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Solicitor General Opposes Application for His Release from Prison,

Says the Division of the "Swag" Was well Attended to by Carter Personally.

PROOF OF HIS SOUND

MENTAL CONDITION

INVESTIGATIONS OF THE GOV-ERNMENT REVEALS A LOSS OF \$2,169,159 BY CARTER'S CRIMINAL OPERATIONS.

Washington, April 16.-Solicitor General Richards today filed with United States Supreme court a brief in opposition to the application for bail filed about 10 days ago in behalf of former Captain Carter, now confined in the United States penitentiary at Fort Leavenworth upon conviction for fraud in connection with the harbor improvements at Savannah. After re- Live Stock Losses Enormous-Collision viewing the history of the case, the solicitor general says in part:

"The validity of Carter's conviction and his sentence by courtmartial, which alone could try him for crimes committed as an officer of the United States army, in violation of articles of war, has been sustained by three civil courts and five judges, not counting this court, before which the matter is now pending for the third time.

"Carter now applies for a suspension of sentence of this lawful tribunal, and asks to be released from imprisonment pending the hearing of this second appeal, upon the following grounds: First, because he is suffering from neurasthenia and is on the verge of nervous collapse by reason of mental anguish, owing to this imprisonment; second, because he is innocent of the charges of which he was convicted by courtmartial, and the only way he can establish his innocence, so he says, is by pressing to trial the charges embraced in the Georgia indictment,, which, he asserts, cannot be tried because of his absence from Georgia."

As to the first ground, the solicitor general submits argument tending to show Carter's sound mental condition. and files with the court affidavits of five physicians who examined Carter and affirm that Carter is not now suffering with neurasthenia; that he is not on the verge of nervous collapse; that his nervous condition is not greater than one would expect to find in a healthy person of Carter's standing confined in prison. The affiants further say that said Carter is now phys-

cally and mentally sound. This affidavit was supplemented by affidavits from the warden and physicians of the prison.

As to the second ground for release

on bail, the solicitor general says in part: Since Carter has dragged into the case the fact that he is under indictment along with Greene and the Gaynors, and has sworn that the criminal case cannot be tried because of his absence from Georgia, and asserts that he wants to be released so he may demand a trial by jury in Georgia and prepared for it, it is proper for me to call the attention of the court to the fact if the criminal case cannot be tri d without Carter, neither can it be tried without his conspirators, Greene and the Gaynors. Yet, ever since the indictment was found in December, '99, the government has been strenuously endeavoring to secure the removal of Greene and the Gaynors from New

York to Georgia for trial." Mr. Richards says that the investigations of the government reveal the loss of an aggregate \$2,169,159 through

facts Mr. Richards asks: where he can personally handle the



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sinews of war which he obtained by traud from the government that educated in and gave him his standing and reputation? What ball could the court fix that would be sufficient in this case, if he has sent his securities out of the country and made up his mind that the best thing he could do would be to fellow them?"

operations, Mr. Richards says: The division of the 'swag' was attended to by Carter personally. When the time came to make a payment under the contract Carter, who was lo cated at Savannah, and had charge of the work on behalf of the government, would give to the representatives of Greene and Gaynors locally charge ait Savanniah a government check sufficient to pay for the labor and materials whic actually went into the improvement, and then he would draw a government check for the excess of the contract frice, representing what gamblers would call 'the velvet'

the fruit of the fraudulent conspiracy

and putting this in his pocket would go

to New York.

Describing the methous of Carter's

"There he would meet Greene and the Gaynors. Then the division would take place Carter would be specially allowed out of the amount \$75 for trav eling expenses, and the balance would be divided into thirds, one-third to Car- TAFT COMMISSION RECEIVED ENter, one-third to Greene and one third to the Gaynors. In this way Carter drew out of the conspiracy \$722,528.02, and of this amount the records of stock borkers in New York shows that he invested in stocks and bonds, \$690,301. 85. For his traveling expenses Carter received \$1,575. He made 21 trips to New York on his mission and at the zon have been consolidated and placed time was in excellent condition financially to be appointed military attached at the court of tit. James.

FIERCE STORM AND ZERO

Caused by Blind 1g Snew.

Cheyenne, Wro., April 16 .- One of the worst storms of recent years has been in progress here for the past 18

Three locomotives were demolished in a freight wreck at Borie, 20 miles west of here, caused by two trains unable. to see each other on account of the blinding storm. Traffic was delayed five bours.

The live stock losses from this and former storms are enormous. Reports, which have been lacking up to this time, show that thousands of cattle and sheep have been lost.

The thermometer is now near zero.

COMPULSORY EDUCATION BILL VETOED IN MISSOURI

ucational bill. He declared that the act interfered with the personal rights of parents and savored of paternalism on the part of the state.

Batavia, N. Y., April 16.-Louis Miller's saloon and bowling alleys on State street burned this morning, and George Lawrence, the bartender, aged 24 years, and Fred Hack, a laborer, aged 51 years, who slept in the build-

LOUIS NAPOLEON WEDS RUSSIAN GRAND DUCHESS

Grand Duchess Helen, daughter of the Russian Grand Duke Vladimir. Prince Louis Napoleon was born in case. 1864. He is the second son of the late Prince Jerome Napoleon and the younger brother of Prince Victor. The was born in 1882.

THE LAUNCHING OF THE BATTLESHIP MAINE

Philadelphia, April 16.-It has practically been decided by the Cramps Shipbuilding company to have launching of the United States battle- legister. ship Maine on Memorial day.

Survivors of the original Maine and widows and orphans of sailors killed in Havana harbor will be invited to attend the faunching.

GEN, CORBIN TO MARRY.

has announced the engagement of her the hotel except on the 16th and 29th. daughter, Miss Edith Patton, to Adju- instant. The prosecution asked if he Carters operations, of which he (Car- tamt General Corbin of the United had not said in substance to J. B. ter) received one-third with traveling States army. The news of the engage- Mathews in April, last year, the folexpenses added. In view of these ment is received with deep interest in lowing: society here. Miss Patton is very at-"Is it any wonder that Carter wants siciety here. Miss Patton is a very atto get out on bail. Is it any wonder tractive brunene and has long been an that he desires to be put in a position acknowledged leader in Washington's social circles.

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CIVI L GOVERNMENT

IS WELL RECEIVED

THUSIASTICALLY CITY.

Manila, April 16.—The first and second military districts of Northern Luunder command of General Funston. Similar action has been taken in regard to the fourth and fifth districts of Southern Luzon and General Sumner has been placed in charge. This action WEATHER IN WYOMING has allowed the relief of Generals Grant and Hall respectively and is one of the results of the pacific conditions in these districts. It is expected that further consolidations will be made at an early

> The Sisssion band of outlaws made a night attack on Norza Garay, Bulitin province, and succeeded in burning a part of the town.

> The situation in Cebu is practically unchanged. The capture of Aguinaldo has had considerable influence on the insurgent bands in the mountains south. While these bands are numerous and very active none of them is important. The people retain a receptive attitude regarding civil governmen. Simi'ar conditions prevail in I eyte and Bohol. In Cebu city the people manifested much enthusiasm over the Philippines commission.

Jefferson City, Mo., April 16.—Gov. RIPLEY CONCLUDES HIS TESTIMONY

ta fPPe Tells of His Movements at the Time of Goebel's Death.

Frankfort, Ky., April 16 .- The Ripley trial continued today with the defendant still on the stand under cross examination. He has made an excellent witness from his own standpoint his answers being clear and unhesitating. The Bradley-Yost evidence as to what he declared Gov. Taylor told Brussels, April 16.—Petit Bleu says him the day before Goebel was assas-Prince Louis Napoleon has married the sinated it is apparent is the point on which the prosecution is hanging its

The testimony of three witnesses on this point has resolved it into a matter Grand Duchess Helen is the youngest of veracity between Governor Bradley child of Russian Duke Vladimir and and Judge Yost on one side, and the defendant on the other.

The defendant in response to questions, told his movements after the arrival of his company here the morning of January 31. His company was stationed near the executive mansion and penitentiary and had nothing to do with preventing the meeting of the "ture. He was not in the squad . -- islature out of the

which chased the acocourt house and city hall, hor with the company which formed and drilled ih front of the Capitol hotel, where Geebel was lying wounded. He denied entering the Capitol hotel that night with a pistol in his hand and going to vari-Washington, April 16 .- Mrs. Patton ous rooms in the hotel. He was not in

> "Mathews, I am going away soon and I want to tell you confidentially that I know Caleb Powers is innocent

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and can tell enough to clar him if it becomes necessary for me to tell it. Now is the proper time, but I am going to New York and later possibly to California. I will keep you advised of my whereabouts as I know you are a friend of Powers, and whenever it becomes necessary to tell it, in order to save Powers, I will do it, but if you ever tell what I have said to you before then, I will deny that I had this talk with you,"

The defense objected on the ground that it was testimony in chief and the ury retired during argument. Mathews, who was referred to, was Powers' assistant secretary of state.

The court overruled the objection and the witness in his reply said he might have said this to Mathews, but if he did he had in mind the things he had heard implicating Henry Youtsey, and also the occurrance seeing Youtsey come out of Taylor's office on January 29. He was not positive, however, whether he said this to Mathews or

The witness could not remember whether he also told Mrs. Mathews in substance what he is alleged to have told her husband, but admitted that he had asked Mathews to go away with him, and suggested that their wives go to his home in Henry county. He could not remember whether he referred to Taylor as a coward, but did remember that he commented on the fact that he left his family alone at the mansion

Cross-examination was completed at 11:20 and redirect examination developed nothing new in the defendant's testimeny.

BEGGING THE CZAR FOR CONSTITUTION

Address to the Throne Receiving is uncertain and France appears to Thousands of Signatures.

Vienna, April 16.-The newspapers here are receiving reports according to which the situation in Russia is becoming worse. Wholesale arrests continue throughout the empire. Fifteen hundred persons were arrested in Odessa Sunday. Revolutionary proclamations continue to be distributed in St. Petersburg and other cities. It is proposed to address the czar begging him to grant a constitution. The address has already received fifty thousand signa-

The full text of Count Tolstol's address to the czar on March 28 has been received. It contains a lengthy program of reforms and the document is couched in plain terms.

PATRICK HELD FOR MURDER OF RICE

New York, April 16 .- Justice Jerome today held Albert T. Patrick for the grand jury on a charge of murdering the late Texas millionaire, William

Patrick will also have to answer the charge of forging Rice's name to the will and checks.

BRISTOL REPORTED BURNING.

Knexville, Tenn., April 16.-The business part of Bristol, on the Virginia

state line, is reported burning. The Knoxvills department has been asked for aid. No particulars are obtainable.

VALIDITY OF DIVORCES.

Washington, April 16 .- The Supreme court of the United States has decided a number of cases involving the validity in one state of a divorce decree granted in other states.

The court held practically that in cases in which the decree was granted in a state where the husband and wife have made their legal residence it is valid in any part of the United States, but in other cases in which there is no legal residence in the state in which ree is granted they are invalid,

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POSITION OF RUSSIA IN THESE

NEGOTIATIONS AND ARRAIGN-MENT OF INTERESTS IS UNCER-TAIN-

Washington, April 16.-Advices reeived at the state department leave no doubt that Germany controls the diplomatic situation in Pekin. Representatives of the Dreibund at Pekin are voting together on every proposition and it is now apparent they have the hearty co-operation of the ministers of three smaller nations engaged in the negotiations-Spain, Holland, and Belgium. This combination has been formed for the purpose of enforcing the payment of exhorbitant claims. Against this claim combination are arrayed only the United States, England and Japan. The position of Russia lean toward a German chalition. Russia heads the list in the matter of claims, with eighty-seven millions. America's claim aggregates 25,000,000, England's about 22,000,000, Japan's between the American and the British aggregates. The exact figures of the Austrian, Italian, Spanish and Dutch claims are not obtainable, but are re-

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