Stinie Morrison

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HUNGER-STRIKING CONVICT'S DEATH AT PARKHURST.

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HEART ATTACK ENDS SLOW STARVATION OF NOTORIOUS PRISONER

On Tuesday the Deputy-Coroner (F. A. Joyce, Esq.) held an inquest at the H.M. Convict Prison, Parkhurst, on the body of Stinie Morrison, 39, a notorious convict undergoing a life sentence for the murder of Leon Beron, at Clapham Common, over 10 years ago. Morrison died suddenly under extraordinary circumstances.

The death recalls one of the most sensational of London's recent murder trials. Beron was killed by a blow with an iron bar. A letter "S" had been cut on his cheek, and it was suggested that this was "schpick," the Russian word for a spy, Morrison had been previously convicted, in the name of Morris Stein. At the time of the crime there were some remarkable anarchist conspiracies in the East End of London, which culminated in the famous "siege of Sidney-street." The evidence against Morrison was as complete as circumstantial evidence could be, but he passionately protested his innocence, and great petitions were presented for his reprieve.

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STINIE MORRISON'S BURIAL

Stinie Morrison, who was convicted of the murder of Louis Beron on New Year's Day, 1911, and who died in Parkhurst Prison after hunger striking for ten days, will be buried on Saturday at Carisbrooke Cemetery. The local vicar will officiate unless friends intervene.

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