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I Have Suffered The Tortures of Damned Says Richeson

Remorseless Lashings of a Conscience.

Wanted to Do Justice to An Innocent Girl-- Will Probably be Sentenced to Death-His Attorney Makes State-

Boston, Mass., Jan. 6 .- Urged by nanitence and remorse, the Rev. Clar-cated. ence V. T. Richeson, in a remarkable statement made today, confesses that he caused the death of Avis Linnell, the pretty little Hyannis choir singer. ried before he became the finance of Miss Violet Edmands.

The confession came as a surprise 10 District Attorney Pelletier, who said Faces Death Sentence.

It was stated tonight that Richeson to death in the electric chair by no other alternative. The defense will rely upon a commutation of the sentence to imprisonment for life by Governor Foss and the executive coun-

The Confession. The confession which was written by Richeson in his cell in the Charles street jail last Wednesday is addressed to his counsel and reads as follows: Boston, January 3, 1912. John L. Lee, Esq.,

William, A. Morse, Esq. Philip R. Dunbar, Esq., Gentlemen: Deeply penitent for my sin and honestly desiring, as far as in

offense of which I stand indicted. I am moved to this course by no inbecement of self benefit or leniency. Henlous as is my crime, God has not wholly abandoned me, and my conscience and manhood, however depraved or blighted, will not admit of my still further wronging by a public event of disturbances. trial her whose pure, young life I

Under the lashings of remorse, have suffered and am suffering the tor-

have destroyed.

tures of the damued In this I find a measure of comfort. In my mental anguish I recognize that there is still the mercy of the Master, some remnant of the Divine spark of goodness still lingering with me. within prison 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. Not Insane.

After the publication of the confession District Attorney Pelletier announced that he would not accept any "Do you consider Richeson insane?

No, he is no more insane than you Then you do not consider the de-

fense will take the confession as the rallings of an insane man and base dollar corporation which was organits defense on insanity." I do not think reputable counsel in purpose of fighting the cracker trust, a case of this importance would give was thrown into bankruptcy today out a statement that Richeson had when a petition was filed against the

Attorney Makes Statement. Attorney John L. Lee of counsel to ticheson, following the issuance of the confession today, said:

was not the result of inducements or for thirty days.

The confession was inevitable. I

Eteps might be taken to save the young of the Federal Company. clergyman from the death penalty. Shocking Crime.

crime in a decade has attracte the Rev. Mr. Richeson, who gave to don, Bridgeport, Providence, Detroit, selves. They are holding thousands of and Vertrees of Tennessee, both of tee. the beautiful young choir singer cyan- South Bend, Ind., Philadelphia and meetings daily and nightly throughout whom claim to be members. This mising to her death firm in the belief that Montgomery, Ala. what he had given er was a remedy LAST MAN LIVING WHO that would keep her secret from the

The news of the confession flashed over Eoston with electric swiftness, came as a thrilling climax in this members of the Immanuel Baptist home on P. street, this city, of pawonderful murder mystery. Among the

heard the news, saying that they could first American president. not believe it.

Boston Minister Makes Clean father, Varland Richeson, at Amherst, Va. He had expressed his belief in Breast of His Black Crime - the innocence of his son, based on the accused man's personal assurances. Driven to Confession by the He is an old man and the blow, it is

feared, will shorten his life. The news of the confession was ephoned to the family of Moses / > Edmands at their home in Brc ? 1e by Richeson's counsel.

Members of the family denie & selves to all visitors this e Miss Violet Edmands, the shom Richeson was to have bee eleven days after the dea 3 Avis Linnell, is in hiding state. She left, it is 7 med, to avoid being called as itness at the trial of Richeson wanth was to have started a week from Monday next. She was sought during the past few days at Yonkers, N. Y., by subpoenae | servers but was not lo-

Talk of Lunacy Commission. It is hinted tonight taht Richeson's counsel plan to apply for a commission in lunacy to examine into the to whom he was engaged to be mar- mental condition of the minister. inis application will be based on his recent self-mutilation in the cell at the Charles street jail and the wording of his confession in which he asserts Richeson probably would be arraigned that he is "suffering the tortures of the damned.

If a lunacy commission should find would plead guilty of murder in the the defense will put their hopes in Richeson sane then the lawyers for Governor Foss and the executive coun-Judge Sanderson, the law providing tion of the sentence to imprisonment

Rebels Suffer Crushing Defeat

Tientsin, Jan. 6.-The last of the rebels have evacuated Lanchow after a crushing defeat by the three thousand imperial troops who were sent there to suppress the mutiny. The tracks to the northern railroad have been repaired and all traffic is now my power lays, to make atonement, I hereby confess that I am guilty of the moving. A Japanese detachment is guarding the Japanese section of the road and a British force has been dispatched to guard the British section. Each power, under the protocol of 1901, has the right to protect its own section of the railroad so as to afford foreigners a means of escape in the

TROUBLE MARKS STRIKE

ON FLORIDA ROAD

Miami, Fla., Jan. 6.—The first troufiremen and hostlers was reported here 1907 today as having taken place last night at Homesteady, south of Miami. R. M. Vandern, C. C. Clark, R. E. Kelly I could wish to live only because, and C. W. Bullridge, discharged firemen, chased a negro fireman strike breaker away from his engine and let the water out of the boiler. They confessed in court and were given suspended sentences of \$50 each for trespassing on the road's property. The sheriff has gone to Detroit, Fla., to investigate a report that an engine has been derailed by strikers.

Federal Biscuit Company Bankrupt

New York, Jan. 6.-The Federal tle fellow." Biscuit Company, a thirty million ized a year and a half ago for the confessed he is guilty if they consider- company by a number of small creditors who sought in vain to collect money due them.

Cornelius W. Wickersham was appointed receiver of the assets by Judge Hough. The receiver was given This confession was voluntary. It the power to carry on the business

any expectation of clemency. The The company was organized on man unburdens himself as he did be- August 1, 1910, under the laws of cause it did him good. He has thrown Delaware, and had a capital stock of limself upon the mercy of the court. \$30,000,000, of which \$12,000,000,000 he feels sorry for what he has done, was preferred and the remainder The confession was written by himself common stock. The purpose of the and in his own hand. He wrote it on a organization was to merge seventytable in his cell with a fountain pen eight of the independent biscuit during the visit of myself and Attor- plants scattered throughout the country. Its control stretched from Oregon to Maine. The president of the ernment has maintained a passive athave had more than 150 murder cases, concern is Charles Royce Ross. The but this case was different from any leading promoter and organizer of the of them. It was a singular state of company was Harwell B. Grubbs, who affairs. I think this is the best solu- was president of the Consumers' Bis- Prince Frederick William recently metroplis. But there is objection to cuit and Manufacturing Company of openly aligned himself, recognizing Chicago because the republican con-Mr. Lee refused to say what further this city. Mr. Grubbs is now secretary

stated that the Federal Biscuit Com- istic power. pany has branches in Wilmington, more general attention than that of Del.; Lawrence, Mass.; New Lon-

Washington, Jan. 6 .- John Lane, the last man living who saw George in the campaign. Washington's face, is dying at his

he has been mayor of Hickory Grove for twelve years. This is a record of the casket was opened and the boy, fast in the belief that he would be freed by the courts, wept when they heard the news courts, we have the courts and the news courts are the news courts and the news courts are the news courts and the news courts are the news court



EDMUND K. STALLO AND WIFE WHO ASKS FREEDOM

Cleveland, O., Jan. 6 .- Mrs. Edumund K, Stallo, former wife of Dan Hanna the son of the late Mark Hanna, i sdetermined to push her suit for divorce against her husband Edmund K. Stallo, the former Cincinnati lawyer, and now a resident of New York, for extreme cruelty and non-support. In the papers now on file, Mrs. Stalle alleges that her husband at times beat her, and later left her and went to reside in New York. Mr. Stallo is the father of Laura and Helena Stallo, the heiresses to the Alexander MacDonald, Standard Oil Magnate's fortune. Mrs Stallo has three sons by a former marriage.

Roosevelt THREE CITIES LaFollette Scores

Danville, Ill., Jan. 6.-Senator R. M. LaFollette vigorously scored Theodore Roosevelt today for permitting himself to be bluffed by the Wall ble in the strike of Florida East Coast Street financiers during the panic of

> "This much talked of panic of 1907 was simply a manufactured panic," said the Wisconsin Senator. There was no excuse for it. Do you I been president then? Well, I would have called the bluff and told every one of them I'd appoint a receiver for their banks if they did not stop. Deposits in all the banks in 1907 were upward of \$13,000,000,000. Every thing indicated financial soundness

> and business prosperity. "Wall Street is full of men doing tinued Senator LaFollette as he went little fellow, Morse, the banker, is in the penitentiary. That is what usually happens-they always get the lit-

> Senator LaFollette was greeted by a large crowd in this, the home town of Speaker Cannon.

Record Socialist Vote in German

here today by leaders who have just the committee have been held.

In the application filed today, it is ter attack upon the growth of social- mal demand and will be insistent.

augurated. Fiery speeches, impas- Monday. SAW GEORGE WASHINGTON. sioned pleas directed to the working classes, denunciation of wealth and war will mark the final declamations

SEABOARD COMPANY

Washington, Jan. 6.-Loud above the buzz and hum of political gossip that fills the corridors of every hotel rises the demand of three cities that they be allowed to entertain the democratic national convention. The question tonight is as far from settlement

The contention for the convention obscures any talk of candidates-it downs even the race for chairman of the important committee on arrangements which will do most of the affairs of the government in every dework after the meeting place nas been decided upon.

St. Louis is here with a former governor, a former mayor and a hun- costs. dred leading citizens, not to mention a hundred and forty thousand dollars. Denver makes a flat offer to pay all expenses and contribute \$40,-000 to the democratic campaign fund if the convention settles down to business within hailing distance of

And Baltimore, being handy by and able to shoot emissaries into Washington on every train, keeps the ears of the committee members busy ringng with arguments.

The committee meets at noon Mon-Berlin, Jan. 6 .- That a record so- day. It will do its work in the Shorecialist vote will be polled in the gen- ham, the chairman, Norman E. Mack, eral elections throughout Germany having preferred that caravanseral to next Friday was the prediction made the Willard where other meetings of this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock.

The socialist heads claim that their shift but not enough to start anything. present representation of fifty-four in The committee will probably need a the reichstag will be increased to 100. couple of days to come to a decision. have been unsuccessfully trying to banquet is to be held and the memhave the government inject issues in bers will not have time for much overthe campaign in an attempt to roll night discussion. Tuesday or possibly back the socialistic flood but the gov- Wednesday a selection will be made. Augustus Thomas is coming down here tomorrow and will put in a claim

Members of the radical wing of the for New York, and the Chicago people jingo" party, with which Crown will urge the claims of the western the intolerance of the socialists to- vention is going there, and New York, wards war, have been making a bit- it is understood, will make only a for-The only difference that the com-

mittee will have to settle as to been so active as the socialists them- bership is one between Mount Castle some of the members of the committhe empire and Monday will see a understanding the committee will arwhirlwind finish of the campaign in range before it begins actual work 'Squire Newell's

THE WEATHER

the execution of a plan by which all of the agencies working for increased immigration into the South may be able to cooperate and so to co-relate their respective efforts as to secure the best results.

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 6.-A movement expected to be of far-reaching im-

portance to the South, was inaugurated

in this city when at the invitation of Governor Crowthers, of Maryland, a conference of Southern governors and presidents of the railways of the South

was held for the consideration of im-

The matter was discussed in all its

bearings. Practical addresses were made by Governors Mann, of Virginia;

and by Presidents Finley, of the South-

ern Railway; Johnson, of the Norfolk

Blease, of South Carolina; Noel, of

Missisippi, and Hadley, of Missouri;

& Western; White, of the Richmond,

Fredericksburg & Potomac Railroad.

and others. Provisions were made for

the creation of a committee to be

composed of a representative of the

states of Alabama, Arkansas, Flordia,

Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mary-

land, Mississippi, Missouri, North Car-

essee, Texas, Virginia, and West Vir-

sentative of each transportation com-

migration into the South.

Washington, Jan. 6 .- A plan pracmethods of the entire federal government and placing all of its half million employes, with the exception of heads of important bureaus under the by the commission on economy and efficiency now in possession of President Taft. If the civil service recommendation is carried out it will have he effect of taking nearly all federal of political organizations held through

It is the purpose of the president to send the report to the senate accompanied by a message giving his approval to the recommendations it will make. The message is now practical- fore they succeed and unless they do ly complete. It will be taken up by the cabinet on Tuesday and submitted o congress a week from that date. In its report the committee shows overlap each other and produce duplication of effort that will amaze congress when the concrete facts are

As a basis for its labors the commission has made a map of the business partment showing even down to the individual, the amount of work he does, how it is done and what

laid before it.

Congress Took a

Washington, Jan. 6 .- There was no session of either branch of congress today, the senate having adjourned to Monday and the house to tomorrow at noon when tributes to the memory of former Senator Stephen B. Elkins, of West Virginia, will be paid.

The house did not meet today principally because the democratic caucus, the first of the session, was called for

Three congressional election contests were set for hearing by the house committee on elections No. 1, The contest of George B. McLean, democrat, against Representative Bowman, republican, from the eleventh Pennsylvania district. The contest of Rankin Wiley, democrat, for the seat of Representative, Hughes, republican, ton faculty unfriendly to Mr. Wilson from the fifth West Virginia district, and was photographed before it went will be heard January 27, and the on its way. This photograph has now contest of Frederick J. Crowley, dem- materialized, it is asserted to worry ocrat of Chicago, against Representa- Mr. Wilson. tive Wilson, from the third Illinois district, will be heard February 10.

tion investigating committee of the menting on the letter at that time he senate was held today, when the re- said: port of the committee was discussed "The opinion of Woodrow Wilson week together with the McNamara next week, because of the absence of

'Squire J. A. Newell, of Newell, has Washington, Jan. 6.-Fore- recently been appointed notary pub-HAS BEEN DISSOLVED. cast for Sunday and Monday: blic by the governor for the twelfth consecutive time, and if the good

To Bring Imigrants Democrats Reject Bryan's Suggestion Of Open Caucus

Paris, Jan. 6 .- Possibility of intervention in China is an absorbing topic olina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tenn- here but there is a general feeling nevertheless that nothing of a conginia, to be appointed by the govern- crete nature has developed to justify inors of the respective states; a repre-terference by the powers.

Among international banking circles pany operating in the same territory, the point has been raised that finanto be appointed by the presidents of cial groups and the powers might such companies—the governors of the join in a movement aiming at conserstates and the presidents of the trans- vation c. China's interests. One feaportation companies to be, ex-officio, ture of this probably would include members of this committee, and the the offer of substantial loans. chairman of the conference to name as

additional members of the committee not to exceed one man from each of Trial of Packers This committee is charged with the Drags Along luty of formulating and arranging for

Chicago, Jan. 6.-Practically the en- cus, but his resolution was voted down ire court session in the hearing of without ceremony. Then the comprothe beef trust cases today was devoted to an attempt on the part of the defense to induce Jerome H. Pratt sentatives Palmer, Underwood, and to change his opinion as to the au- Hardy, a committee named to inquire thenticity of the handwriting of J. Og- into the advisability of the public cauden Armour on correspondence touching "pool" operations of the beef trust

Borders to cross-examine Pratt, Ar- crats were opposed altogether to caumour's former confidential employe, cas publicity. It was ordained from before the direct examination was completed. Pratt was finally prepared to say that he could not swear that the notes were made by J. Ogden Armour, although the handwriting resembled that of the beef baron, and the letter tically revolutionizing the business on which the marginal notes appeared had been sent to him personally. Attorneys for the Swift group mov

ed that the letter be stricken from the evidence on the ground that even classified civil service is recommended if it were eviden of crim it implicated only Armour and did not support the contention of a close conspiracy among all the defendants.

In ruling on the point Judge Car penter laid down a definite measure omices out of politics and remove from to which the governmentm ust apply the leaders their present great control it case and indicated that a world of proof must be presented to support

the charges. The court said: "The government is obliged and will have to show in this case a combination or effort on thep art of some of the defendants or all of them beso that is an end to this case. And if they show the concerted action or inparty and then show a general situahat the work of different bureaus tion toward which each one of these parties has been working, it is for the jury to say whether, considering the result obtained and considering what the individuals did, there was an unlawful combination."

> FUNERAL OF ALFRED TENNYSON DICKENS.

New York, Jan. 6.-Funeral services for Alfred Tennyson Dickens, son of the late Charles Dickens, took place in Trinity church this afternoon. The named as journal clerk for future caubody lay in state prior to the services. nundreds of persons paid homage to the memory of the author's son. The Rest Saturday the memory of the author's son. The body was taken to a redeiving vault n Trinity cemetery pending final disposition. Trinity church has proffered a burial lot to Mr. Dickens' daugh-

Criticism of Biyan By Woodrow Wilson

Washington, Jan. 6 .- A letter said to contain caustic criticism of W. J. Bryan, written by Woodrow Wilson, while he was president of Princeton committee will take up January 13 the University, to A. H. Joline, of New rork, aroused more than a little interest among the democratic visitors to Washington this afternoon.

The letter, it is stated, fell into the hands of a member of the Prince-

Mr. Bryan is reported to have heard of Mr. Wilson's criticism no A meeting of the Stephenson elec- less than eight months ago. In com-

informally and action postponed until as president of Princeton College is brothers and Ortic E. McManigal, but row Wilson, candidate for the presi- mick intimates that arrests of other dential nomination, is another. I do men might occur both in San Frannot believe he would say now what cisco and Los Angeles at any time. he is reported to have said then, and the letter does not matter."

Enviable Record Virginia Radicals Endorse Roosevelt

North Carolina, snow or rain the body of Washington was moved from the old tomb at Mount Vernon from the old tomb at Mount Vernon to its present resting place near the body of the women who had placed the casket was opened and the boy.

North Carolina, snow or rain the squire lives until August next he will have been a magistrate for twenty-six. Aside from the seventh district of Virginia ty-six. Aside from the above recommendate the will have been a magistrate for twenty-six. Aside from the above recommendate the hand-specific to its present resting place near the hand-specific to i pledged for Roosevelt.

Vote was Overwhelmingly Against Plan That All Party Councils of Democratic Party be Open to Press And Public-103 to 2.

darrison Led Fight For Resolution - Compromise Measure Adopted Providing for Journal of Caucus Proceedings-Slap at Bryan.

Washington, Jan. 6.-The suggestion of William Jennings Bryan that all party councils of the democratic party should be open to the press and public was overwhelmingly rejected tonight by the democrats of the house in caucus. The caucus, by a vote of 103 to 2, adopted a compromise plan which merely provides that a "journal"

of caucus proceedings shall be kept. Representative Harrison, of Mississippi, led the fight for an open caumise resolution, prepared by Reprecus, was presented and adopted.

The democrats discussed the caucus The court allowed Attorney W. M. rule for three hours. A few demothe beginning, however, that the plan agreed upon by the house leaders should go through and the rank and file fell into line nicely for the final

The resolution adopted reads: "Resolved that the caucus shall keep journal of its proceedings, which shall be published after each meeting. and the yeas and nays on any question shall, at the desire of one-fifth of those present, be entered on the journal." The "journal" plan is something new

in the caucus line and members of the press are unable to see where it will prove of any material use, since it is not provided that the journal shall contain a record of the speeches made or of any factional difference that sometimes enliven party councils. Again Slap Bryan.

After again slapping Mr. Bryan in the face the democratic caucus adjourned without taking up the tariff or other party problems. The caucus confirmed the nominations of the "steering committee" assignments: Representative Stephens, of Nedividual action, if you please, of each braska, to the committee on accounts and committee on Indian affairs: Representative Taggart, of Kansas, to the committee on agriculture and the committee on expenditures in the treasury: Representative McKellar, of Tennes see, to the committee on military affairs and the committee on railways and canals. The foregoing are all new members of the house, elected to fill vacancies caused by death. Representative Redfield, of New York, already a member of two committees, was given a place also on invalid pensions.

Burns Released on Habeas Corpus

James J. O'Brien of Jersey City, was

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 6 .- Federal Judge A. B. Anderson today issued a writ of habeas corpus releasing Detective William J. Burns from the custody of the county authorities. His bondsmen had surrendered him to the county criminal court, where he stands indicted on the charge of kidnapping J. J. McNamara.

The writ is returnable on January 11 when the case will be argued before Judge Anderson. Burns will offer the plea that in removing J. J. McNamara to Los Angeles he was acting within the provisions of the federal statutes and cannot be prosecuted.

Two More Blanket Indictments. Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 6.-Two more blanket indictments were returned today by the federal grand jury in the nation-wide dynamite conspiracy case. Three additional charges are enumerated in the new bilis against Olaf Tveitmce, Anton Johannsen, E. A. Clancy and J. E. Munacy, the labor leaders indicted last

The weather man stands vindicated -it snowed-snowed right, beginning