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CONFESSION OF REV. RICHESON

"Gentlemen: Deeply penitent for my sin, and earnestly desiring, as far as in my power lies, to make atonement, I hereby confess that I am guilty of the offense of which I stand indicted. "I am moved to this course by no inducement of self benefit or leniency. Heinous as is my crime, God has not wholly abandoned me, and my conscience and manhood, however depraved and blighted, will not admit of my still further wronging by a public trial, her whose pure young life I have destroyed. Under the lashings of remorse I have suffered and am suffering the tortures of the damned. In this I find a measure of comfort. In my mental anguish I recognize that there is still, by the mercy of the Master, some remnant of the Divine spark of goodness still lingering within me. I could wish to live only because within some prisons walls I might in some small measure redeem my sinful past, help some other despairing soul, and, at last, find favor with my God. "You are instructed to deliver this to the district attorney or to the judge of the court. "Sincerely yours
"Clarence V. T. Richeson."

Richeson's confession, as made public Saturday, was bare of details. It is understood, however, that he enlarged on it in conversation and possibly in writing to his counsel and that the district attorney is now in possession of most of the information which has come to the defense. While no person can be quoted as responsible for it, the statement is made on high authority that Richeson's amplified confession to his counsel was on the following lines:

After purchasing a quantity of cyanide of potassium from William Hahn, a Newton Center druggist, October 10, the minister took the poison to his room in Cambridge. A few days later he borrowed from Mrs. Frank H. Carter, in whose home he was a lodger, an earthenware mixing bowl "to make some book paste."

Returning the bowl to Mrs. Carter an hour or two later, he warned her to be sure and wash it out thoroughly, saying:

"I have been mixing poison in it."

It was in this bowl and at this time, it is said, that the minister by mixing cyanide of potassium with flour and water, made the capsule which ultimately caused Miss Linnell's death. This was hours, October 12.

Saturday, October 14, Richeson met by appointment, his one-time fiancée, who still believed herself his intended wife. Following their custom, the couple had a short walk and then went into a Roylston street cafe. Here they had luncheon, after which they took another walk, this time to the Fenway. It was while seated in a secluded bench in the park, after the girl had again told him of her worry over her physical condition, saying she feared it was becoming apparent to her friends, and had once more entreated him to procure some remedy for her, that the minister is said to have handed the girl the capsule, declaring it was a medicine which would certainly act in the manner desired. He directed her as to the manner of taking it and then the pair walked to the car line. Miss

need of the \$3750 a year, which his father held out as a lure to the matrimonial noose. He was left \$150,000 outright and the income of \$75,000, which was to be doubled in case he married.

If he had had his eye on that additional income, he has not taken his friends into his confidence, and they have been reticent about asking him, as he tried married life once before and wound up in the divorce court. His intimates quote the old adage about the burned child dreading fire, but that doesn't lessen the nervousness of the marriageable female population as the date for the final distribution of the estate draws near.

Mr. Corbin has been spoken well of by the women since his father's estate was filed for probate in November, 1910, but his popularity with the sex may be shortlived if he proves equal to the test of sacrificing \$3750 a year for the delights of single blessedness.

Linnell went to her room in the Young Women's Christian Association house, while Richeson boarded a trolley car for Brookline, going to the home of Miss Violet Edmonds, the wealthy heiress, whom he was to have married a few weeks later. Meeting her chum, Miss Lucile Ziegler, Avis said she had been walking with her friend (by which Miss Ziegler understood she meant Richeson) and complained of a headache as her excuse for hurrying to her room. A few hours later she was found unconscious in the bathroom and died without regaining consciousness.

Newlyweds Stranded.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Jan. 6.—Special. Application for a ticket to Statesville, N. C., was made at the associated charities today by a man giving his name as T. F. Halcomb, Jr., who was accompanied by his wife, they have recently married in Indiana and on their way to visit the groom's father, T. F. Halcomb, Sr., at Elkin, N. C. The man claimed that his pocketbook containing about \$400 had been stolen. His wife had a ticket to Statesville. A telegram has been sent to the address of Halcomb's father, telling him of his son's predicament. Action will depend on the answer.

Will Be At Burlington Tuesday

January 16th

Dr. Rosenstein will be in Burlington Tuesday January 16th for the purpose of examining eyes and fitting glasses. He guarantees every pair glasses for one year from the day of purchase, so you are not taking any risk in getting glasses from Dr. Rosenstein. He will be at the Burlington Drug Co. for one day only Tuesday Jan. 16th.

Dr. N. Rosenstein, of Durham will make his regular Third Tuesday call to Burlington, stopping at the Burlington Drug Co. Tuesday Jan. 16th, for one day only, to examine eyes and fitting glasses. Dr. Rosenstein's experience as expert eye-testing and examination for eyestrain now extends to 10 years in Durham. He succeeds by successful fitting. Take care of your eyes and call to see Dr. Rosenstein Tuesday Jan 16th Rain or Shine.

LIST OF UNCLAIMED LETTERS

Remaining in Post Office at Burlington, N. C. Dec. 30, 1911.

GENTLEMEN:
C. L. Allen, Julius Bradley, Austin Clapp, Mr. Duncan, Cassine Foster, (col.) H. J. Jebbarde, Esq., Robert Monroe, Chas. F. Payne, Melvin Thompson, J. H. White.

LADIES:
Mrs. Annie Horne, Miss Mildred Thomson, Mrs. Wilson.

Persons calling for any of these letters will please say "Advertised," and give date of advertisement.

J. ZEB WALLER,
Post Master.

Advertise in the Dispatch.

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nd Treasurer
SON, J.M. BROWNING

BRYAN AT RALEIGH

Raleigh, Jan. 8.—The greatest outburst of applause that greeted Hon. William Jennings Bryan Saturday night during his address before an audience that taxed the great new auditorium here was when he declared that he realizes now that there are more votes for democracy than he and that he will apply himself to more earnest work for them than he ever did when burdened with personal candidacy. That he has abandoned the expectation of office but is by no means out of politics.

Mr. Bryan's theme was "Progress of the World in Intelligence, Morals and in Application of the Science of Representative Government." His was an eloquent review of educational progress the world over and of a wakening of public conscience in the elevation of the morals of the people along all lines, particularly in reform of public affairs.

He regretted lack of progress in his declared reform for election of United States senators by the people and declared that both parties must stop sham battles on this subject and go in particularly for driving great corporations and special interests from control of United States senate, and pass the bill for people to elect senators and let its adoption be optional with the people. He predicted that party primaries for nomination of candidates will ere long be generally in force. Among reforms declared to have recently been accomplished in this country were publicity of contributions to funds for campaigns.

An eloquent feature of Mr. Bryan's address was his review of the progress of reforms in government in all the countries of the earth the past few years, Russia, China, Japan, England and in the United States. And the prosecution of representatives of "special interests" and trusts and investigations into commercial conspiracies against the interests of the people came in for special review, with the hope and prediction that the democrats in congress will use their present majority control for pushing these investigations into many needed avenues.

Special Items From Elon College.

The College opened on the third of this month with fifty two more students present than on any previous opening day after the holidays so far in our history. There were a goodly company of new faces, but the most were of course students here in the fall. This quick return after the holidays is evidence of real, abiding interest in their work on the part of the students and forebodes a successful spring term's work.

The College is happy this week despite the inclement weather in the annual series of lectures by non-resident Professor Martyn Summerbell, of Lakemont, N. Y. Dr. Summerbell chose as his field this time the Society of Jesus or as it is familiarly called The Jesuits. He treated this difficult and learned theme with a masters grasp and absolutely captivated all who heard him. For Sunday services he gave two invaluable lectures on the Miracles of the New Testament and The Origin and Principles of the Christians. He returns again next year for a series of lectures on the Reformation in England.

Mr. Harrison Thompson, Burlington, N. C. the new superintendent of the College plant is taking on to his work in a most satisfactory manner.

The series of evangelistic services for this year will begin on January 23 and will be under the direction of Rev. and Mrs. Chas. Underwood Butler, the noted gospel singers and evangelists.

On the sixteenth instant Dr. Atkinson will deliver a free public lecture on The Character of Adam Bede. This lecture is well known and is anticipated with much pleasure.

The prospects for a baseball team seems bright to Coach Doak. A fine schedule is being arranged. The team is expecting to put some genuine good article this time.

Touch of Real Winter.

The people of this section have been realizing as they seldom do the touch of real winter.

Beginning Saturday night about eleven o'clock the white fleecy snow began to cover the earth and when the Sunday morning sun shone its rays of gold more than three inches of snow covered the earth. This was covered Monday by sleet which caused the pedestrians to trample as if walking on eggs. Many of the water pipes have frozen in the residence and almost all the knitting mills have been stopped because of frozen pipes. The street cars have been unable to make schedule time, in many instances the wheels go buzzing without the car moving. The coal men seem to have gone on a strike or at any rate the fellows who do the delivering. While the fellow who used a little common sense and ordered a good supply during the balmy days needs make no kick.

Taking it all in all the past few days having brought weather such as the people of Burlington have rarely been use to, and the brilliant rays of the sun heartily greeted.

Foxes Climb Trees.

Some time ago the Charlotte Chronicle and The Statesville Landmark engaged in a heated controversy with regard to foxes climbing trees. The Chronicle claiming that such stunt cannot be performed by this fleet-footed animal, while The Landmark held out the argument that foxes can climb trees. At the time the question was being so badly handled this writer was ignorant as to which way to vote, but now we cast our ballot with the Landmark. Several reputable citizens of Marshville had an experience with a gray fox one night during the holidays and are willing to make affidavit to the fact that the said fox climbed a number of straight trees and that he climbed anywhere from six to forty feet from the ground.

Kills Father And Son.

Raleigh, Jan. 8.—Special. Governor Kitchin announces a reward of \$200 for Jesse Tpton, who is wanted in Swain county for a double murder on Christmas Day, when he shot George Brendle, and fled to Georgia. There had been an old grudge between Upton and the elder Brendle and Christmas Day Brendle met Upton and suggested that they bury old scores and be friends again. Whereupon, Upton fired upon Brendle, killing him instantly and then fired two shots into Manly Brendle, resulting in the latter's death within three hours. The reward is at the request of the sheriff of the county and Solicitor Felix Alley of the sixteenth district.

Helpful Address.

Rev. John B. Swartz made a very enthusiastic speech to a small but representative audience at the Reformed church Thursday night. Had the weather been mild the house would doubtless have been filled. Rev. Swartz is making a complete tour of North Carolina, holding Sunday School Institutes. After his remarks he urged the necessity of organizing a teachers training class. It was decided to meet Thursday night of this week for the purpose of this organization. Everybody is invited to be present at this time whether a teacher or not. Rev. Kendall of the Christian church was present and made a few helpful remarks. Prof. Singletary took part in the conference after the address of the evening.

Local View post cards 1c., 5, 10 and 25c. Store.

New York suffered a \$6,000,000 fire Tuesday when the home of the Equitable Life Assurance Society was destroyed.

Baltimore is selected by the Democrats at the convention city and June 25th as the date.

ANOTHER PORK BARREL

Bellemont can't do anything with Alamance Mills as to hog raising. While 37 homes at Bellemont raised 17724 pounds of pork this year, Alamance with only 27 homes, raised 13063 pounds, an average per home of 669 lbs. against Bellemont's 476 lbs. Therefore, you may see by these figures that Bellemont is not in the same class at all with Alamance, but how could they be and stay down on No. 7? The following is what each man killed:

Owner	No. Hogs	Weight each	Total
R L Evans	2	334 358	692
Euly Edwards	2	252 295	547
John Allred	3	315 291 273	879
J C "	2	256 261	517
D P Wilson	2	349 281	630
F T Cheek	2	253 277	570
George Wilson	3	361 365 359	1085
H M Cates	2	250 296	546
B F Clapp	2	377 371	748
A R "	2	443 337	780
J E Isley	2	151 107	258
C A Overman	1	152	152
Ike Holt	3	105 256 290	651
J M C	4	193 357 335 275	1160
J F Overman	2	333 216	549
A C Ward	2	370 337	707
Jess May	2	372 230	592
Ky Allred	2	228 227	450
John May	2	313 301	614
R L Sharpe	4	105 110 336 284	835
John "	3	269 283	552
R B Shoffner	3	90 376 357	823
J C Kinney	2	400 377	777
M A "	3	377 373 315	1065
J W Overman	2	349 241	599
J M Clapp	2	234 206	440
O T Shoffner	4	145 271 226 213	854

27 Homes Grand Total 18063
J. A. LOWE.

The list of prizes to be given away in our voting contest is about completed and will be announced at an early date.

In the Burlington Sunday Schools

Sunday, Jan. 7, 1912.

Sunday School Totals:	Attendance	Collection
M. E.	178	6.89
Baptist	170	10.09
Presbyterian	67	4.40
German Ref.		
Christian,		
M. P.	124	3.01
Webb Ave.		
	539	\$24.39

MEN'S BIBLE AND BARACA CLASSES' TOTALS.

	Attendance	Collection
Baptist	44	5.35
Presbyterian	8	2.91
Christian		
M. P.	31	1.50
German Ref.		
Webb Ave.		
M. E.	36	2.63
Total today	119	\$11.99

John H. Vernon, Secretary

DYNAMITER TELLS OF BLOWING UP OF 100 IOPEN SHOPS

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 8.—Whatever Ortie E. McManigal, the confessed dynamiter, knows about the complicity of others besides the McNamara brothers, in the blowing up of more than one hundred "open shop" structures in various sections of the country in the last five or six years is believed to have been related by him in his preliminary story before the Federal grand jury today.

Call Meeting

Bula Lodge No. 409 is called to meet next Monday night January 15th at 7 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of transacting any business that may come before the lodge. Our delegate to the Grand Lodge this week will make his report at this meeting.

J. H. Vernon,
Worshipful Master.
E. W. Atwater,
Secretary.

R. F. D. No. 1.

Pitty this snow didn't come before Uncle Wilburn Clapp cut the prices of rabbits to 5 cents.

Wonder if No 7 earned his money Monday?

All may have sleighs that want them but us a light runner mail wagon for days like Monday.

As we failed to write any thing last week we want to thank our patrons who remembered us during the holidays. Our presents were to numerous to mention, but you may rest assure that we appreciated them.

A number of our young people who have been away to school spent Xmas at home and reported a fine time.

We took in two turkey dinners Xmas One at Dr. Isleys the other at D. M. Elders we enjoyed them very much.

We find right much sympathy for No. 6 out on No 1 these days Bill is all right anyway.

Cheer up bro. Carriers Feb. March are going to be more favorable weather and Jan. is one third gone.

50 Boys Wanted at the Freeman Drug Co. to sell goods apply at once.