

# CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

## The Late Local News Happenings About the City:

### HEAD FILLED WITH BIRD SHOT.

George Wakefield Uses Shot Gun on  
on W. S. Wailes—Old Feud Re-  
newed Which Will Undoubtedly  
End in Shedding of  
More Blood.

Another chapter in the Wailes—  
Wakefield feud, of Johns township,  
took place on Monday morning in which  
W. S. Wailes was shot in the head  
and face with a load of shot by George  
Wakefield. On Monday forenoon  
George Wakefield came to town and  
gave himself up saying that he had  
shot Wailes and he supposed him to be  
dead. He was placed in jail and in-  
formation was filed against him for  
assault with intent to do great bodily  
injury. The case came up before Es-  
quire Henderson in the afternoon and  
while it was pending Buck Wakefield,  
brother of the prisoner, came in town  
and wanted a warrant issued for W. S.  
Wailes, on the same charge. That he  
was not much hurt and was out with a  
gun looking for George Wakefield.  
Esquire Henderson, who has had con-  
siderable to do with this affair in the  
past, refused to have anything more to  
do with it, and refused to issue a war-  
rant for Wailes or further prosecute  
Wakefield and so turned him loose.  
He was still in Centerville last night  
and at this writing that is the way the  
matter stands.

The Wakefield account of the shoot-  
ing is about this: George Wakefield  
had been to the house of Henry Cross  
on an errand and coming away from  
there between seven and eight o'clock,  
met W. S. Wailes coming down the  
road. Wakefield had a double barrel-  
ed shot gun and Wailes a large revol-  
ver. He says Wailes drew his revolver  
and shot at him, when he jumped be-  
hind a pile of posts and returned the  
fire with his shot gun. The first shot  
missed altogether and the second struck  
Wailes in the head but the distance  
was so great that the shot did not  
penetrate the skull. This is the Wake-  
field account, and others who were  
within hearing say that there were  
three shots fired. Wailes went to Plano  
and had his wounds dressed and Wake-  
field came to Centerville and gave him-  
self up.

It is high time that something was  
done about this matter before murder  
is committed. This affair has been  
going on for some years and in the  
meantime two houses have been burned  
belonging to the Wailes boys and about  
70 tons of hay belonging to the father  
of these boys. There has been several  
fights and this is about the third  
shooting affair. All these things give  
the community a bad name and swell  
the court account which have to be paid  
by the tax payers.