

crimes, but a man of high intellect and wonderful endowments which, if directed in the right line, bring honor and glory if those same faculties and talents are perverted and not controlled, as was the case with this man, they will carry him down. Look at McCue, the mayor of Charlottesville; a man of such reputation that the people elevated him to the head of that municipality; but notwithstanding that good reputation, he didn't have rock bed character, and becoming tired of his wife, he shot her in the bath tub, and the jury of gallant and noble and courageous Virginia gentlemen, notwithstanding his good character, send him to a felon's grave. Richeson, of Boston, was a preacher, who enjoyed the confidence of his flock. He was engaged to one of the wealthiest and most fascinating women of Boston, but an entanglement with a poor little girl, of whom he wished to rid himself, caused this man, Richeson, to so far forget his character and reputation and his career, as to put her to death: And all these are cases of circumstantial evidence. And after conviction, after he had fought, he at last admitted it, in the hope that the Governor would at last save his life, but he didn't do it, and the Massachusetts jury and the Massachusetts Governor were courageous enough to let that man who had taken that poor girl's life to save his reputation as the pastor of his flock, go, and it is an illustration that will encourage and stimulate every right thinking man to do his duty. Then, there's Beattie, Henry Clay Beattie, of Richmond, of splendid family, a wealthy family proved good character, though he didn't possess it, took his wife, the mother of a twelve month's old baby, out automobiling, and shot her; yet that man, looking at the blood in the automobile, joked, joked, joked. He was cool and calm, but he joked too much; and although the detectives were abused and maligned, and slush funds to save him from the gallows were used, in his defense a courageous jury, and honest jury a Virginia jury, measured up to the requirements of the hour and sent him to his death; thus putting old Virginia and her citizenship on a high plane. And he never did confess, but left a note to be read after he was dead, saying that he was guilty. Crippen, of England, a doctor a man of high standing, recognized ability and good reputation,