he said he'd better gag him again or not—but I gagged him any way. The first time I gagged him he acted as though he was going to faint, and took the gag out of his mouth, and the second time I gagged him the buckle piece out of the strap. When I gagged him the second time, in gagging him he closed his mouth, and I had to force the gag into his mouth. I pulled down on his teeth to force it in. I put the gag in, and held the strap in my hand so it wouldn't slip out as the buckle has slipped out of the strap until Mr. Sleeper came. When Mr. Sleeper, the Assistant Deputy came, he asked the man if he would behave himself if I took the gag out, and the man either said he wouldn't or nodded his head, and then Mr. Sleeper told me to
take the gag out, and I did so. 

A while after that—I cannot say how long, but it was not a great while—the men commenced bellowing again and making noise—making the same noise, and I strapped him.

Did you try to pacify him in any manner to stop his or talk to him?

I did, sir. Before I gagged him each and every time. I gagging men I always ask them—in the first place I always talk to them before I put the gag in their mouths and tell them what the consequences will be in case they do not stop making a noise. I tell them the gag will be used if they don't stop their noise.

Do you, whenever they signify that they will stop their voice, immediately take the
gag out?

Oyez sir. I ask them if they will stop making a noise; if I will take the gag out, and if they say they will, I may let me know in any way. I take the gag out. When I went to strap this man, one reason why I strapped him was—two reasons I strapped Harris in the first place was. Mr. May has thought the man was playing insane, and the reason I strapped Reid—two reasons was because the buckle of my gag had slipped out, and another reason was I thought the man was playing insane, the two cases being a good deal alike.

2. How many men who are officers of this prison, and what are their names that you know, knew of the whipping of the first convent? Thomas
Harris!

The Deputy Warden, Mr. Mapley, Doctor Dripps, the hospital steward, Doctor Reise, the prison physician, and I think I told Captain Sleeper, the Assistant Deputy Warden, and Mr. fridge, the night guard in the solitary.

Will you describe the strap that you strapped him with? Take your time and take your time, and describe that.

The strap itself is about two feet long and about an inch wide, thus it is fastened on to a soft wood handle. This strap, I suppose, was used before in shackling men to keep up the shackle—to put around the man's waist to keep him shackled. The handle is six and a half inches long. It is about an inch thick at the large end and tapers down to about half an inch thick at the
The most precious part of it.

Who made it?
I made it, Sir.

How many officers or em-
ployees in this prison ever
saw that strap before the
convict bus Reis died?

Doctor Keene saw it. Doctor
Kripps saw it, and I am not
sure but I think Mr. Keane
saw it.

Where did you keep it the
most of the time?

It has it locked up in a lock-
box a part of the time, and
part of the time in a bucket
in a closet cell in the poli-
temp. A bucket of water. The

Closet is in a room that is
kept aside for the use of the
solitary guard, in which are
kept shackles, and different
jumars used in the prison.

What subject did you have in
keeping it in a bucket of
water?
1. To make it pliable - to make it limber.
2. Did you have any objection in keeping it in a bucket of water for the purpose of having it inflict a heavier blow?
3. I don't know that I thought of that at all.
4. How many officers or employees of the prison knew that it was used for whipping convicts, and their names?
5. Doctor Heron, the prison physician. Doctor Snyders, the hospital physician. Mr. Beamer knew that one of the convicts knew that one has been used.
6. Do you know of any other officers connected with this prison who knew that it was used for that purpose, if so, who?
7. The deputy warden knew that I have this strap, or at least...
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He ordered me to strap the man, but I don't know whether he knew anything about this strap or not.

I have you any reason to believe that he knew of this strap in that form?

No sir, I have not.

When was the strap made?

I had it finished about ten minutes after I got the order from the Deputy to strap Harris.

Have you ever seen a similar instrument, or were you given any direction by any person connected with this prison, how to make this strap?

I have been guards speak of straps that they used in other prisons, that is all.

Have you any reason to believe that the Board of Commissioners on the Warden knew of this whipping?

Well, this is all I know about