

## A MOST HORRIBLE CRIME

WHITE MAN IS CHARGED WITH CRIMINAL ASSAULT.

City of Spartanburg Scene of One of Worst Cases in History of the State.

Charles Garner, white, aged about 60 years, who lives at Saxon Mills, was arrested Thursday morning by constable Nelson on a warrant issued by Magistrate Kirby, charging him with making a criminal assault upon his granddaughter, Nineva Burgess, alias Sanders, aged nine years. Garner was committed to jail to await a preliminary investigation which will be held during the afternoon or Friday morning.

The assault, it is alleged, was committed Tuesday night at the home of the girl's mother, Mrs. Minnie Burgess, and the warrant was issued on an affidavit of George Burgess, the stepfather of the girl. The girl's mother has been married twice, her first husband being a man by the name of Sanders. Nineva's father died when she was quite young and upon the marriage of her mother to George Burgess she took the name of her stepfather.

The story of the alleged assault is one of the most revolting ever heard of in this county, the details of which are unfit for publication, for according to statements made by the girl's stepfather the alleged assault was a most shocking and unnatural criminal assault, and as a result the girl is said to be in a terrible condition.

Mr. Burgess, when he learned of the condition of his wife's little daughter and heard her statement, he consulted Solicitor Sease, who advised him to call in a physician, which was done, Dr. A. D. Cudd being summoned. As a result of the visit of Dr. Cudd Mr. Burgess called at the office of Magistrate Kirby and made an affidavit upon which a warrant was issued for the arrest of Garner.

Constable Nelson went out to Saxon Mills Thursday and found Garner at work in the mill. He was arrested and brought before Magistrate Kirby. He denied the charge of abusing the girl, though he said they occupied the same room at his daughter's home. Magistrate Kirby committed Garner to jail without bail to await a preliminary hearing.

The investigation will be held during the afternoon or Friday morning and at the preliminary hearing the mother of the child, her stepfather and several inmates of the Burgess home will testify. —Spartanburg Journal.

### Roosevelt Forced to Decline.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The president tonight reissued his election night announcement that under no circumstances would he accept another term. The impression here is that it was forced from him by a sudden awakening that he could not be elected. Numbers of his friends, among them congressmen and others prominent in Republican politics, have been visiting him this week and at last it is learned that they have been telling him that there would be no chance for his election; that Bryan would beat him if he were put up for a third term. Convinced at last of this, he has declared that when he spoke on the night of election he really meant it and will not run.

The Republicans who formed the Southern coalition say in effect that the situation has not changed so far as Southern delegates to the convention are concerned. They will go to the convention unpledged. If the president can be induced to accept the nomination in spite of what he says they will be in position to support him. If he declines it when the convention offers it to him, then it is time to decide for whom they will vote. In other words, they are not pledged and will not be pledged to Taft or anybody else. In other words certain leaders have, or think they have, the delegates in their vest pockets, and will deliver them to whomsoever seems to them expedient when the convention meets. —ZACH MCGHEE, in Columbia State.

### Cotton Crop Estimate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The crop board of the bureau of statistics of the department of agriculture from the reports of the correspondents and agents today issued a report estimating that the total production of cotton in the United States for the year 1907-08 will amount to 5,581,968,000 pounds (not including linters), equivalent to 11,679,000 bales of 500 pounds gross weight.

The estimated production in 500-pound bales by States is as follows: Virginia, 14,000; North Carolina, 604,000; South Carolina, 1,091,000; Georgia, 1,898,000; Florida, 64,000; Alabama, 1,216,000; Mississippi, 1,536,000; Louisiana, 712,000; Texas, 2,490,000; Arkansas, 796,000; Tennessee, 298,000; Missouri, 40,000, and Oklahoma, 919,000.

"Well," demanded the warden of the prison, "what are you kicking about now?" "I'm kicking about this striped suit," complained the new convict. "All the silly dudes are going in for stripes now, and it's a shame to make us wear 'em."—Philadelphia Press.

A. G. Perkins, of Memphis, has been appointed by the agricultural department to go abroad and investigate the cotton seed market.

A big lumber company in Mexico has solved the saving of the timber supply problem by planting a tree of the same sort for every one cut down.

## Will Teddy Go

He Went Down in a Submarine, and the Army Balloons May Yet Allure Him Aloft.

A LITTLE more than a year ago President Roosevelt created something of a sensation by taking a trip in a naval submarine vessel beneath the waters of Long Island sound. There was naturally some anxiety as to what might befall the chief magistrate of the nation down in the water's depths, but it was slight as compared with what would be felt should the strenuous head of the government take a trip in the clouds to test the value of air navigation for military and naval purposes.

There has been talk in Washington that the president might favor the army aeronauts as he did the naval submarine men if congress decides on the creation of a war feet for the air. Premier Clemenceau of France and the minister of war recently made an ascension in a government balloon. Experts who have visited Europe and observed what Great Britain, France and Germany are doing in this direction say that the United States is far behind other countries in the matter of applying air navigation to warfare.

The importance of the United States keeping up with the procession in the matter of aerial science as connected with warfare was emphasized at the international aeronautical congress, which met in New York at the conclusion of the aerial carnival at St. Louis.

Prominent among the speakers at this congress were members of the United States army who have given special study to aeronautics. One of these, Major George O. Squires, who has had charge of the government balloon experiments at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., said: "The success of aerial navigation has been established, and the success of aerial navigation means the introduction of new and radical methods in warfare, extended possibilities of producing decisive results by strategic movements against untenable positions rather than by loss of human life. It means the ultimate passing away of warfare in the present sense and the eventual dawn of the era of peace."

The big government balloon United States, piloted by Major Henry B. Hersey, who went to Spitzbergen with Wellman, expecting to sail from there for the pole by the air route, was among the balloons which sailed in the contest for the James Gordon Bennett cup. It landed in Canada. Captain Charles DeForest Chandler was another army aeronaut who competed for the cup, and it was he who sailed the balloon America from St. Louis to West Virginia in the race for the

## Up In the Air?

Brigadier General James Allen, Who Is Planning a Fleet of Fighting Airships For Uncle Sam.

Lahn cup. The achievements of Major Hersey and Captain Chandler in the international contests were highly pleasing to Brigadier General James Allen, chief of the United States army signal corps, who has supervision of the aeronautical experiments of the army. He hopes for an appropriation of \$200,000 from congress for the aeronautical work, and Secretary Taft is understood to favor such action. General Allen has studied every type of balloon and flying machine and thinks that the dirigible balloons with cigar shaped gas bags offer the best opportunities at present for achieving practical results in connection with warfare.

General Allen, who first won fame as press censor at Key West during



BRIGADIER GENERAL JAMES ALLEN.

the Spanish-American war, graduated from West Point in 1872 and spent three years with the Third cavalry in Wyoming. He was then detached for signal service and remained in that branch of the army until 1878. He saw service later in New Mexico and Indian Territory and on the staffs of Generals Miles, Ruger and Merritt, besides being an instructor at West Point for several years. He succeeded General Greely as chief signal officer in 1904. Fort Omaha is balloon headquarters for the army, and instruction in military aeronautics will be given at Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

### ROMANCE IN HIGH LIFE.

The Adventures of Ex-Crown Princess Louise, Now Signora Toselli.

The history of royalty furnishes few cases like that of the ex-Crown Princess Louise of Saxony, who recently wedded the Italian teacher and composer of music, Signor Enrico Toselli,



SIGNOR AND SIGNORA TOSELLI.

in London. Signora Toselli might have been a queen now had her domestic relations at the Saxon court been to her taste. But she and the crown prince, now King Frederick, did not agree, and a little less than five years ago she fled from the palace under the escort of her brother, the Archduke Leopold Ferdinand. At Geneva, Switzerland, she joined the young French tutor, Giron, who had been taken into her husband's service the previous summer. The crown prince got a divorce, and shortly after the decree had been issued a girl was born to the crown princess, the Princess Anne Monica Pia. The affair with Giron did not last. He went to Brussels, where he is now bank clerk.

About a year ago the former crown princess was presented to Signor Toselli at the Villa Montanto, in Florence, and their acquaintance soon developed into more than simple friendship.

Last July, after surmounting many obstacles, the couple left Florence quietly in an automobile one day, took a train at a small station and were

### JUDGE GROSSCUP'S ARREST.

Noted Federal Jurist and the Significance of the Charge Against Him. An unusual spectacle was presented in Chicago a few days ago when Judge Peter S. Grosscup of the United States circuit court of appeals was arrested on a warrant charging him with manslaughter. Three others were served with warrants at the same time, all leading citizens and directors of the Charles and Mattoon Interurban Electric railway, on which a fatal wreck occurred last summer. The sheriff in serving the warrants said:

The fatal wreck last August was the third serious accident on the road in the last three years. The people who patronize the line have come to expect an annual calamity, and there was a very



JUDGE PETER S. GROSSCUP.

strong public sentiment in Coles county in favor of indicting the officials. Moral effect in causing the directors of traction companies to give closer attention to the management of their properties is what is desired in this action.

Judge Grosscup is one of the best known of the jurists of the federal courts. He was born in Ohio in 1852, and it was in the Debs trial, over which he presided, that he first obtained a national reputation.

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### WILL NOT ACCEPT.

Roosevelt Will Not be a Candidate for a Third Term.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—President Roosevelt will not be a candidate for a third term. All doubt on this point was tonight dispelled by the authoritative statement from the White House that Mr. Roosevelt still adhered to the declaration of renunciation made on the night of the election three years ago. In the statement issued tonight President Roosevelt says he has not changed and shall not change the decision communicated to the American people in 1904.

It appears that the president has been awaiting the call for the Republican national convention to afford the proper opportunity for making his position clear and unmistakable, and thus leaving the field clear for Fairbanks, Taft, Cannon, Knox, Foraker and other declared or receptive candidates for the Republican nomination. The president's statement follows:

"On the night after election I made the following announcement: 'I am deeply sensible of the honor done me by the American people in thus expressing their confidence in what I have tried to do. I appreciate to the full the solemn responsibility this confidence imposes upon me, and I shall do all that in my power lies not to forfeit it. On the 4th of March next I shall have served three and a half years and this three and a half years constitute my first term. The wise custom which limits the president to two terms regards the substance and not the form, and under no circumstances will I be a candidate for or accept another nomination.'

"I have not changed and shall not change the decision thus announced."

### Dr. Kendall's Case.

CHARLESTON, December 12.—In the United States district court today Judge Brawley heard the case against Dr. Kendall of Columbia, charged with making false returns before Bankrupt Referee Earle. The hearing continued with a short recess until 8 o'clock tonight, when Judge Brawley outlined to the lawyers the nature of the order to be drafted tomorrow in Columbia. The order will require Dr. Kendall to turn over certain money to the referee and in the event of his failure to do so the court is to be again applied to for relief. Proceedings being of a civil character the court did not impose any fine or penalty for Dr. Kendall's disobedience of the order of the referee, but Judge Brawley intimated that the criminal side of the court is open to the lawyers if they should see fit to avail themselves of any action of this kind against the Columbia physician.

### RICH YOUTH FULL HAND.

Emmons and Bride Live on \$9 Per Week Wages.

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Although a member of one of the richest and most aristocratic families in Boston, Nathaniel F. Emmons, son of N. H. Emmons, is working for \$9 a week as a "lumper" in the Lewis woolen mill at Lawrence. His bride of three weeks, who was Miss Elizabeth Prescott Lawrence, of Groton, a former chum of Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, is living with him in two furnished rooms at a mill lodging house.

She is the favorite niece of Bishop Lawrence, and eloped with Emmons three weeks ago, although their wedding had been planned as an elaborate affair. She is as well known in Washington and London society as in Boston. Her grandfather was once minister to England.

Mrs. Emmons is a talented artist and an enthusiastic motorist. She is about 30 years of age, while her husband is only 24. Miss Lawrence spent several social seasons in London, where she was a guest of Ambassador and Mrs. Reid. There she became a great favorite.

The reason why the newly married couple are living in a lodging house at Lawrence is unknown. Their families believe it is a freak on their part for both families are very rich and live in the smartest style. They eat at a restaurant where Emmons pays \$4 a week for his meal tickets. He works ten and a half hours daily, in overalls, in the Lewis mill, learning the wool business. Later he will go into the wholesale wool business to look after his father's interests.

### Spirit of the Old Guard.

The splendid loyalty of Napoleon's old guard has become historic. In the "Memoirs of the Comtesse de Boigne," the second volume of which has just been published, the following incident is told:

Edouard Dillon had been ordered by the king, after the battle of Waterloo, to relieve the wants of the French wounded who were collected in a hospital at Brussels. He came to a bed occupied by a noncommissioned officer in the Imperial Guard, whose arm had just been amputated. In reply to his offers for help the soldier threw the bleeding arm at him, and said: "Tell the man who sends you here that I still have an arm left for the service of the emperor."

Application has been made to Judge Newman, of the United States Court, for the appointment of receivers for the State of Georgia for the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Company.

### TAX NOTICE.

The county treasurer's office will be open for the collection of State, county, school and all other taxes from the 15th day of October, 1907, until the 15th day of March, 1908, inclusive.

From the 1st day of January, 1908, until the 31st day of January, 1908, a penalty of 1 per cent. will be added to all unpaid taxes. From the first day of February, 1908, until the 28th day of February, 1908, a penalty of 2 per cent. will be added to all unpaid taxes. From the 1st day of March, 1908, until the 15th day of March, 1908, a penalty of 5 per cent. will be added to all unpaid taxes.

The following is the levy: For State purposes, 5 mills. For county purposes, 3 mills. Constitutional school tax, 3 mills. Total, 104 mills.

### SPECIAL SCHOOL LEVIES.

Bamberg, No. 14, 44 mills. Denmark, No. 21, 6 mills. Olar, No. 8, 4 mills. Lees, No. 23, 4 mills. Midway, No. 2, 2 mills. Cuffie Creek, No. 17, 2 mills. Colston, No. 18, 2 mills. Ehrhardt, No. 22, 2 mills. Oak Grove, No. 20, 2 mills. Govan, No. 11, 3 mills. Binnaker's, No. 12, 3 mills. Hopewell, No. 1, 3 mills. Clear Pond, No. 19, 2 mills. Hunter's Chapel, No. 16, 1 mill. Hampton, No. 3, 2 mills. Heyward, No. 24, 2 mills.

All male persons between the ages of twenty-one and sixty years, except Confederate soldiers and sailors, who are exempt at fifty years of age, are liable to a poll tax of one dollar.

Capitation dog tax, 50 cents. I will receive the road commutation tax (\$2.00) from October 15th, 1907, until March 1st, 1908.

All male persons who were 21 years of age on or before the 1st day of January, 1907, are liable to \$1.00 poll tax. Those who have not made returns to the auditor will do so on or before 1st day of January, 1908.

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