

## AN EXCITING TIME IN COURT.

**Mr. Hale Intimates That Mr. Cobb Took Money and Is Given the Lie Direct.**

In the trial of Frank A. Willard, mayor of Argentine, for malfeasance, in failing to report violations of the prohibitory law, in the common pleas court in Kansas City, Kas., yesterday, John A. Hale, counsel for Mr. Willard, created a sensation by charging that the prosecution of Mayor Willard was brought at the instigation of Peter Kline, who had been prevented from establishing policy shops in Argentine, by Mayor Willard. When County Attorney Cobb, of Wyandotte county, was on the stand Mr. Hale intimated that Cobb had received money from jointists, and Cobb declared the charge a lie. The court commanded order and it was restored. Testimony was offered to show that Mayor Willard had played a game of cards called "peaknuckle" "three or four thousand times" in a liquor joint. It was said by a witness also that a drink called "the Willard cure" is popular in Argentine and that it is named after the mayor.

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