

THAW TRIAL AGAIN

Death of a Juror's Wife Was the Cause of Delay

THE ENTIRE COURT SADDENED

Husband Summoned to Bedside When Trial Had Been in Progress Less Than Four Minutes and Death Came Shortly After His Arrival.

New York, Special.—Another tragic chapter in the history of the Thaw-White episode was written Thursday when grim death stepped in to halt the famous trial in its fourth week. The wife of juror No. 11, Mrs. Jos. B. Bolton, passed away soon after her husband reached her bedside. He had been summoned from the court room, where the trial had been in progress less than four minutes. The formal announcement of Mrs. Bolton's death was made in court shortly after the hour set for the afternoon session, and Justice Fitzgerald immediately ordered an adjournment of the case until next Monday morning. The court also ordered, with the consent of counsel, that the other 11 jurors be given their liberty and no longer be held together. He admonished the jurors to be guided by their honor and their oaths and not to read the newspapers or discuss the Thaw case with anybody.

Doctors to Testify in Court.

The statement in court that counsel for the defense and prosecution had considered the proposition of taking the dispositions of Doctors Bingham and Deemar, the Thaw family physicians, during the enforced recess which was endorsed by Justice Fitzgerald, subsequently modified by statements made after recess.

Mr. Hartridge, of counsel for Thaw, says that the defense has decided that it will be of greater advantage to have the physicians testify in court. Mr. Hartridge said that what they have to say would be of greater advantage if told to jury by word of mouth than if depositions were read.

The death of juror Bolton's wife cast gloom over the criminal courts building and had a particularly depressing effect upon every one connected with the trial. The prisoner seemed to feel the matter quite keenly when he was brought into court to hear the formal announcement of the order for a postponement of his further hearing. The fact that the Thaw jurors have been kept in close confinement since they were selected for trial service and that Mr. Bolton had been allowed to visit his wife's home only three times during his wife's fatal illness, lent a pathetic aspect to the case and the greatest sympathy to the afflicted man was expressed on all sides.

Trial Resumed.

The trial was resumed on Monday. Expert testimony was taken to prove Thaw insane. "I never wanted to shoot the creature, I never wanted to kill him. I knew he was a foul creature, destroying the mothers and daughters of America, but I wanted through legal means to bring him to trial. I wanted to get him into court—to bring him to justice. But Providence took charge of it; it was an act of Providence."

This is Harry K. Thaw's own story of the killing of Stanford White. It was told by him to Dr. Britton D. Evans, the alienist, last August in the Tomb. Dr. Evans repeated the prisoner's words to the jury which is trying Thaw for his life.

District Attorney Jerome fought hard last week against the introduction of this evidence, which the defense believes is conclusive proof that Thaw did not know his act was wrong. Once the testifying physicians had declared that in their opinion Thaw was insane at the time he made the statements to them, however, the rules of evidence permitted the introduction of the prisoner's words.

For a Two and One-Half-Cent Passenger Fare.

Madison, Wis., Special.—The State railway commission ordered that the railways in this State give a flat two and one-half-cent passenger fare, and recommended that family mileage books of 500 miles be issued for \$10. The last Legislature created the railway commission and conferred upon it power to fix rates and regulate service. The decision announced is the result of an extended hearing before the commission.

Under Death Sentence He Attempts Suicide in Cell.

Kansas City, Mo., Special.—Frank Hottoman, under sentence of death, with Mrs. Aggie Myers, for killing Clarence Myers, the woman's husband, attempted to commit suicide in his cell in the county jail. Mrs. Myers is in jail at Liberty, Mo. Her sentence has been appealed to the United States Supreme Court.

THE N. C. LEGISLATURE

What the House and Senate Are Doing Day by Day.

The Bickett Bill.

In the House Wednesday the Bickett bill, designated to provide amply for all the insane of the State, was taken up and passed without opposition, thus becoming a law.

The following is the text of the Bickett bill which passed the House by a unanimous vote, and which is entitled "An act to provide for the mental defectives of the State."

Sec. 1. That a State Hospital commission is hereby created to consist of five practical business men, to be appointed by the Governor, who shall carry out the provisions of this act and shall be known as the State Hospital commission.

Sec. 2. Said commission shall have the power to elect its own chairman and secretary and to fix the time and place of its meetings. The said commission shall hold office until the work herein provided for shall have been accomplished and shall have been made report of the same to the general assembly and shall have been discharged. Upon the death or resignation of any member of said hospital commission, his successor shall be appointed by the Governor. The commissioners shall receive \$4 per diem and travelling expenses, including hotel bills, while actually engaged in the work of the hospital commission.

Sec. 3. The said hospital commission is hereby authorized and directed to make additional provision for the care of the mental defectives of North Carolina along the following lines: 1st, they shall purchase for the hospitals at Raleigh, Morganton and Goldsboro, such additional land as they shall deem may be wisely used in conjunction with said hospitals, and may also purchase such other lands in some other section, if in their judgment it is for the best interest of the State and upon the lands purchased or those now owned by the hospitals they shall erect such additional buildings upon the colony or cottage plan, or enlarging the present buildings as shall be necessary for the care and accommodation of all mental defectives, including epileptics, dangerous violent and indigent idiots, and all incurable as well as curable insane; all insane and imbecile Croatian Indians and all other mental defectives, whose condition is such that in the opinion of the hospital authorities they may require hospital treatment and can be advantageously treated in such a colony and they are authorized and required to make such repairs, additions and improvements to the present hospitals as may in their judgment be necessary for the economical and humane management of the same.

Sec. 4. All moneys expended by the commission in carrying out this act shall be paid by the State treasurer on warrants drawn by the secretary of the commission and countersigned by its chairman. Any lands purchased or any additions or repairs or improvements made or buildings erected under this act, the cost of which exceeds \$5,000 shall be paid for after submission to and approval by the council of the State.

Sec. 5. The commission shall report at least once in six months and as often thereafter as shall be required, to the Governor setting forth fully all its purchases and expenditures of any kind by this act. The Governor shall have the power upon complaint or on his own motion, to remove any commissioner for neglect of duty or any unbecoming conduct. The position of commissioner under this act shall not be construed to be an office within the meaning of Sec. 7 of article 14 of the constitution.

For the purpose of carrying out the act there is hereby appropriated a sum not exceeding \$500,000, of which not more than \$125,000 shall be available, for each year of the four years, beginning December 1, 1907, and if in any one of these years the revenues of the State, not otherwise appropriated, shall not be sufficient to meet the appropriations herein made, the State Treasurer is authorized to borrow enough money to make up the deficiency and is authorized to provide for paying the same out of the revenues of the succeeding year and the money so borrowed shall be used exclusively for the purpose of caring for the insane as herein provided.

Other Matters.

The appropriations committee Wednesday afternoon reported unfavorably the trans-continental railway bill. Strong argument in behalf of the project were made by Senators Webb and Breese, Representatives Boyd, Col. S. A. Jones, Attorney Welsh and others.

The House liquor traffic committee failed to reach a conclusion on the bill giving Scotland Neck the privilege of voting on the question of prohibition or dispensary.

The Senate committee reported unfavorably a bill, which had passed the House, giving Dunn, in Harnett county, the right of voting on prohibition or dispensary. The same committee could not agree on the House bill making Madison county dry.

In the house Thursday there was full discussion of the bill to reduce and fix passenger rates on all railroads doing passenger business in this State. Many amendments were offered the bill as finally coming before the body is as follows: A Bill entitled an Act prescribing

ing the charges railroad companies may make for transporting passengers.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That no railroad company doing business as a common carrier of passengers in the State of North Carolina shall charge, demand or receive for transporting any passenger and his or her baggage, not exceeding in weight two hundred pounds, in excess of the following charges:

(a) All railroads whose gross passenger earnings per mile of road operated, owned, controlled or leased by them, as reported to the North Carolina corporation commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1906, are less than \$1,550 per mile of road operated by said companies, but in excess of \$1,000 per mile of road operated by said companies, two and one-half cents per mile.

(b) All railroads whose gross passenger earnings per mile of road operated, owned, controlled or leased by them, as reported to the North Carolina corporation commission for the fiscal year 1906, are \$1,000 or less per mile of road so operated by said companies, a rate not exceeding three cents per mile, to be fixed and determined by the North Carolina corporation commission upon hearing and investigation duly made by it.

Section 2. In the case that any railroad company operated as a common carrier of passengers in the State of North Carolina is owned, controlled or operated by lease or other agreement by any other railroad company doing business in said State the rate for carrying the passengers as prescribed in section 1 of this act shall be determined for said railroad by the average gross passenger receipts per mile of all roads operated by said railroad company, whether the same be owned or leased lines, as reported to the North Carolina corporation commission for the year 1906.

Sec. 3. That all passenger accommodations on railroad trains operated from one point in the State of North Carolina to any other point shall be provided in every railroad train separate coaches for white persons and colored persons: Provided, That on roads, the business of which will not justify the hauling of separate passenger coaches for the two races, the North Carolina corporation commission may allow such railroads to place partitions in cars to provide for the separation of the races: Provided, further, that in every first-class passenger coach there shall be at least one apartment used as a smoking apartment, unless where there is a separate smoking car on the train.

Sec. 4. That mileage books of 1,000 miles in each book shall be kept on sale at all railroad ticket offices in North Carolina, and when such books are purchased they shall be good in the hands of any person or persons named therein on all railroads on which the fare is the same as or less than the fare on the road of the company selling such mileage book; and when the mileage is detached from said books by any other railroad company than the one which sold it, the said mileage shall be redeemable on demand by the railroad company which sold it.

Sec. 5. That section 1105 of the Revisal of 1905 or North Carolina be amended by striking out the word "nothing," in line 26, down to and including the word "consideration," in line 30, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "No act regulating the carriage of passengers shall be construed to prevent or restrict transportation companies from contracting with managers, owners or publishers of newspapers for advertising space in said newspapers published by them at the usual price at which said space is sold, and payment for said advertising space by transportation at the lawful rate; which transportation may be issued to the editor, manager or publisher of said newspaper, or any bona fide employee of said newspaper, or any member of the family of the said editor, publisher or manager dependent on him for support."

Sec. 6. That any railroad company violating any provision of this act shall be liable to a penalty of \$1,000 for each violation, payable to the person aggrieved by such violation, and recoverable in an action to be instituted in the name of said person in any court of the State having competent jurisdiction thereof.

Sec. 7. That any person or persons, except those permitted by law, who accepts free transportation, or transportation at the rate other than that permitted by law, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined or imprisoned, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 8. That all laws and clauses of laws, and especially section 2618 of the Revisal of 1905, in conflict with this act, are hereby repealed.

Sec. 9. That this act shall be in force from and after July 1, 1907.

Passed Third Reading.

Bills passed third reading: Amending the charter of the Tuckaseegee Railway. To incorporate Nazareth Orphans' Home, in Rowan. Authorizing street and inter-urban railway companies to build and maintain water power plants.

To establish a dispensary at Creedmore, Granville county.

To amend section 1891 of the Revisal regarding the appointment of guardian upon certificate from hospital superintendents of the insanity of patients, allowing guardians to be appointed also upon such certificates from government hospitals for the insane outside of North Carolina.

To amend section 2147 of the Revisal, regarding the statute of limitations in criminal actions.

Graham asked that the railway bill be made a special order for Wednesday instead of Tuesday, and the Senate took this action. The time for the registration of grants of lands was extended for two years.

Will Abide By Arbitration Court.

Washington, Special.—Dispatches received by the President from the Presidents of Nicaragua and Honduras give assurance of the maintenance of peaceful relations between those two countries. In response to the joint note of the United States, Mexico, Guatemala and the other Central American countries, both Presidents have signified their willingness to agree to any step which may be taken leading up to the submission of the question in dispute to an arbitration court and to abide by its decision.

Knoxville Interested in Switching Order.

Knoxville, Special.—There is much local interest in the order of the State Railroad Commission regarding interchanging arrangements between the Southern and the Louisville & Nashville Roads in this city. If the order is complied with it will be a great help for mines in Louisville & Nashville territory, for the Southern has by far the best switching facilities in Knoxville.

Receives a Hearty Send Off.

Liverpool, Special.—Ambassador James Bryce and Mrs. Bryce received a hearty send-off when they sailed from here for New York on the steamer Oceanic. Mr. Bryce said: "It is pleasant to feel that while I am leaving many friends behind I am going to meet hosts of good friends in America, with a great number of whom I am already acquainted. I have been assured that a cordial welcome awaits me and this is a happy augury."

Five Killed in Explosion.

London, Ky., Special.—Hugh Station a foreman, and four other men employed by the Louisville & Nashville Railroad in laying a double track at tunnel No. 6, north of Hazel Patch, were killed by the explosion of 100 sticks of dynamite, which they were thawing around a fire. The bodies were blown to atoms, fragments of flesh being found in the tops of nearby trees. Three of the victims were negroes.

Toward Brevity!

A young woman writes to The Atlantic Monthly of a departing friend who assured her that she would write daily on her trip abroad. How the one left at home did wait for that letter! With what eager hopes did she walk every day—it was in the country—to the post office; and finally there was something in the box. It was a postal card and photograph of some old ruin in Rome, and on the narrow margin was written "Greetings!" And all of the "letters" were on such lines. But then how much briefer and more satisfactory than the ten-page description of the Coliseum with which travellers were wont to regale correspondents at home? It would be a gain, too, if the same tourists, returned from their trips, would only confine their conversation to a similar graphic brevity!

DREADED TO EAT

A Quaker Couple's Experience.

How many persons dread to eat their meals, although actually hungry, near all the time? Nature never intended this should be so, for we are given a thing called appetite that should guide us as to what the system needs at any time and can digest.

But we get in a hurry, swallow our food very much as we shovel coal into the furnace, and our sense of appetite becomes unnatural and perverted. Then we eat the wrong kind of food or eat too much, and there you are—indigestion and its accompanying miseries.

A Phila. lady said the other day: "My husband and I have been sick and nervous for 15 or 20 years from drinking coffee—feverish, indigestion, totally unfit, a good part of the time, for work or pleasure. We actually dreaded to eat our meals."

"We tried doctors and patent medicines that counted up into hundreds of dollars, with little if any benefit."

"Accidentally, a small package of Postum came into my hands. I made some according to directions, with surprising results. We both liked it and have not used any coffee since."

"The dull feeling after meals has left us and we feel better every way. We are so well satisfied with Postum that we recommend it to our friends who have been made sick and nervous and miserable by coffee. Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read the little book, 'The Road to Wellville,' in pkgs. 'There's a Reason.'"

A FEARFUL WRECK

Numerous Lives Snuffed Out By Railway Accident

OTHERS SERIOUSLY WOUNDED

Heavily Loaded Electric Train Jumped the Track at Sharp Curve Near Woodlawn Road, in the Bronx.

New York, Special.—The White Plains and Brewster express, a six-car electric train on the Harlem division of the New York Central and Hudson River railroad, jumped the track at a curve near Woodlawn Road, in the Bronx.

Death List Grows.

New York, Special.—Twenty dead, two fatally hurt, and 145 others more or less seriously injured, is the result of the wreck of an electric express train on the New York Central Railroad at Two Hundred and Fifth street and Webster avenue Saturday night. Of the large number of injured, 50, according to the hospital and police reports, are seriously hurt, and the death list may be increased within the next 24 hours.

Most of the others are suffering from lacerations or shock, and will recover.

From Chicago to Savannah.

Chicago, Special.—A proposition to establish a State-owned railroad from Chicago to Savannah, Ga., was suggested to Corporation Counsel Lewis by Governor Hoke Smith, of Georgia, in a letter. Gov. Smith declared that such a line would reduce freight rates and would have a great influence on trade relations with the South. The letter says:

"I am much interested in the railroad rates from the lakes to Georgia. Our State owns a railroad from Atlanta to Chattanooga and there is a strong sentiment in favor of extending it to Savannah. If Cincinnati could reclaim control of the line built by its citizens from Cincinnati to Chicago, and Cincinnati and Chicago would join a movement for the construction of a line from Chicago to Savannah, there might be a through trunk line from Chicago to Savannah, operated solely for the purpose of paying expenses and interests of the actual cost of construction without the burdens of water stocks and bonds. Such a line would prove beneficial not only to the great cities through which it passed but to a broad territory adjacent to the line. It would reduce freight rates more than 25 per cent. It would have a most marked influence on our trade relations."

Five Business Houses Burn.

Pittsburg, Pa., Special.—A fire which threatened the destruction of several city blocks in Allegheny, across the Allegheny river from Pittsburg, destroyed five business buildings and three dwelling houses, causing an aggregate loss of \$200,000. Four fire companies were sent to Allegheny from this city to fight the flames, and a number of firemen had narrow escapes from falling walls. The fire originated from an explosion in the basement of Kenyon's dry goods store and Meeting Hall, a five-story structure and quickly spread to other buildings. What caused the explosion is not known.

A \$60,000 Cotton Fire at Elberton, Ga.

Elberton, Ga., Special.—Fire early Sunday destroyed the Southern Railway depot, 400 bales of cotton, eight freight cars and contents, and a passenger train. The loss is about \$60,000. Sparks from a passing train are said to have ignited the cotton.

Swainsboro, Ga., Has \$75,000 Fire.

Swainsboro, Ga., Special.—Fire here caused a loss of \$75,000. A total of but \$20,000 insurance was carried. The origin is supposed to have been incendiary. The first started Jos. Ehrlich's dry goods store and that, the McLeod building, the Mason & Clark skating rink were destroyed.

News in Brief.

Seventy-one bodies of those who perished by the sinking of the steamer Larchmont off Block Island were recovered, and but 19 persons are known to have survived.

An interruption to the Thaw case, or even a mistrial, was threatened by the illness of the wife of a juror.

Several buildings of the Cramp Shipbuilding company, including the pattern shop, were burned.

One of the causes why Raymond F. Ayres got a Dakota divorce was that his wife was too fond of ice-cream.

William F. Walker, treasurer of the Savings Bank of New Britain, Conn., is accused of embezzling over half a million dollars' worth of bonds from the institution.

MR. BLACK WOULD SHOOT

Dispensary Director John Black Falls Gun on Mr. William P. Norfolk, Blender for the South Carolina Dispensary—Norfolk's Evidence Before Legislature Investigating Committee Caused Trouble, Having Resulted in Recommendation of Removal of Black and Other Members of Board—Second Time Black Has Lost Temper Because of Investigations.

127 IN ICY WATERS

A Sad Story of Suffering and Death at Sea

Columbia, S. C., Special.—State Dispensary Director John Black on Thursday afternoon attempted to shoot Mr. William P. Norfolk, blender for the State dispensary. The incident took place in the room of the dispensary board, at the Capitol, where Mr. Norfolk had gone to secure his pay check.

Black came in while Norfolk was in the room and demanded to know what he was doing there. Norfolk replied that he came for his check, whereupon Black ordered him out, using violent language. Norfolk did not leave immediately and protested against the language of the director. Black then drew his revolver and advanced upon Norfolk, when Mr. Cliff Mobley and others interfered. Norfolk, who appeared to be unarmed, then left the room, and the incident seems to be closed, although no arrests have been made.

At a recent meeting of the legislative committee appointed to investigate the affairs of the dispensary, Mr. Norfolk gave the most damaging evidence against the members of the dispensary board, and it was largely on this testimony that both houses of the Legislature recommended that the Governor remove Black and other members of the board. Norfolk had testified that an amount of whiskey for which the board paid \$100,000 of the State's money, had been worth not more than half that amount. This liquor was purchased from Clarke Bros. and other whiskey dealers. He also testified that there were great opportunities for graft under the dispensary system. Mr. Black was, at that time, at Hot Springs, Ark.

It was Director Black, it will be remembered, who held up Chief Dispensary Inspector J. Frazier Lyon, in front of the Columbia Hotel during the investigation last summer, threatening to shoot the inspector and using threatening language. This matter was carried to Governor Heyward, but a removal of the director was not then ordered.

Belt Line at Memphis.

Memphis, Special.—Formal confirmation of a sale of about three acres in a corner of the Montgomery Park race course was made by the New Memphis Jockey Club stockholders whereby the property is deeded to the Illinois Central Railroad Company in consideration of a sum not made public. The ground was acquired for the Illinois Central's proposed belt line around this city. It is stated that it will in no way conflict with the track proper or environments.

Sumner County Richer by Unclaimed Fees.

Gallatin, Special.—Unclaimed fees to the amount of \$1,445.74 which have been in the hands of County Court Clerk Harris Brown for more than two years, have, through petition of the Clerk, been escheated to the county, to be held subject to the order of the county court for the parties included on the list, when legally called for by the rightful claimants.

Fatal Shooting at Dance.

Washington, Ga., Special.—Ira Garrett was shot and killed at a dance in the western part of this county by Douglas Harden. It is believed the men became involved in a difficulty and Harden shot Garrett. Harden claimed self-defense. He has surrendered. Both men were prominently connected.

Lumber Company Insolvent.

Mobile, Ala., Special.—A petition in bankruptcy was filed in the United States Court by creditors of the Mann Lumber Company. The company was declared insolvent and an inquiry instituted. The liabilities are placed at \$150,000, assets nominally the same. The hurricane of September, last, is responsible for the insolvency of the company, having blown down all standing timbers on tracts for which they had just paid over \$100,000. R. K. Mann is president of the company, and G. W. Atwood, secretary and treasurer.

Seaboard Files \$18,000,000 Mortgage

Atlanta, Ga., Special.—A mortgage for \$18,000,000 was filed here by the Seaboard Air Line Railway. It is to run for 20 years and is made in favor of the Morton Trust Company, and James L. Burke, trustee. The mortgage is to secure 30-year 5 per cent gold bonds and the proceeds are to be used for betterments of the road and its equipment.

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WATER STREWN WITH BODIES

Of the Known Passengers of the Wrecked Steamer Larchmont 19 are Known to Have Survived, 11 are Among Dead and 97 Missing—Of Identified Dead 11 are Members of Crew and Four Passengers, of the Survivors 10 of Crew and Nine Passengers and of the Missing 12 of Crew 83 Passengers Eleven Bodies Brought in were Picked Up by Fishing Schooners.

Providence, R. I., Special.—The names of 127 persons who were on board the steamer Larchmont, when she sank in Block Island sound Monday night were known. Of these, 19 are known to have survived, 11 are among the dead, their bodies having been identified, and 97 are missing. Of the identified dead seven were members of the crew and nine passengers; of the survivors, 10 are members of the crew and nine passengers of the crew and 83 passengers.

Eleven more bodies from the steamer Larchmont were brought ashore here Tuesday afternoon, having been picked up by two fishing schooners. One vessel brought seven and the other four. Two of the bodies were those of women and one was that of a colored man.

Block Island had a brief respite from the scene of death and suffering which followed the collision of Watch Light Monday night, between the Joy line steamer Larchmont and the coal-laden schooner Harry Knowlton. The survivors of the wreck had been carried to the steamer Kentucky, which was to convey them to Providence for medical treatment. Fifty bodies also had been placed on board, and as the vessel steamed out of the harbor, those who were left on the shore returned to their homes to recover from the fatigue caused by their long vigil on the beach. The scene of death and suffering seemed to have subsided.

Flags at Half Mast.

The Kentucky's smoke was still visible across the sound, however, when a little fishing schooner came hurrying in before the wind with her flag at half mast. A moment later a second fisherman was seen heading inshore also flying the signal of death from her masthead. A third schooner, and then a fourth sailed in, each with a half-masted flag.

As soon as the fishermen were within hailing distance the captains shouted their news ashore. They had gathered in 22 bodies, two of them of women. The bodies were, with one exception, fully clothed, and in addition had life preservers strapped to them. This fact leads to the belief that the victims, unlike the others who drifted ashore, had remained on board the ill-fated steamer long enough to fasten the life belts about them. All of the bodies were encased in ice and were kept on the surface only by the life preservers.

Nearly all those who escaped death are in a critical condition.

At the Request of a Charitable Society.

St. Paul, Minn., Special.—Representative Timebrake, of Minneapolis, introduced in the House a bill, which, if enacted, will prohibit any person from inducing a mother to cease nursing her babe within a month of the infant's birth. The bill, which was introduced at the request of a charitable society, was referred to the committee on health and pure food.

Prominent Baptist Minister Killed

Macon, Ga., Special.—Rev. James E. Pounds, a prominent Baptist minister, of Jasper county, was killed by a passenger train of the Central Railroad, about three miles from Monticello. He was in his buggy going from Macon to Monticello, and was crossing the track when the northbound train struck him, killing him and his horse.

Passenger Engine Explodes.

Middletown, N. Y., Special.—The boiler of the engine pulling an Ontario & Western Railroad passenger train, which left here Tuesday at 2 o'clock, exploded near Luzon. The train at the time of the explosion was running at the rate of 40 miles an hour. The fireman, Martin Mullen, of Middletown, and an unknown man who was riding in the cab of the engine, were killed; Engineer Gadwood, of Walton, was mortally injured and several other persons were seriously injured.

Protest Against Confirmation.

Washington, Special.—Ralph H. Riddleburger, of Norfolk, Va., has filed with the Senate committee on postoffices a protest against the confirmation of S. B. Carney as postmaster at that city. Mr. Riddleburger makes charges against Mr. Carney as assistant postmaster and against the method of securing his appointment and declares that in many ways he is unfit for the position.