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### Welland Slayer Admits His Guilt and Dies Calmly

"Jesus Lover of My Soul" Drags Camfield's Confession - Calls on Crime-Killed Wealthy Farmer On Christmas Day And Buried Body. William Camfield, confessed murderer of Albert Morningstar, last Christmas morning, was hanged in Welland jail this morning at 5:30 standard time.

Archdeacon Perry and Captain Johnson of the Salvation Army were with the doomed man from midnight until the hour of execution. The confession was made to the two spiritual advisers on Tuesday evening, after Camfield had stoically maintained his innocence and again repudiated the confession he had signed before Chief Jones of Crowland last January.

It was during the singing of "Jesus Lover of My Soul," by the Clergyman and Salvation Army officer broke down and admitted his guilt. The weeping young man and woman against strange drink and immorality, declaring these to have been the cause of his downfall. "I also warn you all to attend some place of worship. Had I done so I would have had sufficient light to guide me. Avoid all bad habits and live each day as if it were the last."

**Cried For Mother.**  
After the confession, Camfield partly drew the curtain on his relatives whom he had previously refused to refer to. He stated that his father died when he was a child and he was given over to a home in England, coming to this country with some other children 20 years ago. He believes that his mother and three sisters, Elsie, Maud and Lily, are still alive in England, although he has not heard from them for some time. He repeatedly cried for his mother whom he said he had intended to bring out to this country this year, but was unable to locate her.

Under the direction of Sergeant Ellis, the execution worked smoothly. Only a few police and officials and one newspaperman witnessed the hanging. Camfield walked up the steps of the scaffold, and without any guiding hand he placed his feet on the trapdoor, evidently having schooled himself beforehand. His hands were tied behind his back but his legs were not pinioned.

The black cap was adjusted by Ellis. Camfield submitted without a tremor. A guard, whose duty it was to hold his hand on his shoulder, said there was not a tremor of the man's body. He was not asked if he wished to say anything and he did not speak a word on the scaffold. The trap was sprung, the body shot down, and those nearby heard the neck crack. Some thought it was the scaffolding creaking. Seven minutes after the trap was sprung the physician in attendance pronounced the heart still.

**Callous Planned Crime.**  
Camfield's crime was a peculiarly callous one. There are reasons for supposing he had planned the whole thing away ahead seeing the opportunity offered by a man like Morningstar, living alone, seldom visited and having a big bank account. On Christmas morning last he killed Morningstar with a shovel.

Camfield says they had a quarrel, but this may be fiction used to try and excuse his act. He poured coal oil on the woodwork and set the house on fire and placed the body near where the fire was hottest, then, taking all handy valuables and Morningstar's bank book, he left the place. At first it was supposed to be an accident, and that Morningstar had been burned to death when his house caught fire. This theory might have persisted had not a bank manager at Dunville, to whom Camfield applied, presenting a large cheque, signed with the name of Morningstar and claiming to be Morningstar himself, become suspicious and telephoned to Welland. He was informed Morningstar had been burned to death in his home. Camfield's arrest followed, and he subsequently confessed the murder. Afterwards he repudiated the confession but the jury at Welland found him guilty. Efforts were made by his lawyer to have Camfield's sentence commuted to life imprisonment, but the circumstances surrounding the murder were so cruel and callous that they met with little sympathy by the public.

**Buried In Jail Yard.**  
Camfield's body was immediately viewed by a watching coroner's jury and as no relatives can be found, it was buried in the jail yard. Camfield, who has been looked after by Captain Johnston of the Salvation Army, asked the Army to try and locate his mother. He was a Barnado boy, born in Whitechapel, England, it is understood, 28 years ago.

As far as could be noticed by the death watch, Camfield appeared to sleep soundly after midnight.

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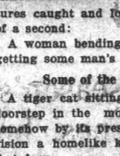
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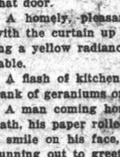
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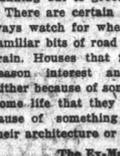
Don't you love the little glimpses of homes you get from the window of a moving train? There is something fascinating to me about these little pictures caught and lost in the passing of a second.



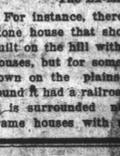
A woman bending over a stove, getting some man's supper. Some of the glimpses. A tiger cat sitting on a shabby doorstep in the morning sun, and somehow by its presence making you vision a homelike kitchen back of that door.



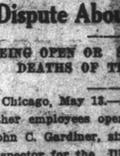
A homely, pleasant living room with the curtain up and a lamp casting a yellow radiance on a reading table. A flash of kitchen windows with a bank of geraniums on the window sill.



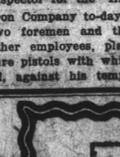
A man coming home, going up the path, his paper rolled up in his hand, a smile on his face, and a little girl running out to greet him. There are certain houses that I always watch for when I pass over familiar bits of road in the railroad train. Houses that for some special reason interest and intrigue me.



Either because of some glimpse of the home-life that they shelter, or because of something unusual about their architecture or their position. The Ex-Mansion. For instance, there is the big grey stone house that should have been built on the hill with the other grand houses, but for some reason was put down on the plains and presently found it had a railroad for a neighbor.



It is surrounded now with small frame houses, with rather disreputable suitor. The police said they learned that Gardner and his two victims—R. W. Wilcox, 64, and Herman Krause, 41, had quarreled because the two men insisted that a window be left open, while Gardner maintained he had a cold and the air would make it worse.



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Citizens are asked to have all backyards cleaned, and the garbage placed in convenient receptacles in front of their dwellings, so that it may be removed by the Sanitary Department.

The Council will be glad to avail of any assistance from owners of horses, carts, motor trucks, etc., who are prepared to place same at the service of the City for this purpose. Any persons who wish to give such assistance will please communicate with the City Clerk or Sanitary Supervisor by Tuesday next, 20th instant, at 5 o'clock p.m.

J. J. MAHONY, City Clerk.

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