

For Over Three Hours Gillette Faced Rapid Fire of The Questions

All Morning Prosecuting Attorney Floods Young Prisoner with Stream of Questions, all of Which he Answers Coolly.

Said he Left Grace Brown in Lake to Die and Swam Ashore. Another Girl Brought into the Imbroglia.

By Associated Press. Herkimer, N. Y., November 30.—Chester Gillette told his story of Grace Brown's death again to-day, this time in response to questions put to him by a prosecutor, who picked over every flaw in the accused young man's testimony.

From 9:30 a. m. until the court adjourned at 12:45 p. m., District Attorney Ward questioned Gillette with scarcely a minute's let-up, and to the surprise of every one in the room, Gillette was as cool and confident when he stepped down to go to dinner as he was when he walked into the court room this morning.

Gillette replied in the affirmative when the District Attorney Ward asked him if he swam to the shore and left Grace Brown to die in the lake.

A feature of the morning's proceedings was the discovery of a picture of Miss Benedict on a roll of film in Gillette's suit case.

Gillette had sworn that the film was unexposed.

Miss Benedict is a Cortland girl whom it was first claimed that Gillette wanted to marry.

Miss Benedict swore on the stand that she was not engaged to young Gillette.

PRISONERS ESCAPE. Ten Prisoners Escaped From County Jail.

New York, Nov. 30.—Ten prisoners escaped from the Queen's county jail at Long Island City today.

How Six Escape. The men were among the most desperate prisoners in the Queens County Jail and are still at large.

The first four of the prisoners to get out sawed the bars of their cells and of the window opening into the corridor of the jail at 2:30 a. m.

Once in the yard they had only to climb the fence and were free.

The absence of the men and the sawing of the doors and windows was unnoticed when the keepers opened the cell doors and allowed the other prisoners in the corridor.

At six o'clock this morning six other prisoners immediately crawled through the hole in the window.

PRINCE'S COTTON EXCHANGE. Prince of Wales Opens New Exchange Building—Cost \$1,750,000.

Liverpool, Nov. 30.—The Prince of Wales, who was accompanied by the Princess, today opened a new cotton exchange here, a handsome building just completed at the cost of \$1,750,000.

In the course of his speech the Prince referred to the efforts being made to develop the cultivation of British grown cotton, with the object of making British cotton spinners partially independent of the foreign supplies, and said he had followed the development with great interest and hoped the movement would ultimately be successful.

GENERAL BAUGHMAN DEAD. Was Prominent Democratic Leader and Served in Civil War.

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 30.—General E. Victor Baughman, one of the Democratic leaders of this State, died suddenly today at his home in Frederick of acute Bright's disease. He served on the Southern side during the Civil War.

Entered Plea of Guilty. Chicago, Nov. 30.—Albert Young, former president of the Teamsters' Union and three other men, now on trial with Cornelius P. Shea, the international president of the Teamsters' Union, on charge of conspiracy connected with the teamsters' strike of 1905, entered pleas of guilty.

WORK OF ELECTION BOARD.

Incomplete Returns From Several Counties, Notably Surry—Republican Vote 77,000, Democratic 123,000. Special to The News.

Raleigh, Nov. 30.—The work of canvassing the returns of the recent election in this state has been gotten under way by the board of canvassers but it looks now like the count will not be completed before Monday or Tuesday of next week owing to the imperfect returns from some of the counties, notably from Nash, Catawba and Union counties. A remarkable defect is also found from Surry county. When this package was opened the blanks for the returns were found duly signed and certified to by the proper county officials but every space for election figures was absolutely blank.

The canvassing board as selected from the state board of elections consist of Col. Wilson G. Lamb, Williamsport; R. P. Claywell, Morganton; J. R. Doherty and Clarence Call, Wilkesboro. They were elected by Messrs. E. B. Watts and A. J. Field, clerks.

After roughly casting up the returns the members of the board estimate that the Republican vote in the state was 77,000 and the Democratic vote 123,000.

BONI SEEKS STAGE. Count. Divorced and Broke, Trying to Get American Engagement.

New York, Nov. 30.—Law Fields, actor-manager, made public today a letter received from C. Maase, New York manager for H. B. Marinell, the well-known Russian vaudeville promoter, in which it appears that Count Boni de Castellane is looking for a theatrical engagement in America. In his letter Mr. Maase says:

"The proposition came to us indirectly from a source known by our correspondent to be authoritative and authentic. In substance, Count Boni is not averse to 'earning' his living through dramatic art, but for social reasons will not accept any of the numerous offers submitted to him by European managers.

"The negotiations led to the consideration of an American appearance, and I was advised to canvass the field for a suitable part. Count Boni does not desire a vaudeville appearance, preferring a role that will allow of his being an artist, rather than an attraction.

Mr. Fields says that the Count would expect \$2,000 a week for forty weeks, and that while he would be willing to pay him a fair salary he could not meet this demand.

"DOC" NAYLOR SURRENDERS. Indicted for Murder Three Years Ago and Never Apprehended.

New York, Nov. 30.—A white-bearded man over sixty years old walked into Judge O'Sullivan's court in General Sessions this afternoon. "I want to give myself up on the charge of murder in the first degree," he said, when asked what he wanted.

Then it came about that he was "Doc" Naylor, indicted for killing Ed. Carpenter, a professional gambler, in the old Rossmore Hotel at Forty-second street and Broadway, on October 19, 1903. Naylor, whose right name is Thomas F. Lananan, shot Carpenter three times.

Naylor has roamed the country for three years. He has been in Philadelphia most of the time, but he has made many trips to this city since a warrant for murder was issued against him, but the coroner held him in bail for the grand jury.

"I never knew there was an indictment against me," said Naylor.

Later he was released on \$10,000 by Justice Greenbaum in the Supreme Court, criminal bench.

Two Are Pardoned. By Associated Press. Sacramento, California, Nov. 30.—Governor Pardee has pardoned Stephens and Wyman, ballot box stuffers, that they may testify against Abraham Reuf and Mayor Schmidt of San Francisco.

Condition of Money. By Associated Press. New York City, November 30.—Money was loaned at 15 per cent here this afternoon.

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Charlotte's Sons Differ as to Her Mode of Dress.

Operator C. D. Maddox Declared To be Responsible for The Fearful Wreck of Yesterday Morning

PRESIDENT APPOINTS DEMOCRAT. President Roosevelt Appointed John McIlhenny to Civil Service Commission—Board Now Democratic.

By Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 30.—The President today announced the appointment of John McIlhenny, of Louisiana, to fill the vacancy on the Civil Service Commission caused by the promotion of A. W. Cooley to be Assistant Attorney General of the Department of Justice.

Mr. McIlhenny was a member of the regiment of Rough Riders of which President Roosevelt was colonel during the Spanish War.

McIlhenny is a Democrat and his appointment makes the board a Democratic one, Commissioner Black also being of that political faith.

WERE NOT DETAINED. Assistant Commissioner Denies That Immigrants Bound for South Carolina Were Discriminated Against.

Columbia, S. C., Nov. 30.—In regard to the illegal detention at Ellis Island of immigrants bound for South Carolina, Governor Heyward has received a letter from Mr. Larned, assistant commissioner general of immigration, setting forth the immigration bureau's position and denying that such immigrants have been detained.

Frequently immigrants are sent back within a few hours, or as soon as their ship sails and for that reason Governor Heyward acted promptly on the case in question.

She Died on the Train To-day

Unknown Mulatto Woman Taken from Train at Columbia Dead. Had Died on Way Between Charlotte and Columbia

Special to The News. Columbia, S. C., November 30.—An unknown mulatto woman about 25 years old was taken from the Southern Railway train from Charlotte early this morning having died between Charlotte and Columbia.

The woman had nothing on her person to indicate her name or her home.

She possessed a Pullman ticket from Boston to Washington and a railroad ticket to Ryland, S. C.

A slip of paper in her purse had written on it the name of Mrs. Mary Johnson, No. 188 Belmont avenue, Boston.

The body was taken off here and sent to an undertaking establishment where it will be held until something is learned about the negro.

The Baseball Situation. A letter received to-day from Greenville, S. C., indicates that the baseball enthusiasts of that city are as anxious as those of Charlotte to enter the South Atlantic league.

Mr. John Wood who is a leading spirit in the movement in Greenville wrote to the officials of the league and from what he learns, both Charlotte and Greenville stand a good chance to be admitted, the league enlarging its circuit to eight cities.

Local fans are bestirring themselves these days arranging matters so that if, it is ascertained that the city will be admitted into the league, all the details for organization will be in shape. There is no lack of interest in the movement and the necessary funds can be raised with comparative ease when it is assured that Charlotte can become a member of the fast aggregation.

Mrs. Burch Very Ill. Mrs. A. W. Burch is seriously ill with acute bronchitis at her home, No. 619 East Fifth street.

Responsibility for the Terrible Wreck in Which President Spencer and Others were Killed, is Now Placed on Operator

He Failed to Notify Operator at Lawyers Depot That No. 33 was in Block. Maddox Cannot be Found.

By Associated Press. Lynchburg, Va., Nov. 30.—The frightful accident yesterday morning near Lawyers depot, on the Southern Railway, in which President Samuel Spencer and his party lost their lives, is declared by a Southern Railway official due to the block telegraph rules being disregarded by operator C. D. Mattox, in charge of the night trick at the block station at Rangoon, four miles north of the scene of the wreck and the first station north of Lawyers depot.

Assistant General Superintendent E. A. Coapman, of the company, this morning gave out the following statement to a representative of the Associated Press, which explains fully the cause of the trouble:

"The investigation so far made of the accident develops the fact that Operator Mattox, at Rangoon, let train No. 33 into the block and, disregarding the rules, failed to notify the operator at Lawyers depot of this fact. When the first section of train 37 approached Rangoon, Operator Mattox asked the operator at Lawyers for the block on 37. This was given by the operator at Lawyers, who did not know No. 33 had gone in upon the block."

"No. 33 broke down at the south end of the curve and as soon as the train stopped a flagman ran back to protect his train. As far as we can learn the flagman had proceeded about 300 yards when No. 37 was in view on the curve. Engineer McKinney saw the signal and applied the emergency brake but did not have time to leave his seat before the collision took place."

"An inspection of the telegraph sheets in each of the block stations substantiates this belief. The sheet at Rangoon shows that No. 33 was given the block by Operator Mattox and the sheet at Lawyers shows that Mattox had not notified the operator that No. 33 was on the block and entitled to it."

"A fuller investigation will be made as speedily as possible, but we do not expect to develop any additional facts. The company has a number of men scouring the country in the hope of locating Operator Mattox, but up to a late hour this forenoon we have been able to ascertain absolutely nothing as to his whereabouts."

Man Identified. Identification was made this morning of the negro killed and burned beyond recognition. The victim was Benjamin Boswell, of Toledo, Ohio, a dining car man taken aboard Spencer's car for the trip.

Spencer's Body Removed. The body of President Samuel Spencer was taken from the undertaking establishment where it was conveyed last night, to his home in this city this afternoon.

Mrs. Spencer has been in consultation during the day with the officials of the Southern Railway relative to the funeral arrangements, but as yet no decisions have been reached.

Many telegrams of sorrow have been received at the Spencer home and at the general offices of Southern Railway here, from prominent railroad men throughout the country.

Injured Doing Well. An investigation is being made into the circumstances which led to the wreck of two Southern Railway fast trains near here yesterday, resulting in the death of President Spencer, of the road, and six other persons, and the injury of many others.

The latest word from the hospital regarding the injured indicated that all of them are doing nicely and probably will recover.

County Coroner J. W. Davis is expected to take some action on the accident today.

All Day Conference. Washington, Nov. 30.—The officials of the Southern Railway Company were in consultation early today for the purpose of going over the conditions resulting from the wreck of yesterday.

First Vice-President Andrews reached the city last night and was in his office before 9 o'clock this morning.

Second Vice-President Finley also was on hand early.

The conferences are to continue throughout the day if necessary.

SELLS HIS WIFE FOR \$50. Then She Pays Her Husband from Her Own Pocket.

Port Jervis, N. Y., November 30.—John Schwartz, who lives on the hills back of Honesdale, Penn., has shocked the good people of that section by selling his wife to Archie Hagan for \$50. Hagan was a circus performer. He went to Honesdale last summer and settled near the Schwartz home.

A friendship developed between him and Mrs. Schwartz, culminating a few days ago in an offer of \$50 by Hagan for the woman.

The wife was willing and paid the money out of her funds, her husband going with her to the bank, where her money was deposited. A justice was called upon to legalize the sale, but he could not sanction it.

The couple are now looking for rooms in Honesdale. Hagan is aged 35 and his new spouse is 52.

For Chairman of New Board

Mr. W. M. Long May Contest Position With Mr. J. B. Ross. County Officers to File Bonds on Monday.

The bonds of the county officers, both of those newly elected and those who retain their positions, are being prepared to-day and will be filed Monday.

The larger bonds are filed through surety companies, the officers who hold lesser important offices giving private securities.

All the county officers will be sworn in Monday before the county commissioners, which, in turn, will be sworn in by the clerk of the Superior Court, Mr. J. A. Russell.

The officers who will enter upon their duties next Monday are as follows:

Clerk of the Superior Court, J. A. Russell; register of deeds, W. M. Moore; county surveyor, C. A. Spratt; coroner, W. A. Gresham; sheriff, N. W. Wallace; county treasurer, H. J. Walker; cotton weigher, Joe Withers; tax collectors, W. N. Peoples, District No. 3, W. C. McAuley, District No. 1.

The new board of county commissioners is as follows:

Chalmers V. Furr, D. A. Henderson, W. M. Long, W. N. McKee, and J. B. Ross. Messrs Long, McKee and Henderson are the new members.

The old board of education which will serve another term consists of Messrs. C. H. Caldwell, J. F. Caldwell, John McDonald, W. M. Anderson and W. M. Ross.

The most important action to come before the board of county commissioners in their first session will be the election of a chairman. The chairmanship of this board, under an act of the last Legislature, carries with it now for the first time, a salary of \$900 hereafter.

The chairman has received for his services \$4 per day, or about \$250 per year. Mr. J. B. Ross was chairman of the last board and will stand for reelection. The friends of Mr. W. M. Long, one of the new members, are urging his election. There may be a contest for this position.

Col. Andrews Would Not Accept Presidency According to Report

HER MIND UNBALANCED. Baltimore's Alleged Woman "Fagin" Ordered Sent to Asylum.

Baltimore, Md., November 30.—Lida Erman, the alleged woman "Fagin," will be placed in an insane asylum by her parents. This morning, when the hearing of the young woman, who is charged with directing the operations of a band of girl thieves, was continued before Justice Grannon, of the Central district, Captain Pumphrey testified that, from investigations made by Detectives Hogan and Hamersla, he believed the young woman to be of unbalanced mind, and that he thought the ends of justice would be better served if she were committed to an insane asylum than if she were sent to some penal institution.

Miss Erman is twenty-three years old, her father stated this morning, and about six years ago she had a fall and injured her head. Since that time, her parents and the family physician assert, she had shown signs of mental aberration. Mr. and Mrs. Erman said they would immediately take steps to have their daughter sent to an asylum.

All of the children of the First Baptist church Sunday-school who will assist in the Christmas entertainment are requested to meet to-morrow morning at ten o'clock in the church. The Sunbeams will meet at 8:30 instead of 4 o'clock as was previously announced.

Two Charlotte Men Escaped

Mr. Stuart W. Cramer had Close Call in the Fateful Lynchburg Wreck. Mr. Heath's Unpleasant Experience.

To Messrs. O. P. Heath and Stuart W. Cramer yesterday was indeed a day of thanksgiving, for both escaped the death by collision which overtook President Samuel Spencer and his friends in the wreck at Lynchburg. Mr. Cramer had a very close call. He was in the sleeper next to President Spencer's private car and occupied the second berth from the rear end of that fated car. The engine of No. 37, which ploughed all the way through the private car, poked its nose through the drawing room of the first Pullman car, the first stoppage just before it smashed the berth in which Mr. Cramer was asleep.

Mr. Heath was in the third car from the rear of No. 33. When asked about his experience today, he said: "I don't know whether I was asleep at the time or not. Everything was in such confusion that I am not able to figure this out. I was not hurled from my berth but the first definite experience I can recall was that of falling—of going down."

Just then a wire came to Mr. Heath regarding the cotton market and he said he was in such a rush that he didn't have time to say any more. But one could not but think of the ways of Fortune—the busy railroader lying a charred corpse in a casket at Washington, and the busy cotton man spared to again, even the very next day, plunging into the activities of his calling.

On the same car with Mr. Cramer were Col. Benham Cameron, Hillsboro; Geo. W. Watts Durham; Dr. Parker, of New York, and others.

"We had stopped at Lynchburg, again five miles below and still again this third time," said Mr. Cramer. The stops were to tinker with the defective coupler.

"Capt. Loving, of No. 33, was standing just outside of our car. The flagman was supposed to have started back around the curve to flag No. 37. Almost at that moment the crash came. It was dark and women and children were screaming, as the car was full. I lifted the curtain to see if we were over a trestled bed, but there was solid ground outside, but fearing that the car would roll over I covered my head with a blanket. But the car remained still. What saved us was the defective coupler. It was loose, and when 37 struck us our car bounded forward, one hundred and fifty feet."

"No. 37 ploughed all the way through Mr. Spencer's car. The smokestack and cab were smashed then the rest of the engine went clear through that car, leaving it like an overboard bridge, the sides and top in fact. Of course in the passage of the engine Spencer and his friends were instantly killed. The engine ran through the drawing room and one berth of our car. I was in No. 9, the berth at which the engine stopped. I was glad I had left my wife behind."

"In the drawing room of our car a baby was asleep on a seat. The Baker heater was shoved against this seat, causing the baby to fall under it into a space, which saved its life. It was rescued soon after."

"The crew has been criticised for not saving the negroes in the forward car, but they were doing all they could to rescue, if possible, Mr. Spencer and those in his car all the time. There was not looting whatever, although I have seen the criticism of Mr. Curtis and others to this effect. I saw train porters, and others, carrying out traps and valuables, and they were always careful to have witnesses to what they did."

"I have heard trainmen and others ask this question, 'If No. 33 stopped at 6:12 and the smash came at 6:15 why could not the flagman of 33 get around that curve farther back than 150 yards in that time?'"

"If train No. 33 had stopped at the foot of the hill, on the crest of which the accident occurred, to re-couple the detached cars, the result of the collision would have been a great deal more disastrous," said a railroad man who is familiar with the lay of the road south of Lynchburg.

It seems that the Florida Express had stopped at the best of the hill and was on the eve of going down it when the cars uncoupled. This point is about a mile distant from the next signal station, four of the five miles having been traversed, and therefore No. 33 was not out of the block, according to reports heard in Charlotte this morning. This being the case it seems that the operator at the first station allowed 37 to pass into the block before receiving the signal from the operator at the second station that 33 had passed.

"Yes, sir. The result would have been far more disastrous. Had 33 stopped at the foot of the hill, for 37 would have darted down that incline like a frightened deer," the railroader concluded.

Mecklenburg Farmers May Discuss Extension To-day

A special effort is being made to bring together a large delegation of farmers tomorrow at the courthouse to attend the regular monthly meeting of the Mecklenburg Cotton Growers' Association. For the past three months the attendance has been slim, not even a quorum being present of all the sub-civil divisions. Matters of general importance are to be discussed and it is the hope of the leaders in the association that a large representation will be present.

It is estimated that the farmers, especially of Charlotte township, will take up the subject of extension of the city limits, but a positive assertion can not be made in this connection. It is generally known that the suburban farmers are lined up to a man against the movement, and it is not at all improbable that they will take action tomorrow.

News Comes of Killing of Frank Timmons by Boy Named Gaddy

Special to The News. Wadesboro, N. C., Nov. 30.—Coroner E. E. Fenton was notified from McFarland's, in Anson county, this morning that a young son of Mr. Frank Timmons was shot last night and killed by a boy named Gaddy.

It is not known whether it was an accident or intentional. He and the county physician, Bennett, are leaving for the scene.

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