

THE LONE BANDIT IN JAIL

A MISSOURI TELEGRAPH OPERATOR THE PACIFIC ROBBER.

The Daring Deed of Outlawry Committed With Two of the Cheapest Kind of Pistols — The Desperado Given Up by His Father.

LEBANON, Mo., June 3.—Sam A. Wilson, the bold bandit who all alone held up a Missouri Pacific train near Pacific while Governor Stone, State Treasurer Stephens and scores of other persons were on board, was given up by his father here last night and is now in jail here.

The prisoner confessed his crime fully. He said that he bought his revolvers, two cheap pistols, for \$1.50 each, and his dynamite in St. Louis and planned and executed the robbery alone. He boarded the Missouri Pacific train at Pacific and proceeded to do the work with neatness and dispatch according to the published accounts.

When taken into custody, Wilson surrendered about \$500 of the stolen money.

For several days it had been known that Wilson was the robber, and ex-Sheriff Goodell and Railroad Agent Sheehan have been shadowing him. His father, who is regarded as a respectable citizen, was in their confidence and had promised to assist them in getting possession of the criminal, but yesterday evening the father violated the agreement entered into with the two and turned the prodigal son over to Sheriff Jones. Rumor says that Jones and the father are to share the \$900 reward.

Sam Wilson was raised in this county, is about 25 years old and is a telegraph operator. He formerly worked for the Frisco road and was agent at Richland, in Pulaski county. In 1892 he planned a train robbery near that place, but his confederate gave the scheme away and he was arrested and bound over to court, his father going bail to keep him out of jail.

The daring and boldness displayed in the Missouri Pacific robbery, one man holding up and robbing a whole train, marks him as a desperado of the worst type.

Wilson will be taken to St. Louis to-night. He will plead guilty when arraigned and ask for clemency.