

Goff Excludes the Famous Letter by Mrs. Smith

Was Admitted in Preceding Trial—Lawyer Rand Succeeded, However, in Introducing Parts of It—Recorder's Ruling a Blow to Prosecution

New York, April 27.—A dramatic scene was witnessed at the trial of Nan Patterson for the murder of Caesar Young when Mr. Rand succeeded late this afternoon in introducing parts of the famous letter written to the bookmaker by Mrs. J. Morgan Smith, sister of the defendant.

Recorder Goff, after listening carefully to the argument, excluded the letter. On the preceding trial it was admitted as evidence by the court. It was then that Mr. Rand changed his tactics.

He recalled John D. Millin, Young's partner, who was on the stand earlier in the day, and after another fight succeeded in getting another letter—one written by Nan Patterson to Leslie Coggins—which had been barred out in the morning accepted.

Mr. Rand wanted the letter introduced to show that the girl did not love Young as deeply as she made believe, and that her motives were purely mercenary. He read it aloud to the jury while the writer of it sat with downcast eyes, and the audience stood up and craned its neck to listen.

to confirm the reports of the invasion of this territory by the Southern and Seaboard.

The Seaboard, Southern and Atlantic Coast Line, which it is understood now controls the Louisville and Nashville system, all have their water terminals here and the Norfolk and Western and the proposed Standard Oil tidewater railroad two other lines will soon be delivering coal here.

The Seaboard is actively working at its line connecting it with the Cranes Nest, Virginia, coal fields.

AUTO RUNS AWAY WITH FATAL RESULT

New York, April 27.—An automobile truck which could not be controlled by its driver ran amuck on East Fifteenth street and Union Square today, knocking the heavy top of a fire box lamp pole onto the head of Benjamin Kahn, a hat manufacturer, of the firm of Kahn & Pollock, who was passing. Kahn died a few minutes after the accident.

DAVIDSON BARELY DEFEATS WELSH NECK

Davidson, N. C., April 27.—Special. Davidson defeated Welsh Neck here today by a score of five to four. The prep school proved quite a surprise, ten innings being necessary to score the winning run. Cunningham for Welsh Neck pitched a fine game. The home team made a number of costly errors, letting in several of the runs. The next game is with Virginia in Charlotte on May 3rd. This will complete Davidson's schedule for this season.

SENATOR DANIEL ON GRANT'S BIRTHDAY

New York, April 27.—The eighty-third anniversary of the birthday of Gen. U. S. Grant was celebrated at the Union League Club, Brooklyn, by U. S. Grant Post No. 327, G. A. R., and members of the Union League Club tonight. The principal address was delivered by United States Senator John W. Daniel of Virginia, who after expressing his thanks for a return of the Confederate flags, said his son had enlisted and gone to Cuba, and that if he had not been a remnant, a piece of left-over goods, he would have gone himself.

SECOND DAY OF CONFERENCE FOR EDUCATION

Columbia, S. C., April 27.—The second day's session of the conference for education in the south began at 9 o'clock this morning in the chapel of the South County College with impromptu addresses by Robert C. Ogden, Seth Low, St. Clair McKelway and Edwin A. Alderman, president of the University of Virginia. These speeches were the features of the day's exercises.

QUICKEST MURDER TRIAL ON RECORD

New York, April 27.—The jury in the case of Josephine Noble, accused of killing her husband in Long Island City last November, brought in a verdict of not guilty this afternoon. It was the quickest murder trial on record. The jury was secured in thirty-three minutes, a number of witnesses testified, Mrs. Noble told her story of how the pistol was accidentally discharged and the judge delivered his charge in a short time. The jury was out only about sixteen minutes. Mrs. Noble immediately went to the home of her father in Long Island City.

SOLE SURVIVOR OF WAR OF 1812

New York, April 27.—Hiram Cronk, sole survivor of the war of 1812, who will celebrate the 105th anniversary of his birth at his home in Ava, Saturday, is reported in very feeble health and hardly able to stand the excitement in connection with the festivities planned for his birthday. Cronk has become totally blind within the last few months, and can converse only in whispers. A delegation from the New Jersey branch of the society of the war of 1812 and many other representatives of the society are expected to make a pilgrimage to Cronk's home Saturday and all will shake hands with him if his condition permits.

THREATENED TROUBLE IN PROVINCIAL TOWNS

London, April 28.—Some of the English correspondents at St. Petersburg, while transmitting stories of the events of Sunday next, the Russian Easter, say they do not believe it is probable anything serious will happen. Apart from St. Petersburg there are threatened troubles in provincial towns, including, according to the Telegraph's St. Petersburg correspondent, Jitomir, where 31,000 Jews and 23,000 orthodox Russians dwell together. It is stated that serious disorders have broken out at Cheliabinsk, and that troops have been sent there.

Warsaw, April 27.—The Jews at Sdunskaia today tried to liberate a co-religionist, who had been arrested on the charge of being concerned in the distribution of reform proclamations. It is stated that they fought the police with revolvers and other fire arms. Several on both sides were wounded. The prisoner was not released.

GEORGE GOULD OUT OF UNION PACIFIC

Resigns as Director on Account of Interest in the New Competing Line

New York, April 27.—Geo. J. Gould has resigned as a director of the Union Pacific and as a member of its executive committee, and announces that he will shortly resign from the other Hariman properties with which he has been connected, namely, the Southern Pacific and the Oregon Short Line. Although many have been expecting Mr. Gould's resignation from the Union Pacific board on account of his plans for a trans-continental line of his own, the fact that he had resigned, when it leaked out today just before the market closed, caused considerable commotion. Just when Mr. Gould sent his resignation was not learned, but it is supposed to have been accepted at today's meeting of the executive committee of the Union Pacific.

"My reason for resigning," said Mr. Gould, "was that I did not feel that I should remain, now that I am interested in a competing line. I did not want to embarrass the board."

Mr. Gould was asked if he cared to say what effect his resignation would have on the Union Pacific situation. His reply was: "The Union Pacific has some very eminent counsel and I think they can look out for its interests."

"Will you resign from the Burlington?" Mr. Gould was asked. "That I cannot answer," he said. "The Burlington is to some extent a competitor of the Missouri Pacific."

A banker connected with Union Pacific interests said today that Mr. Gould's resignation was not intended as an unfriendly act, but that on the contrary the situation would be much improved by it.

The Western Pacific, the new road which is to be the connecting link in the Gould system between Denver and the coast, will be a direct competitor with the Union Pacific. A Union Pacific man said today that in the three years which it would take to complete the Western Pacific traffic would probably so increase that there would be business for both roads.

ROOSEVELT CUT HIS VACATION A WEEK

Will Start Back May 8 Instead of 15th—Stop at Denver and Chicago

Glenwood Springs, Col., April 27. President Roosevelt has decided to return east one week earlier than was originally planned. He will leave here May 8 instead of the 15th. "Conditions in Washington require his presence there" is the reason given for the change of program. It is announced that stops will be made at Denver and Chicago as he returns.

Washington, April 27.—Word was received in Washington today that President Roosevelt had changed his plans so as to start on his return trip to Washington a week earlier than he had intended. A government official who had been in communication with the president said tonight that he knew of no reason for Mr. Roosevelt's presence here sooner than he had originally arranged to be back.

GUILFORD COLLEGE GETS \$25,000

Dr. Pearson of Chicago Announces Gifts to Southern Colleges

Chicago, April 27.—Dr. D. K. Pearson of Chicago announced today gifts to five southern colleges. The amounts denoted range from \$10,000 to \$50,000. The total amount is \$135,000. Dr. Pearson announced that he had rejected requests from over 400 institutions. The selections are as follows: Guilford College, Greensboro, N. C., \$25,000; Piedmont College, Demorest, Ga., \$25,000; Washington College, Washington, Tenn., \$25,000; Grant University, Chattanooga, Tenn., \$50,000; West Virginia Seminary, Morgantown, W. V., \$10,000.

Dr. Pearson, who is a wealthy retired business man of this city, has made donations heretofore aggregating over \$2,500,000.

SCHWAB WAS MUM

Russia Understood to Be Contracting for Rails

St. Petersburg, April 27.—Charles M. Schwab left today for America. He was questioned as to the position of the reported negotiations with regard to contracts with the Russian government. He refused to say anything and asserted that he had made no statements on the matter. He would not say whether the negotiations con-

cerned warships or rails. It is learned from another source that the naval construction program has not reached the stage of concluding contracts, but that contracts are being placed for rails for doubling the track of the Trans-Siberian Railroad. The reports that have been current as to the building of Russian warships in the United States are still conjectural. Many representatives of gun and armor plate manufacturing firms are still here.

Ex-Gov. Hawkins Dead

Nashville, Tenn., April 27.—Former Governor Alvin Hawkins, aged eighty-three years, died today at his home in Huntington, Tenn. Mr. Hawkins, in 1868, was appointed consul-general in Cuba by President Johnson. He resigned that position in 1869.

Trophies of Presidential Chase

Colorado Springs, Col., April 27.—The hides of five bears slain by President Roosevelt and three Bob Cats killed by Dr. Lambert have been received here to be dressed and cured, after which they will be shipped to the White House.

Catholics Massacred

Hong Kong, April 27.—Four French Roman Catholic missionaries and a number of converts have been massacred at Batang. It is believed that they were killed in the same uprising in which the Chinese imperial commissioner to Tibet was killed by the Tibetans.

ANOTHER BANK PRESIDENT ARRESTED

Trenton, N. J., April 27.—Dr. Wesley R. Wales, president of the First National Bank of Cape May City, was arrested today and arraigned in the United States court to plead to an indictment charging him with the misappropriation of \$10,000 of the bank's funds. He entered a plea of not guilty.

459,715 IMMIGRANTS IN LAST SIX MONTHS

Washington, April 27.—During the six months ended March 31, there were 459,715 immigrants landed in the United States from all countries. This is an increase over the same period for 1903 of 35 per cent.

There were debarred from all countries during the six months referred to in 1905 a total of 4,825, an increase over the same period in 1903 of 18 per cent.

The immigrants from Russia for the six months ended March 31, 1905, numbered 88,832, an increase over the same period in 1903 of 76 per cent. This increase in the figures of Russian immigration is due largely to the Japanese war, as has been heretofore noticed in the immigration reports printed.

STRIKE IN PANAMA

Some Laborers, Several Policemen and Engineer Barrett Hurt

Panama, April 27.—Owing to the bad labor arrangements made by the canal commission, resulting in the men receiving insufficient food, small wages, and great delay in paying wages, a strike of 150 contract laborers employed at the waterworks occurred today. A row occurred in which some laborers, several policemen and Engineer Barrett were injured. A squad of police charged the strikers in front of the Administration building and dispersed them. After the men had recently refused to work because they did not get sufficient food, the police ordered them to return to their labor, with the result that he discommodated in today's trouble. The labor conditions here are producing severe criticism.

3 BOYS RAN AWAY FROM ORPHANAGE

Walked From Thomasville to Winston; Say They Were Looking for Work

Winston-Salem, N. C., April 27.—Special.—Three white boys, apparently 12 or 15 years old, ran away from the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville yesterday. Their names are David Cook, Thomas Jordan and Isaac Johnson. The boys arrived here this morning. Cook was found and carried to the municipal building, where he remained until the chief of police conferred with Dr. S. J. Montague, one of the trustees of the orphanage. Dr. Montague stated that if the boys did not wish to stay at the orphanage no effort would be made to force them to remain there.

The Cook boy, who was the only one found by the officers, was released. In an interview the boy said: "We left Thomasville ten minutes after 1 o'clock yesterday and walked to High Point on the railroad track. We then decided to come to Winston-Salem and took the wagon road for this place. Night overtook us about ten miles this side of High Point and we spent the night with a man, but I don't know his name. He gave us a supper and breakfast. We came here in search of work."

THE BIG LEAGUES

American League Games

St. Louis, April 27.—The Chicago white Sox defeated the St. Louis Browns in a 13 inning game today by a score of 4 to 3. The game was rife with brilliant plays by both teams, double plays being numerous. The score: R. H. E. Chicago . . . 0010000100011-13-11 St. Louis . . . 0000000110010-3-8 Batteries: Smith and McFarland, Glade and Sugden. Umpires, Kelly and McCarth.

Detroit, April 27.—Detroit could not find Hess often today and when they did, Day was on hand with a phenomenal catch. The score: R. H. E. Cleveland . . . 100000001-21-9 Detroit . . . 000000000-9-21 Batteries: Hess and Bemis; Mullen and Wood. Umpire, Sheridan.

New York, April 27.—Griffin and Plank had a keen pitching duel today and the New Yorks made the only run of the game. Hits by Keeler and Williams won for the New Yorks. The score: R. H. E. Philadelphia . . . 000000000-0-4-2 New York . . . 000000011-1-1-1 Batteries: Plank and Powers; Griffith and Kleinw. Umpire, Conmy.

Boston, April 27.—The locals won today's game in the eighth inning when Mullen misjudged Freeman's pop fly. A sacrifice, on bunt at first, and McGovern's single brought Freeman, across the plate. Wolfe was knocked out of the box in the first inning. The score: R. H. E. Washington . . . 000000100-1-8-3 Boston . . . 100000011-2-9-3 Batteries: Wolfe, Townsend and Kitzredge; Tannehill and McGovern. Umpire, O'Loughlin.

Brooklyn, April 27.—New York administered a shut-out to Brooklyn at Washington Park today. In the fifth inning Brooklyn had the bases filled but a double play spoiled the home team's chance of scoring. The score: R. H. E. New York . . . 000000010-1-0-2 Brooklyn . . . 000000000-0-0-0 Batteries: Ames and Beesbach; Eason, Reising and Berger. Umpire, Johnstone.

Philadelphia-Boston. Rain. Pittsburgh-Chicago. Rain. St. Louis-Cincinnati. Rain.

How Citizens of Augusta Changed Their Minds

Wanted a Span in Railroad Bridge Till They Found City's Bridges Would Have to Be Changed, Too—Secretary Taft Will Decide Soon

Washington, April 27.—Secretary of War Taft will soon render a decision in the Augusta bridge case, which involves three bridges, two public and the other owned by the Southern Railway, across the Savannah river at Augusta, Ga. It has been before the department for a year and is peculiar in that owing to a change of sentiment on the part of the senators and one representative from Georgia, and the mayor and any number of public spirited citizens of Augusta, they have successively favored or opposed it.

Last spring Senator Bacon and others from Georgia appeared before the secretary of war and asked that the department order the Southern Railway to put a draw in its bridge across the Savannah at Augusta, as the structure interfered with navigation. An army engineer in charge of the Georgia river and harbor district was ordered to investigate. He found that the river was navigable and recommended that the railway company be ordered to put in the draw. This order was made, a time limit of a few months being placed on the company for completing the work.

Then the government engineer went further into his investigation and to the consternation of the city officials and citizens of Augusta, recommended that the two bridges owned by the city be also equipped with draws so that steamers could pass up the river. When the cost to the city for changing the two bridges was found to be between \$60,000 and \$70,000, there was a sudden reversion of feeling and evidence began to accumulate before the secretary of war which tended to show that the citizens did not really care whether there were draws in the bridges or not. As one man expressed it they only wanted to "get that railroad" on account of its refusal to lay some side tracks to certain factories in the city.

Soon after the order to put in the draw in the railway bridge was issued the company began to construct the side tracks, but it did not do anything at all concerning the draw. The time limit has now expired and Secretary Taft has been asked to suspend indefinitely the order requiring draws in all three bridges. The mayor of Augusta, who wanted the draw in the railway bridge very badly before it was discovered that the city might have to spend \$60,000 in fixing its own bridges, has asked that the order be suspended and Secretary Taft has the matter under advisement. Senator Bacon, who was foremost in aiding his constituents in Augusta to get justice from the railway company via the war department, has also suggested the postponement of the order.

England's Cotton Situation

London, April 27.—The executive committee of the Federation of Master Cotton Spinners has sent a circular

Over 30 Years in Prison

Trenton, N. J., April 27.—The court of pardons discussed informally today the application for a pardon made by Libbie Garbrandt, the Patterson murderer, who has served more than thirty years of a life sentence and is now said to be dying in the state prison. Her case was laid over for a further hearing next week. A pardon is unlikely from present indications.

Big Lumber Fire

Weldon, N. C., April 27.—Special. Fire at Gumberry this evening destroyed the large dry kiln of the Westcott and Trenchard Lumber Company. Five or six cars loaded with lumber were also destroyed. The loss will be not less than twenty to thirty thousand dollars. Some insurance, but unable to learn amount at this time.

A. C. L. Officials Mum

Wilmington, N. C., April 27.—Special. Officials of the Atlantic Coast Line here refused tonight to either confirm or to deny the reported lease of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad. It is not deemed that the recent visit to Wilmington of W. A. Blount, member of the Florida senate, or the visit of Attorney Partridge of Jacksonville had any significance whatsoever, but was purely personal.

LAWYERS IN PISTOL DUEL ON STREET

Birmingham, Ala., April 27.—R. L. Leatherwood and W. A. Denson, prominent young lawyers, engaged in a pistol duel today on South 22nd street in the retail district. Ten shots were fired, a negro drayman being wounded in the leg and neck. He will probably recover. Leatherwood is in jail.

WILL S. A. L. AND SOUTHERN ENTER COAL FIELDS?

Norfolk, Va., April 27.—Rumors have been current among coal men here that both the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway are preparing to compete with the Norfolk and Western Railway by bringing coal to Norfolk, but verification has not been possible. Following the publication of a dispatch from Knoxville, Tenn., that a road, supposed to be the Southern or Louisville and Nashville, was negotiating for the coal fields at Jellico, Tenn., and in Kentucky, publications were made here today which appear