

# 70 YEAR OLD CONVICT CONFESSES MURDER OF WIFE AFTER HALF CENTURY IN PRISON

### Story of Two Women and a Man Told After 50 Years—Freedom Tomorrow, Perhaps.

(By United Press.)  
WETHERSFIELD, Conn., Dec. 20.—In the dark state prison here, a septuagenarian is waiting, quivering with hope, for what the next day may bring him. Tomorrow he will know whether he will leave the prison a free man, in answer to the eloquence of ex-Governor McLean, who pleaded for him, or whether he will again take up the burden of dull, hopeless days, such as he has known for the last half century.

The old man is John Warren, for fifty years known as Convict No. 1.  
Silent About It Fifty Years.  
At his trial so long ago and all the years that have followed, Warren has kept silence as to the reason he murdered his wife. Only today, when he believed himself practically free, did he decide to tell anything of his tragedy. His was the old story. There were two women, and the man found himself drawn into the vortex of his passions until he attempted in desperation to solve the puzzle by usurping a right of the Almighty and take a human life, his wife's, the woman in the way.

"You don't think I'm wrong to tell this, after so long a time, do you?" he asked wistfully. "They're all gone now except me. It can't harm them for folks to know who it was, and some way, I'd like others to know it wasn't all my fault—how the devil gripped me that day—and why.

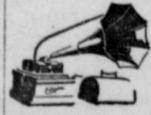
The Old Story of Two Girls.

"There were two girls. One of them I loved with all my strength and I was engaged to be married to her. But I was young and life was good, and I took whatever it offered me. Before I realized what had happened, I found myself entangled with the other girl. Then her brothers and her father came to me and told me I must marry her. I did, but what happiness could there be when my whole heart, my life, was another's and I knew she loved me? God! I have never forgotten how she looked when I went to her and told her I must give her up. But I honestly did my best to forget her and to do my best by the girl who was my wife. The other girl came and urged me to leave my wife. She said she still loved me.

Then Came the Murder.  
"It all came about so suddenly I never have been able to realize it except as a bad nightmare. I never meant to free myself in the

way I did—no, not that way—but the devil that got in my blood and my youth that cried out for the woman I loved had their way. The time and opportunity came unexpectedly. The day was hot and as I looked in the water and glanced around and saw that no one was near. The wild thought that ruined my life came to me. 'Suppose—suppose anything should happen to her here in the water.' I seized her. She laughed.  
"I'm going to duck you," I told her. She struggled only slightly. "You'll ruin my clothes," she protested. But I already had plunged her under the sparkling surface long enough to know how easy it would be to hold her there—longer.  
"Don't Be So Rough," She Said.  
"John, don't play so rough," she protested as I let her up. Then I looked at the woman who had caused all my trouble. I thought of my sweetheart, and the wild blood surged. It blinded me and stunned me. I seized her again

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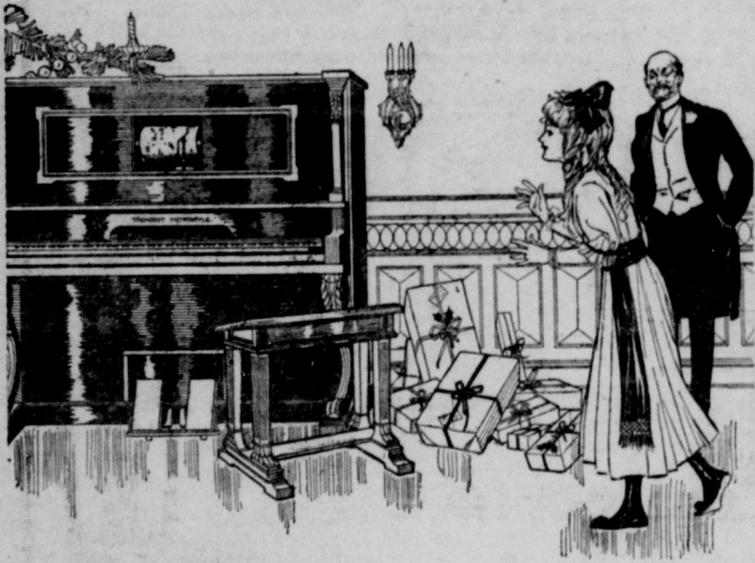
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and held her head under the water. For a few moments only she struggled, then lay limp. As the realization of what I had done came to me I cried aloud. I dragged her body to the bank and laid it there among the daisies and then, after vainly trying to restore her to life, I fled.  
"All was dark and I was almost bereft of reason. I never have spoken of it since."

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- \$17.50 French Lynx Set. .... \$9.98
- \$5 Silk Petticoats \$3.98

First quality Isabella Fox Fur Set, lined with best Skinner's satin and trimmed with heads and tails. The Scarf is the large shawl effect so stylish this season, with a large rug muff to match.

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- Men's Purest Linen Kerchiefs, our own importation, right from the "Old Sod." Special. 2 for ..... 25c
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- Silk Initial Handkerchiefs, large size, such as a man wants; all ..... 3 for 25c
- Letters ..... 3 for 25c
- Suspenders. Best: Silk Webbing Suspenders and Armlets in a box for giving. Special ..... 89c
- Men's and Boys' Gift Sweater Coats in boxes, in the popular Oxford red trimmed, also blue. Special prices at—  
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- Men's All-Wool Goose-Neck Sweaters, white, gray or cardinal; pay \$4.00 for these at the athletic and exclusive men's stores. But at London's only ..... \$2.98
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- Shepherd's Plaids, 2-3 wool; black and white, all size checks, and 42 inches wide. Don't pay 75c, we charge only ..... 50c
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- Christmas Bright School Plaids, the glory of the wearing art; looks like silk and wool, 36-inch. Don't pay 25c 45c. London cuts it ..... 25c
- Give a Dress Pattern! All Styles, Colors, Widths, Fabrics, Stripes, Checked, Splashed, Dotted and Plain Dress Goods in all lengths; a mountain of them, and so cheap, listen! Prices range from \$3.95 per dress pattern down to ..... 63c
- CHRISTMAS SATINS 10c All the pretty and high colors. Special for holidays, per quarter yard ..... 10c

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- For Christmas there is nothing more acceptable than Gloves.
- Ladies' 2-Clasp Kid Gloves, all colors and black, every size, good fitters and wearers. For special Christmas selling, a pair ..... 98c
- Dent's 2-Clasp Kid Gloves for ladies, all colors and sizes. Special for Christmas, not \$1.75 a pair, but ..... \$1.22
- Dent's Real French Kid Gloves in all sizes and colors, embroidered backs; elegantly made. Why pay \$2.50 when London sells them ..... \$1.48
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- Ladies' Gauntlet Gloves, stylishly made, leather cuffs and frills; worth 98c a pair. Special ..... 59c
- Ladies' and Misses' Gait Gloves in hundreds of colors, all sizes; regular value to \$6. Extra special, your choice ..... 25c

## Ribbon

- Fancy Dresden, Plaid and Check Ribbons, also Satin, Taffeta, Mohr and Plain Silk Ribbons, up to 6 inches wide; value to 49c. Tues. a yard ..... 25c
- 5-Yard Bolt of Wash Ribbon, sizes 1, 1 1/2, 2; in white, pink and blue; regular 4c a yard. Tuesday, a bolt (5 yards) ..... 10c
- Fancy All-Silk Ribbon for decorating, in plain colors; regular 7c. Tuesday, a yard ..... 4c

## BAGS

- Ladies' Hand Bags, 2-strap handles, two side pockets and envelope slide, black only. Extra special. 49c
- All-Leather Hand Bags with riveted leather-covered frame, in brown as well as a big line of travelers' samples of Hand Bags; value to \$1.98. Special ..... 98c
- Note following prices of Better Bags:  
Black Hand Bag, leather lined; worth \$2.00. \$1.25
- \$2.50 Leather Hand Bags, excellent goods. \$1.49
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## Knitted Slippers

- Ladies' Fancy Knitted Slippers, all colors, sizes 3 to 7. Special ..... \$1.10

## Ladies' Sweater Coats

- Ladies' Sweater Coats, knee length, finely knitted of pure wool, white or cardinal red; regular \$6.00 value. \$4.50
- Ladies' All-Wool "Made in Seattle" Double-Breasted Coat Sweaters, red, white or Oxford gray; regular \$4.50 value. For ..... \$3.50
- Girls' and Misses' Fine Wool Double-Breasted Coat Sweaters, 2 pockets, red or gray; any girl would be proud to own one; regular \$2.48 \$3.00 value. For ..... \$2.48

## 2 Special Lots of Sweaters

- Lot 1—Values to \$4.00. \$2.98
- Ladies' Wool Sweaters, coat style or with fitted waist; splendid assortment of finely knit or fancy weave Sweaters. Lot 2—Values to \$3.00. For ..... \$1.98
- Ladies' and Misses' Wool Sweater Coats, red, white or Oxford gray and a few combinations. Children's Wool Sweaters that run up to 98c. A clean-up price on this lot ..... 48c

## Don't Forget Your Other Wants

- It Is a Saving to Buy Here Now
- Eiderdown—All-Wool Eiderdown 28 inches wide, solid colors; 45c value. Sale price, yard ..... 35c
- Flannelettes—Fleeced-Back Printed Flannelettes for kimonos, etc.; 29 inches wide; 12 3/4c value. Sale price, yard ..... 7c
- Bedspreads—White Crochet Bedspreads, all large size. Sale prices \$1.69, \$1.47, \$1.19, 97c and ..... 83c
- Comforts—Large Size Comforts, over 200 to choose from; worth from \$4.50 to \$1.00. Sale price \$3.15 to ..... 89c
- Blankets—Fine Wool Blankets, large 11-4 size for double bed, in grays and tans with pretty combination borders; a regular \$6.50 Blanket. Sale price, per pair ..... \$4.89
- Outing Flanneles—Light Colored Outing Flanneles, 28 inches wide; big assortment of stripes, checks, etc.; worth 10c. Sale price, yard ..... 6c
- Baby Blankets—White Crib Blankets with pink or blue borders. Sale price, each ..... 19c
- Wool Shawls, Tapestry Table Covers, Linen Scarfs and Center Pieces—These all can be bought cheaper at London's during this sale.

## Umbrellas

- You cannot do better than to buy a nice Umbrella, and we carry the best values in the city.
- Ladies' Umbrellas, best American top, strong frame and steel rod, boxwood and many metal and fancy handles; regular prices \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75. Special Christmas selling, your choice ..... 98c
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- Special for gifts ..... \$1.25
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