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DEATH CLAIMS STRICKEN EDITOR

Mr. N. G. Gonzales, Victim of Tillman's Bullet, Passed Away Shortly After Noon Today

SUDDEN CHANGE FOR THE WORSE THIS MORNING

Peritonitis Developed--Statement Given to the Press On Last Saturday Afternoon

(By Bell Telephone.)
Columbia, S. C., Jan. 19.—At 1:10 o'clock this afternoon Mr. N. G. Gonzales breathed his last.
The same indomitable spirit that has characterized his bearing from the moment that he tottered, wounded to the death, before the smoking pistol of his cowardly slayer and exclaimed "Shoot again, you coward!" has sustained him throughout the fearful ordeal through which he has passed, enabling him to bear his suffering with fortitude. Now death has, by a turn of the wheel, made of Tillman's deed a tragedy.

Mr. Gonzales was conscious almost until the last, and the devoted family and faithful doctors, who have battled so worthily and unceasingly to keep alive the spark of life, were at his bedside when the end came.
Death was the immediate result of peritonitis, an inflammation of the liver and form of blood poisoning, which Dr. W. Gil Wylie, the distinguished New York surgeon, feared yesterday. Dr. Wylie had started to Durham to perform an operation there, but was recalled to Columbia last night. He reached here early this morning and held a consultation. It was then decided that there was a change for the worse and that Mr. Gonzales' condition was very critical. Later this morning blood poisoning developed and in a few hours accomplished its deadly work.
All Columbia mourns the dead editor. The funeral arrangements have not been made yet, but will probably be held Wednesday afternoon.

Augusta, Jan. 19.—The hopes entertained by Gonzales' own physicians are almost at an end now. A bulletin posted at nine o'clock this morning says the case has passed the point of being dangerous and is now desperate and the surgeons have decided to employ the last desperate means to save him. Peritonitis has set in and the case looks hopeless.

Augusta, Jan. 19.—The 11 o'clock bulletin states that Gonzales is sleeping, but adds he may die within an hour or two. This was feared as soon as peritonitis set in.
The Richmond Dispatch prints the following signed statement:
"I had just left my office and was on my way home, when I saw Tillman coming up the street. Two men were with him; one of them, Senator Tamm, at the other one I did not know. They were walking abreast, and as the street was crowded, I probably would have brushed against Tillman in passing. To avoid this, I walked across the pavement to pass on the inside. As I was doing this, Mr. Tillman fired. I was dazed and weakened by the shot. Coming to myself in a moment, however, I leaned against the building for support, and in that moment, with the

GATES VERY ANGRY WITH MR. MORGAN

Thinks Latter Was Unjust To Him in His Testimony and Insists Upon a Hearing

Louisville, Jan. 19.—Ex-John W. Gates and his associates have demanded a hearing before the Interstate Commerce Commission that they may reply to the testimony given before the commission in New York by J. Pierpont Morgan and George W. Perkins in connection with the investigation of the alleged merger of the Southern Railway system.
This information came here last night in a telegram to Col. Bennett, who was attorney for the Kentucky railroad commissioners during the hearing.
The telegram states that Gates is feeling that injustice was done him by Morgan and Perkins during the investigation and he desires to give his side of the case.

revolver in his hand, Tillman said:
"I have done what you told me."
"Mr. Tillman aimed the pistol at me again. I denounced him, saying:
"You've killed me, you coward. Shoot again if you want to!"
Mr. Tillman then lowered his revolver and walked off. Most positively I had not sent him any messages. The meeting with Tillman was unexpected, and I was unarmed.
"N. G. GONZALES."

"When the facts are known, the people of this country will see how thoroughly I was justified in acting as I did in this unfortunate affair. Beyond this, I care to make only this statement, namely, that I thought Gonzales was armed, and had every reason to so believe."
"JAMES H. TILLMAN."

Tillman said today to Henry Ohl, of Newberry, who visited him: "My only regret is I did not shoot Gonzales dead."
"WHITE SLAVES."

Sixty Girls a Day Leaving Homes, a Reputable Prague Paper Says.

Prague, Bohemia, Jan. 19.—Notwithstanding international congresses and much public indignation the "white slave" traffic is assuming enormous proportions. The other day fifteen Polish girls, between fifteen and eighteen, and under the charge of a "chaperon," were discovered between Prague and Cracow, but the police declined to interfere, and it is surmised that they are in the pay of the scoundrelly agents. A Prague newspaper of good standing states that to its certain knowledge as many as sixty girls are shipped daily from Bohemia on the way to America by way of Bremen and Hamburg. The Pravo Litu, another Bohemian journal, says 200 girls a week are sent from Galicia to Dresden and Leipzig, whence they are dispatched to various ports in the north and south of Europe for shipment to New York.

Thirty Below! Gee Whiz!
Malone, Jan. 19.—The thermometer was 26 degrees below zero at seven this morning. At Saranac it is thirty below. It is the coldest day of the season.

SEVEN DEAD NOW ON MASSACHUSETTS

Two More Victims of Explosion Are Dead--Recovery of the Durham Boy is Very Doubtful

Washington, Jan. 19.—The Navy Department today received the following from Admiral Higginson:
"San Juan, Jan. 18.—Seven dead, altogether. Robert Rult, F. H. Loesser, S. F. Malinowski, of Kentucky, K. J. Platt, Andrew Henriksen, Albert S. Tacke and Walter A. Schert.
"Patterson's recovery probable. Dossett's recovery doubtful. The dead were buried with military honors at San Juan. Massachusetts now at San Juan. Sick in the hospital at that place. Tacke died Saturday afternoon; Schert Sunday morning."

The explosion occurred at 11:23 a. m. Friday in the after starboard turret of the battleship Massachusetts while the crew were engaged at target practice off Culebra Island. One hundred and twenty pounds of brown powder had been set off in an open breach of an 8-inch gun. It is believed that the lanyard had been pulled accidentally. The explosion blew a hole in the turret, and the gun crew of nine men were literally roasted. Their clothing was burned off.
Within a few hours the following men died:
LIST OF THE DEAD.
Henricksen, Andrew, Norway.
Loesser, Felix H., No. 313 East Eighty-sixth street, New York.
Malinowski, Stephen Frank, No. 8433 Ontario avenue, Chicago, Ill.
Platt, Kenneth Joseph, No. 369 Eighth street, Troy, N. Y.
Rule, Robert, Walnut Hill, Cincinnati.
The following severely injured:
LIST OF THE WOUNDED.
Dossett, Alexander Newton, Durham, N. C.
Patterson, James Garfield, No. 22 Soho street, Pittsburg.
Schert, Walter William, No. 375 Cleveland avenue, Chicago.
Tacke, Albert Stephen, Miami street, St. Louis.

North German Lloyd Liner Ashore. Gibraltar, Jan. 19.—Two more lighters, of small bulk have been sent to Tumara to assist the efforts to float the North German Lloyd liner Lahn, which is ashore on Santi Bank. Some passengers from stranded vessel have been landed and probably all will be taken ashore.

Fire in Oil Wells. St. Petersburg, Jan. 19.—Fire has again broken out in the Aetna petroleum shaft near Borsly. The burning oil has broken away from its barriers and is flowing toward the neighboring ozocerite pits.

Coal For America. Blythe, Jan. 19.—Four steamers left this morning bound for America laden with coal.

"EVERY SUSPICION POINTS TO WILCOX"

The State's Counsel Severely Scores Defense and Lays Down Very forcible Argument

CASE WILL GO TO JURY EARLY IN THE MORNING

Lawyer Aydlett will Close For the Defense -- Dense Crowds Attend The Trial

Hertford, N. C., Jan. 19.—A dense crowd attended this morning's session of the Wilcox trial. The famous case is nearing an end. Tomorrow it goes to the jury and a verdict is expected early.
This morning's session was consumed in Solicitor Ward's argument for the State. This afternoon Mr. Aydlett will engage the session in the closing argument for the defense.
Mr. Ward scouted the theory of suicide. He said that Drs. Wood and Fearing's testimony showed that Ella Cropsey was murdered beyond a doubt. Says he: "The defense subpoenaed medical experts to contradict them. These experts were never introduced. The reason why is evident."
Mr. Ward compared the Wilcox case with the case of Cluverius. He said Cluverius accounted for all but seven minutes of his time. Wilcox gives no account of thirty minutes. The evidence in both is circumstantial.
Said Mr. Ward: "As all roads in England lead to London, as all avenues in Washington lead to the capitol, so does every suspicion in the case point to James Wilcox, the accused."
As the end draws nigh, hundreds of people flock hitherward from every direction. Thousands will probably be present when the verdict is rendered tomorrow.

DRINKING IN HOMES.

There Is Too Much of It, Says a Woman Reformer.

St. Louis, Jan. 19.—"There is too much drinking in the homes of our large cities; the custom of serving beer and wine to visitors is spreading rapidly; children of tender age are being taught the terrible habit by their parents."
Such is the statement made by Miss Katherine Kelly, of Kansas City, Supreme President of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Knights of Father Mathew. She said:
"The drink habit has invaded the homes, the very stronghold of sobriety. It seems to have become the custom rather than the exception for women to keep bottle beer in their refrigerators for daily use."

Aged Couple Meet Death.

Middletown, N. Y., Jan. 19.—Alexander Kelly, 73 years of age and his wife, aged sixty, were instantly killed by an express train on the New York Ontario and Western railroad at Sanda Crossing, a mile north of Middletown this morning. The team of horses which they were driving was also killed.

Senate Observes Holiday.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 19.—After a ten minute session the Senate adopted resolutions in honor of Lee and Jackson and then adjourned.

Pope Not Well Acquainted.

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TONGUE CUT OUT AND SIGHT GONE

In This Condition Constable Was Allowed to Go From the Camp of Filipino Butchers

Washington, January 19.—Word has just been received from the Philippines telling of the horrible mutilation of Tayabas, a constable, by the Ladrones. The unfortunate man was one of the senior inspector Smith's men, who accompanied him to Bani.
In company with four others he was captured, but was allowed to go after his tongue was cut out and his sight destroyed. The fate of the other four is unknown but it is supposed they were slaughtered.

HIS TEMPLE OF POETRY.

American Money To Aid D'Annunzio's Theatre Project.

London, Jan. 19.—The Daily Mail's Rome correspondent had an interview with Gabriele D'Annunzio, in which the latter outlined his scheme for the establishment of a theatre on the shores of Lake Albano, near Rome, dedicated to poetical plays.

"Miss Morgan and Miss Roosevelt," said D'Annunzio, "have promised to place at my disposal all the money necessary. They thus will take the place as patrons of poetry, which was formerly held by the late Empress of Austria, who had herself promised to me the necessary money for constructing this temple of poetry. The infamous assassination of the Empress prevented until now the accomplishment of this project, by which I propose to give to poetry its proper place upon the stage."
"The design of the theatre proposed shall be Graeco-Roman, after the style of the famous theatre built at Vicenza by the architect Palladio in the fourth century. Plays will be performed there in the spring, when the poetry of nature is at its zenith.
D'Annunzio hopes to be able to inaugurate the theatre in the spring of 1904 with a work already written, entitled "King Numa." He proposes to present works by Aeschylus, Sophocles and Euripides.

SLICK NEGRO SWINDLERS.

Told Colored People They Were Agents Of Roosevelt.

Vicksburg, Jan. 19.—It has just developed here that the colored people in the vicinity of Smedes Station were victimized of sums aggregating more than \$1,000 by two negroes claiming to be representatives of President Roosevelt.

Shortly before President Roosevelt came to Smedes on his bear hunt two strange negroes appeared in the community. They were plausible talkers and wore good clothes. They told the negro farmers that the much-availed-for Roosevelt had been merely a ruse, as the President had come south to see whether the negroes were being robbed by the prices they had to pay for meat.
They offered to relieve the situation of the negroes by saying they would take orders for a large supply of meat at ridiculously low prices. The "agents" required a small payment cash down, and in that way something like \$1,000 was collected and the rascals skipped the country.

JOKE OF THE CENTURY.

Mice To Be Used At Cat Club's Show Only Chocolate "Critters."

Stamford, Conn., Jan. 19.—The Connecticut Cat Club has hoaxed the whole United States. Mayors have fulminated, humane societies the country over have "resolved with sorrow," grave editors have delivered themselves of editorials on the degeneracy of the fair sex, and there has been no end of trouble because it was announced that the members were going to collect 2,000 mice, to be used as bait for kittens for the benefit of those who desired to look upon the spectacle.
Now comes Mrs. Homer S. Cummings, president of the club, who has been having fun with Mayor Leeds for a week past, with the announcement that she has been fooling him all along.
"It is true," she declares, solemnly, "that we have ordered 2,000 mice, but they are candy ones from a confectioner and we will give them away to visitors at the show as souvenirs."

SUIT AFFECTS NEWPORTERS.

Society Folks May Have to Pay For the Harm a Skyrocket Did.

Newport, Jan. 19.—Perry Belmont and many prominent residents are interested in the suit of John C. Walker against ex-Mayor F. P. Garretson and others, which is being heard today. Walker is in the employ of Henry A. C. Taylor, a multimillionaire. On the evening of a fete day celebration in 1901 a skyrocket struck fifty cents a day. They have been getting one fifty cents a day.
All who served as members of the fete-day committee, and all who contributed to the celebration will be called upon to make up the amount of damages, should any be assessed.

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Shipwrecked Crew Rescued.

Portsmouth, Eng., Jan. 19.—The British steamer Evelyn, arrived today with captain Roca and fourteen of the crew of the Spanish ship Clara, which foundered en route to Minorca. The crew when picked up was in a pitiable condition, having endured the severest privations before they were rescued.

How'd You Like To Be the Ice-man.

Ithaca, Jan. 19.—Nearly all the men employed by the American Ice Co. on Rockland lake, struck this morning for an increase of fifty cents a day. They have been getting one fifty cents a day.
The company refused the demand.

To Paint Mr. Bryan's Portrait.
Newport, R. I., Jan. 19.—Hon. William J. Bryan will have his portrait painted by William H. Leavitt, a Newport artist, who will leave for Lincoln, Neb., next month.

IN MEMORY OF LEE AND JACKSON

Charlotte Pays a Beautiful Tribute to the Dead Heroes of This Great Southland Of Ours

MR. W. B. DOWD'S ADDRESS A GEM OF ORATORY

Gifted Speaker Heard By a Large Crowd This Afternoon at the Presbyterian College Auditorium

The joint celebration of the birthdays of Generals Lee and Jackson took place in the auditorium of the Presbyterian College this afternoon.
A large crowd assembled to pay tribute to the memory of our Confederate heroes.
A certain inspiration seemed to move all of those who took part in the programme and the audience was stirred with enthusiasm. Commander Harrison Watts introduced the speaker of the occasion, Mr. W. B. Dowd, of New York, who said:

Ladies and Gentlemen:—I scarcely know how to speak in this place, hallowed as it is with fearless memories, to this audience, composed so largely of my old friends of such heroes as Jackson and Lee, either of whom would be too great a subject for my poor deliverance. There are landscapes, seascapes, skyscapes which painters cannot reproduce on canvas; there are men whose lives are too great for description, and of these are Jackson and Lee.

What can be said, that is now, of that silent Virginian, who was graduated at West Point, served with distinction in the Mexican war; who signed his commission in the army to accept a commission in the Military Academy at Lexington, who, although a sensitive and shy man always, found his mission when the war of secession broke out and went about his work of soldiering as one inspired for command; whose legions were invincible in battle, whose genius thwarted Banks, Fremont, Shields and McDowell, each and all the opposing generals sent against him, even with superior forces, whose men, under the influence of his dauntless spirit, withstood the enemy's fire, like a stone wall; who achieved a fame as the very right arm of the Southern army, striking swiftly and mightily in unexpected places, dealing blows in front or rear that staggered his adversaries, bringing victory and renown to him and his men. Confusion and disaster to his opponents; whose marvellous career was cut short, by the sad mistake of his own forces after the battle of Chancellorsville, now almost forty years ago. I only know that, whenever I have heard the merits of the great captains of the war discussed, I have never yet met any demur to the proposition that Stonewall Jackson was the one unique commanding general in that stage who, as a fighter and a winner of battles, won a place in history unapproached by any other, and the equal of any in the annals of the world.

We, know too, that he was far more than a soldier; for he was a devoted husband and father, a true friend, a patriot and a Christian gentleman. In his birth he belonged to Virginia, in his work to the South, in his fame and glory, to the world.
What can I say that is new of that other Virginian, born of illustrious ancestry, at Stafford, on the 19th day of January, 1807, who was graduated at West Point, after four years of cadetship during which he received no reprimand or demerit, who rendered distinguished services under General Scott in the Mexican war, was superintendent of the nation's military

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TWO CREMATED IN CLEVELAND FIRE

The Blaze Endangers Lives of Twenty Persons But Only Two Women Are Now Missing

Cleveland, Jan. 19.—Fire in the two flat and store building of the corner of Knowles street and Euclid Avenue at early hour this morning placed a score of lives in danger and possibly caused the incineration of two persons. Flames burst out of the Spencer block and spread to the Reece block and both buildings are destroyed. The women missing are Mrs. Guy Norton and Mrs. Dickey, her nurse.
One woman was seriously burned and several persons badly hurt, some by jumping from the burning building.

MOTHER SENDS HIM TO JAIL.

She Owns Property and Charges Her Son With Larceny.

Springfield, Mass., Jan. 19.—John H. Hogan was before the police court today on a charge of trespass preferred by his mother, Bridget Hogan. Mrs. Hogan, who is well to do, owning several houses, says her son, who is thirty-eight years old, is practically a vagrant. In defiance of her commands he "hung around the house."
He refused to work and as a last resort she appealed to the police. Hogan was unable to pay a fine of \$5 and was taken to the county jail.

WOMAN BURGLAR CAUGHT.

Used a Candle While She Worked On Lock--Just Out of Prison.

Philadelphia, Jan. 19.—With a lighted candle in her hand, Laura Hilton, Philadelphia's notorious woman burglar, was caught working on the lock of the door at the residence of Dr. Paul Chambers, in West Philadelphia, early this morning.
The policeman found a jimmy, other tools and a piece of burned candle in her possession. At the police station the woman was immediately recognized, her picture being in rogues' gallery. Only a month ago she was released from prison after serving three years for a series of burglaries.

Sewed Up Her Thumb.

Canandaigua, N. Y., Jan. 19.—Mrs. Charles Glass, of this village, while working at her sewing machine today, sewed her thumb fast to the machine and could not release it. Her cries brought neighbors to her rescue, who sent for a doctor to release her. The needle had penetrated the nail and makes a serious wound.

Believed To Be a Woman's Work.

McKeesport, Pa., Jan. 19.—The residence of John A. Wertenbach was entered early this morning and jewelry and clothing to the value of \$1,000 were carried away. The fact that only articles for women's use were taken caused the police to believe that the burglar was a woman.

THE WEATHER.

Forecasts for tonight and Tuesday. For Charlotte and vicinity: Fair and cold tonight and Tuesday.

FIERY ELEMENT IS ON RAMPAGE TODAY

Four Cremated, Four Missing in Hotel Blaze--Five Are Fatally Injured at Pittsburg

Morrissey, B. C., Jan. 19.—Four unknown men are dead and four others are missing today as the result of a fire which broke out in the Spooner Hotel last night. The blaze ignited from a overturned lamp and spread rapidly. Efforts were made to arouse the guests, but the smoke and flames prevented aid from reaching many rooms. The guests were miners and prospectors.

RABBIT GOT AWAY.

But the Hunters Unearthed \$500 in Old Coin.

Bucyrus, O., Jan. 19.—Harry Biesel and Kinsor Beaton live on adjoining farms north of this town. While out hunting they chased a rabbit beneath the door sill of a dilapidated farmhouse which a century ago had been used by the grandfather of young Beaton.
The boys began to dig the rabbit out and soon came upon nearly \$500, mostly in old gold coin which is now at a premium. There was also \$32 in silver. The boys failed to get the rabbit.

Split In Hungarian Party.

Vienna, Jan. 19.—A split has occurred in the Hungarian liberal party. Former Premier Baron Bauffy has declared war on the present premier Von Sell and intends to inaugurate a fierce press campaign against Zell. Personal jealousy is predominant motive. The split may result in clerical ascendancy.

Roosevelt Makes Cadet Walk.

Washington, Jan. 19.—President Roosevelt commuted the sentence of Cadet Arthur H. Bradley, third class, West Point, who was to be dismissed for changing a hospital record and being absent without leave. Instead the President requires that Cadet Bradley shall walk, armed and equipped as a soldier, in the area of the barracks every Saturday from 2 p. m. until parade until June 12 next and shall be deprived of all furloughs at the next annual encampment.

LOCAL POSTOFFICE MATTER POSTPONED

Nothing Will Be Done in Mr. Mullen's Case Until the Middle of Next Month

THIS REPORT COME DIRECT FROM WASHINGTON

The Reason For This Delay is the Continued Illness of Senator J. C. Pritchard

Nothing will be done with the Charlotte postoffice case until the middle of February. This is a settled fact.
A prominent Republican, who has just returned from Washington, informs the News man that Senator Pritchard's physician stated Saturday that the Senator could not possibly attend to any business before the middle of February. In addition to his other troubles, Senator Pritchard is now suffering from an extremely painful ulcer. He is still confined to his bed in the Homeopathic Hospital in Washington, where he will remain until his condition improves. Just as soon as he feels strong enough, Senator Pritchard will go to the Capitol and the Charlotte postoffice will be one of the first matters that he will take up.
The News has no reason to withdraw its previous statements regarding the published accounts that Mr. Geo. B. Hiss will be a candidate for this position. Mr. Hiss in an interview with the News man positively stated that he could not accept this office under any considerations. That is just what Mr. Hiss says today. He is a friend to the present incumbent, and should Mr. Mullen fail to be considered in connection with this office, then Mr. Hiss will espouse the cause of another friend.
So, up to the present time the candidates for this plum are: Jake F. Newell, Jonas W. Mullen, D. Kirby Pope and Edward M. Bell.
If Mr. Mullen fails, then Messrs. Newell, Pope and Bell will have a run for their money. The Republicans in Charlotte, at least the influential ones, are divided as to who shall secure this pie. It is understood that Mr. Newell has the endorsement of some of the leading men of his party, while Messrs. Mullen, Bell and Pope have been assured by others that their interests will be taken care of.
It is understood today that Senator Pritchard has made the statement that the Charlotte postoffice matter shall not "hang fire," if he can prevent it. Just as soon as he can return to his duties at the Senate chamber, the nomination will be made, and there is no reason to believe but that the Senate will confirm at once.

Minister Bowen At Charleston.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The Navy Department is informed this morning of the landing at Charleston S. C., of United States Minister Bowen, who comes to Washington as Venezuela's representative in the negotiations of the foreign powers with reference to their claims against Castro's government.

FLAMES CUT SHORT THE MAIN'S VOYAGE

North German Lloyd Liner Starts For Bremen, But is Forced to Anchor in Harbor

New York, Jan. 19.—The outward-bound North German Lloyd steamer Main anchored off quarantine at noon today. She passed out the Narrows on the voyage to Bremen shortly before noon, when smoke was noticed issuing from her after hold, but no signs of fire were seen, and it was decided to notify the company at Hoboken before proceeding on the voyage. She has about a hundred bales of cotton in the after hold, which will be taken out and placed on deck. Capt. Bolte states that there is no further danger of fire.
The Main was burned in the great Hoboken fire several years ago and was rebuilt at Newport News at a cost of \$2,000,000.