...
strapped I should certainly be present, because that is a thing that is abortly against the law, and I don't think I should ask anybody to do any duty not for me.

Have you known, ever since you were Deputy Master of this prison the last time, that it was in violation of the law.

It was, the first and the last a brutal violation.

Warden McLaughry, what you are testifying to now is in relation to the first day that Harris was strapped.

Yes sir, the first day.

Did you know of Reed having strapped him up in the Court Solitary the second day about which he testifies.

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He never reported it.

"He never reported any case to me that he had strapped a man. I was present here all the day that he was whipping the man."

"You mean you were in your office or in the yard?"

"I was on the premises, somewhere, I was liable to be, but I never knew it until Doctor Dripps came up and told me about it about five o'clock when he makes his regular rounds."

"Did you know anything about the strapping that Mr. Reed gave convicts Harris the second day up in the Court on solitary until you heard him testify to it here?"

"Never in the world."
I had never seen him. I was just a boy back then, never much older. I was just a kid, but I remember. The memory is still clear.

I was at school every day. We had a regular routine. The teachers were always strict. I remember the days I was late. I had to run to school to avoid being late.

I was just a kid, but I remember. The memory is still clear.
q. Did you ever order any man strafed, or lashed or struck since you have been deputy warden?

q. I never did, sir, in no case whatever.

q. Have you ever struck a man except in self defence what might be properly called self defence or to prevent his escape?

q. Never.

q. Have you ever permitted it to be done by your subordinates?

q. No sir, never, in no case whatever.

Commissioner C.W. Jones. How long have you been in prison life as an officer, or guard or keeper?

Since the 5th day of October, 1845. Taking out about three years.

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long experience as a prison official of controlling the noise and keeping an unruly noisy convic tractable with the words you use in this prison?

I do not, sir.

There has been a statement made that men have been in cells here four or five days and nights in succession. Will you now state to the Board of Commissioners if anything of that kind has occurred during your administration as Deputy warden in this prison?

I know of no case of the kind. How to explain that.

In a severe case I might order a man into isolation any time during the day. What I mean by that is ordering him to the door. It has been described.
half a dozen times, I would only to the day guard to leave him in iron. Perhaps he would be insolent or a little noisy and before going to bed I would say to the captain of the night watch: such a man is in iron, if he is quiet and will promise to keep still, I have said to him that he shall stand all night if he did not keep still, but if he is still, let him down.” In the morning I enquire about the case and get the report that he had let him down and that he had slept so long, sometimes he would get a rest and then commence his vociferous and he has been put back again, and he would likely to be found in iron.
I went up a flag pole and tied a rope around it, which allowed me to swing across the gap.

It was a very luscious tree with many leaves.

After the game ended, we gathered around the tree and ate the fruit.

There were three of us who were looking for a place to hide from the rain.

I don't know if I'll ever find a place like that again.

I wish it was still raining.

The leaves were wet and heavy.

I'm not sure if it will rain again.
in the morning, I think I can call three men that are on the premises who will be here by half past nine - all of them, referring to Captain Sawyer, Captain Luke and Captain McEoin, as we termed them, 'captain of the night watch.' Those three when I can call upon, and if it necessary perhaps refer to the cases.

I ask you if there has ever been in your administration as deputy warden of this precinct a single instance in which a man has been issued all day and all night in succession.

Yes sir.

Have there ever been cases in which a man has been issued two days and two nights?
I'm not sure what the content of the page is. It appears to be handwritten in cursive. If you can provide a transcription, I can help you with the text.
Yes, I should judge not.

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been cases where the doc-

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perfect safety until he is

obviated, and it is the