Strong Belief That the Young Man's Evidence Only Proved His Guilt.

Declares That the Young Woman Jumped from the Boat to Her Death.

Herkimer, Dec. 3. - When Chester E. 1 Gillette shambled from the witness stand to-night, shuffled his way through the slush and snow, between a howling mob, who jeered and laughed among themselves, and crept into his dark little cell, it may be that through some abortive twist of his cramped mind he imagined that in telling his feeble story of "Billy" Brown's death

he is convinced that he will be be-lieved; that in saying that the girl who trusted him went to her death voluntarily, he thrust away the clouds of suspicion resting upon him, but in Her-kimer there is but one conclusion in he minds of those who watched, criti-ized and hung upon his words, viz.: Chester Gillette has convicted himself

as thoroughly as if he had confessed, as convincingly as if he himself had enacted the death scene before the

Glibly, with his small, hog-like eyes peering defiantly at the bull-necked District Attorney, he allowed words to fall from his lips in expressionless empty

'I loved her," he said, and then stifled a yawn. "She said, 'I'll end it now,' and then

jumped into the water," was his ex-planation of her death. This, in the face of her own words written to him the pathetic pleading manner that t every eye in the room except his, which she said: "I feel like jumping into the river to-night, but I'm n a coward—are you, Chester?" He told of that aimless row about the lake, of landing of reading, of a luncheon eaten in the shade of a little grove, of

picking pond lilies, and then:

"Finally, we got to talking about what we ought to do. I told her I thought she had better go home, and tell her people about it. and she said: You don't know my father.' I argued with her. She was crying, and suddenly she said, 'I will end it all,' and jumped on the side of the boat. 'I tried to reach her, but failed. The boat tipped over. I came up and grabbed hold of the boat. I couldn't see Green I say my safers. Then I see Grace. I swam ashore. Then I got my suit case and started up the trail for Eagle Bay."

A Pramatic Incident. The introduction of Gillette to the wit-

"Now, gentlemen, if you want to hear how Grace Brown died, from the lips of the only one who saw her die, you shall hear it," Charloh IX. Thomas, senior counsel for the defence, was closing his brief opening address.

"Mr. Gillette, please take the stand," said ex-Senator Mills, and the prisoner walked to the witness chair. He was pale and began in a voice scarcely above whisper.

He said he was 23 years of age, had

worked as a train boy out west, and as a brakeman. A a boy his parents took him to San Francisco, and from there to the Hawaiian Islands. Returning from the Pacific coast, he went to

After leaving college he took up railroading in Chicago. From there he went to Cortland in March, 1905, and began working in his uncle's factory.

Without attempt at parley or evasion he admitted that he had caused all the misery that had come into her life and confessed that one moment before the

"Is that a good picture of her?" he

There was no perceptible movement on Gillette's part, no tremor, no emo-tion. A quick glance of the beady black eyes was all, and then as he shifted his head a trifle as if to settle it back more comfortably, he answered in con-descending tones: "Yes."

His ordeal on the stand under the

fire of cross-examination was ter-rific, and a credit due him is that he

stood up well under it.

Mr. Brown was red-eyed from weeping and the mother's crepe-veiled face was streaming with tears. The two young girls, Mary and Frances, sat rigid with whitened lips and pallid countenances. Their eyes were wide open and staring at Gillette as if he were some uncanny thing; something were some uncanny thing; something not of this world; something they had not imagined could exist. When court was over they walked out silently as

n a daze.

District Attorney Ward asked Gillette: "On June 23rd when she wrote that her dress was finished and she hoped you would like it, did you think she intended to marry; that it was her wedding dress?" wedding dress?"

"No, sir."
Gillette said he went to Deruyter to meet Grace Brown because he would.
"Did you intend to marry her when

you went to Deruyter?" Ward. "Yes, sir."
"Why didn't you go with her to De-

"She didn't want to be seem."
Why? Did not she want to be seem

with you?"
"No, but she didn't want some relatives to see her."

Gillette told that he had talked with

Miss Brown about giving up his posi-tion and leaving Cortland. He said he intended to go away for a long time.

Mr. Ward asked questions to show
Gillette proposed to return to Cortland
after a brief stay, but Gillette testified he was leaving for a long time, "Didn't you know you would be rid of the girl before Saturday night?"

"Didn't you know you would be rid of her before you met the Patrick and Westcott girls on Friday night."

"No sir."
Mr. Ward read a passage from a letter to Gillette in which Grace Brown said that "Maybe I'll never go home again until I am sent home dead. You know. dear, you promised me that."
"Did you promise to kill her?"

"Did you ever say you would send

"Did you ever ask what she meant

TWO-CENT FARES.

STATED CASE PREPARED FOR SUB-MISSION TO APPEAL COURT.

Objection to One Clause and More Will be Heard To-day-Result of Charles M. Hays' Appearance in Police

Trunk, was submitted in the Police Court yesterday, and was left over until today. Mr. J. W. Curry objected to the wording of the admission that the company "had not at any time provided confessed that one moment before the waters of Big Moose closed over her head forever she had wailed out to him, "Chester, what shall we do," and he had replied, "I don't know."

His actions on the witness stand could hardly be described as cool and collected, the hackneyed expression of made. The stated case reads as follows:

Mected, the hackneyed expression of spin and defiant" seemed sadly out for place in relation to him. He was one of them and paradoxically, he has all of them.

At one time the picture of "Billy" Brown was thrust almost in his face by his inquisitor.

made. Inc stated case lower and ows:

"On the 1st of November, 1906, an information was laid before me charging that Charles M. Hays, as Second Vice-President and General Manager of the G. T. R. of Canada, during the year of our Lord 1906, at the city of Toronto,

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TOWN BLOWN UP.

did, contrary to law, disobey section 3, chapter 37, of 16 Victoria, of the Province of Canada, by omitting to do that which said sections requires to be done, to wit, to carry third-class passengers for the fare or charge of one penny tor each mile travelled, and to provide that at least one train, having in it third-class carriages, shall run every day throughout the length of the line, contrary to the provisions of section 138 of the criminal code and amendments thereto. On the 21st of November the said charge came before me to be heard. and upon hearing counsel for the Crown and defendant, the counsel for the defendant objecting to my jurisdiction and the said objection being noted by me, the defendant, C. M. Hays, decided me, the defendant, C. M. Hays, decided to be tried summarily before me and pleaded not guilty. Counsel for the de-fendant then desiring and without re-judice to said objection to make admis-sions. I directed that admission be re-ceived, and that such admissions should be reduced to writing and filed as the

mitted as follows:
"That the defendant is and has been during 1906 Second Vice-President and General Manager of the G. T. R. in Can-General Manager of the G. T. R. in Canada, and as such has had knowledge and
control of the operations of the said
company. The said company has from
time, and at various times, issued tariffs of fares and charges payable by
each second-class passenger by any train
on said railway for each mile traveled;
the said company has not at any time
fixed or issued a tariff of fares on
charges payable by each third-class pasnixed or issued a tariff of fares on charges payable by each third-class passenger by any train on said railway for each mile traveled; the said company has not at any time permitted a third-class pasenger to travel on any train on said railway at the fare or charge of one penny for each mile traveled; the said company has active the said company has active to the said company has active to the said company has active to the said company has been the said company has not at t said company has not at any time pro-vided that at least one train having on it third-class carriages shall run every day throughout the entire length of the

"On the above admissions I have found the facts to be as admitted, and I have convicted the said Charles M. Hays of the offence as charged, and the said conviction having been questioned on the ground that it is made without jurisliction, and is eroneous in point of law I submit to this honorable question whether, upon the facts so admitted as aforesaid, and found by me, the said conviction is right. If the cou made without jurisdiction or is error point of law, the same to be otherwise the conviction to

RUNAWAY TRAIN.

CRASHED INTO A GANG OF MEN LOADING A MACHINE.

led Two and Injured Four Others,

Three of Whom May Die—Result of a Collision in Broad Daylight on a Schell to visit Annen and Witten, and has subscribed \$6,250 for the relief of the sufferers. Killed Two and Injured Four Others, Straight Track in Winnipeg Yards.

Winnipeg, Dec. 3. - An extraordinry arailroad accident occurred in the C. N. R. vards this afternoon, when one comotive was in collision twice within few seconds, causing the death of two men and serious injuries to at least four others, three of whom are not expected to eve

The dead are: W. Neil and M. Mudlow, two workmen, who were assisting in loading a peat fuel machine at the siding. A light engine was running out to the west yards when the Northern Pacific express from the south was about due. The engineer on the yard boomotive endeavored to reach this destination before the passenger arrived, but his action resulted only in a ad-on collicion with the incomi press on a straight, open stretch of track in broad davlight, all of which tended to make the accident apparently

Working in his uncle's factory.

It took but one short glance at the faces of the twelve men in the jury box to tell at that moment what their verdict would be.

Toronto report: The stated case regarding the action against Charles M. Hays, General Manager of the Grand derailed: the one on the countries of the c derailed; the one on the express, being reversed, pulled clear of the wreck, and, without a crew, started to steam back into the city yards at a fair speed. Nothing could be done to check it, and, un-fortunately, it took an open switch and crashed into a train of standing freight cars, which were being loaded at a

A gang of men, who were working around the great peat machine when the cars telescoped, were caught in the wreckage, and two killed and four injured. One passenger of the express, a St. Paul lady, was slightly injured when the first pitch-in occurred.

BRUTALLY TREATED.

Sad Stories of Bulgarian Workmen Sent to the United States.

Bucharest, Roumania, Dec. 3.- The Bogomir Jakitch Emigration Agency, of Belgrade, which is the largest in Strvia, has for some time past been inducing Bulgarian workmen to go to Servia, has for some time past been sent to Florida and North and South Carolina, where they are said to have been insufficiently paid and brutally

recently, and they tell revolting stories of starvation and maltreat-ment in Florida. The Bulgarian Miuisthe Interior has addressed a orning him to issue no more passports for America to workmen who desire to emigrate under the aus-pices of the Bogomir Jakitch agency. BIG OCEAN STEAMERS.

Several of the immigrants returned

Several New Vessels for the Anglo-Cana-

dian Route. London, Dec. 3.— The Liverpoo

Daily Post-Mercury says that the Cominion Line contemplates ordering two new large powerful steamers for the Canadian service. The Allan Line intends placing a new twin screw steam-er the Liverpool-Montreal route. The C. P. R. will eventually place two more new steamers on the transatlantic ser-vice similar to the Empress of Ireland. Another rumor afloat is that the G.T.R. will make a working agreement with the existing line.

THREE HUNDRED PERSONS KILLED OR WOUNDED.

Town of Annen, Near Berlin, Reduced to Heap of Ruins by Explosion in Nearby Factory—No House Left

Dortmund, Germany, Dec. 3.— "burit" factory, situated close to town of Annen, seven miles southwest of here, blew up yesterday evening and was wifed from the face of the earth. It is estimated that 300 persons were killed or wounded. Up to half-past it o'clock this morning eight dead bodies had been recovered, and eighty of the severety wounded persons had been conveyed to hospitals. The work of rescue now going on is attended with the now going on is attended with the greatest danger, from the possibility of a renewal of the explosions. The accident occurred at about half-past 8

o'clock.

There were two tremendous detonations, heard throughout the entire surrounding industrial region, which is thickly settled. The inhabitants of the neighborhood fled in panic, fearing further explosions. The town of Annen is nothing more than a heap of ruins. Houses were shattered right and left, and no house escaped injury.

Roburit is an explosive of high power, composed of saltpetre, ammonia, sulphair and other ingredients. It is not easily exploded by a blow, and it can be burned with safety in the open air. Its power is second to that of dynamite.

TWENTY-FOUR DEAD.

RESULT OF THE ROBURITE DISAS TER IN GERMANY.

Hundreds Injured-Ninety-six Are in a Dangerous Condition-Several Hundred Are Only Slightly Hurt-Emperor William Aids.

Dortmund, Germany, Dec. 3.- So far is can be ascertained this morning 24 persons were killed, 96 were dangerously rounded and several hundreds were ory near Annen.
At the time of the explosion 600

boxes, each containing 80 pounds of ro-burite, were stored in the factory. The force of the explosion was felt as Dortmund, ten miles from the scene of the disaster, where a large num-ber of windows were broken. Experts declare that considering the great pre-cautions with which the explosives were stored, the disaster could only have

WHAT HE WANTS.

Forecast of President Roosevelt's Message.

New York. Dec. 3.- The Herald makes the following forecast of President Roosevelt's annual message to Congress, to be delivered next week: In his message the President advocates consideration by Congress of a progressive inheritance tax to reduce great fortunes.

He advocates the supervision by license or otherwise of all corporations other than railways doing interstate commerce

He advocates a bill providing for a more elastic currency.

He asks the eight-hour day for railay employees, and the adoption of the

way employees, and the block signal system.

He favors publicity of campaigns expenditures and the prevention of corporation contributions.

He advocates correction of divorce evils a uniform Federal law.

He condemns racial antagonism, citing the Atlanta and Brownsville cases, and asks a remedy for race solidarity in face of the enforcement of the law.

He does not touch on tariff revision. He declares for drastic restriction He declares for drastic restrictions against undesirable immigration. He asks for ample army and navy ap ropriations.

He asks assistance to the merchant

marine for the purpose of extending the commerce of the United States on the

BURNED TO DEATH.

FEARFUL FATE OF FOUR MEN AT A HOTEL FIRE.

St. Louis, Dec. 3.-Four men were ourned to death and probably 35 were injured in a fire early to-day that practically destroyed the Lighthouse Hotel, conducted by the Salvation Army at the northwest corner of Ninth and Mar-

the building when the fire was discovered, the greater number being on the second and third floors. All became panic stricken, and before the firemen arrived and could stretch nets many had jumped from the upper windows and were picked up crushed and unconscious on the street below. The four dead have not een identified as their bodies were too AGENTS' STRIKE SETTLED.

More than 200 men were asleep in

Minimum Monthly Salary and Commis

sion to be Paid by Express Company.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 3.—It is announced to night that the strike of the Canadian Express agents along the Intercolonial Railway is settled. The strikers were I. C. R. telegraphers and station agents, who have been acting also as agents of the express company. In April last they struck for more remuneration for their services, and various attempts at settlement have For several days past a since failed. committee of the strikers has been in session at Moncton, and to-night it is announced that the end of the strike will likely be declared to-morrow. A compromise has been reached the agents to receive a minimum monthly salary and 5 per cent, on the business done.

FATAL SMASH ON VIRGINIAN ROAD.

President of the Railway Company and Several Others Killed in the Wreck.

Lynchburg, Va., Dec. 3. — President
Samuel Spencer, of the Southern Railway, was killed and his body burned beyond recognition, at Lawyer, Va., 11
miles below here at 6.30 o'clock this
morning. Philip Schuyler, of New York,
of Mr. Spencer's party, also was killed,
as was Mr. Spencer's special train despatcher, E. W. Davis, of Alexandria, Va.,

i "Southern Railway passenger train No.
33 left Washington last night late, by
reason of congested holiday traffic.
About 6.30 a. m. to-day at Lawyers, Va.
below the same of a portion of the road protected by block system, train was stopped for slight repairs to a coupling. Passenger train No.
33 left Washington last night late, by
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about 6.30 a. m. to-day at Lawyers, V as was Mr. Spencer's special train despatcher, E. W. Davis, of Alexandria, Va., patcher, E. W. Davis, of Alexandria, Va., rious wreck. President Samuel Spencer, and Engineer Terry. One man not vet of the Southern Railway Company, and identified, also was killed.

Eight negroes were injured, one prob-

ably fatally.

The accident resulted from a collision between train No. 37, the Washington & Southwestern vestibuted limited, which ran into the rear end of train No. 33, known as the Jacksonville limited. President Spencer's private coach was entirely burned.

The injured are negroes.

Watt Davis, manager of the Southern
Railway Telegraph Office, in Washington, is among the killed.

At the general offices of the Southern Railway this morning the following statement regarding the wreck was

Five persons were killed and eight injured, one of whom is expected to die.

New York, Dec. 3.—Samuel Spens President of the Southern Railway who was killed in a wreck on the Soute ern railway near Lynchburg to-day, was one of the prominent railroad men of the United States, and for nearly 20 years had been at the head of one or more great railroad enterprises. At the time of his death, in addition to the Southern, he was President and a director in the Alabama Great Southern Railroad, the Cincinnati, New Orleans & Pacific Railway Company the Georgia South-ern & Florida Railway Company, and the Mobile & Ohio Railway Company. Mr. Spencer was born in Columbus, Mr. Spencer was born in

a party of friends were in an officers' car at the rear of No. 33.

A Prominent Man.

MORE ARRESTS.

EIGHT POLICE AND SIX STRIKERS ARRAIGNED AT BUCKINGHAM.

Alex. McLaren is Also Held-Judge De cides Enough Evidence Submitted-Mayor is Acquitted and Accuser Charged With Perjury.

Buckingham, Que., despatch: The preliminary hearing of Mr. Alexander Mac-Laren, eight police, and six strikers, PRINCE OF WALES OPENS NEW ONE charged with manslaughter in causing the deaths of Deetctive Warner, Thomas slightly injured as a result of the explosion last night of the roburite factors, the men killed in the riot on Oct. 8, were practically concluded before Judge Choquette. It was expected that the hearings would continue for a day or two longer, but six or seven of the Crown's witnesses failed to show app, and Judge Choquette decided that enough evidence had been submitted and post-poned the formal commitments. He, however, ordered the defendants to appear before him at Hull on Wednesday before him at Hull on Wednesday-next, when the finishing touches will be put on the hearings. Bail was renew-

The men under arrest are as fol-

lows:
For alleged manslaughter in causing
the death of Detective F. W. Warner,
—Hillaire Charette, Colbert Bostren,
Louis Landry, J. B. Clement, Adelard
Hamelin, and George Robinson-Cro-For alleged manslaughter in the death

For alleged manslaughter in the death of strikers Belanger and Therrault—Mr. Alex. MacLaren, Vice-President of the James MacLaren Co.; Frank Kiernan, Chief of Police of Buckingham; John C. Cummings, bailiff, and Detectives Thompson, Scott, Delorme, Eengrem, McManus, and Picard, of the Thiel Detective Service. tective Service.

For alleged neglect of duty in not reading the Riot Act—Dr. Alex. Reder-

reading the Mot Act—IT. Alex. Rederique, coroner of Buckingham.
Interesting events followed one another in quick succession to-day. Mayor Vallilee was acquitted on a charge of neglecting his duty and Cyril Tourangeau, aged 45, who testified against the Mayor, was arrested and locked up on a charge of nerius. Then Chief Mca charge of perjury, Then Chief McCaskill arrested Alex. MacLaren, Kierman, Cummings, and the Thiel men. Pleas of not guilty were entered in

It is likely that there will be a special sitting of the Court of King Bench at Hull to try the sixteen men. of the Court of King's

NEW CATHEDRAL.

IMPOSING DEDICATION TO-DAY AT

Richmond, Va., Dec. 3.—With dedicatory ceremonies participated in by the most distinguished Catholice prelates in this country, the cathedral of the Saored Heart, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Ryan, took its place to-day as mas F. Ryan, took its place to-day as institutions of its office. He did not designate the office. mas F. Ryan, took its place to-day as one of the greatest institutions of its kind in the United States and a monu-ment of the church in the south.

The ceremonies, beginning with the nd followed at 11 o'clock by Pontifical high mass, attract a large crowd Richmond. Mr. and Mrs. Ryan, from New York to attend Cardinal Gib-bons, Apostolic Delegate Falconio and many archbishops and bishops from all parts of the United States were conspicuous figures in the services and state and city officials were present. RATS HAVE DEBAUCH.

ously Drunk.

London, Dec. 3.—A search to ascertain the cause af a leakage in the beer rellar of a restaurant in Birmingham revealed that rats had gnawed a beer than the with the apparent deliberation. revealed that rats had gnawed a beer duct with the apparent deliberate intention of carousing. A number of the rodents were found wallowing in a shallow flood of beer in various stages of inebriety. Some were helplessly drunk, others were zigzagging about in a befuddled manner, while others were alert, but unable to control their legs. None were able to escape.

JAPS ON THROUGH TRAINS.

legs. None were able to escape.

nd second-class cars to that performed by the porters on sleeping cars. The Japanese staff employed for this purpose will be engaged by General Superintendent Marpole, at Vancouver, and as the innevation has been approved by Vee-President McNicholl and Passenger Traffic Manager Kerr it is expected that Traffic Manager Kerr, it is expected that

COTTON EXCHANGE.

AT LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool. Dec. 3. - The Prince of Wales accompanied by the Princess today, opened the new cotton exchange here, a handsome building, which has just been completed at a cost of \$1,750,

During 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 the British cotton spinners partially in-dependent of foreign supplies and said he had followed the developments with great interest and hoped the ultimately would be successful

HONORED BY SHAH.

MR. C. H. STEINWAY GIVEN IMPER-IAL ORDER OF SUN AND LION.

New York, Dec. 3.-A Firman, isued by the Shah of Persia, just received by Charles H. Steinway, of Steinway & Sons, reads as follows: "In consideration of the friendship existing between the Governments of Persia and the United States, and in appreciation of the services rendered by Mr. Charles Hermann Steinway, I, Mozaffereddin, Shah of Persia, have commanded that the third class star of the Imperial Order of the Sun and the Lion be bestowed upon him. Month of Ramazan, in the year 1324. Another honor recently conferred on Steinway & Sons is their appointment as manufacturers to the Court of Spain, making the sixteenth royal appoint conferred upon Steinway & Sons.

MAY RUN AGAIN.

CIRCUMSTANCES MAY MAKE IT IM. PERATIVE FOR HEARST TO DO SQ. Mexico City, Dec. 3.-William R. Hearst was interviewed by a member of the staff of the Mexican Herald last night regarding his alleged statement that he would not be a candidate for public office again. Mr. Hearst said he had no desire to run for office again and would not seek or accept a congress-

SUICIDE AT LONDON. A Patient at the Asylum Strangles

London, Ont., Dec. 3 .- Donald Sin-

clair, a patient at the London Asylum for the Insane, committed suicide with a rope made from his bedclothes, and his death was not known until a considerable time after the deed was done. The man, who was in the section for Gnaw Hole in Beer Duct to Get Glori- around his neck and fastened it to an iron bar at the window, then, bracing his feet against the wal, slowly strangled himself. His dead body was found in a sitting position. Dr. McCallian deeided an inquest was unnecessary.

KILLED AT CROSSING.

ONE MAN LOST HIS LIFE-AN-OTHER'S SKULL CRUSHED.

Clarkson, Ont., despatch: Mulcolm Me-Eachren and George Goldsmith, both of Clarksburg, were struck by the evening G. T. R. train at the crossing just be-A New Departure Initaiated by the low Craigleith, when driving home from Collingwood last night. McEachrea, who owned the team, was killed instantly, as were the horses, and Goldsmith's skull was badly fractured. Goldsmith's skull was badly fractured. Goldsmith is now at Collingwood Hospital. Coroner Hurlservice between Montreal and Vancouver. The Japanese will be employed as announced the considering the statements of trainmentary to the present train men and passengers, decided an in-Collingwood last night. McEachren, who supplementary to the present train quest was unnecessary. McEachren staff, and their functions will be to renleaves a wife and two children. Goldder a somewhat similar service on first smith lived with a widewed mather.