wickham can successfully refute the charges brought against him.—Sentinel.

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