

Orin P. Hines, of Richland county, convicted in February, 1883, of robbery and sentenced to the penitentiary for life, has been pardoned by the governor. The crime for which Hines was convicted was a petty one, the victim only claimed to have been robbed of \$1 and a pocket knife, and from the evidence there are grave doubts of Hines, complicity in the affair, the prosecuting witness at first claiming he was not one of the parties concerned in the robbery and allowed him to be released. He was subsequently arrested, and it was during the hobo excitement of 1892 and the other party accused of the crime having escaped, public prejudice was, no doubt largely responsible for his conviction. Hines had been a resident of Richland county for a number of years, and borne a good reputation as a law abiding citizen. The presiding judge, states attorney and a large number of Richland county officials and citizens strongly recommended executive clemency in the matter.