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ROOSEVELT RIGHT FOR ONCE.

Declares Men Guilty of Rape Should Suffer Death.

Washington, Aug. 8.—President Roosevelt has declined to interfere in the case of John W. Burley, the negro confined in the jail of the District of Columbia under sentence of death for the crime of assault, the victim having been a little girl four and a half years old. President Roosevelt made the following statement:

"White House, Washington, Aug. 8, 1904.

The application for the commutation of sentence of John W. Burley is denied. This man committed the most heinous crime known to our laws, and twice before he committed crimes of a similar, though less horrible, character. In my judgment there is no justification whatever for paying heed to the allegations that he is not of sound mind, allegations made after the trial and conviction. No body would pretend that there has ever been any such degree of mental unsoundness shown as would make people even consider sending him to an asylum if he had not committed this crime. Under such circumstances he should certainly be esteemed sane enough to suffer the penalty for his monstrous deed. I have scant sympathy with the plea of insanity advanced to save a man from the consequences of crime, when unless that crime had been committed it would have been impossible to persuade any responsible authority to commit him to an asylum as insane. Among the most dangerous criminals, and especially among those prone to commit this particular kind of offense, there are plenty of a temper so fiendish or so brutal as to be incompatible with any other than a brutish order of intelligence; but these men are nevertheless responsible for their acts; and nothing more tends to encourage crime among such men than the belief that through the plea of insanity or other method it is possible for them to escape paying the just penalty of their crimes. The crime in question is one to which we largely owe the existence of that spirit of lawlessness which takes form in lynching. It is a crime so revolting that the criminal is not entitled to one particle of sympathy from any human being. It is essential that the punishment for it should be not only as certain but as swift as possible. The jury in this case did their duty by recommending the indictment of the death penalty. It is to be regretted that we did not have special provision for more summary dealing with this type of cases. The more we do what in us lies to secure certain and swift justice in dealing with these cases, the more effectively do we work against the growth of that lynching spirit which is so full of evil omen for this people because it seeks to avenge one infamous crime by the commission of another of equal infamy.

The application is denied and the sentence will be carried into effect. (Signed) "Theodore Roosevelt."

The Conway and Marion Railroad.

Saturday a large force of hands under the immediate supervision of Mr. F. A. Burroughs himself was at work laying track to the warehouse at the Galley, in order to complete the connection at this point. Everything is being put in order to start building the road to Marion and after the proper surveys are made work will begin in earnest on the main line.—Conway Field Aug. 10.

A Summer Cold.

A summer cold is not only annoying but if not relieved Pneumonia will be the probable result by fall. One Minute Cough Cure clears the phlegm, draws out the inflammation, heals, soothes and strengthens the lungs and bronchial tubes. One Minute Cough Cure is an ideal remedy for the children. It is pleasant to the taste and perfectly harmless. A certain cure for Croup, Cough and Cold. Sold by O. B. Davis.

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Richmond, Va., Aug. 9.—By the explosion of a stick of dynamite under a car of the Tazewell Electric company, at Tazewell, Va., this afternoon, a dozen or more people were placed in jeopardy of their lives. The dynamite was put into the flange of the track by unknown persons and when the explosion occurred the passengers, numbering about half a dozen ladies and about as many men, were panic stricken, but no one was injured beyond being severely shocked.

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Chicago, Aug. 9.—A mother and her three children were killed and a number of other persons seriously injured in a collision tonight between a west-bound Baltimore and Ohio local passenger train, known as No. 17, and a Chicago and Erie freight train at the Brighton Park Railroad crossing, at Western avenue and West 39th street.

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 11.—The Vanderbilts are said to be planning to equip the entire West Shore Railroad with electricity and to adopt this motive power for the Niagara Falls & Lewiston branch, the Rome, Watertown & Ogdensburg and the Oswego branch of the New York Central.

From Steam to Electricity.

The plan as outlined calls for the construction of a power house at Niagara Falls to cost \$24,000,000.

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"There is an enormous garrison at Mukden, reinforcements having arrived very rapidly.

"There are no Japanese north of the city. A force of some strength lies some 25 miles to the south and there is another Japanese army five miles east of Liao Yang. "I learn from a reliable source that the main Russian army has fallen back on Chintu."

Big Garrison at Mukden.

Vladivostok, Aug. 11.—Preparations are being completed here for the reception and protection of the Port Arthur squadron. The departure of the squadron from Port Arthur is generally interpreted to indicate that the siege of the fortress is entering on its final stage, as the programme has repeatedly been announced by the Associated Press for the squadron to leave as soon as the situation at Port Arthur became desperate.

Flight of Fleet Confirmed.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 11, 6.08 p. m.—The admiral has just received from Viceroy Alexieff a brief dispatch officially announcing the departure of the Port Arthur squadron. It does not give details and doubtless was the news communicated to the admiral by the captain of the torpedo boat destroyer from Chefoo.

St. Petersburg Anxious.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 12, 3.07 a. m.—Public anxiety regarding the fate of the Port Arthur squadron which has reached the highest pitch, remained unrelieved when the people of St. Petersburg retired tonight.

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A TERRIBLE AND FATAL RAILROAD DISASTER.

More Than One Hundred Passengers Lose Their Lives.

Three Cars Fell Through Trestle to the Bottom of a Roaring Torrent on Missouri Pacific.

Pueblo, Col., Aug. 8.—The wreck of the World's Fair Flyer on the Denver and Rio Grande railroad near Eden, seven miles north of Pueblo, last evening proves to have been one of the greatest railroad disasters in the history of the country. Two crowded passenger cars and a baggage car were engulfed in the torrent that tore out a trestle spanning Steel and Hollow, otherwise known as Dry creek, and, so far as known tonight, only three of the occupants of the three cars escaped death. Fortunately the sleeping cars and a diner, completing the train, remained on the track at the edge of the abyss and none of their occupants was killed or injured.

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London, Aug. 11, 2 p. m.—A dispatch has been received by the Japanese legation here from Tokio that the Russian fleet has been driven back to Port Arthur. No particulars have been received.

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PARKER NOTIFIED.

Interesting Ceremonies Held in Rain at Rosemount—The Enthusiasm Great.

Team Going to McCall Were in Wreck Near Lumber.

Bennettsville, Aug. 11.—There was an accident on the Coast Line between Robbins and Lumber about noon to day which has probably cost the life of one young man and seriously injured two more. The Darlington baseball team was coming over on the accommodation freight to play at McCall. Four of the boys were on top of the caboose when it jumped the track and turned over. Geo. Williams, or Thompson, was thrown forward on top of the passenger car. The others were dashed to the ground. William McLean of Cheraw was the most seriously hurt. His ankle and thigh were broken, lower bowels torn and a severe contusion caused over eye. J. Whit Wilcox of Darlington had his leg dislocated at the hip. The shoulder of Fred Stem of Darlington was dislocated and his face bruised. Nobody was inside of the caboose.

One of the team, H. E. Rowe, of Hickory, N. C., a medical student, administered morphine to relieve the boys' suffering while the train was bringing them to Bennettsville. It was raining when the train reached here and they were placed on a wagon and brought to the Marlboro hotel in the rain, umbrellas being held over them.

At the hotel several physicians dressed their wounds and set the broken and dislocated limbs.

McLean was not recovered from the shock and there is little hope of his recovery. He is to be taken to the Coast Line Hospital at Rocky Mount, if he recovers sufficiently. A special train came over from Darlington this afternoon bringing relatives of the boys, physicians and others.

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William McLean of Cheraw, the young man who was so badly injured, could not be moved and was left in the care of physicians at the hotel in Bennettsville, who thought his condition very critical. This morning the good news came from Bennettsville that he was much better, having rested quietly during the night.

A special train passed here at 4 o'clock going over to Bennettsville to take the unfortunate young man to Sumter to be treated at the infirmary. The young man's friends at this place hope for his recovery.

The accident will probably end baseball at this place for the rest of the season at least.

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