COMMUTATION FOR YOUTHFUL SLAYERS SENTENCED TO DIE

Pardon Board Gives Coursey Thirty Years. Duffield Fifteen

They Held Up and Killed Karl Kellman in Camden Wilson Heads Board

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TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 23.—Appare ently with the Christmas thought, "peace on earth, good will toward men" in mind, the New Jersey Court of Pardons, sitting for the last time with President-elect Wilson, met here this afternoon and took action that will not only result in the saving of the lives of the Canden youths, but that will also return them to liberty in a comparatively few years. Frederick Coursey and Harty-Dufffeld, such of whom is less than 21 years of ace, were the two boys than 21 years impressed than 21 years of ace, were the two boys than 21 years in present and a parole. He is now in the Ingitive Reiormatory for manistagiter. A parole was granted Leander J. Smith, of Altantic county. The man was first wentenced to death, but this may be a subject to the account of the acc

EXPRESS SATISFACTION AT PARDON OF YOUTHS

Aside from those immediately concerned with the family of the unfortunate youth. Kail Kellmain, who met death at the hands of the two youths, the commutation of the death sentences imposed on Coursey and Duffield to imprisonment, was received in Camden last night with general satisfaction.

While the murder of Kellmann was absolutely without excuse or provocation, the fact that the defendants are so the fact that the defendants are so the fact that the defendant are defended to the death of the

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electric chair next week, the time set by Judge Garrison.

Even the jury that convicted Duffield signed the petition asking commutation in his behalf. Prosecutor Boyle did not go out of his way to send the boys to their deaths, he sumply presenting the

lacts in behalf of the State.

John L. Semple, Duffield's lawyer, has had much experience in murder trais.

This is the uneteenth person accused of homicide whom he has defended and but one was executed. That was Theodore Lambert, a negro, who shot William Kairer, a baker, and he was hanged only after the United States Surremen.

Court had refused an appeal.