

LEE SARE BO

Consul Bee and Attorney Ferrall Intercede for Him.

Judge Ferrall and Consul Bee are interceding themselves to have Governor Waterman commute Lee Sare Bo's sentence to imprisonment for life. They insist that his conviction was secured by perjury of the most flagrant character. Chief Crowley has signed the petition for a commutation, and an answer is expected to-day. Meanwhile Sheriff McMann is going on with his preparations for the execution, which is set for to-morrow morning.

The Sheriff says that if those people who seem to take such a deep interest in Lee Sare Bo's case now had manifested the same interest several months ago they could have accomplished much more good. "I don't believe," said Sheriff McMann, "in these humanitarians coming in at the last hour. The Supreme Court took a year or two to examine the case, and these people want the Governor to go through the whole thing in about two days. Why it is absurd. I would like to have one thing settled, however, if the unfortunate man is going to be commuted. Let him know it as soon as possible. Expecting it every day gives him a thousand deaths, and it is a piece of unmitigated cruelty. Let the poor fellow know at once whether he is going to die or be allowed a respite."

Lee Sare Bo passed a restless night. He paced up and down his cell, pausing now and then to listen when there was a rap at the iron doors for admittance, in the hope that the visitor would be a messenger with a reprieve. The messenger longed for with so much anxiety did not arrive, however. "My only hope is in God and the Governor," said Lee to a *CHRONICLE* reporter. "I will wait and hope." After saying this he turned to his crucifix on the mantel in the cell and studied with devout attention some religious pictures on the wall above the crucifix.

At 1:30 o'clock this morning a report was received in the city that the Governor refused the Bo petition for a commutation of sentence. The Governor's reasons for his action were not given. The news was brought to the condemned man, who, on hearing it, replied: "Well, my last hope is gone. I am ready to die, but I will die innocent. The whole thing is a put-up job by highbinders."