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FIVE CENTS

## LYNCHING OF NEGROES NARROWLY AVERTED.

ers of Mrs. Packer Now in Jail.

### EVIDENCE IS CONCLUSIVE

Thrilling Story of the Fiendish Double Crime Committed at Clarkton Saturday Morning-Two Negroes Arrested, the Principal and His Confederate, that Would Have Fared Badly at the Hands of an Indignant People Had They Not Been Spirited Away from the Scene of Their Deeds and Taken to Elizabethtown for Safekeeping-Evidence Against Sellars as the Assaulter and Murderer of Mrs. Packer is Complete, and Only Prompt Action and Cool Heads Prevented Summary Punishment-It is Reported that the Negroes Will Arrive in Wilmington Today, on the City of Fayetteville and Will be Kept Here Until the Time of Trial.

At 4:30 o'clock this morning, the two alleged criminals, connected with the assault and murder of Mrs. Packer, were taken from the Steamer Tar Heel's wharf to the jail. They were safely confined the search was conbound with ropes and were in charge of three men. It was asserted that they had been in the city-on The Tar Heel-since about 1 o'clock and were kept there till early morning to avoid being seen.

At the jail, Jailer Capps was aroused. In reply to the request of the officers to take the negroes in, Mr. Capps said: "I'll do it-but I will not be responsible for their safety." He explained to the officers that the jail was crowded now, but he will put them in as safe a place as possible.

Quite a crowd accompanied the prisoners along the streets, the effort to keep their arrival secret not being successful. There were mutterings of contempt and horror at the deed done, but no sign of any summary action.

The negroes were brought here from Elizabethtown, where they had been aken for safe keeping. But there was intense feeling at Elizabethtown and the officers decided to run no risks.

Is it safer here than at Elizabeth-

#### (Staff Correspondence.)

Clarkton, N. C., September 5. Caged as the brute he is Neill Sellars. negro-rapist and murderer-is tonight in the jail at Elizabethtown. Behind the bars with him is Dave Brown, another negro, who is in every way his guilty-in thought, though he may not mination of the awful tragedy which Clarkton witnessed Saturday. One of these negroes is the rapist and murderer who so horribly dragged Mrs. George Packer down to shame and to death; the other is his accomplice.

Both Sellars and Brown are of the same negro class that coldly and remorselessly perpetrate crime in its most horrible form; that desecrate the Southerner's altar of virtue; that spares not the wife, nor the mother; that destroys the home of happiness and robs the fireside of its great blessing; that ruthlessly applies the torch or knife; and that forces thoughts of carnage to the living to avenge the dead. "As ye sow; so shall ye reap." Oh, the horror of it all.

PLACE OF DISMALNESS.

From early morn today until tonight the breasts of those of this community. | guard house. Only he who knows can judge.

The Messenger Sunday gave an account of the harrowing outrage and told of the arrest of the two negroes, Brown and Sellars, on suspicion of having been the inhuman perpertrators of the double capital crime. Subsequent happenings have conclusively fixed the latter with the commission of the deed. First, silent witnesses point unmistakably to his guilt, and then Brown, under oath, pointed to Sellars as the

guilty one.

Assaulters and Murder- | a stone's throw of her home, which is recalled vividly. From the moment the ghastly discovery was made by the dead woman's father-in-law, a small boy cousin and several others, the town of Clarkton was thrown into a fever of excitement. The lawyer left his office, the merchant his store and the farmer his plow. The sturdy citizen of this thriving, white man's community cast aside both labor and pleasure and went forth as one to seek the brute or

THE LONE HUT.

Within two hundred yards of the Packer home is situated a hovel of a building and there it was known that a number of negro hands of the Cape Fear Lumber Company, of Wilmington, which operates lumber camps in this vicinty lived. It was also known that two of these negroes-Sellars and Brownhad remained at the hut Saturday morning while their companions went to work. It was apparent that the outcries of the poor, outraged woman must surely have reached their ears, but no assistance had they rendered, no alarm had they given. Then, too, young Sam Russ, the boy cousin mentioned, had observed Dave Brown in the vicinity of the Packer house washing clothes.

It was for these two negroes that the search at once commenced and Clarkton's leading citizens, including Messrs. O. L. Clark, J. W. Clark, J. M. McLeod and Bruce Burney, took hold of the helm and with courage and energy ferreted out the mystery. Brown was found about 2 o'clock in the afternoon working with a gang pulling up old iron from a spur track about one mile and half from the scene of the tragedy He was at once taken into custody and from the offset his excited, scared demeanor strengthened the suspicion knew it not. He dragged her from the against him. On the way to Clarkton hé admitted that Sellars was absent from the hut about an hour and a half in the morning. Shortly afterwards he also stated that Sellars had left Clark- struggle ensued during which she was ton for Councils at 10 o'clock in the stripped of part of her sack. Beating morning.

#### AFTER SELLARS.

Upon seeing that Brown was tinued. Four other suspicious negroes over in her agony and probably death were arrested-Mack McCole, Sam Mc- struggle he broke her skull with a rail. Cole, Hugh Garner and Cleve Kelleyand a wire was sent to Councils to arrest Sellars, who was supposed to be at his home near there. This supposition was correct and at his home he was captured. 'Messrs. O. 'L. Clark and Augus Kelly went after the brute and at 5 o'clock brought him safe to Clarkton. By this time the town was thick were plainly evident. However, cool heads prevailed and the mutterings gave place to a calm, though there was a dreaded oppressiveness about it and only time alone could tell what was in the minds of those fully five hun-

"I DID NOT DO IT."

Sellars denied most positively his guilt and gave Mr. Clark a detailed account of his movements. He told him of leaving the hut and going to the Clarkton depot; of stopping at the postoffice and waiting room before leaving and also of going to a nearby store and procuring a watermelon. All this seemed trivial at the time, though of a nature intended to help Sellars escape the responsibility of the awful deed, but later it acted as a deadly boomerang and developed into important evidence. BLOODHOUNDS ON THE SCENE.

While Sellar was being sought near Council's bloodhounds were sent for and when Messrs. Clark and Kelly returned with their prisoner four of the intelligent animals, owned by Mr. L. C. Smith, of Maxton, were on the ground.

TRACKED BY SCENT. The man-hunters were taken to the scene of the tragedy and placed upon the scent. After sniffing around for several seconds they took up the trail and started off, with a posse also in their wake. The animals followed the trail to the side of a pond, where they lost it. Upon being carried to the opposite bank they found it again and equal in brutish nature and who is as followed it to the railroad track and stood. To the logical mind it was plainbe in action. This is the present cul- | stood. To the logical mind it was planly apparent that the man had jumped into the caboose, but whether or not he had remained there was the question. To the other side of the car the dogs were carried and they immediately regained the track, showing conclusively that the man had jumped into one car door and out the other. Then the animals followed the route as described by Sellars. They visited both the postoffice and watermelon store and finally rested at the depot waiting

UP TO SELLARS.

Nor was this all. When carried into the room where Sellars and Brown were confined the dogs went direct to Seilars and stood by him, sniffing all the time. Brown they would not notice.

FEELING RAN HIGH. All this evidence only inflamed the Clarkton has been wrapped in rain, fleeling against the negroes, but wise which but lends dismalness to that so counsel predominated again and Brown fresh in memory. It is true that the and Sellars were permitted to remain fiend is safe in jail, but that doesn't unharmed but under strong guard all move the horror from what has trans- night in Mr. Clark's store, while the he has requested the Governor to call pired and the hope that rages within other negroes were locked up in the

INQUEST AND BURIAL. Sunday afternoon the inquest was about 150 pounds. held and about the same hour the remains of the outraged woman were black and prabably three years younglaid tenderly to rest at Sandy Grove. er. THE VERDICT.

The jury impanelled by ex-Sheriff S. When the news of the outrage spread the lates; telegram whether the Rus-G. Wooten, acting coroner, was com- out the staunch citizens of grand old sians are continuing their retreat or posed of Messrs. Bruce Burney, G. H. Columbus and Robeson counties came if they have been compelled to face Cromartie, Alexander Cromartie, H. R. nobly to the aid of the citizens of this their foe. Cromartie, T. R. Thompson and J. B. community and faithfully aided in the Thompson. In the face of the evidence search. The people of Clarkton and the Russian general in the early fight-The finding of the dead and mutilat- and in the face of a confession which vicinity greatly appreciate this loyal ing of Saturday, and his bitter reed body of young Mrs. Packer, within Brown made the jury could return but support and assistance.

one verdict and that was that Sellars committed the diabolical deed.

CONFESSION BY STRATEGY. Brown's confession was obtained by strategy. He was separated from Sellars and made to think that he (Sellars) had been hanged. Then he became badly frightened and told how Sellars had wanted him to accompany him to outrage Mrs. Packer and how Sellars Japanese and Russians had left the house Saturday morning to return a little later, shirtless and excited, and stated to him that he had accomplished his purpose, though he had to kill the woman.

IN THE SHADOW.

The news of the verdict and confession frenzied the populace and both the negroes would probably have been lynched, but for the fact that Sheriff C. W. Lyon spirited them away to Elizabethtown jail.

IT WAS FIENDISH.

No more fiendish or cold blooded crime was ever committed than the outraging and slaying of Mrs. Packer. brutes who had committed the foul She was but a bride of a year and she and her husband, George Packer, who Repeated Attacks Made on the Russian up to a short while ago clerked at the store of Mr. O. L. Clark and who now works for the Cape Fear Lumber Company, at a camp six miles from here, lived in a cozy little home on the outskirts of Clarkton. On account of his business Mr. Packer only spent every other night home, but while away he had a young first cousin of his wife, Sam Russ, aged about twelve years, to stay at the house. Friday night he was absent and early Saturday morning two negroes (supposed to be Sellars and Brown) went to the house and asked for matches, which was a pretext then, it is thought, to perpetrate the deeds. If such was so they were thwarted, for little Sam refused to open the door, simply poking the match out to them through a window. From 9 to 10:30 o'clock Saturday morning the little fellow was absent from the house on an errand in Clarkton. During that time the deed occurred.

AS BLACK AS HADES. Just how it was done and the inde-

scribable agony of it all is plainly told by signs. The young woman was evidently just in the act of taking out a pan of pies from the oven when the negro brute entered stealthily and seized her. She cried aloud for mercy, but the fiend house and in the struggle her skirt was torn from her. Towards a dense thicket he pushed her until finally she broke away from him and started in the direcamended this statement by reducing tion of the railroad track. The brute the absent time to thirty minutes and overtook her and another desperate and choking her he dragged her to the thicket, where he knocked her down and accomplished his fiendish purpose. Then he stabbed his victim twice in the neck with a knife and as she turned

> LYING FACE DOWNWARD. She was found lying face downward, her head resting on her left arm and in a stump hole, and her right arm crooked as if warding off a blow.

A KNIFE AND A RAIL. An old iron case knife, though not bloody, was found near the corpse. The with people and mutterings of a storm | rail, about a yard long and gore stained, was also found near by.

THE DISCOVERY.

It was after the deed was committed that young Sam Russ returned and missed his cousin. He went outside the house to look for her and not far away, probably 250 yards and south of the house, he saw Dave Brown washing some clothing. He inquired of him if he had seen Mrs. Packer and received to which effect is in circulation. a negative reply. He then went to Mr. Packer's father's house, also nearby, and as she was not there the search commenced. In the meantime Mr. A. Santee came up and said shortly before he had heard outcries in that vicinity. The quest resulted in the finding of the body of the young woman in all its ghastliness and soul thrilling horror. TEN YEARS AGO.

A queer coincidence is the fact that a negro attempted to assault Mrs. Packer when she was but a mere child and living with her parents, who then resided at Abbottsburg.

She was sent on an errand to a neighbor's house and while returning along a lonely road a negro man tried to entice her into a growth of bushes by the road side. Failing in this he was about to use force when a white man came in sight on the road and the negro made off. He escaped.

THE DEAD WOMAN.

The dead woman was well liked and thought of by all and her death is deeply deplored. She was a daughter of Mr. Frank Russ, of Elizathtown. She was about 24 years of age. TELL TALE SHIRTS.

Two shirts-common ones it is trueare figuring in the investigation. The most important of these, was found at the negroes shanty, or hut. It had been washed by Brown and is claimed by him as his own, but it is thought it was the one worn by Seliars while he was committing the crime and then given to Brown to wash. In spite of violent scrubbing it bears a number of marks that may be rust but which bear every sign of blood. This shirt was found by Mr. O. L. Clark and is still in his possession.

The other shirt is the one worn by Sellars when arrested. He says he had it on for a week, when its clean condition shows plainly to the contrary.

SPEEDY TRIAL. The next term of Bladen county Superior court does not convene until October, but the negroes, if tried, will probably be brought into court before

that time. Solicitor C. C. Lyon, of this district, was in Clarkton Saturday and it is said a special term.

HOW THEY APPEAR. The negro Sellars is of a ginger cake hue, about 24 years of age and weighs

Brown is about the same size, but

LOYAL ACTION APPRECIATED.

Pushing on in Haste to Mukden.

#### RESULT IN DOUBT

Rear and One Report Says That Kuropatkin's Rear Guard Has Been Almost Annihilated and That the Main Russian Army is in Danger of Being Surrounded-Reports of the Evacuation of Mukden, if True, Show That the Russians Intend the Abandonment of the Whole of Southern Manchuria and the Winding Up of the Present Campaign-Stakelberg's Forces Were Not Cut Off, as Was First Reported, but They Are With the Main Army.

The forces of Kuropatkin and Oyama are racing for Mukden. This much stands out in the news of Monday, and is indicated in a report forwarded by Kuropatkin, who says that his retreat is being conducted in perfect order, though the Japanese on Sunday repeatedly attacked his rear and continued the attack until Monday. The result of the race is in doubt.

The united Russian forces are now north of Yentai, a station on the railway about ten miles northeast of Liao Yang. They are pushing on to Mukden, to which the bulk of the Japanese forces is marching direct, after having crossed the Taitse river.

With this race in progress, there comes a brief dispatch from Mukden, saying that portions of the evacuation of that place are progressing. This report, if well founded, as is pointed out in The Associated Press St. Petersburg dispatches, would mean the abandonment of the whole of southern Manchuria, and the winding up of the present campaign.

It was reported in St. Petersburg at a late hour Monday night that Kuropatkin's rear guard had been almost annihilated and that the main Russian army was in danger of being surround-Kuropatkin in his report makes no

mention of the abandonment of two hundred guns at Liao Yang, a rumor

Advices from Port Arthur by way of Che Foo bring the fighting there up to September 2, and say the Japanese losses were very heavy.

#### Russian Army in Danger. St. Petersburg, September 5.-It i reported at a late hour that General

Kuropatkin's rear guard has been almost anihilated, and that the main Russian army is in imminent danger of being surrounded.

#### Mukden to be Evacuated.

Mukden, September 5 .- Preparations for the evacuation of Mukden are proceeding. The Japanese advance is within thirty miles.

Kuropatkin's Retreat Cut Off.

Lonndon, September 5.-The Daily

Mail this morning prints a dispatch from Sinmintin, dated September 5th, giving a report that Kuropatkin's retreat has been cut off. The dispatch goes on to say that the

Russian troops had advanced in strong force to the southeast of Mukden, as far as Japing Hill, to oppose any possible attack in the direction of their advance. A Chinese official who arrived from Mukden Sunday says that the Russian troops are leaving for the north, that there are eighteen thousand men ten miles to the east.

Stakelberg Makes His Escape.

St. Petersburg, September 4.-7:40 p. m.-General Stakelberg's First Siberian corps, which was reported yesterday by General Kuropatkin as having been cut off to the westward of Liao Yang, has been safely extricated. General Kuropatkin telegraphed at 7 o'clock Saturday evening that the greater portion of his army was then south of Yantai, about 10 miles northeast of Liao Yang, and that the other portion of it was crossing the Taitse river and taking up a position on the right bank. The troops left at Liao Yang and surrounding fortifications to cover the retreat crossed the Taitse river Saturday and occupied the right bank of the river.

This message, which was received by the Emperor early this morning threw a more hopeful light on the position of the Russian army, and the authorities gave sighs of relief. There is no attempt, however, to conceal the gravity of the situation, in view of the absence of news regarding what is happening today. It is not clear from

The gloomy report telegraphed by proaches against General Stakelberg,

ARMIES RACE are attributed to his chagrin over the failure of his offensive plans. General Kuropatkin now telegraphs that his only serious losses are confined to only serious losses are confined to THE HOLIDAY GENERALLY OB-Major General Orloff's detachment, which was guarding the left flank at Yentai. This detachment consisted of mixed European detachments and was suddenly attacked by Japanese infantry and artillery, concealed in the tall Chinese corn and grass. The Russians seem to have lost their heads and to have retreated precipitately. The Japanese inflicted great slaughter, one of General Orloff's regiments losing 1,500 men, half its strength. No details are given of the escape of General Stakelberg's corps from the clutches of the enemy, but it is believed it owes its safety to the neglect or inability of the Japanese to follow up their advantage. General Stakelberg was allowed to cross the river and came up with the main army in time to enable the shattered remnants of General Orloff's detachment to retreat. This exploit is likely to cordone General Stakelberg's disobedience, but unless the Emperor forgives

> his command. The war office is able to make the eassuring statement that the Russian retreat from Liao Yang did not involve the loss of guns, and it also de-Liao Yang were set on fire before the Russians crossed the Taitse river.

him, he will have to appear before a

The following is the full text of General Kuropatkin's report announcing the escape of General Stakelberg's

"Today (September 3) the greater part of the Russian army, including the First Siberian corps, is occupying positions south of the branch railway from Yentai station to the Yentai mines. The Japanese, although they were in the immediate vicinity of our troops, today confined themselves principally to sniping from the cornfields Our troops which were posted at Liao Yang, are crossing to the right bank of the Taitse river. The area of operations and almost entirely by growing Chinese corn, which greatly impedes the movements of the troops. The retreat of Major General Orloff's detachment yesterday afternoon (Friday) was largely due to the fire with which the force was assailed among the mil-

#### Official Reports Received in Tokio.

Tokio, September 5.-8 p. m.mass of official reports on the battle of Liao Yang have been received at the imperial headquarters, but they will not be given out until it is possible to put them in order and make from them a concise and detailed story. In the meantime, headquarters is refraining from giving anything to the public.

It is generally known that General drawing the great bulk of the Russian army, and that he cut bridges to union men in America. Banners hamper the Japanese pursuit.

Critical interest centers in the operations of the Japanese right wing early Saturday morning. General Ku- and fire company and the local militia roki then swung to the westward, his participated, movement being designed to flank the remainder of the Russian left at Liao Yang itself. It is believed here that General Kuropatkin is bound to lose many prisoners to the Japanese. It is possible, however, that the topographical difficulties and the overwhelming opposition of the Russian army may creck this movement on the

part of General Kuroki. Among the Japanese officers report ed killed in the battle of Liao Yang are Lieutenant Tearouchi, a son of Lieutenant General Tearouchi, minister of war, and Lieutenant's Fukushi-

ma and Muratta, both sons of Japanese generals. Official figures of the Japanese losses

and a list of the trophies captured are expected to reach Tokio tomorrow. It is believed that General Kuropat. kin's next stand will be made at Mukden, although there is defensible

ground south of there. Field Marshal Yamagati, chief of the general staff, and Lieutenant General Tearouchi were the hosts at a banquet given tonight in honor of the Liao Yang victory. The guest's included the imperial princess, the members city. of the cabinet and the elder statesman, the staff officers of the army and navy departments and chiefs of bu-

Tokio is illuminated again tonight and the principal streets of the city where a series of lantern processions are taking place, are thronged with Governor A. J. Montague and Con-

The Battles Around Liao Yang.

in torrents all day, until near night-Yentai, September 4.—Delayed in fall. transmission—The Russians evacuated their positions aroung Liao Yang during the night of September 3, crossing the Taitse river and burning the bridges behind them. In the mean- rade, 2,500 men being in line. The time a strong force was holding General Kuroki back from Yentai.

by General Oku from the southeast tion. and General Nodzu from the southwest, the shell fire was terrific, in one instance fifty-six shells bursting at the same time.

The Japanese made a fine infantry attack. They succeeded in reaching the Russian trenches, but were repulsed with heavy loss. The Japanese shrapnel, as a rule, burst too high. On the whole, the day went well for the Russians. The Japanese were driven from the villages along the rail.

On August 31, the shelling commenced at daylight from all sides, but ing tonight plans were inaugurated for the Russian infantry pressed forward. Late that afternoon the news came that Kuroki was threatening the rail- Carolina, District of Columbia and road at Yentai, and the Russians commenced to retire, enabling the Japanese to bring up two batteries and enfilade the Russian force along the railroad. During the night the trans-On September 1, the Russians retreated from their main positions. which formed a circle around the city. while the transport crossed the river. ed the railroad station, resulting in overpowered and put in jail. many casualties. At the same time, the Japanese infantry aftacked the in-

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#### LABOR DAY CELEBRATION.

SERVED IN OTHER PLACES.

Everywhere Nearly There Was the Parade of Union Men, Then Speechmaking by Some Prominent Citi-

Kansas City, Mo., September 5 .-Thomas E. Watson, Populist candidate for President of the United States, was the principal speaker at a Labor Day picnic here today. Mr. Watson began by announcing that he was 48 years old today. He said, in part:

"Workmen whose toil produces the vast annual increase in the nation's wealth ask why it is that men who produce the most of this wealth should enjoy the least of it, while the men whose toil produces the least of it should, by subtle contrivances of law. court-martial, and probably will lose and business, enjoy the most of it. In other words, the man who makes it all thinks that he ought to have a fair share of that which he makes.

"The laborer has the right to comclares that the abandoned stores at plain that too much of the weight of taxation falls upon him, the poorer man, when the greater weight of the burden should be borne by the richer man, who is more able to hear it, and who enjoys to a greater extent the benefits of government.

"Labor has a just cause to complain that the hours of work are too long. "The laborer has just cause of complaint, because children who are too young for the confinement and toil are kept at work in unhealthy and ex-

hausting employment. "Labor has a right to demand that the life of the workman should be held more sacred than the machine he works with, and therefore, every possible safety appliance should be adopted for his benefit. I should be glad to see the introduction into this country of the German system of old

age pensions. "If the earth is only a batilefield, in which the Creator intended that the strong battalion should always trample down the weak, then the present system is all right; that is just what occurs; but if the earth was intended by our common father as the home of his children, and if it was the divine purpose that each of the children should find food, raiment and shelter in return for labor, then our present system needs reform."

Non-Union Men Celebrate the Day. Cripple Creek, Colo., September 5 .-Labor Day was observed here with a parade of 3,000 independent workmen. Kuropatkin succeeds by means of a It was the first time in the history of desperate guard action and strong and the camp that the union men failed well handled flank movements in with- to parade, and probably the first observance of Labor Day by strictly nonreading, "They can't come back," "Cripple Creek is Still in America." and "We Don't Hire Salaried Agitawhich occurred late Friday night and tors" were carried. Army officials,

#### Celebration at Augusta.

Augusta, Ga., September 5.-With a parade nearly two miles long, organized labor began the local celebration of Labor Day here today. Later at a suburban resort there was an elaborate programme of exercises. Congressman T. W. Hardwick was the principal speaker, choosing as his subject 'Rights of Labor Organized and Unorganized." No man, he said, had any right to interfere with another in his right to work, and this was a point organized labor should always remember. Other speakers were J. W. Weir, of Atlanta; John R. Booke, managing editor of The Chronicle. Barbecue dinner was served by the blacksmiths, and a lengthy programme of athletic exercises for prizes were carried out.

Prominent Virginians Join in Celebration at Pine Beach. Newport News, September 5,-New-

port News and Portsmouth labor unions combined in a big celebration of Labor Day at Pine Beach, opposite this Olympic games, a world's congress of boxers and wrestlers, and a brilliant

tures of the day, followed by dancing at night. Among the speakers of the occasion were United States Senator Martin, gressman Claude Swanson, each of whom reecived a great ovation at the hands of the union men. Rain poured

programme of oratory were the fea-

Governor Hogg at Houston.

Houston, Tex., September 5 .- Labor Day was observed here with a big pafeature of the day was the address of Governor J. S. Hogg, who made an at-During the combined atack on Liao tack on corporations and asserted that Yang, which commenced August 30, strikes could be prevented by legisla-

Three Celebrations at Norfolk.

Norfolk, Va., September 5.-There were three celebrations of Labor Day here today by reason of splits in the several bodies of this section. Bad weather prevented the athletic contests and practically ruined all the programmes. Governor Montague, General Fitzhugh Lee, Congressmen Swanson and Lamb, John Slocum, president of International Blacksmiths, and State Labor Commissioner Doherto spoke at Pine Beach. At a meeta joint celebration of Labor Day in 1905-'06 and '07 by unions of Virginia, Maryland at Pine Beach.

William Exum Captured Near La-Grange.

Raleigh, N. C., September 5.-A special from LaGrange, N. C., says that William Exum, was captured at the house of a relative a few hours after At 2 o'clock the Japanese succeeded in | the slaying of his step son, young placing two guns in rosition and shell- Walstin. He offered resistance, but was

> The name of Liao-Yang is being written on history's tablet in inde'ible blood.—Atlanta Constitution.