

THE TYTUS-DICKEY SCANDAL.

MURAT HALSTEAD SUED FOR CRIMINAL LIBEL
—HOW THE SUIT FOR BREACH OF PROMISE IS PROGRESSING.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 25.—Mr. Murat Halstead, editor of the *Commercial*, was arrested to-day for criminal libel. At the same time his paper was sued for \$50,000 damages. The case is one growing out of the long and complicated Tytus-Dickey scandal. The *Commercial* published an article yesterday virtually charging Thomas C. Campbell, counsel for John B. Tytus, with being implicated in the burglary of Dr. McCarthy's residence last Christmas morning, when important documents in the Tytus-Dickey suit were stolen. It was alleged in the article that a small silver porcupine used as a paper weight was found in Campbell's office, and that it was identified by Dr. McCarthy as one of the articles that had been stolen from his residence. Mr. Campbell has witnesses to prove that the porcupine had been in his office a long time before the burglary. Mr. Halstead was released on \$1,000 bail. Miss Dickey's suit against Tytus for breach of promise was begun at Hamilton to-day and drew a large crowd. There was no testimony beyond Miss Dickey's statement that a marriage contract between the parties ever existed. She could not remember the form of Mr. Tytus' proposal, or the time of the engagement, and had no letters to offer as evidence. The bastardy suit comes on immediately after the breach of promise case, and it is understood that evidence of a more direct and positive character will then be presented. The case is attracting great attention in Southern Ohio, on account of the social prominence of the persons involved and the numerous complications that have grown out of it.

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