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HIS FATE NOW IN THE HANDS OF THE TWELVE

And They Will Probably Render no Verdict Before Today.

THE VERDICT EXPECTED

District Attorney Ward Believes it Will be Murder in the Second Degree.

THE JUDGE'S IMPRESSIVE CHARGE

At a Late Hour People Gather on the Street and There Are Reports of a Mob Forming, But the Police Fear No Trouble.

(Special to News and Observer.) Elizabeth City, N. C., March 21.—After being out five hours it is decided that the jury will not render a verdict tonight. Lawyers on both sides say a conclusion will not be heard before Saturday and that if a verdict is decided upon the judge will not receive it before tomorrow morning.

The afternoon session was taken for the most part in the reading of evidence. When Court Clerk Jennings had read during the morning session and for an hour after lunch, Miss Anna Delon took his place and read the rest of the testimony. The crowd of spectators had dwindled down to a few hundred while the evidence review was going on. Some of the jurymen paid close attention, but others were languid in appearance, and having heard the testimony already, did not care for its repetition in the record. Many thousands of words of testimony were read to the jury during the day, but they had heard it all before and the reading was rather flat. The number of women present was smaller than at previous sessions. Jim Wilcox heard it all without showing any emotion. The evidence reading concluded at 4:25 o'clock.

Judge Jones then announced that since all the evidence was in the jury should retire and consider nothing but the facts and that no impression gained from the outside should influence the verdict. All of which meant the jury should not take into account the index of local feelings shown yesterday by people leaving the courtroom, when Wilcox's last fearful spoke, nor the ringing of the fire alarm to distract their attention. The court told the jury to go out and bring in a verdict of murder in the first or second degree, or of acquittal. He concluded: "Mr. Officer, take the jury to their room. You can retire gentlemen."

Questioned about what he thought the jury would do, Mr. Ward, District Attorney, said of course he did not know, but he thought a verdict of murder in the second degree would be brought.

Mr. Bond, for the defense, while the jury was out, said: "I have no idea what they will do. I've gotten old enough to let nothing that a jury would do surprise me."

Former Sheriff Wilcox, Jim's father, was present when the lengthy time taken by the jury was commented upon, and some one thought the verdict would be brought quickly. Mr. Wilcox said: "I hope the verdict will not be brought so soon. I have heard that they are now getting up a crowd to lynch my boy. I have the names of three leaders who are seeking to get up a party."

Mr. Ward remarked to Mr. Wilcox that his was a most remarkable family. He said they seemed incapable of feeling. Mr. Wilcox looked sad and said nothing. They had already led his son away to jail pending word from the jury room.

Soon after the jury retired Judge Jones went driving with a friend. He did not expect an early verdict.

After the jury had gone up I talked with Miss Louise Cropsey, a young woman with a pretty, reflective face and intelligent expression. She was Miss Cropsey's sister. Miss Louise spoke of the relations between Nell and Jim and said Nell had ceased to love him, that he had heard Nell frequently speak about having laid aside his affections.

cox is pleasant with jail attendants. Having seen a frog on his way to court, Jim remarked he would like to get out and have some fun shooting bull frogs. While awaiting for the jury's finding Wilcox was one of the most unconcerned men in the city, so far as appearances go. Nothing can faze him.

Fewer District Attorney Leary said many people have misconstrued his remarks about the Cropseys being from the North. He says he feels kindly towards the family and did not mean any reflection against people from the North.

At a late hour tonight there are reports that a mob is gathering to lynch Wilcox in case he is freed. They are not important for in the first place a verdict of acquittal is not likely, and no verdict of any kind is likely to be brought tonight. That's what lawyers on both sides say. The police say people are gathering in small bunches, but they don't expect trouble tonight.

THE CHARGE TO THE JURY.

Detailed Proceedings of the Earlier Hours of the Day.

(Special to News and Observer.) Elizabeth City, N. C., March 21.—Aby, impressively, forcefully, feelingly, Judge Jones today charged the jury in whose keeping is the life of Jim Wilcox. The judge is a careful, conscientious and learned man, and he talked like one who felt a grave responsibility resting upon him. There was deathly stillness as he spoke the words which must guide the jury in their verdict. Stern men and fair women scanned his face eagerly.

Judge Jones requested the spectators to keep quiet, and hoped he would not be interrupted. Having forgotten his spectacles there was slight delay while Sheriff Grandy sent for them. Having no chairs, most of which were held by ladies, District Attorney Ward and others were seated on cracker boxes and the like. The prisoner, neatly groomed sat far back in his chair, his hands folded across the breast.

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THE BOYCOTT FAILS

Tobacco Dealers Refuse to be Enslaved by the Imperial Company.

(By the Associated Press.) London, March 21.—At a meeting of the Edinburgh Association of retail tobacconists today, a resolution was adopted, unanimously, declining to sign the Imperial Tobacco Company's agreement not to sell American goods for a term of years, but expressing willingness, if the minimum price is raised so as to allow a fair profit to dealers, to do what is possible, bonus or no bonus, for the sake of British goods. The chairman declared that no one outside of a lunatic asylum would sign such an agreement which would make them the servants of the Imperial Tobacco Company. While the Americans offered a large bonus, no restrictions were placed upon the dealers. The Belfast tobacco dealers, at a meeting today, decided to accept the American proposition.

A BILL TO PROTECT THE NATION'S HEAD

The Measure Passes the Senate 52 to 15.

A BODY GUARD PROVIDED

The Bill to Repeal War Taxes is Also Passed.

IT GOES THROUGH WITHOUT DIVISION

Patterson of Colorado Forcefully Opposed the Bill to Protect the President and Fairbanks Advocated It. Amendments Voted Down.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, March 21.—Two important measures were passed by the Senate today, the bill for the repeal of the War Revenue Taxes and that for the protection of the President of the United States.

The revenue reduction bill was passed without division and after only one short speech. Mr. Tillman, embracing the opportunity afforded by the bill's consideration to protect again the repeal of the duty of tea cents a pound upon tea. The owners of tea teas now in this country in bond, Mr. Tillman said, would get the benefit of the removal of the duty to the amount of \$3,000,000. Since the duty had been levied upon the tea the United States had been receiving a better quality of tea, which had been supplied to the people at no increase, he said, than the experiment of tea culture was being made in South Carolina and he believed it would be successful. This was a "baby industry" and really needed the protection. This was the tea culture industry gave occupation to many colored children and might do much other good.

The bill for the protection of President was under consideration the greater part of the session. M. Patterson, of Colorado, made an extended speech in opposition to it, and Mr. Fairbanks, of Indiana, advocated it in a forceful address.

Amendments were offered by Senators Morgan, Mallory, Telle, McLaurin, (Miss.), and McCumber, (North Dakota), and rejected.

The substitutes offered by Senators Culberson, Bacon and Patterson were rejected.

speaking. This was the second trial in the Richardson murder. Mrs. Richardson, the widow, having been acquitted only a few weeks and still the mystery of the murder of Richardson, who was shot down soon after he had entered his own home in the evening is unsolved. No other indictments are pending.

Stewart Fife is a member of a wealthy family at St. Joseph, fifteen miles from here, his father having for many years been a millionaire wholesale merchant.

GOOD ROADS ASSOCIATION. An Organization Effected at Richmond For the State of Virginia.

(By the Associated Press.) Richmond, Va., March 21.—The State Good Roads Association of Virginia, an organization to have its headquarters in this city, and to conduct the work of improving the public highways in Virginia, was formed here this morning in the Chamber of Commerce.

The election of officers was effected after a stormy discussion, precipitated by the statement that the country people did not want Richmond in the good roads movement.

The following officers were chosen: President, H. W. Anderson, Richmond; Secretary, T. M. Wortham, Richmond; Treasurer, T. K. Sands, Henrico county, Cashier National Bank of Virginia.

The members of the association are to be the delegates who attend the good roads convention held in this city, and there is to be a vice-president in each county of Virginia. The association is to meet on the first Tuesday in March of each year.

Golf Tournament at Pinehurst.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, March 21.—The annual open golf tournament over the 18-hole course at Pinehurst, N. C., will be held on April 11, 12, 13th. There are eight silver trophies to be played for, including the United North and Champion Cup. A large number of entries are expected.

WHAT FAKE NEXT?

Another Political Canard Sent Out.

The Latest is That Judge Clark and Hon. Cyrus B. Watson Have Formed a Combination by Which Both are to be Senators.

Greensboro is a good town all the way through. Its newspaper men and correspondents are reliable and enterprising, but of late they have been imposed upon by two of the worst political fake stories that ever deceived a newspaper correspondent. The following special was sent out from Greensboro yesterday: "Greensboro, N. C., March 21.—An unconfirmed political rumor about in this section is to the effect that Judge Walter Clark and Hon. C. B. Watson have formed a combination of forces for their mutual interest. According to the rumor, Judge Clark, after securing the nomination for Chief Justice, is to assist Mr. Watson in inducing the State convention in naming the Democratic candidate for the Senate, when, if the plan is successful, he will throw his influence to Mr. Watson and endeavor to secure his nomination for the Senate. The plan is also said to include the selection of Judge Clark as the successor of Senator Simmons."

TALK OF A COLLAR AND CUFF FACTORY

Capt. West Presents Matter to Chamber of Commerce

OVER HALF SUBSCRIBED

A Resolution Passed Approving the Plan Suggested.

TO EMPLOY ONE HUNDRED YOUNG WOMEN

A Committee Appointed to Present the Matter of a \$100,000 Masonic Temple, Eight Day at Charleston Exposition.

A very important meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was held last night, President Frank T. Ward presiding. The most important matter considered was a proposition looking to the establishment of a Collar and Cuff factory in Raleigh. A gentleman, who understands the business in every branch, has recently visited Raleigh and conferred with some of the more public-spirited citizens with a view to establishing such a factory in the capital city. He met a number of the leading business men, and made a pleasant impression upon them as a man of integrity, capacity and enterprise.

Last night the matter was presented to the Chamber by Capt. N. W. West, who has been the leading local spirit in the enterprise. He has gone over the matter fully and the result of his investigations convince him and others who have given the matter consideration that the proposed enterprise has the promise of success. Already \$11,500 has been subscribed and it is believed that \$20,000 will be sufficient capital for the enterprise. After discussion participated in by Capt. West, Messrs. George Allen, C. M. Busbee, F. B. Arendell, J. K. Marshall, Josephus Daniels, Frank Stronach and others the Chamber passed a resolution approving of the plan suggested, and appointed the following committee to secure additional stock to insure the establishment of the factory: Capt. N. W. West, chairman; C. B. Barbee, F. K. Ellington, Frank Stronach and W. G. Briggs.

Upon a capital of \$20,000 employment could be given to 100 young women who would earn from \$4 to \$5 a week. It was stated that the gentleman who visited Raleigh ascertained that there were enough capable young women in the city who would be glad to secure employment in an enterprise of this kind, calling for skill and delicate touch.

The matter of the Masonic Temple was brought up by Mr. W. G. Briggs. The Masons have determined to build a magnificent temple at some point in North Carolina. Raleigh is the naturally logical place provided its citizens show sufficient practical interest. The plan is to build a \$100,000 building. Fifty thousand dollars of first mortgage bonds will be issued. These can easily be floated. The city of Raleigh, the Grand Lodge, and prominent Masons will be expected to take \$50,000 worth of second mortgage bonds. This would erect a magnificent building that would be a credit to Raleigh and Masonry throughout the State. A committee was appointed to present the matter to the people of Raleigh and show the necessity for their taking liberal stock to secure this great ornament and benefit to the city.

The wood-working business and the manufacture of furniture is one of the chief industries in the State, and yet Raleigh has only one enterprise of that character—the Boyd Furniture Company. It has more business offered than its capacity can turn out, and Mr. Eaton, who was called on last night, said that if sufficient capital was put in the business, it would easily and naturally grow soon to such proportions as would give employment to fifty men at wages ranging from \$12 to \$18 per week. A committee was authorized to devise ways and means for increasing the capacity of that concern. Mr. Geo. Allen, speaking of the importance of the manufacture of furniture, said that at the close of the war there were only 300 people in the town of High Point. Today there are 6,000. The manufacture of furniture gives the town a pay-roll of \$500,000 a year.

sions of the Good Roads Convention; to the officers of the National Good Roads Association, and others who accepted invitations to make addresses before the convention, to the press of the city and State for their invaluable aid; to the city and county authorities and to the various committees who carefully arranged the program and carried it to successful completion.

CENTENNIAL OF RALEIGH ACADEMY. The Raleigh Academy, which has had an honorable and useful career, is nearing its one hundredth anniversary. The following resolution was adopted looking to observing the centennial: "Resolved, This being the centennial of the creation by the Legislature of North Carolina of the Raleigh Academy, which is still in operation, the Chamber of Commerce hereby appoints a committee, consisting of A. J. Peilds, Prof. Morson and R. H. Battle, to prepare suitable recognition of the event and to report at next meeting of the chamber."

Barge Believed to be Lost.

(By the Associated Press.) Boston, Mass., March 21.—Capt. Keane, of the tug Edward Luckenbach, which arrived here today from Newport News, reports the loss of the barge Hamilton which his tug had in tow, off Highland light on Wednesday. It is feared that the barge has foundered and that Capt. Jno. A. Shoemaker and his crew of four men were drowned.

The Hamilton broke loose from the tug in a gale and snow storm during Wednesday night. The Luckenbach cruised in the vicinity until yesterday afternoon in a vain search for the barge. The Hamilton was coal laden for this city. She was formerly the ship Margerithe.

Appointment Confirmed.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, March 21.—Confirmations by the Senate: M. L. King, Collector of Customs at Alexandria, Va.

RIVER AND HARBOR

House Passes This Bill Without Change in the Appropriation.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, March 21.—The House today passed the River and Harbor Bill, which has been under consideration throughout the week. Although several minor amendments were adopted, not a single dollar was added to the measure, and as passed it carried exactly what it did when it came from the committee—\$60,688,267 including authorizations. Mr. Sulzer (New York) attempted to force a record vote on the final passage of the bill, but only three members, Messrs. Smith (Iowa); Fitzgerald (New York) and Cochran (Missouri) supported him.

Something of a flurry was caused by an amendment offered by Mr. Gaines (Tennessee) to an amendment which would permit the Secretary of War to grant leases to the owners of land abutting Lock and Dam, Number 1 at Nashville, Tenn., for the use of the water power created by that dam to allow the construction of inlet and outlet canals, etc. Mr. Richardson's amendment met with no opposition yesterday. Mr. Gaines' amendment provided that the lease or grant of this water power should be given to the highest bidder.

Mr. Richardson explained his connection with the original amendment in which he said he had no personal interest. He said that last summer at the request of some constituents of his, who desired to obtain the privilege of using the water power at Nashville, and Senator Carmack came to Washington to see the Secretary of War about the matter. The Secretary, he said, declined to grant the request for the use of the water, saying it was a matter which Congress should pass upon. The matter rested until a short time ago, Mr. Richardson said, when his constituents asked him to call the matter to the attention of Congress and he has done so. "I had no further interest in the matter," said he, "than to do my duty by my constituents who had asked me to come here, and who had paid my way."

Mr. Gaines insisted that the rights to be given away under his colleague's amendment were exceedingly valuable. He said that a New York concern had offered \$85,000 for similar rights at Chattanooga. At the War Department, he said, it was estimated that the water rights at Nashville were worth several million dollars.

QUINCY S. ADAMS SHOT TO DEATH

Killed by John Nipper Near Falls of Neuse.

EXONERATED BY A JURY

A Verdict of Justifiable Homicide Was Brought In.

HIS MOTHER WAS THE ONLY WITNESS

It is Reported That Adams Had Been Drinking Hard, and Attacked Nipper, and Struck His Mother When She Interfere.

John Nipper, a white man, killed Quincy S. Adams, a farmer, early yesterday morning at Veto, about five miles from Neuse station and three miles from the Falls of Neuse, in Barton's Creek township. It seems that Nipper was employed upon Adams' farm, and lived on the place, in a house about a hundred yards from Adams' home. There have been different accounts as to just how the killing occurred, but most of them agree that soon after sunrise Adams went over to Nipper's house and ordered him to go to the field and go to plowing. Nipper replied that he would as soon as he got his breakfast, but Adams insisted upon his going there at once. During the altercation which followed, it is said that Adams, who had been drinking very hard, struck Nipper with a heavy brush handle, knocking him down, and then fell upon him and beat him severely. Nipper's mother, with whom the young man lived, it is said, interfered and Adams commenced to beat her also. Nipper then got his gun and fired, shooting Adams through the heart and killing him instantly.

Nipper did not attempt to run away but sent for Constable Ball and surrendered himself into his custody. A phone message was then sent from the Falls of Neuse to the sheriff here and he notified Dr. Moore, the county coroner. The latter passed through Raleigh on the 11 o'clock S. A. L. train on his way to Neuse from whence he went through the country to the Adams farm, where an inquest was held yesterday evening.

The coroner's jury, after hearing all the evidence, declared that Nipper was justified in shooting Adams, and brought in a verdict of justifiable homicide, thus releasing Nipper from custody.

Adams is about thirty-five years old and leaves a wife and one child. He married Miss Hoy Fort, formerly of Raleigh, but living near Wake Forest when they were married.

Nipper is said to have been in Adams' employ for nine or ten years. Adams has the reputation of having been a hard drinker and very quarrelsome when drunk, having had many difficulties before this Nipper, on the other hand, is said never to have been in any trouble before. He is reported to be almost crazed with grief at the result of his deed, and says he did not shoot to kill, but merely in an attempt to defend himself from Adams' attack.

Hester's Cotton Statement.

(By the Associated Press.) New Orleans, March 21.—Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton, issued today, shows the total visible to be 4,315,151 against 4,322,631 last week and 4,018,383 last year. Of this the total of American cotton is 2,197,151 against 2,233,631 last week and 2,990,383 last year, and of all other kinds, including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc. 1,118,000 against 1,091,000 and 1,028,000.

Of the world's visible supply there is now about held in Great Britain and Continental Europe 2,315,000 against 1,850,000 last year; in Egypt, 238,000 against 178,000; in India, 578,000 against 534,000; and in the United States, 1,184,000 against 1,455,000.

Secretary Hester's weekly statement, issued today, showed the amount brought into sight during the past week to be 138,179 bales against 161,235 for the seven days ending this date last year and 140,837 year before last. For the 21 days of March it has been 464,407 against 471,901 last year, and 428,951 year before last.

The movement since September last shows receipts at all United States ports 6,818,237 against 6,286,028 last year; overland, across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac Rivers to Northern mills and Canada 923,510 against 928,730; interior stocks in excess of those held at the close of the commercial year 284,264 against 539,105; Southern mill takings 1,100,000 against 966,259.

Foreign exports for the week have been 87,930 against 142,732 last year, making the total thus far for the season 5,464,511 against 4,801,855 last year, an increase of 662,656.

The total takings of American mills, North and South and Canada thus far for the season have been 2,859,904 against 2,591,353 last year.

Stocks at the seaboard and the 29 leading Southern interior centers have decreased during the week 18,605 against a decrease during the corresponding period last year of 37,565 and are now 27,651 smaller than at this date in 1901. Including stocks left over at ports and interior towns from the last crop and the number of bales brought into sight thus far for the new crop the supply to date is 9,485,868 against 8,822,654 for the same period last year.

STEWART FIFE ACCUSED

Charged With Murder of Frank Richardson. Dramatic Scenes in Court Room.

Mrs. J. H. Kimbro Dies on the Train.

(Special to News and Observer.) Greensboro, N. C., March 21.—Mrs. J. H. Kimbro, of Reidsville, who lost her reason as the result of a severe attack of illness, died on the train between Statesville and Hickory yesterday. She was being carried to the asylum at Morganton for treatment. At Statesville it was noticed that she appeared to be asleep, and it was thought that she was resting easy. Before reaching Hickory an attendant discovered that she was dead. The body was carried to Morganton and prepared for burial, after which it was sent back home.

ROAD TO THE CEMETERY.

A telegram from Hon. E. W. Pou to the mayor asking for information as to the route necessary to build the road to the Federal Cemetery was sent, and a committee to co-operate with the city authorities to secure that road was appointed. The committee is composed of Messrs. R. H. Battle, C. M. Busbee and Frank Stronach.

NEGRO HANGED FOR MURDER.

(By the Associated Press.) Vienna, Ga., March 21.—John Henry Peavy, a negro, was hanged here today for the murder of Jesse Ford. Peavy was recently respited for thirty days in order that he might testify for the State in other cases.

TO HEAR THE LABOR INTERESTS.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, March 21.—The House Committee on Naval Affairs will hear the labor interests on April 29th, the plan of building war ships in Government Navy Yards.