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CZOLGOSZ IS FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER IN FIRST DEGREE.

The Jury Is Out Only About Thirty-Four Minutes.

NO PLEA OF INSANITY.

Counsel for Defence Declares It is Without Evidence.

SENTENCE TO-MORROW AFTERNOON.

Assassin Will at 2 P. M. Be Formally Told of the Penalty He Must Pay—Addresses of Counsel on Both Sides. The Judge's Charge.

BUFFALO, N. Y., September 24.—Leon F. Czolgosz alias Fred Nieman, was found guilty to-day, of murder in the first degree, by a jury in Part III. of the Supreme Court, in having, on the 6th day of September, shot President William McKinley, the wounds inflicted afterwards resulting in the death of the President.

The wheels of justice moved swiftly. The trial of the assassin consumed eight hours and twenty-six minutes, and covered a period of only two days. Practically all of this time was occupied by the prosecuttion in presenting a case so clear, so conclusive, that even had the prisoner entered a plea of insanity, it is doubtful if the jury would have returned a verdict different from the one rendered to-day.

The announcement made this morning by the attorneys for Czolgosz that the eminent alienists summoned at the request of the Erie County Bar by the District Attorney to examine Czolgosz, and determine his exact mental condition, had declared him to be perfectly sane, destroyed the only defence that Judges Lewis and Titus could have put together.

SENTENCE TO-MORROW.

Before adjournment, Justice White announced that he would pronounce sentence upon the defendant on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The prisoner was taken at once through the tunnel under Delaware avenue back to the jail. To all appearance he was in no way affected by the result of the trial. The crowd gathered at the City Hall to-day was the largest which has seen him since his arraignment. People were lined up on both sides of the big rotunda on the second floor where the court convened, and freighted the stairs leading from the floor above. There was no demonstration, except that of curiosity. A large number of women witnessed to-day's proceedings.

At 2.24 this afternoon, District-Attorney Penny abruptly announced that the case of the prosecution was ended. Judge Lewis arose slowly, and, addressing the court, said that the sudden close of the case against Czolgosz was a surprise to him and his colleague. They had no witnesses to call for the defence. He asked the Court to be allowed to address the jury at once. The Court consented, and the venerable jurist began an address that will long be remembered by those who heard it. Judge Lewis said:

QUESTION OF INSANITY.

"Gentlemen of the jury,—A calamity has fallen upon this nation, through the act of this man, but the question is whether his act was the act of an insane man. If he is an insane man, it is not murder, and he should be acquitted of that charge. He would then, of course, be transferred to an insane asylum.

"Much discussion has occurred in our midst and has been called to my attention, as to the propriety of any defence being interposed in this case. Many letters have been received by me since I was assigned, with my associate to defend this man, questioning the propriety of a defence being attempted. You, gentlemen, know, perhaps, how Judge Titus and myself came into this case. The position was not sought by us, but we appear here in performance of a duty which we thought devolved upon us, notwithstanding it was an exceedingly disagreeable one.

"The defendant's counsel appear here because, under our system of jurisprudence, no man can be placed on trial for the high crime of murder, the penalty of which, under the law, is death, unless he has the assistance of counsel. The court has the power to designate counsel, and it is the duty of the counsel thus designated to appear in the case, unless they can make some reasonable excuse, and succeed in being relieved of the duty.

TRIAL DEMANDED BY LAW.

"The defendant, no matter how serious a crime he has committed, is entitled under our laws to the benefit of a trial. In the case of murder, he must have a trial. You sat here and listened to the defendant's plea of guilty, when he was arraigned at the opening of this term, but the law of our State will not permit him to plead guilty to such a crime as this. The law is so careful of the rights of its citizens that it will not permit a man to plead guilty to the crime of murder, so that, even after he had conceded his guilt in this case, it was incumbent upon the court to insist that the trial should proceed, and that the people should establish beyond a reasonable doubt that the defendant was guilty of the crime charged against him.

"There are in our country individuals, not I hope in very large numbers, but we know they are scattered all over our country, who think that in a case like this, or even in case of charges of much less degree, it is entirely proper that the case should be disposed of by lynch or mob law. We can hardly take up a paper without learning that in some part of this free and independent country some man has been murdered on the suspicion or belief that he was guilty of some crime. This state of things does not exist in our community, but it does in some parts of our State, as every intelligent man knows.

"It is charged here that our client is an Anarchist, a man who does not believe in any law or in any form of government, and there are, so we are told, other individuals who entertain that opinion. We all feel that such doctrines are dangerous, are criminals, are doctrines that will subvert our government in time, if they are allowed to prevail.

LYNCHING MORE DANGEROUS THAN ANARCHY.

"Gentlemen of the Jury,—While I believe firmly in that, I don't believe it creates a danger to this country equal to the belief becoming so common that men who are charged with crime shall not be permitted to go through the form of a trial in a court of justice, but that lynch law shall take the place of the calm and dignified administration of the law by our courts of justice.

"When that doctrine becomes sufficiently prevalent in this country, if it ever does, our institutions will be set aside and overthrown, and if we are not misinformed as to the state of mind of some people in some parts of our country, the time is fast approaching when men charged with crime will not be permitted to come into court and submit to a calm and dignified trial, but will be strung up to a tree on the bare suspicion that some one may hold that they have committed some crime.

"It is not long since I read in a paper that a colored man in the South had his life taken because he insulted a white man. What it was, the paper did not say, but he was strung up. I suggest, gentlemen, that citizens of the community who are crying out in our cities, and are sending letters to lawyers, suggesting that the man who is charged with the crime that this defendant is, should not be permitted to have a trial before a court of justice, are a more dangerous class to the community than the Anarchists about whom we read so much.

LAW SHOULD BE UPHELD.

"Now, it is the duty of every American citizen, or every good man, to stand firmly by the law, and put his voice against any idea that a man should be punished for any crime until he is proved guilty in court beyond any reasonable doubt.

"My associate and myself are here to uphold the law. My associate and myself are here for the same purpose that the learned District Attorney is here for—to see that this trial progresses in a legal, orderly, and proper manner. We must in every way possible put down and suppress this feeling that criminals may be disposed of without the interposition of courts of justice. I remember, gentlemen, when I was a young man, living in Auburn, and studying my profession, the news came that a colored man had gone up on the shores of Owasco Lake, and there murdered practically an entire family named VanNess. The news created intense excitement, the people gathered on the streets to hear it. In the course of the afternoon it was learned that the man, Freeman, had been arrested, and was being brought to the city to be incarcerated. The people became very much excited. They began to talk about mobbing the colored man when he arrived. William H. Seward, who lived in the city, appeared and counselled moderation, counselled the people to wait and see whether the man was really guilty of the crime or not, and permit him to have a legal trial. The people protested. He was guilty, they said, and must be disposed of. Mr. Seward insisted, and they incarcerated Freeman in jail. It soon became known that Mr. Seward had volunteered to defend the negro when he was put on trial, and indignation arose against him. But that far-sighted statesman saw that there was an opportunity of giving an object-lesson

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DISTRICT-ATTORNEY PINNEY, PROSECUTOR IN CZOLGOSZ CASE.

HE WORE THIS SNEER THROUGHOUT THE TRIAL.

The above snapshot of Leon Czolgosz, the notorious assassin of the late President McKinley, shows the peculiar sneering, defiant expression that his countenance continually bears. He wore this sneer throughout the trial, and, observers say, will carry it with him to the execution chair.

CARNIVAL PRIZE LIST.

Articles of Value to Be Competed for by Visitors.

LUDICROUS AND UNIQUE.

Farmer Folk and the Children Fare Well at the Hands of Committee.

PROGRAMME OF THE OPENING DAY.

Committees Reported Last Night That Work Is Practically Completed, With the Exception of Booth Building—The Eiffel Tower.

The business people of Richmond have responded very generously to the application of the Premium Committee of the Board of Directors of the Carnival Association.

Mr. H. L. Lorraine is the efficient chairman of this committee, and it is through his untiring efforts that so many premiums have been secured. The members of his committee have given him all the assistance possible.

The list of premiums, with the requirements for which they are given, make most interesting reading. Hundreds of people in Richmond, as well as throughout the territory tributary to Richmond, are deeply interested in these premiums. Many have written to Mr. Lorraine, asking about them and what they would be given for, at the same time stating that they wanted to enter the contests. Many children in Richmond who have heard of the premiums from private sources are already working for them. To-day they are printed by the Dispatch, and for the first time.

It is safe to predict that the little people and all who have any chance at winning any of the prizes will take greater interest in the Carnival from now on than ever before.

Many of the requirements are ludicrous and unique. The tallest man, the tallest woman, the prettiest girl, the handsomest bachelor, the fattest woman, the fattest man, the ugliest man, the latest married couple, the man with the smallest head, the man with the largest head—all have their place on the list. The farmers have an excellent showing, and the children have been thought of by a number of contributors of premiums.

The Carnival Board held a meeting last night. The work of the board is nearing completion. Nearly all the committees report their work finished. But one more regular meeting of the board will be held before the "week of wonders" is here.

Here is the list of premiums as far as complete:

THE PREMIUM LIST.

S. Ullman's Sons will give to the farmer with the largest family driving into town in his own wagon to the Carnival Booth a barrel of their best flour.

C. Lumsden & Son will give a cut glass bowl to the tallest lady visiting the Carnival, same registering at their store.

The National Biscuit Company will give to the most recently married couple five cartons of fine packages of goods, registering at the Carnival Booth any day during the Carnival.

Saunders & Chambers will give a quart bottle of Deep Run Hunt Club whiskey to the man who brings the largest pumpkin to the Carnival Booth.

McCormick Harvesting Machine Company will give one of their celebrated steel hay rakes, valued $20, to the farmer living twenty-five miles from Richmond who brings the largest family to Richmond and registers them at the Carnival Booth.

Charlie Vaughan will give to the boy who will write the best essay on the "mule-car" a rifle. Address to H. L. Lorraine, chairman Premium Committee.

Cox & Seay will give one umbrella to the one who will write the best description of how a man should dress on different occasions. Address H. L. Lorraine, chairman Premium Committee.

MAN WITH LARGEST FEET.

The Economy Shoe Store will give one pair of their celebrated Hoffheimer's hand-sewed shoes to the white man with the largest feet presenting himself at their booth at 12 o'clock on October 9th.

Mayer & Pettit will give a handsome rocking chair to the scholar up to 15 years of age, who makes the most words out of our name. Address H. L. Lorraine, chairman Premium Committee.

S. E. Bishop will give an umbrella to the man who comes the longest distance to the Carnival. Awarded on his railroad ticket.

Wagner's drugstone will give a bottle of perfume to the lady who comes the longest distance to the Carnival. Awarded on her railroad ticket.

Briggs Drug Company will give a box of their Whitman's candies to the lady who gives the best written reason why

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UNIQUE CARNIVAL PRIZE CONTEST.

Among the prizes offered for competition during Carnival Week are the following:

Cut-Glass Bowl to the tallest visiting lady.

Five Cartons of Biscuit to the most recently-married couple.

Pair of Hand-Sewed Shoes to the white man with the largest feet.

Box of 5-Cent Cigars to the ugliest man.

A Fine Hat to the heaviest man (not eligible under 200 pounds).

A Hat to the man with the largest head.

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Mirror to the parents presenting the prettiest set of twins.

A Lamp to the fattest woman.

Wood-Heater to the man with the largest family.

Easy Chair to couple having the largest number of children living in Richmond.

A Costumer to the handsomest bachelor between 25 and 50.

(See detailed article elsewhere for more particulars.)

ATTEMPT TO KIDNAP.

A Daring Effort to Steal a Wealthy Man's Child.

KIDNAPPER FRIGHTENED OFF.

The Little Son of William H. Baker the Victim.

NO CLUE TO THE MAN'S IDENTITY.

Little Boy Fatally Crushed by a Train—Mr. Griffin Loses a Leg—Cooper Shop Burned—Negro Fractures White Man's Skull.

WINCHESTER, VA., September 24.—(Special.)—A bold attempt to kidnap the child of a wealthy parent occurred here at 1 o'clock yesterday morning. The victim was Marshall Baker, the little son of Mr. William H. Baker, chocolate manufacturer, of this city.

The family retired about 11 o'clock Sunday night, and some time after midnight they were awakened by the screams of the child, who cried that a man was carrying him off.

Mr. Sam Baker, an elder brother, rushed to the child's sleeping apartment and found him missing. He was just in time to see a man lay the boy on the stairway and continue his fight to the lower hall.

A thorough search of the house showed that the kidnapper had escaped. He at first tried to obtain entrance to the house by removing a pane of glass from a window, and, failing in this, he forced open a rear door. The affair was kept quiet yesterday, in the hope of obtaining some clue to the kidnapper. The child, who is 7 years old, says he was awakened by a man grasping him in his arms and moving towards the door. He then began to scream, and the kidnapper, fearing detection, dropped the boy and fled.

A CHILD KILLED BY TRAIN.

John Carter, the little son of Sidney Carter, was struck by an engine on the Norfolk and Western railway to-day while playing on the track, and received injuries which will cause his death. He was following an elder brother to a spring for water, and had clambered on the track when the engine came by. The boy's skull was fractured.

Information reached here to-day that Mr. Baxter Giffin, son of Mr. Robert Giffin, of Parishville, this county, who has been working at Pittsburg, had his leg so badly crushed in an accident there yesterday that amputation was necessary. No particulars were given, but the young man's condition is reported critical.

Shortly before noon to-day fire completely destroyed the cooper shop of Mr. John Thwaite at Nain, near here. The loss is $1,000, fully insured.

SKULL FRACTURED.

As a result of a blow over the head with a shovel, A. J. Clem, an employee of the Grove Lime Works at Stephen City, this county, is in a precarious condition at his home, having a fractured skull. Clem's son, William, got into an altercation with Charles Williams (colored) to-day. The younger Clem told his father of the difficulty, and the old gentleman went after Williams. The two men had some words, and Williams, it is alleged, grabbed a shovel from Clem and struck him over the head with it. Dr. S. M. Stickley was called in, and pronounced Clem's condition serious.

DEATH HALTS PROCEEDINGS IN THE SCHLEY COURT OF INQUIRY.

Adjournment for the Day a Few Minutes After Opening.

RICHMONDER KILLED IN CALIFORNIA.

W. A. Thrope Plunges Over a Precipice on His Runaway Wheel.

SAN BERNARDINO, CAL., September 24.—(Special.)—On a lonely road between this city and Redlands, a town fifteen miles from here, the dead body of W. A. Thorpe was found yesterday by a company of hunters, who were returning from the mountains. Thorpe was lying across his bicycle at the foot of a steep grade and in a place which indicated that he had ridden over the precipice. One of the hunters thought the man moved slightly after they placed him in their wagon, but if so, it was but the last convulsion, as an examination revealed that the man's neck had been broken.

The remains were not identified until after they had been placed on a slab at the morgue at Redlands. There a friend, with whom the unfortunate man had been visiting an hour before, identified him. Thorpe had come to California from Richmond for his health, and at Lost Angeles had secured a position with a railroad company. Becoming ill, he was given leave of absence, and set out to visit Redlands and this county, where he had friends. At the home of his Redland friends, he wrote to his wife, who, with an 18-months-old babe, resides in Richmond, telling her to come to California. He talked constantly of her, and had half-planned with his many friends to give her a happy surprise upon her arrival. To this friend he gave the letter, and, while leaving for the journey from which he was not to return alive, called back: "I almost feel like telegraphing her to come; I cannot wait to see her."

Hen then turned a bend in the road and was out of sight, spinning away toward the city. The road took him up quite a steep grade, and from the wheel tracks, it is evidently all went well till almost half down on the opposite side. Then his wheel seems to have broken loose and dashed at an ever-increasing gait for a mile, turning safely two bends in the road. Had he gone off at these turns he would have pitched into a canyon, and probably would never have been discovered.

When almost near the foot of the grade, the wheel struck a rock which steered it directly over the embankment. When found the body was warm, and it is thought the accident happened but a few moments before.

Thorpe was a member of the Knights of Maccabees, and that order took the remains in charge, and have made arrangements for the funeral or to ship them to Virginia, according to the wishes of his family.

Private advices received in the city announce the death of Mr. Wilber A. Thorpe, who died on Monday in Redlands, Cal. Mr. Thorpe was a son of Mr. Sylvanus Thorpe, who resides at the corner of Twenty-Fourth and N streets, this city. He left Richmond three weeks ago in quest of health. He went from here to Redlands, expecting to go on to Los Angeles in a short time.

The remains will be brought to Richmond for interment.

The deceased was a member of Pine-Street Baptist church. He is 24 years of age, and is survived by a wife, who was Miss Gertrude Barber prior to her marriage, and an infant 20 months old.

VISITED LITTLE SISTERS.

Convention Members Accepted Invitation of Managers of the Institution.

Members of the Constitutional Convention visited the house of the Little Sisters of the Poor, in response to an invitation extended on behalf of the Sisters of Charity by Mr. John M. Higgins.

Important committee meetings interfered to a great extent with the appointment, but many members met at Murphy's Hotel at 5 o'clock, and, pioneered by Mr. Higgins, proceeded to the institution by the street-cars.

They were very cordially welcomed for the nuns by Mr. Higgins in a charming address, and after a close tour of inspection of the home, which now holds 145 old people, who are friendless and unable to work. Addresses were made by Major W. A. Anderson, Rev. Dr. McIlwaine, and Mr. John Garland Pollard. All three gentlemen expressed delight at the manner in which the institution was kept and conducted, and expressed the greatest pleasure at the revelation of the good work in which the Sisters are engaged.

Secretary of State Pro Tem.

JACKSON, MISS., September 24.—Joseph W. Power, son of Secretary-of-State Power, who died last night, has been appointed Secretary of State temporarily. Mr. Power has been for some years his father's assistant.

Stops the Cough and Works Off the Cold.

Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No Cure. No Pay. Price, 25 cents.

JUDGE WILSON PASSES AWAY

Demise of the Distinguished Lawyer Unexpected.

STEAM LOG OF THE TEXAS.

Coal Supply of That Ship on May 26, 1898, and Condition of Its Machinery on the 31st of That Month—Sketch of Judge Wilson's Career.

WASHINGTON, September 24.—The session of the Schley court of inquiry was brought to a sudden close to-day by the announcement, eighteen minutes after the court had assembled, of the sudden death of Judge Jere M. Wilson, of counsel for Admiral Schley. The court was promptly adjourned as a mark of respect for the eminent lawyer.

Albert B. Claxton, who served on board the Texas as an assistant machinist, was being questioned when an orderly brought in a message that had just been received over the telephone and was written on the back of an envelope. This was handed to one of the court officials.

The expression on the face of the messenger and the abruptness with which the message was brought within the railing about the court caused the proceedings to stop, and every one looked on, feeling that something unusual had happened. Admiral Dewey kept his seat with an inquiring look on his face. Admiral Schley was sitting at the table reserved for his use, with his counsel. The message was placed in the hands of Mr. Rayner, and in whispered words the fact that Judge Jere Wilson, of counsel for Admiral Schley, had just died at the Shoreham Hotel, was communicated to the court, and to those in attendance on the trial. The scene at that moment was tragic. A death-like stillness was on the court and assemblage. Those in the rear part of the room were in ignorance of the

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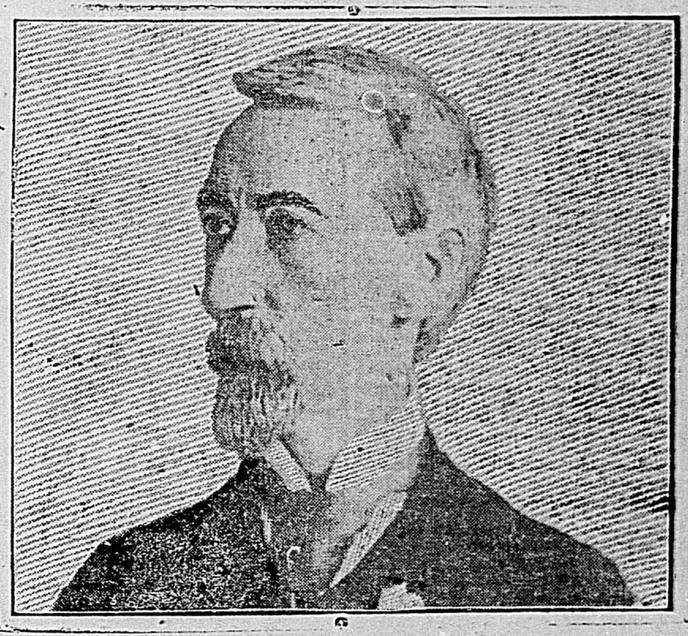

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