

## BISHOP WASN'T IN COURT.

### Bonds of Syrian Church Prelate and Members of Congregation Are Declared Forfeited.

Bishop Raphael Hawaweeny and five members of his congregation, charged in the Butler street court with attempted assault, failed to appear when the case was called to-day by Magistrate Dooley. Assistant District Attorney Peter P. Smith requested the magistrate to forfeit bail in each case, indignantly calling attention to the contempt of court which their absence implied.

Counselor Charles E. Le Barbier of Manhattan, who appeared for the alleged enemies of the bishop, told the court that to overlook the absence of the defendants would mean that political influence would be charged, as ex-Assistant District Attorney Osborne, counsel for the bishop and his friends, is now running for district attorney on the Democratic ticket in Manhattan. Mr. Le Barbier said his clients, who represented the wealth and respectability of the Syrian colonies in the city, were anxious to have the case settled, as they were nightly shadowed by persons who meant them no good. It was intimated that these persons, whose names were withheld, were inspired to hostile acts and sentiments by agitation in the Brooklyn Syrian colony growing out of the riot that occurred September 18, which had brought the bishop and part of his church into court.

Magistrate Dooley said he would declare the bonds forfeited, but would not issue the order till to-morrow morning, after the case was again called. The case went over till to-morrow, on representations from Mr. Osborne's office that he was engaged to-day in the Supreme Court in Manhattan, and it was impossible for him to be present. Attorney Smith was willing to adjourn the case to 11 o'clock to-morrow morning, with the understanding that it certainly would come to a hearing at that time.