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Cole Younger, Famous Author, Joins the Church.

WOUNDED 28 TIMES.

Pictured as Monster Criminal, He Maintains That He Was Guilty of but One Offense-Has Served Twenby-five Years In Prison-His Own Story of Conversion.

St. Louis.-Cole Younger was once name which inspired fear throughout Missouri, Kentucky and Kansas. It is the name of a man noted for his fierce fighting spirit, a men who carries the scars of twenty-eight bullet wounds received for fighting-first for a cause, later for spoils. It is now the name of one of the most recent converts to Christianity gained by the Rev. Orville Edgar Hamilton, one of the leading figures of the Christian Evangelists of America.

The conversion took place in an im provised tabernacle in Lees Summit,



Mo., recently. The evangelist was assisted in the service by his wife and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stuaft. During the revival meeting, when the large aydience was swayed to enthusiasm by the words of the preacher and the singing of Mr. and Mrs. Steart, a giant of a man rose from his seat, literally lifted from her feet a little woman who stood near him, kissed her and walked forward. With the last word of the spoken acceptance Cole Younger, partner of Jesse James and of Quantrell, had come out in the open and embraced the faith whose tenets he has been quietly practicing for many years. "There is nothing wonderful in my

conversion." said Younger. "I've led an adventurous, turbulent life. The war brought on hate and strife and killing. They murdered my father when I was a schoolboy and I was launched into a life of reprisals

and shooting and rough riding, Winding up with twenty-five years in

'Now, my folks were all Christians. THE JAMES BAND I was brought up in a Christian home. I am an old man, seventy years old next January, and I have come back, by God's mercy, to the spot where I spent my childhood, to end my days.

"To me, knowing my own soul, it is nothing. Why, forty years ago, when witnesses have testified that I was robbing banks and holding up trains in another part of the country, I was down in Texas teaching a Sunday school class.

"The feeling has been growing strong upon me these last years that my mother's prayers were being answered and that God was leading me by the hand and so I have just given my heart to him, and I feel that the sins of my past life are blotted out and that I am a child of God."

Although he is pictured in "wild west" tales as monstrously criminal. he maintains that he was guilty of but one offense and says his name, along with that of the James brothers and others, was connected with practically every bank robbery and holdup in the west for more than a decade. He admits that he was a member of a band which attempted to rob a bank at-Northfield, Mian., of \$60,000, said to have been obtained by Union soldiers during the civil war.

He was captured three days after the attempt and served twenty-five years

BULL DERAILS A TRAIN.

Accident Occurs as Cattle Herd Is

Crossing the Track. Olathe. Kan.-Ten cars of a St Louis and San Francisco freight train was derailed when the train struck a bull weighing 2,000 pounds near here. The engine and tender passed over the animal without being derailed, but when the empty cars struck it they were thrown from the track.

A herd of cattle was crossing the track when the train approached and three of the animals were killed. .

Calls With Conscience Money. Spokane, Wash. The Northern Pacific city passenger office received \$10.70 in conscience money from Henry Peterson of Los Angeles, who appeared in person at the city office and paid R. S. Skinner the money for a ride from Spokane to Butte, which, he says, he stole twenty years ago.

· Living Up to It. "We don't always do as we should. For one thing, we are told to love our

"A great many of us live up to that. Didn't you ever notice a couple of society leaders kissing each other?"-Louisville Conrier-Journal.

Easily Divided. The hour was divided into sixty minutes because the number sixty can be evenly divided by two, three, four, fig.

Hope is a flatterer, but the most upright of all parasites, for she frequents the poor man's but as well as the piace of his superiors. Shenstone.

six, ten, twelve, fifteen, twenty and

SEEKING TO SAVE DOOMED WOMAN

Mrs. Wakefield Sentenced to Be Hanged.

MAY ESCAPE THE GALLOWS.

Various Organizations and Prominent Aid of a Man, Brought About the Death of Her Husband.

Hartford, Conn.-Aroused as they never have been before, Connecticut women of every walk in life are shouldering the burden of preventing the state from indicting the death punishment upon Mrs. Bessie J. Wakefield, convicted as an accomplice in the murder of her husband.

From every conceivable vantage point wives and daughters of prominent men, suffragists and women opposed to their sex exercising the right of franchise are attacking as disgrace



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cul and unwarranted the carrying out of the court edict that Mrs. Wakefield

shall be hanged. From every corner of the state the protests of the women are being votced in the form of publicly circulated peti-tions to which many thousands of names are being signed daily, in publicity campaigns and by personal demands being made upon members of still is in a cell in the prison death sas City Star.

by her indicating what will be the result of the unique crusade.

If Mrs. Wakefield dies for the murder of her husband, in the netual commission of which she was not accused of having taken a hand, she will be the first woman put to death in the state since 1786.

Connecticut's leniency toward women who have been convicted of murder is explained in part by its efforts to alone for its unsavory record in Colonfal days, when six women were burned or hanged as witches. In 1745 Elizabeth Shaw, a feeble minded girl, was hang ed on her father's testimony that she had killed her infant child. She was executed after she had ridden a mile to the scaffold seated on her coffin and crying aloud to be saved. But since Connecticut became a woman has been legally put to death

Mrs. Wakefield is twenty-four years old and is one of six children of Mr and Mrs. Hiram Webster of Middlebury, an uncaffured, but honest, conple, who for years have eked a bare fiving out of a rocky farm.

The daughter received practically no education, and she was only seventeen when she was married to Wakefield, a Bristol farm hand. She became housekeeper for James Plew, a Middle bury farmer

Plew and Wakefield soon quarreled about her. Wakefield was found slain last June. Plew confessed the deed, but he and Mrs. Wakefield blamed each other for plotting the murder so that they could be married. Plew, who has a wife and child, and Mrs. Wakefield, who has two chlidren, have been sentenced to be hanged on March

It has been stated in the Connecticut press that the vote of the board must be unanimous to commute a sentence. but the law was changed four years ago to make a favorable vote of five members effective.

Mrs. Wakefield's children are with her parents. The boy, who is six years old and the girl, who is four, know nothing of their parents' fate, and they dally say to their grandmother, "Manama will be home today."

The fact that many women have been convicted of single handed and premeditated murder in Connecticut in the last half century, and that all have escaped the death penalty, and that Mrs. Wakefield is not even charged with a part in the actual killing of her husband, has incited a widespread revolt against the decree of the extreme penalty in her case.

"There is no sweeter suffering than hope." So runs an old German proverb, melancholy text for hearts that bitter disappointment has cured and to, whom all hope is but memory.

An Alarming Tale, Sir. Staylate-The other night I heard a story that gave me such a start. Miss Muchbored-d wish I knew it.-

The Attraction the state based of pardons, legislators, walked down the aisle? Mai-I don't and jurists. Although Mrs. Wakefield know: I was watching her kat. Kan-

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