

FINCH'S ATTORNEYS FLounder IN CROSS-EXAMINATION AND GRASP AT STRAWS.

IMPEACH MISS BURKHART

Attempt Will Be Made to Bolster Finch's Testimony, Which Contradicts Hers—Case May Go to Jury Next Tuesday.

Grasping at straws and floundering about in the hope of rescuing James A. Finch, murderer of Ralph Fisher, from the desperate plight in which he is now generally admitted to be in, the defense practically concluded its case in the State Circuit Court yesterday afternoon.

Defense Tries Sensations.

Two farcical sensations were sprung by Finch's lawyers during the closing moments of the day. It is thought had quite the opposite effect upon the jury from what was intended.

Finch Cross-Examined.

Finch was quite at ease when he was called for the completion of his cross-examination at the opening of the morning session, at 9 o'clock.

Martin Thinks Finch Guilty.

"The state's attorney failed to cross-examine me as closely as they should," said Martin, after leaving the stand. "As a witness for the defense, I could not very well make voluntary statements against Finch and, besides, I was sure of a detailed cross-examination."

Impeach Miss Burkhardt.

At 4 o'clock Lord announced that he wanted Miss Verna Burkhardt called for purposes of impeachment. He said she disclaimed at the trial knowledge of Fisher's room and that she had not seen the testimony given at the coroner's inquest.

Defense's Attorney on Stand.

C. H. Piggott, who is directing the defense of Finch, told of calling on Fisher the day before the tragedy bearing a petition for Finch's reinstatement as a practicing attorney.

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