

recall anybody that I have spoken to in reference to it.

2 Have you talked with Mr. Leasure in regard to this strap-
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Ans sir.

2 Have you talked with Stephen A. Reed in regard to this clipping?

Ans sir.

2 Never in your life?

Ans sir. - I will recall that, and say that I spoke to Stephen Reed in reference to this case, but not in reference to the whipping.

2 What did you say to Stephen Reed in regard to this case. State your conversation with him, where it was and when?

2 I asked him how he was getting along with the affair, whether it was going to prove serious to him or not. I didn't say anything about the whipping.

2 How many times did you converse

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with him in regard to this matter?

Q Only once.

Q When was that?

A Well, I can't recall the exact date. I think it was the day before yesterday. I was going down town in the evening and he was just coming out of his house to come up up here.

Q Are you sure now that in that conversation you said nothing in any way to convey to him the meaning that there had been men whipped or slapped or clipped or anything of this kind, in this prison?

A No sir, I did not.

Q Or that you knew something which you might tell?

A No sir.

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J. H. McBride, M.D.
being duly sworn, testified as follows

Examination by
Commissioner A. M. Jones.

Q What is your name?

A J. H. McBride.

Q What position, if any, do you now occupy as a public officer in this County?

A I am the Coroner of this County.

Q Have you had an inquest in this prison within the last year? If so, state when and what that investigation was?

A I have. It was the 9th and 10th of May of this year.

Q What was the name of the convict, and his color?

A His name was Gus. Reid; he was a colored man - a negro.

365- Q Was there a post mortem ex-

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amination in that case?

Yes sir.

2 Conducted by whom, and who was present?

It was conducted by Doctor Dougall, and myself, and Dr. Heise was present, and Doctor Dripps was present, and State Attorney Henderson was present, and yourself [Commissioner A. M. Jones] and Major McClaughry were present part of the time.

2 During that post mortem examination, did you discover any bruises or marks on the body of this convict?

Yes sir.

2 Describe to the Board of Commissioners, as near as you can, what you saw!

Well, they were superficial marks. I noticed one especially that my attention was drawn to on the thigh. That showed a mark just exactly the middle of this strap, and it was well defined.

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At the time we did not know what had made it, but on subsequently finding that strap, we very reasonably came to the conclusion, I think, that it was made with the strap, and there were some marks on the buttocks.

Q Have you ever seen that ^{strap} ~~mark~~ before. If so, state when?

A That was produced at the time of the inquest.

Q What was the testimony in regard to that strap - that it had ever been used upon the person of this convict?

A Yes sir, that it was the one that Mr. Reed said he used.

Q What is your profession?

A A Physician and Surgeon.

Q How long have you been a physician and surgeon.

A Four years.

Q What, in your opinion now as a Physician, caused the marks or marks that you saw upon

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the person of this convict?

Q Well, I am pretty sure that one of them was made with this strap, the one I speak of on his thigh. The other marks were not defined, they were not just of a certain width but seemed to be more excoriations upon the thighs, and I think there was some higher up across his back.

Q When did you first discover these marks?

Q I think I discovered them when we went to make the post-mortem examination. I did not notice them when I first saw the deceased convict because his clothes were on him at that time, when he was first stripped I saw the marks. It was on the morning that the inquest began.

Q ~~When~~ If you had known of the existence of this strap, and that it had been used upon another

convinced, would you have come to any conclusion at that time as to what had caused this mark or the marks. I ask you now your opinion, as a Physician?

2 If I had known of the existence of this strap, and known that it had been used, I think I should have been of the opinion that it was formed by the strap. I thought at the time that it was caused by something was said about it being produced by him lying on some shavings there, but we didn't think very much of it at the time. It was thought of very little, in fact but thinking over it afterwards, and I remember that Mr. Flinders at the time took out his rule, and measured the width of the mark on his thigh. It was so plain that he could measure the width