

**BYSTANDER SHOT IN GRANT BATTLE
BRACKEENS AND KEEL PUT UP A ONE-RING SHOW ON STREETS OF
GRANT**

**Wilkie Collins Was on Street at Time and Managed to Stop a Bullet
Without Injury**

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A pistol duel on the streets of Grant at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon, was the cause of excitement, and the innocent bystander, as usual, was the victim, a stray bullet striking Wilkie Collins in the leg, but inflicting no damage of consequence.

The battle royal was between Lon Keel, commanding himself, and W.D. Brackeen and son, Clarence, the latter claiming one thing started the battle, while Keel is just as positive that the Brackeens were the aggressors.

The shrevalty troops gathered in the offenders and trotted them to this city appearing before Justice Schooler at 9 o'clock Friday night, where arrangements were made for bond, each being required to furnish \$1,000 bond for appearance at the examining trial Tuesday. Each of the men gave the approved bonds and secured release from custody.

How many shots were fired is unknown, but one of the bullets struck an iron sign, glanced against a brick wall and from there deflected to the ground, Wilkie Collins leg being between the wall and aground and the recipient of the leaden missile.