

AUGUSTA CLAIMS TAFT AS ONE OF ITS FIRST CITIZENS

Therefore Makes His Visit Merely a Homecoming With Incidental Entertainment

COLUMBIA GAVE HIM A STATE LUNCHEON Will Leave Early Tomorrow Morning For Visit to This State

AUGUSTA, Ga., Nov. 6.—After spending the entire afternoon in historic old Columbia, S. C., with its many reminders of the withering blast of the Civil war, President Taft arrived in Augusta at 8:30 o'clock tonight to rest until Monday when he will resume his journey to Washington. The president often speaks of Augusta as "home" and his reception here tonight as he rode through the crowded and brilliantly illuminated streets leading from the train to the home of Major Joseph B. Cummins, whose house guest he is, was in the nature of a homecoming celebration. Mr. Taft has stated several times that he was a resident of Augusta when elected president of the United States, that is when the electoral votes were cast in Washington. The Augusta people are proud to claim him as their own and hence the name of "Taft, William H., president of the United States, Terrett cottage, Summerville," appears in the current city directory. It was from Augusta, last winter that the president-elect went to Washington to take the oath of office.

To Visit Tar Heels Next. Mr. Taft has been looking forward to his visit to Augusta and the residents of the city are going to make his stay as pleasant as possible. They have asked him to make only one speech during his two days in town. Tonight an informal reception at the Cummins home left the president free to retire early for a much-needed long night's rest. Tomorrow the president will attend services at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Episcopalian, will lunch with Landon A. Thomas and dine quietly at the Cummins home last evening. Monday morning bright and early the president will play golf on the links of the Country club where he spent so much time last winter when the snows drove him from Hot Springs to seek a warmer climate. At noon, or shortly thereafter, he will officiate and speak at the

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LAWYER AND LIAR FOR FOURTEEN YEARS UNTIL HIS STOMACH GAVE OUT

Then Quit Both and Became a Preacher to Get Ready For Hereafter.

PRAYED ACHE AWAY.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 6.—On the eve of his fiftieth birthday lawyer Eli F. Cunningham of Clayton, was encouraged and denounced his profession and announced his intention to become a non-sectarian preacher. He declares he cannot remain a lawyer and be a good man. His practice has been chiefly in criminal cases. He says he will sell his home in Clayton, so that he can pay back, on demand, any fee which he has accepted as a lawyer. "I take this stand," Mr. Cunningham said, "in order to save my conscience of a load it has carried for fourteen years. I have been practicing law that long. "I have been a lawyer and a liar, I am going to quit being both, and try to be a good citizen. "I shall preach. I am not going to connect myself with any particular sect, but will take up independent ministerial work, possibly as a non-sectarian evangelist. I want to work for the good of the people. That is my decision. "I have quit drinking. A man who drinks is a liar, anyhow. He will give his wife sorry excuses for staying out late or for having spent the money which he should spend on his family. That is lying. I have done that sort of lying, but I shall do it no more." Mr. Cunningham made his definite statement of his intention at a tent camp meeting conducted in Clayton by a traveling Methodist revivalist, known as Mother Barnes. Cunningham astonished the worshippers by appearing at the meeting and acknowledging that he felt like a little dog barking at a locomotive. He said he had barked and scoffed at the meetings, but would do so no more. The next day Clayton was discussing the Cunningham utterances from house to house. Mr. Cunningham did not open his law office opposite the court house, but remained at home. About noon eight women who are workers at the tent revival called at his home and prayed with him.

SLICK STRANGER CASHED A CHECK AND WENT AWAY

After Paying Month's Rent For Fashionable House (by Check) And Laying in Supply of Provisions (by Check) - Vanished.

Asheville barely escaped probably being the scene of an arrest which would have been interesting reading to Washington people. A week ago yesterday a prepossessing and well dressed stranger came to the city and went to Mr. J. J. McCloskey's real estate office seeking a home for himself and family for the winter. His manners were suave and gentlemanly and he gave every appearance of being a thoroughly honest and trustworthy man. Mr. McCloskey inquired what he wanted and found that his taste in a dwelling corresponded very well with his appearance and told him of several cottages and bungalows in the fashionable part of the city that he thought would please him. A tour of inspection of several houses which Mr. McCloskey had on his list was made, and the stranger at last found a bungalow in the Cumberland avenue neighborhood that seemed to please him. He agreed to take it and gave Mr. McCloskey his check for a month's rent in advance. The check was drawn on the International Banking Corporation of Washington and was signed "Howard E. Smith." Mr. Smith spoke familiarly of places and people in Washington and was very glad to find that Mr. McCloskey himself was a Washington man. Therefore, and thus the deal went through very smoothly and satisfactorily. Mr. Smith said that his wife was coming on the midnight train Saturday night and in order to be prepared for her reception he wanted the house put in order for his immediate occupation. That there might be no delay in getting settled he also desired to lay in a supply of groceries and provisions. Bought His Provisions. He thereupon went to the Clarence Sawyer's grocery store and ordered a large bill of groceries of the finest varieties. So complete was the stock he laid in, that even laundry soap and bluing was not omitted, and to show he contemplated immediate occupation of the house he bought grapes, grape fruits, oranges, and other perishable fruits and had them all sent out to the house. In payment he tendered Mr. Sawyer a check also drawn on the International Banking Corporation for fifty dollars and requested that the difference between the amount of his bill and the check

AMERICAN WILL ERECT MONUMENT IN SPAIN TO WIFE WHO WAS A SUICIDE

Frustrated by Her Family in His Plan to Erect Memorial in England.

WAS ONCE IN ASYLUM.

RONDA, Spain, Nov. 6.—Lawrence Perin, the eccentric American millionaire, whose beautiful wife committed suicide at Harrow, England, six weeks ago, arrived here today on the private train of the Countess Pells. Perin proposes to erect a memorial to his wife in this place and has purchased a plot of ground for that purpose. With the money received from the sale of the ground, the city has agreed to build a park around the memorial. Perin, when asked about his plans, refused to talk. It is understood that he had planned to erect a memorial in Harrow, where Mrs. Perin killed herself, but that his plans were upset because of the opposition of his family and through the objections of the relatives of the dead wife. Mrs. Perin was Miss Jane Gordon Sartori of Philadelphia, sister of Mrs. Julian Story, and of Mrs. Ackroyd, whose husband is music master at Harrow school. Perin has been confined in an asylum twice and released as cured when Miss Sartori eloped with him. This was in 1904. She was then less than twenty years old. In the summer of this year the Perins went to visit the Ackroyds at Harrow. Perin after a time left there and went to the United States. He was in America when his wife shot herself on September 11, because they had lived unhappily. He returned to England for the inquest, and while on the stand buried his head in his hands and was deeply affected. He denied his wife's suicide was due to an unhappy married life. It is said here that Perin has asked the influence of the American government in obtaining the permission of the English government for the removal of his wife's body from England. When he sailed for America it was reported that Perin was under the care of a physician. He is accompanied now only by a strenuous valet.

GOV. COLTON ASSUMES REINS OF GOVERNMENT IN ISLAND OF PORTO RICO

Makes Favorable Impression on Natives by His Conciliatory Promises.

OUTLINES POLICY

SAN JUAN, P. R., Nov. 6.—Col. G. R. Colton was today inaugurated governor of Porto Rico, succeeding Regis H. Post. The ceremony was held in the municipal theatre, which was filled with an audience that manifested a keen and sympathetic interest. The feature of the inauguration was the reading of a congratulatory cablegram from President Taft. Colonel Colton's speech was well received. His references to Porto Rican coffee, American citizenship for permanent residents of Porto Rico who desired it, and that he would exercise his appointive power regardless of political or religious affiliations, were liberally applauded. The people are favorably impressed by the personality of the new governor and expect that he will govern them firmly. After his speech Colonel Colton reviewed the Porto Rican regiment, the marines and the police, and later held an informal reception at the place, which was attended by distinguished citizens of the island. The inaugural ceremonies closed tonight with a grand ball at the municipal theatre. Governor Colton warned the country against "disturbing the peace in a day," and recommended rather a calm, sustained, thoughtful effort to take advantage of every opportunity presented at home and abroad to extend the Porto Rican market and develop its trade. He assured the Porto Ricans that complete self-government under the stars and stripes eventually would come to them when a sustained public opinion arose among the whole people that could not be easily swayed by the specious arguments of the few who might seek to advantage themselves at the cost of their country. In the exercise of his appointive power, Governor Colton said he would place only the most deserving men in public office regardless of political or religious affiliations, save

The Winning Of The South.



JURY NOT IN MOOD TO AGREE WITH THE COURT OR PRISONER'S COUNSEL

Having Failed to Agree Among Themselves, Declined to Accept Compromise Verdict Until Court Threatened to Discharge Them and Then Were Sorry When Sentence Was Passed.

A verdict of manslaughter was yesterday afternoon entered by consent of the state and defendant by the jury which has been for three days considering the case of Grant Trigman, charged with the murder of John W. Brigman, and the defendant was sentenced to serve one and a half years on the Buncombe county roads. Most unusual were the circumstances attending the rendition of the verdict in the Brigman case. The case had been given the jury Wednesday afternoon, a few minutes before the jury in the Watkins case had been discharged because of disagreement, and when the jurors came into court next morning and reported that they could not agree it was the general opinion that there was no possible hope of a verdict. All Friday the hunchbacked defendant, surrounded by his children, wife and aged mother, sat in the court room while the minutes progressed, awaiting the judgment of the twelve men who were to decide his fate, but there came no jury.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION WILL MEET AT MEMPHIS

Southern League Magnates and Arbitration Board Will Meet At Same Time.

MEMPHIS, TENN., Nov. 6.—The attention of the baseball world will be attracted to Memphis Monday when the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues convene in annual session in conjunction with a national board of arbitration. At the same time the Southern League magnates will hold their annual meeting here. This is the first time the national board of directors has ever met in the South. The national association has sixty-nine cases to be disposed of and will be in session throughout next week. About one hundred delegates are expected to be in attendance. The most important case to be decided by the national body is that involving the admission of the California state league to present an "out-law" organization into the ranks of organized baseball. The entire day Monday will be devoted to the settlement of this question.

N.&W. RAILROAD SHOPS AT NEW BERNE DESTROYED

Locomotives and Equipment Burned Up at Total Loss of \$300,000.

AUTHOR OFFERED CURRY'S POSITION.

ROSWELL, N. M., Nov. 6.—William Robinson, of Roswell, editor and author, was today offered by President Taft the position of Governor of New Mexico to succeed Governor Curry, resigned, according to a report current here tonight. The report was later confirmed by Mr. Robinson, who is being urged by his friends to accept. Mr. Robinson is editor of The Roswell Register-Tribune, and is author of "Impressions of a Tenderfoot." He has been connected with political affairs of New Mexico for years. Mr. Robinson declined tonight to indicate whether he would accept the appointment.



Promptly Frank Carter stated to the court that the defense would agree to a verdict of manslaughter and Solicitor Mark W. Brown responded that under the circumstances the state would agree to the proposition. The court formally informed the jury what they had just heard and when the jurors started to retire said that it was unnecessary for them to do so. Judge Reissner. The spectators were surprised when the foreman told the court in effect that the jury wished to commit, and very much surprised were they when a few minutes later the jury reappeared and foreman Campbell gravely informed the court that the jury would not consent to this verdict except on condition that the judge impose the minimum punishment. Judge, counsel and spectators showed signs of astonishment at the refusal to agree to a verdict approved by defendant and Judge Adams promptly informed the foreman that the court would make no terms; that the jurors had no right to impose conditions on the court and that the matter of sentence rested entirely with the judge. The jury all making no sign, Judge Adams turned to counsel for the defendant and said he supposed they would not object to a mistrial. Moved in Hastle. Foreman Campbell, whom everybody believed was the head of the side which wanted acquittal, took alarm at the judge's words and hastily asked that the jury be allowed to retire. The suggestion was made by Mr. Carter that possibly a recommendation of

FAIR MARY IN LOVE ADMITS SHE DISSOLVED IN TEARS

Will Become a Catholic and Never Marry—Perhaps—At Least Not Yet.

NEW YORK, Nov. 6.—Mary Garden wearing a long wool coat, stopped off the White Star liner Adriatic yesterday, looking younger and more vivacious than ever. Mary comes back in walskin and humility, for she says that next to her career she is most interested in religion and that when she returns to her dear Paris in the spring will be confirmed in the Catholic church. "Is it because of a man—do you contemplate marrying a Catholic?" "Oh, dear no," replied Mary. "Men may love me, but they cannot influence me in matters purely aesthetic and religious. I am a Catholic because I have always been the contrary thing—a Scotch Presbyterian. I love the Catholic church because of its beauty, its warmth, its color. The services, the ritual, all appeal in a deeply artistic yet religious sense." And Mary has made another vow—perhaps not as binding as that to enter the Catholic church—that she will remain single. "I have left my heart in France, ah, yes," and here Mary heaved one of her "Thais" sighs, "but I will go back to it. I cannot marry but I can love." When asked if she was interested in M. Briand, the prime minister of France, she replied: "Oh, he is a very dear friend, charming, charming, but not the man I love." Around the singer's neck was a chain with an enormous diamond set singly. "Isn't it lovely?" she asked. "It's a present from one, oh, from THE ONE, who has caused me to shed tears all the way across the Atlantic. It's a waste of tears to shed them on the ocean, for no matter how many one sheds they are as nothing compared to the great expanse of brine."

mercy would serve the end desired and the jury retired and promptly rendered a verdict of manslaughter with recommendation to the mercy of the court. Judge Says Guilty. In sentencing defendant to serve four years and eleven months on the county roads, a sentence shortly afterwards reduced to four years and six months on the suggestion of Mr. Craig that defendant had already served six months in jail. Judge Adams informed the jury that he believed the defendant was guilty of either murder or manslaughter. He said that the overwhelming weight of the testimony was against the defendant, who said merely that he thought he saw John Brigman draw a pistol and that the jurors could not understand the evidence and the court have cleared defendant. Judge Adams said that he had the utmost confidence that the jurors did their duty as they saw it, and he discharged them with thanks. He said that he had intended to impose a fifteen year sentence, but respecting the doubts of jurors he would reduce this to four years and eleven months. He could not think, he said, of imposing the minimum sentence for manslaughter, four months. The Little Children. Huddled in a chair the deformed defendant sat silent while around him played his little children, to whose childish minds the whole trial has been a show and not a tragedy involving them. They were taken away and

MRS. STEINHEIL ANGRY AT IMPUTATIONS CAST UPON HER DEAD HUSBAND

Contradictory Evidence as to Whether or not he Knew of her Escapes.

'INFAMOUS,' SHE CRIES

PARIS, Nov. 6.—In the trial today of Madame Steinheil, charged with the murder of her husband, and her step-mother, the first witness called was Remy Couillard, formerly a servant in the Steinheil household, but now in the military service. He appeared in the uniform of a dragon. It was Couillard who discovered Madame Steinheil bound and gagged in her bed and the bodies of her husband and step-mother in adjoining rooms. He recounted today the story which he had told the police, but nothing new was developed. Couillard was followed on the stand by police witnesses. During the afternoon much contradictory testimony was given regarding just how Madame Steinheil was bound, the general appearance of things in the household on the morning after the crime was committed and also as to whether the artist knew of his wife's intrigues with other men. One of Steinheil's models, a man named Antozio, swore that a few days before the murders, the painter told him that he intended to divorce his wife for the sake of their daughter. On the other hand, M. Bouneaud, a brother-in-law of Steinheil, testified that the painter always had insisted his wife had been murdered. He said that Steinheil adored his wife and was in no way suspicious of her. M. Bouneaud and his family, however, knew Madame Steinheil's character and severed their relations with her after the gossamer "faux" following the death of President Faure. Another brother-in-law of Madame Steinheil, the artist was familiar with his wife's escapades. This statement aroused an outburst of indignation from Madame Steinheil, who cried out: "You have dishonored the memory of my husband. It is infamous."

TREASURE TRAIN IN COLLISION ON ELEVATED ROAD

Four Men Killed And Over Million Dollars Endangered In The Mishap

HEAVY GUARD PLACED OVER SPILLED MONEY

Officials Lay Blame For The Collision on Broken Rail But Will Investigate

NEW YORK, Nov. 6.—Four persons, all of them railroad employes, were killed and six passengers seriously, and a score slightly injured in a collision between a Pennsylvania railroad passenger train from Philadelphia, and an engine running light on the elevated tracks in Jersey City today. The engines and all the cars except the rear one on the train left the rails and the smoking car and both engines were overturned. The killed: John Stille, Trenton, N. J., engineer of the passenger train; John Monroe, Perthamboy, engineer of light train; James McClure, Newark, fireman light engine; Specio Droskie, track walker. A steel box containing \$40,000, the property of the Adams express company, in the express car, was immediately placed under guard when the collision occurred and later safely removed from the wreckage. The mail car of the wrecked train carried a consignment of gold, said to amount to \$1,000,000 from the Philadelphia mint to the New York sub-treasury, and was closely guarded by the Jersey City police and railroad detectives. The consignment remained intact. Daniel Harrington, a trowman, who was arrested, was discharged by the police after it had been shown that the switches were all properly set at the time of the accident. An investigation by the officials led to the declaration that the accident probably was caused by a broken rail near the switch. The wreck caused a serious interruption to traffic, the tracks being blocked for several hours. The members of the Dartmouth college football team, on their way to Princeton for the annual game there with the Nassau eleven, were among those delayed by the wreck. A number of excursion trains crowded with Princeton alumni on their way to witness the contest were stalled several hours.