

QUAY LOSES HIS CASE

The Motion for Change of Venue Denied by Supreme Court.

HE MUST STAND A TRIAL.

The Case Now Goes to the Quarter Sessions Court and the Costs of the Proceedings Are Placed on the Petitioners.

Philadelphia, Jan. 11.—The petition of United States Senator M. S. Quay, his son Richard R. Quay, and ex-State Treasurer Benjamin F. Haywood, for a writ of certiorari removing the trial from the local court to the supreme court, was dismissed by the supreme court.

The case was remanded to the quarter sessions court of this city for trial and the costs of the proceedings were placed on the petitioners.

The opinion of the court was handed to the clerk, but was not read from the bench, Judge Sterrett merely announcing the dismissal of the writ to show causes why a writ of certiorari should be issued. There was no dissenting opinion.

The petition for a writ of certiorari of course put an end to the proceedings in the lower court, and it is not known when the case will be recalled by the district attorney.

Another interesting point is that the personnel of the district attorney's office has changed since the proceedings were instituted.

P. F. Rothmel was elected in November and resumed the office in January, succeeding George S. Graham, whom the defendants in this case alleged was particularly active by reason of political enmity in pressing the prosecution.

Mr. Graham, however, was engaged by Mr. Rothmel as special attorney to conduct the opposition before the supreme court last week to the motion for the writ of certiorari.

Whether Mr. Graham will handle the case when it is resumed in the county court has not been made public.

PRESIDENT SLOAN RETIRES.

The Oldest Railroad President Goes Out of Active Service.

New York, Jan. 11.—Sam Sloan, the head of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western road, to-day retires from active service, resigning with his position the honor of being the oldest active railroad president in the United States. The road of which he has been president was practically established by him. He is eighty-one years old.

Samuel Sloan's career is a fair example of what a young man of high purposes, strict integrity and brains may accomplish in this glorious country of ours without any assistance other than that of his own talents and energy.

Here is a sentiment written a few days ago by Mr. Sloan in response to a request for advice:



PRESIDENT SLOAN.

"A young man should be diligent and give his closest attention to his business, whatever it may be. He should watch what goes on about him and drink in all the information that will tend to advance him. In all situations and all circumstances he must be scrupulously honest—never leave the straight path. Cheerfulness, diligence and honesty should be his guiding lights, and unless something very adverse occurs, success will be his reward."

NEW YORK'S POISON MYSTERY.

District Attorney Says He is Unable to Make an Arrest.

New York, Jan. 11.—It was definitely stated by District Attorney Gardner yesterday that no arrest will be made in the Adams poisoning case on the strength of the evidence collected up to date by Captain McCluskey and his men.

This he qualified somewhat when asked what would happen if the suspect in the case should attempt to leave the jurisdiction of the state. He is fully conversant with all that the detective investigation has elicited, for it was all laid before him yesterday afternoon at police headquarters by Chief Devery and Captain McCluskey, with the object of determining whether the case were ripe enough for an arrest.

Although he gave it as his firm belief that the police case is incomplete, he expressed the fullest confidence in the police detectives, in a statement which he made to-day to representatives of the press.

"I will not authorize the arrest of any man on such a terrible charge of murder unless I believe that I can convict him." Thus he stated his position.

"Do you think from what you now know that the same person sent the poison to Barnett and to Cornish?" he was asked.

"That is my opinion," he answered. "Has any attempt been made to have the suspect identified as the purchaser of the wig and beard in Newark?" "Is Mr. Mollinex the suspect?" and "Would the detective department permit the suspect to leave the jurisdiction of the state?" were the only questions asked him which he refused to answer.

He said that it would be manifestly unfair to reply to those, but he did say that any attempt on the part of the suspect to defeat the ends of justice by flight, would cause prompt action on the part of the police.

He invited the reporters and the public to aid in the detective work. This was the invitation:

"If any of you newspaper men or if any one brings to me such evidence as will convince a reasonable man of the guilt of any person in this case, I will go at once and swear out a warrant and the arrest will be made as quickly as the accused person can be reached by the officers."

One of the reporters present asked him if any such informant would have to be publicly known in the case and was answered in the negative.

Colonel Gardner declared it was all rubbish to say that political influence hindered the arrest.

Russell Sage Wins.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 11.—The court of appeals has reversed the judgment of forty-three thousand dollars secured by William R. Laidlaw, Jr., against Russell Sage and ordered a new trial to be held.

Laidlaw was in Sage's office at the time an attempt was made on Sage's life by Norcross, and secured the judgment on the ground that Mr. Sage had him as a shield against the effect of the explosive.

President to Go to Cincinnati.

Chicago, Jan. 11.—Chicago members of the National Association of Manufacturers have received news that President McKinley will visit the annual convention of that body in Cincinnati on January 24, 25 and 26, and will deliver an address on "American Trade."

It is expected that much of the discourse will be immediately pertinent to territorial expansion and its important influence on commerce.

Sagasta Says No Crisis.

Madrid, Jan. 11.—Premier Sagasta had an hour's audience with the queen regent yesterday and afterward announced that there was no cabinet crisis and that he would not submit a vote of confidence and that he believed the present ministry would present itself to parliament.

THE LEHIGH DISASTER

Fixing the Blame for Disregarding Dispatcher's Orders.

MORE DEATHS EXPECTED.

Engineer Rick and an Infant Will Probably Not Survive. Sixteen Persons Are Dead and Seventeen in the Hospital. Both Engineers Deny Responsibility for the Collision.

Plainfield, Jan. 11.—Harry Rutland, the Lehigh Valley operator in the signal station at South Plainfield, was not in evidence yesterday morning and it was reported that he had been relieved from duty and would not again be stationed in the signal tower pending the official investigation as to the cause of the accident at West Duncellen, by which sixteen persons lost their lives and many more were injured. The mistake which was responsible for the accident is believed to have occurred in the South Plainfield switch tower, but as yet the blame has not been definitely fixed.

Rutland says that he went on duty at noon Monday and received no orders to hold the local and not allow the train to go on the single track. As he supposed the single track to be cleared he allowed the local to proceed.

Besides the investigation being made by the officials of the railroad, the authorities of Middlesex, the county in which the accident occurred, are making an independent attempt to fix the responsibility. Coroner Moke of New Brunswick is the official who will try to fix the blame. He has impaneled a jury, and the preliminaries of the inquest were begun yesterday.

Of the twenty persons who were brought to the Muhlenberg Hospital in this city three have died. Their names are:

Henry E. Wetzel, photographer, aged 28, of Shamokin, Pa.

William L. Kelle, aged 4, of Mount Carmel, Pa.

An unknown man, supposed to be named Joseph, who wore a ring made of a horseshoe nail, bearing the inscription "J. J."

Superintendent Moss of the Muhlenberg Hospital said yesterday that of the seventeen injured persons in the hospital all had passed a fairly good night, with the exception of Henry J. Poreca, the four months' old infant. The child will probably die.

Edward W. Rick, the engineer of the Bound Brook local train and James Pendergast, the engineer of the Hazleton express train, are among the injured in the Plainfield hospital.

Rick is badly injured, and his recovery is considered doubtful.

Pendergast was reported to be doing well and was able to converse with his attendants. He is worrying much as to who was to blame for the collision. He frequently asks the nurse whether the papers which he had in his possession when he was taken to the hospital are safe. He claims that these papers will clear him of responsibility for the accident, and will show that he was running his train according to orders.

The list of patients at Muhlenberg Hospital, which includes so far as known all the injured sufficiently serious to require hospital treatment, with the exception of one man, is as follows:

H. E. Wetzel, Mount Carmel, Pa., died since admitted; Arthur Predenbo, Llewellyn, Pa.; William Chesire, fireman, Bound Brook, N. J.; Nicholas Borrecca, Henry John Borrecca, Albert Borrecca, Louis Borrecca, Mary Borrecca, all of Shamokin, Pa.; O. E. Schaefer, fireman, South Easton, Pa.; Edward W. Rick, engineer; Joseph Masley, Shenandoah, Pa.; Martin Keenan, Locust Gap, Pa.; Mary Jarvis, Margaret Jarvis and George Launeskey, all of Mount Carmel, Pa.; Maloesta, Shenandoah, Pa.; J. J. rest of name and address unknown, James Pendergast, engineer, Easton, Pa.; Hinkle, Mount Carmel, Pa.; Joseph, residence unknown.

The exception referred to is O. B. Stine of Sunbury, Pa., who is at St. Francis Hospital, Jersey City.

Identifying the Dead.

Bound Brook, N. J., Jan. 11.—Coroner Moke yesterday morning began arrangements for the removal of the dead. Those known to be dead are as follows:

W. B. Hinkle, Mount Carmel, Pa. John F. Jarvis, Mount Carmel, Pa. Abner S. Keiser, Pottsville, Pa. Jacob Heller, Mount Carmel, Pa. Martin Keenan, Mount Carmel, Pa. Theodore Kohan or Theodore Stecker, Shamokin, Pa.

W. Leader, Mount Carmel, Pa. W. E. Marlike, Shamokin, Pa. Frank Rezeski, Mount Carmel, Pa. H. E. Wickel, Mount Carmel, Pa. Richard Wickel, Mount Carmel, Pa.

Unknown man, supposed to be named Joseph.

Unknown woman, supposed to be named Wreick.

Unknown woman wearing wedding ring.

Unknown man of stout build, with blue eyes and sandy moustache, having the initial "H." on his handkerchief.

Unknown woman wearing gray dress trimmed with two rows of black braid. As fast as the bodies were claimed by friends, Coroner Moke granted permits for the removal of the dead.

The unrecognized bodies will be sent to the morgue in New Brunswick.

Traffic was resumed on both tracks yesterday morning.

Many persons visited the scene of the wreck, hoping to find some trace of friends who were believed to have been on the east bound train.

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SANITATION OF HAVANA.

Col. Waring's Plans to be Carried Out as Fast as Means Will Allow.

Washington, Jan. 11.—The secretary of war evidently intends to carry out Colonel Waring's plan for the sanitation of Havana as fast as the means at his disposal will allow.

It is understood that some of the work is already laid out on Colonel Waring's lines, and more will be taken in hand as the money for it accumulates.

It is considered in the administration circle that the wisest course with regard to everything Cuban will be to make the island pay for its own work. This will obviate the necessity of calling upon Congress for any assistance in a financial way and the use of the collected taxes to make permanent improvements will enable the United States to turn over the island to its future governors in a first rate condition.

The president has power under his general authority as commander-in-chief of our military forces to do what he pleases with the various islands now under our military control, and the only hindrance will be in the matter, so far as can now be foreseen, will be the receipt of occasional reports of progress in the form of executive messages.

Colonel Waring's estimate of the improvements needed in Havana sets the cost at about ten million dollars. The customs receipts of the island of Cuba for a period of twelve years under Spanish rule, and including some years of insurgent warfare, thinly disguised official sanitation, and other disorganizing conditions, averaged nearly thirteen million dollars a year.

The receipts at Havana alone made up nearly nine millions of this total. The best qualified experts who have looked into the subject lately agree in predicting that with the present provisional tariff and an honest administration of the customs, the receipts from imports will come very near to doubling these under Spanish rule. In that case, although Havana would receive only her pro rata share of the money collected, there would be enough of that to carry out the Waring programme with a neat surplus to devote to other purposes.

It is said to be the president's desire to give such an exhibition of the possibilities of wholesome administration in Cuba as will set the pace for the Cuban administration, if it ever comes, on the theory that, having once tasted the fruits of good government, the Cubans will not allow their own administration to fall very far short of the standard set up by the United States government while in possession of the island.

DREYFUS CASE AGAIN.

Dreyfus's Reply Read to the Cabinet. Chamber of Deputies Meets.

Paris, Jan. 11.—The resignation of M. Quesnay de Beaurepaire as president of the civil section of the court of cassation has revived interest in the Dreyfus case, which had calmed down during the last few days to the fever point.

The anti-Dreyfusites are doing everything possible to discredit the court of cassation, as it is generally accepted in the best informed circles that the court is preparing to render judgment in favor of Dreyfus.

The minister of justice, M. Lebret, announced that M. Mazeau, the first president of the court of cassation, will preside over the criminal section of the court of cassation instead of M. Loew, when the Dreyfus inquiry is terminated and the court meets to make a decision.

This step has been taken in consequence of the virulent attacks on M. Loew, based on the fact that he is a Jew.

The minister also read the telegraphic deposition from Dreyfus, in which he not only declared that he had never confessed that he was guilty to Captain Lebrun-Renaud who had charge of the prisoner at the time of his condemnation and degradation, but insisted that he had always protested his innocence and had intimated, after his degradation on the parade ground of the militia school at Paris, his intention to declare publicly that his innocence would be recognized in two or three years.

Porter Sa's Cubans Are Capable.

New York, Jan. 11.—Robert P. Porter, who has just returned from Cuba, whether he was sent as special commissioner by President McKinley, spoke at Cooper Union under the auspices of the People's Institute on "Practical Problems that Confront us in Cuba."

Mr. Porter stated that he had been ordered by the president to consider only the good of all the people of Cuba in making his report, and not to be influenced by either Spanish or Cuban nationality.

He was to remember that Cuba was not a possession, but a trust. The tariff regulat on recommended by him went into effect on January 2. This tariff was only twenty-five per cent. of the one charged by the Spaniards, but he thought it would prove ample, as honest men and not thieves would collect and administer the revenues.

Mr. Porter said that the political future of Cuba was a difficult problem to dispose of. The intelligent Cubans favored annexation, but he was firmly convinced that the Cubans could govern themselves, and would make application for admission to the Union as a state.

Smallpox in Quebec.

Montreal, Jan. 11.—Smallpox has again made its appearance in the province of Quebec, this time in Soulanges county, there being five cases in one family two miles from Coteau du Lac, and one at Coteau Landing.

Every precaution has been taken to prevent the spread of the dreaded disease.

Game Warden Tooker Guilty.

Paterson, Jan. 11.—James L. Tooker, formerly deputy game warden and a resident of Perth Amboy, who was on trial on a charge of murdering Secundo Canova on October 15 last, was found guilty of manslaughter.

The verdict was a surprise, as the testimony led to the belief that the prisoner would be acquitted.

Healthy Happy Girls advertisement featuring an illustration of a woman and text describing the benefits of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.

ALEXANDER BROTHERS & CO. DEALERS IN Cigars, Tobacco, Candies, Fruits and Nuts. SOLE AGENTS FOR Henry Maillard's Fine Candies. Fresh Every Week. PENNY GOODS A SPECIALTY.

IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF CARPET, MATTING, or OIL CLOTH, YOU WILL FIND A NICE LINE AT W. H. BROWER'S. 2nd Door above Court House. A large lot of Window Curtains in stock.

EDWARD E. STRAUSS & CO. America's Popular Tailors, Chicago. (AGENTS WANTED EVERYWHERE IN THE U. S. AND TERRITORIES.) THAT'S JUST IT! You can't always tell by the looks of a garment how it is going to WEAR. WHY NOT? Get the WEAR as well as the looks, when you can have both. PRICE, \$12.00. It is the starting point of those Edward E. Strauss & Co.'s Famous Custom Tailored Suits and Overcoats. With an ironclad guarantee thrown in free. IT WILL PAY YOU. To examine this line, and leave your order for one of these handsome garments. CALL ON L. GROSS, BLOOMSBURG, PA.

When you want to look on the bright side of things, use SAPOLIO. Coughed Hereif to Death. Mrs. James Noll, of Shamokin, awoke late Thursday night owing to a paroxysm of coughing and went down to the sitting room. The coughing grew worse. She called for her husband, who started for a doctor. When the men returned Mrs. Noll was found dead on the floor. The physician said it was the cause of over-exertion. GET YOUR JOB PRINTING DONE AT THE COLUMBIAN OFFICE. CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson.

GOV. WATKINS' MESSAGE. State's Financial Condition Reviewed by the Acting Chief Executive. Trenton, Jan. 11.—Acting Governor Watkins sent his message to the legislature yesterday. It is confined to a review of the work of the departments for the year, and recommendations for legislation are left to Governor-elect Voorhees, who is to be inaugurated one week from yesterday. Governor Watkins says that his brief occupation of the executive office and the fact that he is a member of the legislature makes this course advisable. The financial statement shows total receipts of \$2,254,622.05, and the total disbursements of \$2,298,413.49, which, with a balance in the bank on November 1, 1897, of \$945,245.89, leaves a balance October 31, 1898, of \$1,001,524.45. Commenting on this showing, the governor says: "The state fund shows receipts over disbursements during the year amounting to \$351,756, an increase in receipts of \$5,844,7, and a decrease in disbursements of \$14,617.48, as compared with the preceding year. During the year just closed the receipts from the tax for state uses on railroad corporations were reduced by payments to the various districts of the state, amounting to \$199,135.61, under an act passed at the last session of the legislature. Payments were made during the year closed as 'extraordinary expenses' amounting to \$191,170.34. Notwithstanding these unusual expenditures, the year closed with a cash balance on hand of \$1,001,524.45, the largest at the close of any year in the financial history of the state. "The war debt has been reduced by the payment of two hundred thousand dollars, and the principal sum of this debt will be further reduced by the payment of one hundred and twenty-three thousand dollars, due January 1, 1899, leaving the last installment of the war debt, seventy-one thousand dollars, which falls due on January 1, 1902."

Cornerer Coombes Lost. Brooklyn, Jan. 11.—The appellate division of the supreme court has handed down a decision unanimously sustaining the conviction of former Cornerer Edward B. Coombes of Brooklyn, who was convicted several months ago. Coombes and former Cornerer George H. Nason were jointly indicted for sending fraudulent bills and collecting fees amounting to \$2,762.50 for three hundred and twenty-five inquests in July. Coombes was sentenced to nineteen months in the penitentiary. Niagara Treasurership. Lockport, N. Y., Jan. 11.—John C. Lammerts has filed his resignation as county treasurer. He stated that being unable to secure the additional bond of fifty thousand dollars required by the supervisors on December 22, and not wishing to obstruct the business of the office, he resigned the office, to take effect immediately. Governor Roosevelt has been notified by wire of his resignation. Madrid, Jan. 11.—Premier Sagasta had an hour's audience with the queen regent yesterday and afterward announced that there was no cabinet crisis and that he would not submit a vote of confidence and that he believed the present ministry would present itself to parliament.

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