Man regrets killing father over N8,000 bride price

From Misbahu Bashir, Kaduna

32-year-old man, Danladi John, vesterday said he regretted hitting his father three times on the head with a stick, killing him over a disagreement on N8,000. He is now in police net in Kaduna.

Danladi John of Baban Rogo village, Lere LGA of the state said he killed his father because he delayed the payment of the bride price of his intended wife.

The bride price was meant to formalize Danladi's marriage with a woman he had stayed with for over four years. His father had earlier paid N120,000 and promised to pay

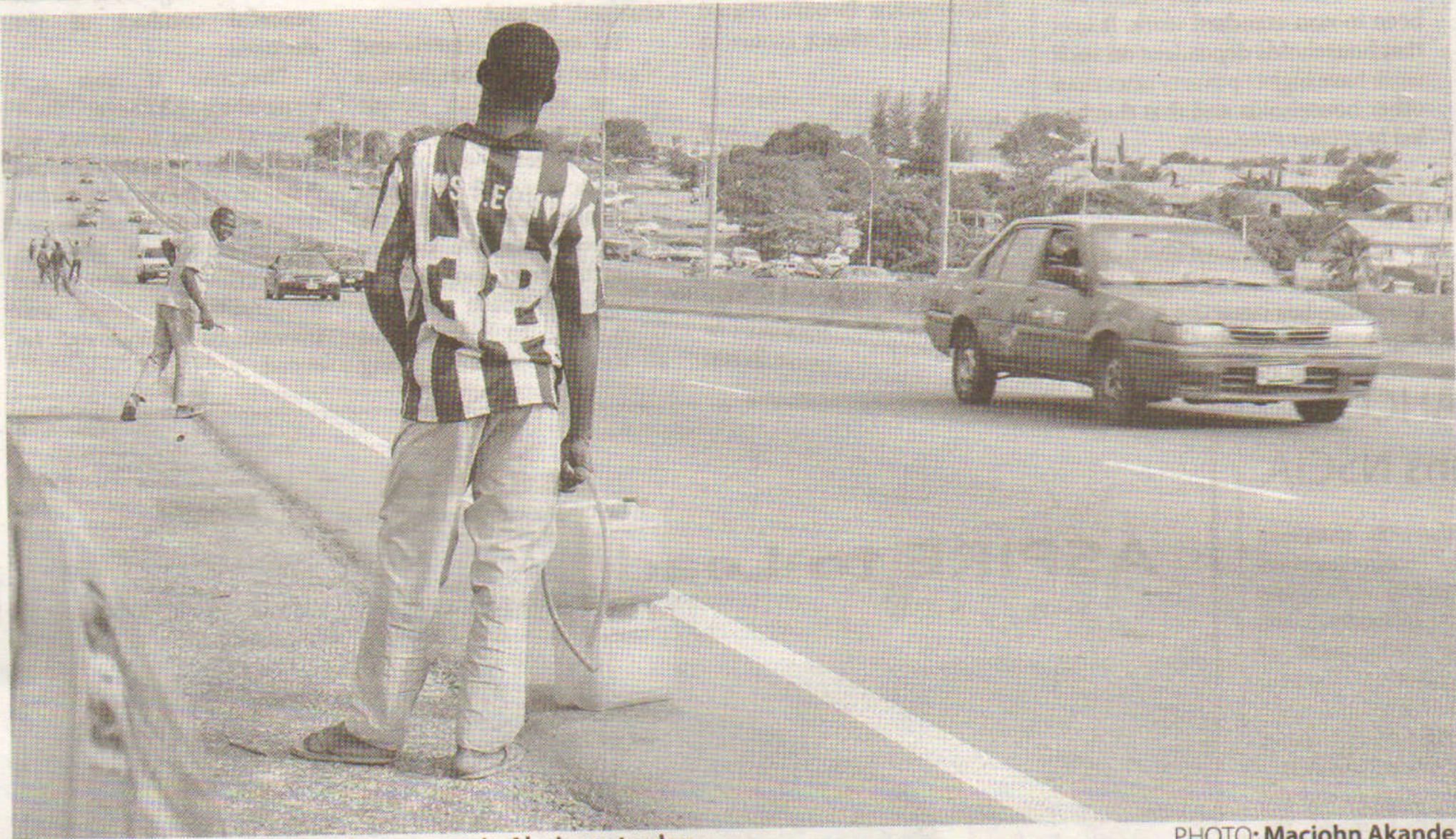
the balance of N8,000 as soon as he could.

"I hit my father on the head with a stick about three times out of anger. He paid N120,000 for my wedding and delayed the remaining N8,000", Danladi confessed.

He said he had been staying with the woman with the authority of both parents for

over four years and had three children from her but had got no legal right as her husband until after paying the bride price, adding that he regretted killing the father. He said he occasionally takes alcohol and was addicted to drugs.

Police spokesman, Zubairu Abubakar, said Danladi will be charged with murder.



Fuel hawkers along Kubwa Expressway in Abuja yesterday.

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