

## NEEDED NO AMANUENSIS.

CHIEF HALE DIDN'T EVEN DICTATE HIS  
FEEZY REPLIES TO MAJOR JONES.

They Were Written by Tinsley Even as  
the Chief's Reports on the Value of the  
Waterworks Had Been Written by  
Major Jones—Many New Suits Against  
the Suspended Safe Deposit and Savings  
Bank—A Varnish Company Assigns—  
Other Court Notes.

Fire Chief George C. Hale was put on the stand  
again yesterday in the water-works case and  
cross-examined by Mr. Karnes. The cross-ex-  
amination was a likely one and furnished con-  
siderable fun for the spectators. Tilt after tilt  
between the chief and the counsel for the water-  
company took place during the examination.

Mr. Karnes began by establishing the fact that  
Mr. Hale was chief of the fire department, a  
sworn officer in charge of the department, and  
then inquired why it was that the reports made  
to the Council were false. The chief replied that  
they were true with the exception of the "puffs"  
written by Major Jones, stating further, in answer  
to questions, that he was only supposed to report  
on the number of fires, the losses and whatever  
changes had been made in the water company's  
plant. For these changes he relied upon Major  
Jones' secretary, and the major generally accom-  
panied them with a big write-up of the water  
plant. It was not his business, he thought, to re-  
port as to the efficiency of the water plant. He  
was not misleading the people, because the people  
knew as much about the matter as he did. As for  
the council, the members never read or paid any  
attention to the reports.

While the attorney was reading the extracts  
from the report giving praise to the water-works  
plant, the chief would designate which portion  
was written by Major Jones. He stated in reply  
to a question that he never could have written  
such flowery matter. Mr. Karnes immediately  
brought up the newspaper controversy in which  
Chief Hale and Major Jones were engaged some  
time ago. "These replies over the signature of  
George Hale were as flowery as any newspaper  
articles, were they not?" asked Mr. Karnes.

The chief allowed that they were, but frankly  
admitted that they were not written by him.  
When asked who wrote them, he replied: "Tins-  
ley." The chief said he gave Tinsley the points,  
and the articles were fixed up and run.

Expert Engineers Benzenberg of Milwaukee,  
Herning of Louisville and Homan of St. Louis,  
will be in Kansas City Saturday to testify. They  
are the three engineers who were engaged to  
make an estimate of the cost of a water-works  
system capable of supplying a city of 200,000 in-  
habitants.