

not doubt that, had this very case come before either of the Chief Judges who decided those cases, the application would have been refused, as it was in each of the cases I have mentioned. . . .

The strictness of the practice against admitting to bail in murder cases under ordinary circumstances, especially after bill found, is maintained through all the cases, that I have read, in this country, in England, in Ireland, and in the United States of America; and, though it may be that, having regard to the growing wider range and efficiency of the extradition laws generally, and other circumstances making escape from justice more difficult, as well as growing greater regard for the liberty of the subject not convicted of crime, that strictness may be somewhat mitigated in time, the cases as they stand compel me to refuse this application now: but that will not prevent a further application being made and being successful, if other circumstances arise favouring it sufficiently to admit the prisoner to bail without disregarding the decided cases.

CORRECTION.

In RE HICKEY, ante 142, at p. 144, lines 8 and 12, for "rightly" read "roughly."