

# A POINT GAINED.

The Water Will Not Be Turned Off To-day.

RESTRAINING ORDER GRANTED.

There Will Be No Tampering With the Fire Pressure.

VICTORY FOR THE MUNICIPALITY.

Judge Caldwell Will Hear the Facts in the Case.

Officers of the Company Say They Will Not Disobey the Order—The Citizens' Subcommittee Will Meet To-day—Insufficient Pressure.

The National Water Works Company will not turn off the water supply from this city at 2 o'clock this afternoon, nor at any other time to-day—and possibly at no time on any other day. Nor has the city paid the hydrant rental alleged to be due the company by the city. The company will be spared the embarrassment of having to try to make its bluff good, and all active hostilities have been suspended for the time being, allowing the troubles between the city and the company to take their natural course through the proper courts.

The company has been checkmated in its threatened action by the action of Hon. Henry C. Caldwell, of Little Rock, Ark., circuit judge of the United States, who yesterday issued a restraining order, at the application of Major William Warner, Hon. John C. Gage and City Counselor Rozzelle, who went to Little Rock Thursday evening for the purpose of applying for the restraining order to protect the city from the water works company.

Attorney L. C. Krauthoff and President G. E. Taintor of the water works company also went to Little Rock, Thursday evening, for the purpose of resisting the issuance of the restraining order, but their efforts were not successful. The company will take any steps to-day toward carrying out its threat at its own peril of being in contempt of court.

The following dispatch was received yesterday afternoon by the JOURNAL:

LITTLE ROCK, Nov. 24.

"Restraining order granted. Further hearing at St. Louis, December 11. Mr. Taintor is here and accepts service.

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Mayor Cowherd also received a similar dispatch later in the evening. The mayor said in discussing the effect of the order:

"It puts a stop to all proceedings for the time being on the part of the company toward shutting off the water supply of the city. The company will hardly dare to oppose the order or to do anything in defiance of it. The city authorities had taken ample precautions to guard against the company carrying out its threat, even if the order had not been applied for and granted. The chief of police had been instructed to have all the hydrants guarded, and anyone molesting or interfering with them would have been arrested. The city would not have permitted the company to carry out its threat and leave the city at the mercy of a disastrous fire. In addition to the regular force a large number of special officers were available in the event of an emergency, and the city would have been found amply able to protect itself in any contingency which might have arisen. But the granting of the order puts a stop to all trouble from this source pending the final disposition of the matter at the time set. All fear of any attempt to shut off the water is, therefore, allayed for the present, at least, and none of the city's plans need to be put into operation."

The water works company will obey the

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