

RECEIVES LETTER FROM PRISONER

Judge Coffey Is Thanked By Man He Sentenced To Long Term.

It is not very often that a judge who sentences a person to a long term behind prison walls receives such a letter from the prisoner himself as Judge Coffey found awaiting him upon his return to Courtenay last week.

Frank Sroufe, the McHenry murderer, who was tried at Carrington at the last term of court and sentenced to 12 years in the penitentiary, was taken to Bismarck Monday, and while waiting to make connection with a west-bound passenger at Jamestown, wrote Judge Coffey a letter in which he praised the judge for the way in which he handled the case and was thoroughly satisfied with the judge's decision and also said that he wanted him to send a picture of himself to Mrs. Sroufe. One of the Carrington papers contained quite a writeup of the trial and also had the judge's picture appearing in an article commending him on his ability as a judge. He has made many warm friends during the Foster county term of court.—
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