

54 DIE IN A COLLISION. A TRAGEDY NEAR KNOXVILLE.

120 INJURED AND HAVOC GREAT. OVERLOOKED ORDER THE CAUSE.

Southern Railway Passenger Trains Nos. 12 and 15, Carrying Heavy Lists of Passengers, Collide Head-On Slightly West of Hodges Station, Tenn., While Running at a Speed of 35 Miles an Hour, and Death and Havoc Result—Some of the Bodies Not Yet Recovered and Others Remains Unidentified—Several of the Injured, Many of Whom are Badly Maimed, Expected to Die—Both Engines and the Greater Part of Both Trains Demolished by the Shock, Only the Pullmans, Whose Occupants Escaped Injured, Remaining on the Track—Probable That the Cause of Overlooking the Orders Will Remain a Secret, Both Engineers Being Killed at Their Posts—Conjectures That the Engineer of the West-bound Train, Who was in Fault, May Have Died Suddenly or Fallen Asleep—Five North Carolinians in the List of Injured—Track First-Class and Crews Trained Veterans.

Knoxville, Tenn., Sept. 24.—Running on a road bed in a supposedly high condition of maintenance and having about them every safeguard known to modern railroading, two trains on the Southern Railway carrying heavy lists of passengers, came together in a frightful head-end collision near Hodges, Tenn., to-day, sending 54 people to death and injuring 120, several of whom will probably die. This appalling loss of life and maiming of the living resulted, apparently, from the disregarding of orders given to the two trains to meet at a station which has for a long time been their regular meeting point. The claim of failure to see either the station or signals cannot be set up by the engineer of the west-bound train, were he alive to enter a plea of defense, as the accident happened in broad daylight, and according to the best information obtainable, he had the orders in a little frame in front of him as his monster of iron and steel rushed by New Market and soon after came upon an east-bound passenger train No. 12, making for New Market in compliance with instructions to meet the west-bound train which carried the sleepers from the East for Knoxville, Chattanooga and other Southern cities.

CAUSE OF THE WRECK. The possibility exists that the ill-fated engineer may have been asleep or that death had suddenly taken the sight from his eyes before New Market was reached. But nothing is known save that the orders were not obeyed. The trains were on time and not making over 35 miles an hour, yet the impact as they rounded a curve and came suddenly upon each other was frightful. Both engines and the major portions of both trains were demolished, and why the orders were disregarded or misinterpreted probably will never be known, as the engineers of the two trains were crushed, their bodies remaining for hours under the wreckage of the monster locomotives, which, but a short time before, had leaped forward at the touch of their strong hands upon the throttle. Some of the bodies have not been recovered, and many remain unidentified.

THE KNOWN DEAD. The known dead are as follows: RALPH MOUNCASTLE, of Knoxville, Tenn. W. A. GALBRAITH, of Knoxville, Tenn. MRS. W. A. GALBRAITH, of Knoxville, Tenn. MONROE ASHMORE, aged 13, of Knoxville. JOHN BLACK, White Pine, Tenn. JAS. KING, of Knoxville. TWO CHILDREN OF JAS. KING, of Knoxville. WILLIAM KANE, of Knoxville, engineer of west-bound train. RICHARD PARROTT, of Knoxville, engineer of east-bound train. JAS. MILLS, colored, of New Market, Tenn. ROSCOE KING, of New Market, Tenn. E. G. EARNEST, of Johnson City, Tenn. G. W. BROWN, of Dandridge, Tenn. R. B. GODWIN, of Jefferson City, Tenn. J. D. BIRD, of Jefferson City, Tenn. M. JONES, son of Jas. Jones, of South Knoxville. MRS. R. B. WEST, of Orange county, Tenn. J. B. GASS, of Dan Ridge, Tenn. MRS. J. B. GASS, of Dan Ridge, Tenn. MISS GASS, daughter of J. B. Gass. EIGHT ITALIAN IMMIGRANTS, names unknown. JNO. P. CONNOR, of Knoxville, night foreman at Lonsdale round house. MRS. JNO. P. CONNOR, of Knoxville. DAUGHTER OF JNO. P. CONNOR. CLAYTON M. HEISKELL, of Cincinnati. MRS. MARY PHELPS, residence unknown. J. H. STEVENS, of Dan Ridge, Tenn. One man found with an envelope in

his pocket bearing the name of J. W. DALY, Greensburg, Ind. MISS NANNIE MURRAY, or Newport, Tenn. MRS. W. O. HADDIN, of Knoxville. W. W. BREWER, of Knoxville. MARY ETHEL SHIPP. J. M. ADKINS, Jellico, Tenn. JNO. HOLYNEUX, Glen Mary, Tenn. REV. ISAAC EMORY, Knoxville, Tenn. J. H. KING, Newport, Tenn. DR. D. A. FOX, Nashville, Tenn. MISS HAYLOW, Birmingham, Ala.; MRS. KINSBELL, Knoxville; MRS. EWEN, Knoxville; JOHN BLACK, White Pine, Tenn.; JULIA W. HADDOX, Dandridge, Tenn.

THE INJURED. Those known to be injured are: CONGRESSMAN HENRY R. GIBSON, of Knoxville, bruised about legs and shoulders and back wrenched; MRS. NICHOLS, of Dandridge, fatally injured. J. N. SMITH, of Knoxville, express messenger. J. T. SAURREY, of Morristown, Tenn., slightly bruised. J. A. JONES, of Knoxville, face bruised and serious. J. S. HELMS, of Knoxville. J. HARE, of New Market, Tenn. MRS. J. JONES, of Union, S. C. J. E. ARTHUR, of Union, S. C. W. WHITE, wife of Strawberry Plains, Tenn. OSCAR DALTON, of Knoxville. MISS LUCY GRAY, of Knoxville. C. M. LIVINGSTON, of Louisville, Ky. S. P. PARK and E. W. ROBINSON, of Columbia, S. C. G. H. GRAVES, of Asheville, N. C. B. C. TRENT, of Chattanooga. MOLLIE CLOWERS and child, of Anniston, Ala. BERT MOORE, of Dandridge, Tenn. JAMES JAMES McCAMPBELL, of Knoxville, slightly hurt. MRS. G. G. MOORE, of Knoxville. MRS. NORRIE EUBIE, of New York, serious, perhaps fatal. MRS. LUCY HERBIN, of Morristown, Tenn. MRS. WILL JONES, of South Knoxville. W. B. SEATON, of Jefferson City, Tenn. E. WRIGHT, of Jefferson City, Tenn. MRS. L. C. BLANKENSHIP, of South Knoxville, both limbs broken. MRS. T. O. McALLIE, of Knoxville, back injured, prostrated. MISS PEARL JONES, of South Knoxville, slightly bruised. J. O. WELCH, Swannanoa, N. C., painfully injured. PAUL HENRY, Asheville, N. C., badly hurt. G. B. ROBINSON, Columbia, S. C., slightly hurt. MR. and MRS. W. E. HAY, Wilmington, N. C., slightly hurt. MISS MARY BRYAN, Hendersonville, N. C., bruised. S. T. LAWYER, Louisville, Ky., sergeant. B. C. PRINCE, division freight agent, Central of Georgia Railroad, at Atlanta, badly bruised. MRS. GEO. BROUGHTON, of Jacksonville. J. J. KNOX MONTGOMERY, of Charlotte, N. C. J. A. McDONALD, Winstboro, S. C. MRS. FRED WEIR, Winstboro, S. C. N. B. PEACE, negro Pullman porter, of New York city. J. H. MILLER, negro Pullman porter, of New York city. T. W. ELLIS, of Jersey City. F. C. TURNER, Morganton, N. C., postal clerk, seriously injured. S. S. GREEN, Sylvania, N. C., seriously injured. J. F. TURLEY, Granger county, Tennessee, not serious. ED. BLACKMAN, Jefferson county, Tennessee, not serious. J. W. WAMPLER, supervisor, Johnson City, Tenn., slight. J. P. SHELL, Knoxville, not serious. J. O. F. ALLDERSON, Rogersville, Tenn., not serious. ALBURN P. GARRETT, Shelby, N. C., serious. J. H. SCHECELL, Johnson City, Tenn., not serious. THOMAS NICHOLS, Dandridge, Tenn., serious. REV. W. B. BRADY, Asheville, slight. CHARLES LESTER, Knoxville, hurt in back. THOMAS MASHIER, White Pine, Tenn., not serious. L. S. BORAH, Asheville, hurt leg, hip, not serious. T. M. LIVINGSTONE, Ocala, Fla., not serious. E. P. KEITH, freeman, Morristown, Tenn., slight. ARTHUR MARDEN, colored, Johnson City, not serious. HARRISON CANNON, colored, Johnson City, not serious. BERT RHEA, Johnson City, not serious. GEORGE CAMPBELL, colored, Johnson City, not serious. J. W. COLE, colored, Johnson City, leg, not serious. C. V. TAYLOR, Morristown, serious. WM. HICKERY, attorney Southern Railway, Morristown, not serious. W. S. RUMBLEY, Oliver Springs, Tenn., not serious. O. C. ROUGERS, Knoxville, not serious. JIM HARTSELL, colored, Washington College, Tenn., not serious. JIM RADER, colored, Mohawk, Tenn., not serious. RICHARD BROWN, colored, White Pine, Tenn., not serious. ED. FLEMING, colored, Limestone, Tenn., hurt in hand, not serious. SAM FLEMING, colored, Limestone, not serious. L. E. ATMINE, Lowell, Tenn., not serious. MRS. GEO. BROGTON, Jackson, HI., not serious. JOHN BELHEW, no address, not serious. MISS JULIA HILLIPS, Hot Springs, N. C., not serious. J. WRIGHT, baggageman, No. 2, deranged. MINNIE JAMES, Knoxville, serious. WM. KENNEDY, Johnson City, not serious. E. C. MOORE, Dandridge, Tenn., not serious. MINNIE JANE, Greenville, Tenn., serious. J. N. BALLEU, Mohawk, Tenn., not serious. H. D. BASSINGTON, Detroit, not serious. ETHEL CAP, Bean Station, Tenn., aged 3 years, not serious. WM. KITES, Luttrell, Tenn., not serious.

ISABEL KENNEDY, Johnson City, Tenn., hurt in arms and back. GLADYS SNYDER, Johnson City, face hurt. MRS. R. M. SNYDER, and child, Johnson City, slight. J. E. FULLER, Morristown, not serious. J. A. BRADY, Witt's Foundry, not serious. G. W. BIGHAM, Grady, Tenn., not serious. MARIE CONARIS, New York, en route to France, serious. LUCY HARRISON, Morristown, not serious. M. J. HARRISON, slight. ROSIE CAMERON, Moriah, New York, serious. WALTER J. BELL, Pullman porter, Johnson City, not serious. W. T. EAST, Knoxville, not serious. LAUREL GARDNER, aged 4 years, not serious. MISS CARRY KNIGHT, Dandridge, Tenn., fatally. CHILD, NO NAME, aged about 6 years, serious. FRED H. WAGNER, Washington College, Tenn., hurt in head arms. MRS. DR. C. P. McNABB, Knoxville, not serious. AL LAYMOND, Knoxville, serious. DAN HARRISON, Dandridge, Tenn., slight. WILL SMITH, colored, Asheville. TOM McDOWELL, colored, Asheville. ROBERT JACKSON, Johnson City, Tenn., not serious. W. A. PRUITT, Whitesburg, Tenn., not serious. H. B. LOWRY, serious. WM. T. KEEVER, Johnson City, Tenn., not serious. HARRISON CANNON, colored. FRANK H. BENTLEY, colored. WALTER BAILEY, colored, Johnson City. COL. J. C. CRAIG, Knoxville, slight. CORA MANCE, Knoxville, serious. J. A. PICKENS, New Market, not serious. GEORGE PRODGER, Talbot, Tenn., serious. B. B. WEBB, Statesville, postal clerk, not serious. C. M. Heiskell, whose name appears in the list of dead, has been identified as Clayton W. Heiskell, of Memphis, Tenn. He was a medical student at the University of Pennsylvania, and was en route to Philadelphia to complete his college course this year.

RELIEF MEASURES. The collision was between east-bound passenger train No. 12 and west-bound passenger train No. 15, from Bristol. No. 12 was a heavy train, carrying two Pullmans, two day coaches and a mail and baggage car. No. 15 was a light train, the greatest loss of life occurred in the east-bound train, while in the west-bound train only the engine crew were killed. Relief trains were dispatched from Knoxville within an hour and all physicians in the vicinity of the wreck were doing what they could when the local corps arrived. The first train arrived here from the scene of the wreck at 4:20 o'clock, bringing about 70 of the injured. Six of the injured aboard had died while en route to the city, and after their bodies were taken to the hospital, where physicians were waiting and a large force of physicians were ready to receive the wounded. The next train from the wreck arrived shortly after 4 o'clock. It brought the bodies of 43 dead. The six others who died en route brings the list up to 49, and there are at least five more at the scene of the wreck, none of the bodies of the trainmen having been yet recovered. John W. Brown, of Rogersville, Tenn., a newspaper editor, was in the rear coach of the west-bound train. When the fearful jolt came, he said, all the seats in the car were torn loose and people and seats were hurled to the front and the back. When he awoke from the shock he heard the screams and groans of the injured and dying in every direction.

A FEARFUL SIGHT. "I left the car," said Mr. Brown, "as soon as I could and walked to the main part of the wreck, the engine and with a horrible sight I ever witnessed. I saw a woman pinned by a piece of split timber which had gone completely through her body. A little child, quivering in death's agony, lay beneath the woman. I saw the child and with a few feet of her lay a woman's head, while the decapitated body was several feet away. Another little girl, whose body was fearfully mangled, was calling for her mother. I have since learned that the mother's name is not known, and that both her parents were killed. I heard one woman, terribly mangled, praying earnestly to be spared for her children, but death relieved her sufferings in a few minutes. Both engines and all of the coaches of No. 15 were literally demolished. The smoker and baggage car completely so. The sleepers remained on the track undamaged. Both engines lay to the north of the track, jammed together into one mass of indescribable ruins. The cars which were demolished were piled on the wrecked engines."

Congressman Henry R. Gibson, from the second congressional district of Tennessee, was a passenger in the day coach of the east-bound train. He and one other, whose name is not known were the only persons to escape alive from their demolished car. CONGRESSMAN GIBSON'S ESCAPE. Congressman Gibson was en route to Russellville, Tenn., to deliver a political address and was reading his address when the collision occurred. When he realized what had happened, he found his legs pinned fast, but managed to extricate himself. One glance at the car showed it to be a mass of human beings, backs of car seats, grips, baskets, and packing of all sorts. There was not a sign of life except that near his side, a young man who had escaped death and was struggling to get out.

OFFICIAL ACCOUNT OF WRECK. Misreading of Orders by the Conductor of No. 15, Responsible for the Fatalities Which Resulted in the Collision—The Cause of the Collision—The Cause of the Collision—The Cause of the Collision.

Editor Harris Dies of His Wound. Cleveland, Ohio, Sept. 24.—Lloyd F. Harris, associate editor of the Cleveland Tribune, who was shot in the office of that paper, Thursday evening, died at Lakeside Hospital, last night. An hour after Harris' death, John Stanton, who shot him, was re-arrested and locked up on a charge of murder. The shooting was the result of an article which appeared in the Tribune.

Archbishop of Canterbury in Washington. Washington, Sept. 24.—The Right Honorable and Most Reverend Thomas Randall Davidson, the Archbishop of Canterbury, arrived here to-day and was driven to the residence of Bishop Satterlee. A thanksgiving service was held in the private chapel for the escape of the Primates and his party from the railroad accident.

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JUDGE PARKER IS GRATIFIED. OUTLOOK IN NEW YORK PLEASING. A Delegation of Southern Editors Calls Upon the Democratic Candidate—Details of the Campaign Development—Evidence as to the Error of Placing the Judge in the Head-Headed Column—Candidate Will Not Make an Extensive Speaking Tour—Plans for Other Speakers—Tentative Movements of North Carolinians.

Special to the Observer. New York, Sept. 24.—Judge Alton B. Parker returned to Rosemount this afternoon firm in the belief that the Democracy has reached a point of vantage in the Empire State, which will enable all factions and all conditions of party men to work together for the good of the state, headed by Herrick. During his stay here he has consulted more than a hundred friends and advisers and for the most part the discussion has borne upon conditions as found in this State. Judge Parker has succeeded in getting Daniel S. Lamont so interested in the campaign that it is believed that gentleman will exercise his kind offices in augmenting the campaign fund. In this work Mr. Lamont will be aided by August Belmont and Thomas F. Ryan. As the party leader Judge Parker has personally taken hold of the business and practical details of the campaign.

SOUTHERN EDITORS CALL. Among those who called at the Hoffman House to pay their respect to Judge Parker were several Southern newspaper men, who came here to attend the meeting of the members of the Associated Press, among the number being Mr. Gonzales, of The Columbia State, Mr. Cabness, of The Augusta Chronicle, Mr. Gray, of The Atlanta Journal, and Messrs. Tompkins and Caldwell, of The Charlotte Observer. These gentlemen exchanged politics when they reached the Parker apartments and spent a few minutes pleasantly in social intercourse. Of course many of those present wished the Democratic candidate well, but there was no discussion of campaign details. It is pertinent to the accuracy of the information made heretofore in these dispatches that only the most venturesome imagination can place Judge Parker in the red-headed class in good and regular standing. Cumulative evidence of the accuracy of the assertion is to be found in the testimony of Mr. Caldwell, who thinks that while friends of Judge Parker have little ground for their appeal for special activity on the part of gentlemen with red hair, he is inclined to think that the candidate bears an easily noticeable resemblance of Judge B. F. Long, of Statesville. This afternoon, before leaving for Charlotte, Mr. Caldwell called at Democratic Headquarters, where he talked over the outlook with some of those actively engaged in the conduct of the campaign.

PLANS FOR SPEAKING. It seems a foregone conclusion that Judge Parker will not make an extended speaking tour. He will certainly deliver one address at a great mass meeting to be held in Madison Square Garden, will speak once in Brooklyn, and will probably make two speeches in the West, one in Chicago, and the other in Indianapolis. Ex-President Cleveland may make about the same number of speeches, but campaign plans affecting the accuracy of the assertion is to be still tentative. Mr. McConville, chief of the speaker's bureau, says that not only Governor Aycock, but the two North Carolina Senators, Messrs. Overman and Simmons, will be asked to participate in the campaign in doubtful States, Mr. McConville thought it likely that the North Carolina Senators would be asked to come up this way some time soon, when the matter of dates and places will be taken up for final discussion.

REPUBLICANS BANGUINE. B. Frank Mebane left this afternoon for his home in Spray after spending several days, together with Mrs. Mebane, at the Waldorf Astoria. Mrs. Mebane will remain here for a short time as the guest of friends. Before leaving Mr. Mebane had a talk with Chairman Corbett, at the rooms of that gentleman at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. Mr. Mebane says the Republican chairman does not entertain the least apprehension of Republican defeat and that other Republican leaders and campaign managers share this optimistic view. This exactly represents the situation.

MEETING ON THE RESULT. Col. John S. Cunningham is at the Hoffman House, the stamping ground of Tammany braves and Democratic leaders generally. He says he found Democrats to-day who gave the opinion that Herrick would defeat the Republican candidate for Governor in this State by 50,000 majority. He says he is even on the result in this State and that Republican money is not being run up by the barrel even on that basis. What Col. Cunningham says is verified at the rooms of that gentleman offered on Roosevelt. Bunnell Buchanan & Co., stock brokers, say that they have commissions to place \$2,000 at events on Roosevelt, to carry West Virginia; \$7,000 at events to carry this State; and \$20,000 at 2 to 1 that Roosevelt will be elected.

CITIZENS RESENT OUTRAGES. Mass Meeting at Talbotton, Ga.—Passes Resolutions Regarding the Shooting of Two Negroes. Macon, Ga., Sept. 24.—A special to The Telegraph from Talbotton says: "A mass meeting was held at the court house here to-day which was attended by prominent citizens from every portion of the county to take the necessary steps to apprehend and prosecute the parties who shot the two negroes. Resolutions were passed favorable to law and order, and the Governor was requested to offer a reward for the arrest of the guilty parties."

Alabama Lyncher Acquitted. Huntsville Ala., Sept. 24.—The trial of Silas Worley, charged with arson in the Madison county jail during the night of the lynching of Horace Maples, closed to-day at 4:15 o'clock. The trial has been in progress since yesterday afternoon. A squad of militia was ordered out to preserve order to-night, following a verdict of guilty in the case, but the soldiers were not needed, as a verdict of "not guilty" was returned at 10:15 o'clock.

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Secretary of State Bryan's Speech. Secretary of State Bryan's speech to-day for an extended campaign tour. He spoke at Youngsville, Va., and will be in the western part of the State all next week. Governor Aycock was again in executive office this morning after two weeks' tour of the State of the delivery of careful speeches and constant visitation of the Governor and Superintendent of Public Instruction of the State. He expresses himself as delighted with his trip and the response and entertainment accorded him in New York, where, at the request of National Chairman Taggart, he consented to take a hand in the national campaign for two weeks ending October 24th. He also spoke in New Jersey and Connecticut, New York and Maryland.

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CHOLERA AT PORT ARTHUR. In the Absence of Confirmation, an Announcement from Tsingtau is Admitted to be Possibly True. St. Petersburg, Sept. 24, 5:10 p. m.—Although no confirmation has been received at this hour at either the War Office or the admiralty of the report from Tsingtau, that cholera had broken out at Port Arthur, it is admitted that possibly it is true, owing to the terrible unsanitary conditions around the fortress, arising from the number of decaying corpses there. But until confirmation is received, the Tsingtau telegram will not be given out to the press, in order to avoid causing needless alarm among the relatives of the brave defenders. The announcement, none the less, has caused considerable excitement.

Tsingtau, Sept. 24.—Advice received here says that there are 15,000 sick and wounded at Port Arthur.

GENERAL ORLOFF DELINQUENT. Karopkin May Retire Him From Command—General Fomin in a Hospital. St. Petersburg, Sept. 24, 5:45 p. m.—The Associated Press learns on unquestionable authority that Major General Orloff, who has hesitancy in leaving Yental to join in the attack on Silkwan, will join General Kurapatkin's left, and that he may be retired. The detachment of General Orloff's division, which is severely wounded, reveals the extent of the confusion into which Orloff's division was thrown. General Fomin is in a hospital at Harbin.

St. Petersburg Denies Paris Story. St. Petersburg, Sept. 24.—There is no truth in the story published by The Morning Post, this morning, to the effect that telegrams had been received by the Emperor this morning, announcing that the Japanese were engaged in a general assault on Port Arthur and that the whole of Admiral Togo's and Vice Admiral Kamimura's squadrons were aiding in the struggle, which, it was asserted, it was feared here would be final.

SECOND CALL TO THE HAGUE. President Roosevelt Announces to Delegates to the Inter-Parliamentary Union. Washington, Sept. 24.—President Roosevelt announced this afternoon that at an early date, he would ask the nations of the world to join in a second congress at The Hague for the promotion of arbitration.

The occasion of the announcement was the reception by the President of the delegates of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, which recently held a session in St. Louis. At that session, a resolution was adopted requesting the President to call such a conference. The President's acceptance of the terms of the resolutions and the announcement of his intention to call a second congress of the world by inviting all nations to participate in a second peace conference, please work should be supplemented to that effect. The President's acceptance of the resolutions was met with enthusiastic applause. The delegates cheered and applauded the President's entrance into the main corridor. Representative Barthold introduced the assembly to the President and, in brief, the object of their meeting.

AFTER NEGRO BURNERS. The Judge Under Whom Reed and Cato Were Tried at Statesboro in Consultation With the Governor. Atlanta, Sept. 24.—Judge Alexander Daily, under whom the negroes Paul Reed and Will Cato were tried and sentenced from the court room and captured by the mob after they had been convicted and sentenced at Statesboro, was in consultation with Governor Terrell here to-day.

Judge Daily announces that when his court convenes the first Monday in October, he will charge the grand jury that it is its duty to indict the men who took part in the burning of the two negroes.

Governor Terrell has already announced that he will, through Attorney General Hart, lay the entire testimony brought out by the court of inquiry before the grand jury.

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END OF A. & N. C. LITIGATION. JUDGE PURNELL ISSUES ORDER. Judge Purnell issued the order in the case involving the settlement of the accounts of the late Governor Aycock, which was filed in the Supreme Court of North Carolina. The order was issued after a long and arduous trial, and it is expected that the litigation will now be brought to a close.

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