

Frederic Osborne

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SHOOTING AT ST. SIMONS LIGHT HOUSE

On Sunday morning, at about 8:30, an unfortunate occurrence transpired at St. Simons Light House, in which Mr. Fred Osborne was seriously shot by his assistant Mr. John W. Stevens. It seem that there had been bad feeling between these gentlemen for several days, and on Sunday morning they went out into the bushes in front of the house to settle their difficulty. During this interview Stevens threatened to chastise Osborne, when Osborne drew his pistol and ordered him not to advance further, whereupon Stevens went back into the house, took down his double barreled shot gun (which had been previously loaded with buckshot for deer hunting and as Osborne advanced along the path near the fence, leading to the gate, Stevens fired, at a distance of ninety-eight feet, hitting him in four places, only one shot, however, taking serious effect. This entered the left side of the abdomen, about three and a half inches above the umbilicus, passed directly horizontally to the right at least nine inches, where it burrowed in the muscular wall of the abdomen. Osborne, at this writing, is doing as well as circumstances will admit, suffering very much-will probably recover. Of the merits of the case, or who is it to blame in the transaction, we forbear to express ourself, as it will undergo judicial investigation. It is an affair very much regretted by many friends of both parties.

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Frederick Osborne, who was shot in the Stevens-Osborne tragedy, an account of which we gave last week, died last Wednesday at 3:30 P.M. His remains were taken to Brunswick and interred in Oak Grove Cemetery.

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