

by two of the robbers, the other two went through the clothing of the victims and secured three gold watches, two silver ones and \$300 in money. Then two took Solomon Brown into the store and made him open the safe, leaving two to guard the other four gentlemen. From the safe they got \$500 and another fine gold watch, and then looted the store, taking bolts of flannel, women and men's shoes, two fine new saddles, jewelry, muslin, clothing, etc. While in the store one of the robbers trembled so much that his gun went off, scaring him almost as much as it did Solomon. This leads the governor to believe they were amateurs. They repeated several times: "We don't want to hurt you; don't get scared; it's hard times and we are forced to do this."

After they had taken what they wanted from the store and "cinched" the articles to their saddles, they lined up their victims single file, with the governor in front, and marched them a mile and a half west; and then bidding them an affectionate good-bye rode off in a gallop to the south. The next morning they were trailed ten miles southwest, where all trace of them was lost. It is believed they were farmers, as they were shabbily dressed, rode pony horses and seemed to be after goods as much as money. -- Times-Journal.