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## JURY SAYS WILLIAMS IS GUILTY

**First Degree Verdict Rendered in Trial of Norman Williams for Murder at The Dalles.**

**Convicted Man Shows Little Feeling Aside From Attempt to Restrain Emotion.**

**MOTION MADE FOR NEW TRIAL**

**Verdict Was Rendered by Jury After Deliberation of Four and a Half Hours—Summary of Case.**

The Dalles, Ore., May 27.—After deliberating for four and a half hours the jury at 8 o'clock tonight found Norman Williams guilty of murdering Alma Nesbitt, near Hood River, Ore., March 8, 1904. Williams showed little feeling other than a nervous effort to restrain his emotion, which has been exhibited by him all through the trial. Williams' attorney immediately asked for 60 days in which to file a motion for a new trial.

When the court convened this morning the prosecution immediately commenced their argument to the jury and gave a summary of the case. This was followed by Judge McGinn for the defense, who occupied nearly four hours in his address to the court. He maintained, as he did in opening his argument, that there was no corpus delicti and without it the state had absolutely naught upon which to base their case. The arguments were finished just before 3 o'clock and the charge followed. The case went to the jury at 4:30 p. m.

**CANNOT SELL PROPERTY.**

**Mines in Baker County in Serious Litigation—Receiver Appointed.**

Baker City, Ore., May 27.—This afternoon Sheriff Brown of Baker county, received a telegram from the clerk of the federal court for the district of eastern New York, announcing that G. D. Beattys had been appointed receiver for the Cornucopia mines of this county and enjoining the sheriff from proceeding with the advertised sales of the personal and real property of the mining company on June 1, under a de-

eree of the Baker county circuit court. The news caused a great deal of excitement in Baker City, as there are several hundred liens and claims of all kinds against the property.

**AUTO RUNS AMUCK.**

**Chauffeurs Narrowly Escape Death Near New York City.**

New York, May 27.—After a wild flight for half a mile through a narrow lane a big touring automobile containing four men, went over an embankment 20 feet high in Riverdale in the Bronx district and two of the men were pinned under the car, which turned upside down, and were injured so seriously it was necessary to hurry them to the hospital. Although hurled 60 feet the other occupants of the machine escaped with slight cuts and bruises. The automobile was demolished. The men decided to take a short cut through a narrow and steep lane. When about 50 feet along the lane the driver tested the machinery and found that the running gear was broken and that he was unable to control the car. The power was on full speed. The men got ready to jump, but finally decided to stick to the machine.

The automobile zigzagged for about half a mile, gaining in speed with every yard and at a sharp corner shot into the air, and making a half turn, landed squarely on its top. Underneath were the two men, their faces pressed into the ground. They were being scalded by boiling water dropping from the engine. The others were shot from the rear seats the moment the car left the lane and landed together 50 feet from the embankment. They escaped serious injury by striking soft ground.

**TORNADO IN ILLINOIS.**

**Wind Destroys Village and Does Other Damage—No Lives Lost.**

Golconda, Ill., May 27.—The village of New Liberty, Pope county, Ill., on the Ohio river, is reported to have been destroyed by a tornado. No lives were lost.

Paducah, Ky., May 27.—Telephone wires are down and but meager details have been received from Liberty. Damage of not much extent was caused in Livingston county, Illinois, by hail and wind.

**WITNESS ARRESTED.**

**Man Wanted by Government Found at Eugene and Taken to Portland.**

Portland, May 28.—(Special.)—Edwin Hobson, an important witness for the prosecution in the case of McKinley Ware and Pater, charged with defrauding the government of public lands and whose disappearance caused the postponement of the case until next September, was arrested today at Eugene and brought to this city.

## THRILLING STORIES OF CAPTURE OF KINCHOU BY DASHING JAPANESE FORCES

**Brave Brownies Drove Russians Back in Face of Heavy Fire and Finally Utterly Rout the Muscovites.**

**Port Arthur is Now Closely Besieged By Land and Sea and Its Fall is Hourly Expected—Japs Capture Prisoners and Guns—News of Russian Defeat Reaches Czar on Anniversary of Coronation.**

London, May 27.—The Japanese legation has received the following official dispatch from Tokio:

"Kin Chou has been taken and our troops are pushing the Russians toward Port Arthur."

Chicago, May 27.—A special to the News from Chefoo says:

Japan announces that the entire coast of Liao Tung Peninsula lying south of a line between Piteswo on the east and Pulantion on the west, is in a state of effective blockade by the Japanese navy. The declaration says the blockade will be maintained. The blockade proclamation by Japan throws the burden of proof on vessels attempting to run the blockade.

**Japs Superior on Land.**

London, May 27.—A Tokio dispatch to the Associated Press and the Japanese legation accounts are the only detailed descriptions that have reached London of the Japanese victory at Kinchou. The victory is hailed by the London press as establishing more certainly than did the operations on the Yalu, the superiority of the Japanese on land as well as by sea, since in the case of Kinchou, if not at Yalu, the Russians had ample time to carefully prepare their positions. It appears that a conclusive victory was immediately followed up, for the Post's Tokio correspondent asserts that the Japanese have swept the Russians from their defenses west of Tallenwan.

And if the Telegraph's generally well informed correspondent is correct and the Japanese are already nearing Port Arthur, the Russians must have suffered a complete route. That the Russians were not only defeated but routed, would also appear by the numerous captures of Russian artillery.

**Tells Story of Fight.**

Washington, May 27.—The Japanese legation has received the following details concerning the attack on Kinchou:

"The enemy built several covered trenches around the fort and on Nan hill. After several attempts the Japanese finally succeeded in taking the enemy's position by storm and in driving them toward Nan Kuling. The fighting lasted 16 hours. Admiral Togo telegraphs a report sent to him from the captain commanding a detached squadron, consisting of four gunboats and a torpedo boat flotilla, to the effect that the squadron reached Kinchou bay, and co-operating with the army, bombarded Nan Hill on May 26, and, on witnessing our army occupying the forts on the hill, the squadron with-

drew from the scene of action. The captain of the gunboat Choki was killed and nine others were killed and wounded. The damage to the vessels was insignificant."

**News Published on Holiday.**

St. Petersburg, May 27.—News of the Japanese victory at Kinchou was published on a Russian holiday, the anniversary of the coronation of the czar. While there was little information government circles regarding the Russian defeat the news caused the celebrations at Tsarkoye-Salo to be shortened. All news of the disaster comes from foreign sources and the papers are making no effort to suppress it. The authorities are without news of their own. It was rumored late tonight that General Kuropatkin had telegraphed some details direct to Minister of War Sakaharoff, which will not be transmitted to the czar until tomorrow.

The general staff admitted there was little now to hinder the Japanese advance on Port Arthur itself and that the actual siege had begun in earnest. The staff insisted on the ability of the fortress to hold out.

**Near Port Arthur.**

London, May 27.—The Tokio correspondent of the Telegraph says he learns that the Japanese troops now within 12 miles of Port Arthur and that the Russians suffered heavier casualties than the Japanese, who have taken guns and other materials of war and a few prisoners.

The Tokio correspondent of the Chronicle says the Japanese captured many guns at Kinchou.

**Report From Chefoo.**

Chefoo, May 28.—(12:30 p. m.)—A fleet of steamers arrived today from Niuchwang and reported that no signs of the Japanese fleet were apparent on the western coast of Liao Tung peninsula. Everything at Niuchwang is reported quiet. Two Japanese cruisers are off Port Arthur today.

**Russians Cut Off.**

Berlin, May 27.—The Tokio correspondent of the Tagblatt, sends the following under date of May 27:

"It is generally believed here that General Rogi (Okus) succeeded May 26 in cutting off a portion of the Fourth Russian sharp shooters division under General Fock, having taken the heights between Port Arthur and Kinchou May 24 and 25, and the capitulation of this body is soon expected. The fight was most bitter and stubborn on both sides and the losses were severe."

**RESTORED TO RELATIVES.**

**Last Hours of Old Man Gladdened in Unexpected Manner.**

Glenns Falls, N. Y., May 27.—Blind, almost deaf and with his mind impaired, Lewis Mosher, after years of wandering, and other years spent in hospitals, has been restored to his relatives here, where a fortune of \$15,000 awaits him. Mosher went west 20 years ago and three years later all trace of him was lost. A short time ago his relatives learned that he was in the state hospital at Medical Lake, Wash., and brought him home. Mosher lost his sight and hearing as the result of a mine explosion. It is thought his mental condition will rapidly improve.

**BOLD ROBBERY.**

**Five Masked Men Rifle Sale in Massachusetts.**

New Bedford, Mass., May 27.—A bold robbery was perpetrated here shortly before midnight by five masked burglars who broke into the Onoka

woolen mills, in the northern part of the city, overpowered and bound the two night watchmen, dynamited the safe and escaped with its contents. The robbery occurred about 11:30 o'clock. One of the watchmen was overpowered after a struggle. The other watchman rushed to his aid and was also overpowered. Both were bound and gagged and were witnesses to the blowing open of the safe. The burglars remained in the mill for nearly two hours. A few minutes after their departure one of the watchmen managed to free himself and telephoned to police headquarters.

**PASSENGERS TERRORIZED.**

**Several Hundred People Endangered by Electricity While on Cars.**

New York, May 27.—Several hundred persons were thrown into a state of terror by an accident, which occurred at the Adams street station of the Union elevated railroad in Brooklyn and while there were many narrow escapes, few persons were injured. Just as a train was pulling out of the station, one of the gates between

the second and third cars broke from its fastenings and fell across the third rail. Immediately there was a loud report and a long continued display of electric sparks which fell into the street for nearly 15 minutes. A panic was created among the passengers, and many were knocked down and trampled upon in the rush for the doors.

The train was made up of five cars, two of which caught fire, and several of the wooden ties beneath began to burn. Firemen tried to extinguish the blaze, but the fallen gate continued to act as an electric connector, and the whole station seemed to be on fire. The circuit was finally broken and the firemen soon had the fire extinguished.

**Moore Knocked Out.**

Chicago, May 27.—Frankie Neil of San Francisco knocked out Tommy Moore tonight after two minutes' fighting.

**BASEBALL SCORES.**

**Pacific Coast.**

At San Francisco—Portland 5, San Francisco 0.

At Seattle—Tacoma 7, Seattle 2.

At Los Angeles—Oakland 3, Los Angeles 2.

**Pacific National.**

At Spokane—Salt Lake 11, Spokane 1.

At Butte—Boise 4, Butte 5.

**National.**

At New York—Brooklyn 1, New York 3.

At Philadelphia—Boston 3, Philadelphia 2.

At Chicago—St. Louis 2, Chicago 3.

At Pittsburgh—Cincinnati 0, Pittsburgh 2.

**American.**

At Boston—Washington 2, Boston 4.

At Philadelphia—New York 5, Philadelphia 7.

At Cleveland—St. Louis 2, Cleveland 5.

## JAPANESE STUDENT HONORED

**Stanford University Graduate Receives Distinction From Department of English of That School.**

**Selected as Assistant to Editor of Dictionary of Chaucer's Works Now Being Prepared.**

**HAILS FROM TSU, JAPAN**

**Young Student Has Made Excellent Record While at the University—High Honor for Foreigner.**

Stanford University, Cal., May 27.—Yasunosuke Fukukita, a Japanese student of Stanford university has been chosen by Dr. Ewald Flugel, head of the department of English philology to do part of the work in connection with the dictionary of Chaucer's works, which will be published in about three years. Dr. Flugel is the first man to undertake an exhaustive research of the subject of Chaucer with a view to publishing a complete dictionary and those who have been appointed to assist him have received a high honor. The selection of a Japanese student (Continued on page eight.)

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