



THE WITNESS STATEMENTS

FOR THE LIZZIE BORDEN
MURDER CASE

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GEORGE W. ALLEN

Fifteen minutes past eleven A. M. the Marshal came out of his office and said "Mr. Allen, I want you to go up on Second street, the house next to Mrs. Buffington's above Borden street, and see what the matter is."

I ran out of the station up Second street, and just before I got to Mr. Borden's house I met Mr. Sawyer. I told him I wanted him to go with me; and he went. When I got to the side door of Mr. Borden's house, I was met by Dr. Bowen. He said he wanted a police officer. Mr. Sawyer said I was one. He said "all right, come right in." I told Mr. Sawyer to guard the side door, and not allow anyone to come in, only police officers.

Dr. Bowen took me into the sitting room where Mr. Borden lay. He was on the lounge with his face turned upwards. Several cuts long and deep on the left side of the face. Doctor said "you go down, and tell the Marshal all about it." I ran down to the station as fast as I could go, and told the Marshal that Mr. Borden had been cut in the face with something like a razor. He said "is he dead"? I told him he was. He gave me orders to go and find Officer Mullally, which I did in a few minutes, and brought him to the station.

The Marshal gave him orders to go right up to Mr. Borden's house. He was there by twenty five minutes past eleven o'clock A. M. Just before we got there, Officer Doherty was ahead of us. When we went up stairs the Doctor said Mrs. Borden had fainted with fright. Officers Mullaly and Doherty turned her over. Officer Doherty said "My God her face is all smashed in."

I went back to the station, and reported to the Marshal, and he went out, and went up that way.

JOHN FLEET

August 4, 1892.

Went to the Borden house 92 Second Street at about between 11.45 and 12 M. Found Mr Borden dead on the lounge; head badly cut; Dr. Dolan standing over him. Went up stairs; found Mrs. Borden dead on the floor between the bed and dressing case; head badly smashed, face downward.

Saw Lizzie A. Borden in bedroom on same floor, was sitting with Minister Buck on lounge. Asked her what she knew of these murders. She said that she knew nothing further than her father came in about 10.30 or 10.45 A. M. and that he seemed to be quite feeble, and she helped him, and advised him to lay down on the lounge, which he did.

"I was ironing handkerchiefs in the Dining room, which I left and went in the barn, up stairs, and remained there for half an hour. Bridget had gone up stairs, and when I came back I found father dead on the lounge, and went to the back stairs and called Bridget (servant) down stairs. Told her that some one had killed father, and told her to get Dr. Bowen." "Did you see anyone around here?" "No, I had not seen anyone in the house or yard." "Who is this Mr. Morse?" He is my Uncle; he came here last night, and slept here, but went away before nine o'clock A. M. and did not get back until after the murder; he could not know anything about the murder." "Have you any idea who could have done this?" "No, I do not know that my father had bad trouble with anyone. But about two weeks ago a man called, and they had some talk about a shop; and father told him that he could not have it for that purpose. The man talked as though he was angry; did not know who he was, did not see him, could not tell all that he said. A man came here this morning about nine o'clock, I think he wanted to hire a store, talked English. I did not see him; heard father shut the door, and think the man went away."

Saw Lizzie two hours later, wanted to search her room. Dr. Bowen was in. She did not want to be bothered, would make her sick. Told her that I must search on account of the murders; otherwise should not be doing my duty. She then allowed the search to go on. Could not find anything in the room which would show blood, and found no instruments that had been used for murder. She said that it was impossible for anyone to get in or throw anything in her room, because she always kept it locked.

Lizzie said that she had not seen Mrs. Borden since about nine o'clock. She then saw her in the bedroom when she was coming down stairs.

Had a conversation with Bridget Sullivan. Said she saw Mr. Borden come in the house about 10:40 A. M. "Saw him come in the dining room, go to the window and look at some papers which he had in his hands. He then went in the sitting room, sat down in the large chair near the window, and left Lizzie ironing some handkerchiefs in the dining room. Went up stairs at 10.55 to fix my room. After I had been in the room about ten minutes, Lizzie called me down stairs, saying that her father was dead, some one had killed him, go and get Dr. Bowen. I went for the Doctor; he was not in, and I went for a Miss Russell on Borden street." "Did you see anyone that you think would or could have done the killing?" "No, I did not. I was washing the windows outside, and did not see anyone but Mr. Morse that morning; and he went away before nine o'clock. Am very sure that I was not up stairs more than ten to fifteen minutes. I did not hear the door opened while I was up stairs, nor did I see anyone from my window."

Conversed with John V. Morse at the A. J. Borden house. Said that he was A. J. Borden's brother-in-law, his sister was Mr. Borden's first wife. Had always been on friendly terms with the family, and had frequently made visits to his house. "Last night I stopped here, and slept in the room where Mrs. Borden was found dead. I arrived here yesterday afternoon from New Bedford. Called upon Mr. Borden. Afterward got a carriage from Kirby's stable, and went to Mr. Borden's farm, arriving at the house again about 8.30 P. M. We sat up I think until about ten o'clock. Went to bed in the room, as before stated. Got up about six o'clock this morning, got breakfast about seven o'clock, stopped in the house till about 8.40 A. M. Leaving Mr. Borden at the door, went to the Post Office, wrote a letter from there, went as far as Third street on Bedford, from Third to Pleasant street, through Pleasant street to No. 4 Weybosset. Street, arriving there about 9.30 A. M. Saw relatives from the West. Remained at the house from 9.30 to 11:20 A. M., or thereabouts. Left, taking horse car, and stopped at the corner of Pleasant and Second streets, and got to Mr. Borden's house about or near twelve o'clock. Saw a number of persons around the house, and was told that Mr. and Mrs. Borden was killed. That was the first I knew of their deaths."

"Where do you live when at home?" "I live at South Dartmouth, have been here about two years. I lived in the West for about twenty years. (Came back two years ago.)" "Have you any idea who did this?" "I cant see who could do this; do not know that he has an enemy in the world." "Have you seen, or have you heard Bridget or Lizzie say that they had seen anyone around who they suspected?" "No, I have not."

Mr. Morse afterwards asked if I suspected that the murderer could have been concealed in the house last night. I replied that I did not. Then I said that he might have been in the house, but could

not see how he could have been there without some of them seeing him. He said it is very strange that this should be done in the day time, and right in the heart of the city. It put him in mind of the Nathan murder which was twenty or twenty five years ago. In that case they never found the murderer.

HARRINGTON & DOHERTY

Thursday August 4, 1892.

11.35 At this hour I, with Frank Wixon, entered the Borden house 92 Second street. Dr. Bowen met me at the kitchen door, and said "I am glad to see you." I inquired "what is the trouble?" He said "Mr. Borden is dead." I went into the next room, and there found the remains on a sofa covered with a sheet. In low tones the Doctor told me he was satisfied there was something wrong, for they were all sick the day before. He followed this by saying "to make matters worse, Mrs. Borden is lying dead up stairs. I suppose she saw the killing of her husband, and run up stairs, and died with fright."

I requested to see her; and on going up stairs found her lying on the floor, face downward, between the bed and dressing case. Several spots of blood was on the bed, and also a large tuft of hair. On examining the body, I found she was lying in a pool of blood. I informed the Doctor of the fact, and he expressed much surprise. I requested the Doctor, Mr. Wixon and reporter to remain by the bodies until I notified the Marshal.

The Doctor stated the deed was committed by an ax, cleaver, or some such instrument .

The servant girl said she let Mr. Borden in the front door at 10.50.

With another officer I made a hurried search of the house from attic to cellar, but found no trace of any strange person or weapon.

Lizzie said she was in the barn, and said "no, I did not hear any noise whatever."

The work girl said she was upstairs, and heard no noise until Miss Lizzie called her.

Miss Lizzie had no suspicious on the farm hands.

(P. H. Doherty.)

A. M. Although Lizzie did not see the man who called about the store, still she did not explain how she knew it was he who called the second time.

(P. H.)

Thursday Aug. 4, 1892.

Miss Lizzie. "Saw father, when he returned from the P.O. He sat down to read the paper. I went out to the barn, remained twenty minutes; returned, and found him dead. Saw no one in the yard when going to or returning from the barn. Heard no noise whatever while in the barn." (To a question.) Not even The opening or closing of the screen door. "Why not, you were but a short distance, and would hear the noise so made?" "I was upstairs in the loft." "What motive?" "I dont know." "Was it robbery?" "I think not, for every thing appears all right, even to the watch in father's pocket, and ring on his finger." "Have you any reason, no matter how slight, to suspect anybody?" "N-n-no, I have not." "why hesitate?" "Well, a few weeks ago father had angry words with a man about something". "What was it?" "I did not know at the time, but they were both very angry at the time; and the stranger went away." "Did you see him at all?" "No sir they were in another room; but from the tone of their voices, I knew things were not pleasant between them." "Did father say anything about him, or his visit?" "No sir. About two weeks ago he called again. They had a very animated conversation, during which they got very angry again. I heard father say "no sir, I will not let my store for any such business." Just before they separated, I heard father say "well, when you are in town again, come up, and I will let you know about it."

(P. Harrington.)

During this conversation with Lizzie, I cautioned her about what she might say at the present time. I said owing to the atrociousness of the crime, perhaps you are not in a mental condition to give as clear a statement of the facts as you will be tomorrow; and also by that time you may be able to tell more about the man who wished to hire the store. You may recollect of having heard his name, or of seeing him, and thereby be enabled to give a description of him, or may recollect of something said about him by your father; so I say it may be better for you not to submit to an interview until tomorrow, when you may be better able to recite what you know of the circumstances." To this she replied "no, I think I can tell you all I know now, just as well as at any other time." This conversation took place in Lizzie's room, on the second floor, in the presence of Miss Alice Russell, who sat in a chair by the door which leads to the front hall, by which I entered Lizzie's room.

Miss Russell was very pale, and much agitated, which she showed by short sharp breathing and wringing her hands. She spoke not a word.

Lizzie stood by the foot of the bed, and talked in the most calm and collected manner; her whole bearing was most remarkable under the circumstances. There was not the least indication of agitation, no

sign of sorrow or grief, no lamentation of the heart, no comment on the horror of the crime, and no expression of a wish that the criminal be caught. All this, and something that, to me, is indescribable, gave birth to a thought that was most revolting. I thought, at least, she knew more than she wished to tell.

I arrived at the house about 12.15 or 12.20 M. The conversation with Lizzie was about five minutes later.

She was dressed in a striped house wrapper, full waist, and caught on the side by a bright red ribbon, which was tied in a bow in front. The stripes were on the pink shade, and between them was a dark figure.

After leaving her, I went down in the kitchen where was Dr. Bowen, Asst. Fleet, Dr. Dolan, Bridget and several others. Dr. Bowen had scraps of paper in his hand, on which there was some writing. He and I spoke about them, and he tried to put some of them together. He said "it is nothing, it is something about, I think, my daughter going through somewhere." If I recollect correctly, it was addressed to Emma; but about that I am not sure. The Doctor then said "it does not amount to anything", and taking the lid off the kitchen stove, he dropped the pieces in. There was very little fire in the stove, and the ashes which were on top looked as though paper had been burned there.

About this time someone said something about milk. I looked in the direction from which the voice came, and saw Dr. Dolan standing at the table. He called me and said, "Phil, I want you to take care of this milk, the family has been sick, and I don't want you to leave it until I relieve you."

In a few minutes Mr. Fleet gave orders to several of the officers to cover the several roads leading out of town. Devine and Garvey he sent on Stafford Road, and I was ordered to cover Bay street. I told him about Dr. Dolan's orders to me in regard to the milk. He replied "yes, I heard him when he spoke to you, but I will take care of the milk, and you go down the lower road." I spoke to him about the Ferry street depot, and he said "that is covered."

When at the foot of William Street I saw two suspicious characters, and brought them to the station. Later when the Marshal had a talk with them, he ordered them locked up.

Officer Leonard and I had a call to the N. B. Savings Bank. There we found a Portuguese who was drawing out his full deposit of sixty odd dollars. He could speak English but poorly, so we brought him to the station. Officer Leonard went for an interpreter, and the suspect giving a satisfactory account of himself, he was allowed to go.

I then went to the Borden barn, where the Marshal gave orders to several officers to search the barn thoroughly, and took part in the work down stairs. It was at this time I made known my suspicions of

Miss Lizzie. To the Marshal I said "I dont like that girl". He said "what is that?" I repeated, and further said "under the circumstances she does not act in a manner to suit me; it is strange, to say the least."

When we finished the first floor of the barn, we ascended to the loft, the Marshal going just ahead of me. There I found officers Conners, Doherty and J. Riley. The Marshal said, "I want you men to go give this place complete going over; every nook and corner must be looked into, and this hay turned over." I then said to him "if any girl can show you or me, or anybody else what could interest her up here for twenty minutes, I would like to have her do it." The Marshal shook his head, and said something about it being incredible; his words I cannot give. He assisted in the search for some minutes, and then went downstairs. I remained until we were satisfied our duty was done.

After this, went to the cellar of the house. On entering the washing room, lying on the floor were two axes and one hatchet. There, with another, which was then missing, I had previously seen up stairs, I think in the hand of Dr. Dolan. Immediately I went in search of the missing hatchet, and found it in the first cellar. I gave it to Asst. Fleet, and suggested placing it in some place where it could not be readily found. This he did. The cellar was thoroughly searched by Asst. Marshal Fleet, Dr. Dolan, and one or two others, whom at present I cannot recall, but think they were officers J. Riley and Mullaly and myself.

After this, with several others I assisted in the search of the yard.

This being completed, the Marshal directed officer Doherty and myself to take all the yards on Third street south of Dr. Chagnon's. Nothing was found in either yard.

At Dr. Chagnon's house we found his assistant, but he was at Bowenville during the forenoon, and the Doctor and family were at Pawtucket R. I., leaving there about 5. A. M. When the Doctor's assistant was on his way to Bowenville, he called at Dr. Collet's, and requested his (Collet's) son to go and care for the house. He was busy at the Drug store, and could not go, so the assistant went off. Afterwards Dr. Collet's daughter Lucy was sent up to Dr. Chagnon's to await callers. She could not gain entrance, for the door was locked, so she remained in the yard from 9.45 A. M., or thereabouts, to 12 M, when the assistant returned. She is positive no one could go through the yard without being seen by her. She heard no noise.

The next yard contains a barn, and is occupied by John Crowe, a mason and builder. On the day in question John Denny, a stone cutter, employed by Mr. Crowe, was working in there all day. He is positive no

one went through the yard. There were other men drawing stone to the yard all day, and they saw nothing of any suspicious character.

Patrick McGowan is the man who was eating pears on the pile of lumber, and said to have been on the fence. He is employed by Mr. Crowe, and left the yard about 10. A. M.

The next house is occupied by Mrs. Crapo. She and the girl were at home all Thursday August 4th, but heard no noise; neither did they see any person go through their yard.

The Fall River Ice Co. is next South; and in this yard there are several men constantly employed. We saw them, and they reported nobody came their way.

In the morning, shortly before the murder, Dr. Kelly's girl, Mary, was talking to Bridget over the fence, neither saw anyone in or around the yard.

On this morning Mrs. Dr. Bowen was sitting at her front window, which is directly opposite the Borden yard, and in full view of both front and side doors, awaiting and watching for the coming of her daughter. She was at this window until 10.55 A. M. The daughter was away, and was expected on the forenoon train. At this point Mrs. Bowen arose, and said "well, she will not come now."

Mrs. Churchill left her house about 11. A. M. and returned between 11.15 and 11.20. While away her mother, Mrs. Buffington, was in the dining room off the kitchen, wheeling to and fro a baby carriage which contained a sick baby; and although the windows were open, she heard no noise.

Mrs. John Gomeley was in her room at No. 90 Second street, window open, heard no noise, saw no one.

At 11.15 A. M. Dennis Sullivan, employed at Allen & Slades, came along and stopped to talk to Mrs. Gomeley. While going up Second street he saw no person leave the yard or go up or down the street on whom he could place suspicion.

Thursday night after supper went to investigate the rumor of a suspicious character who was hanging around upper Second, Ridge, Whipple, Cottage and Middle streets. While out on this we learned of the poison story which is related below. On this and the succeeding night we continued an investigation of all drug stores in the city; but could learn nothing further of Lizzie inquiring from any person other than Eli Bence.

Eli Bence. Had a lady ask for prussic acid on Wednesday morning August 3rd. When asked for what use, she said "to put on the edge of a seal skin coat". I made no sale. She left the store in a very haughty manner. "No, I do not know her, but think I would know her again, should I see her." After being placed in a position where he could both see and hear Miss Lizzie Borden, he was very positive in identification, not only of her face and general appearance, but also of her voice.

(Doherty & Harrington)

Many sales had been made, and a number of persons refused. A description of those who wererefused was obtained, but --none resembled the person who called on Bence. However, at P. S. Brown's, a day or two before, a lady requested a sale of poison from clerk Gifford. She was refused. He could give no description of her.

We were on guard at the house from 1. A. M. until 9. A. M. Friday. At one o'clock the house was all in darkness, and so remained all night. There was no noise until about 6.20 A. M. About 6.30 A. M. Mr. John Morse came to the side door, said "good morning", and spoke about the weather. At 8.30 he came out, and going over to S. H. Miller's, he called Bridget, who stayed there that night. He then went to the P. O., stopped about a minute, went out and crossed to Geo. E. Howe's where he purchased a two cent stamp. He then returned to the P. O. and at 8.32 A.M. dropped a letter addressed to Wm. A. Davis So. Dartmouth. It bore the words "In haste". On his way home he tried the Daily News door, and it was not open.

Saturday morning August 6. A Alan Morse, employed by Covell & Osborn, had to be located on that day, Thursday. His whereabouts were satisfactory.

Henry M. Carter No. 88 Snell street had a dispute with Mr. Borden about rent and water bill. On this day he was engaged serving a needing breakfast up to 10. A. M. at Mr. Garvey's No. 10 Cross street. At 11. A. M. he took the train at Ferry street for Stone Bridge. He has paper of credit from A. J. Borden for \$66. for rent, dated Aug. 1st.

Monday August 8, 1892. Thom. A. Matherson No. 12 Brownell street reported Chas. Baldwin as saying he could put his hand on the murderer. Baldwin was seen at Smith & Wood's tea store. He denied saying so, and said he knew nothing whatever of the case. Matherson and Baldwin are each given to talk, and so placed very little confidence in what he said. We also know Baldwin has this reputation.

Saturday August 6, 1892. Mrs. John Gomeley No. 90 Second street. "Please fix the time"? "About eleven o'clock, I could not say whether it was before or after, first heard of the case from Mrs. Churchill, she ran through house saying, Mr. Borden is murdered."

Mrs. Churchill No. 90 Second street. "Eleven o'clock is the nearest I can fix the time. Returned from market, saw Miss Lizzie at rear door. I thought she looked somewhat strange, asked her what was the matter. She replied, father has been killed. Please come over. I immediately complied. When I reached her I said O, Lizzie, Lizzie,

where is your mother? She said, I dont know. The relations between Lizzie and the step-mother were not very friendly, so I hear, but have no personal knowledge of it. Yes, I have heard they do not at all times eat from the same table.”

Mrs Churchill was at Hudner’s market, and from there went directly home, which would take her about five minutes. Wm. Sullivan, a clerk at Hudner’s, places the time when she left the store at 11.05 or 11.10.

Miss Mary Gallagher, at McManus, saw Mr. Borden at the corner of Main and Spring streets, just turning up Spring, with a small package in his hand, at 10.15. She remembered the time, for she was just coming down town, and looked up at the City Clock.

Joseph Shortsleeves No 4 Dover street, and James Mather Corner of Rock and Bedford street, carpenters employed on a building of Mr. Borden’s, set the time Mr. Borden left them between 10.30 and 10.45. He went toward Spring street.

Mrs. Doctor Bowen. “Was sitting at the parlor window awaiting the return of my daughter. I concluded she was not coming; got up, went through the sitting room, looked at the clock which indicated 10.55. Went through the dining room into the next room for a piece of cloth of ten yards, which I wished to measure and cut in two. I had not finished measuring, when the door bell rang violently. I went to the call, and found Mr. Borden’s work girl, who wanted the Doctor, who was out. Dr. Bowen returned home and went to Mr. Borden’s at 11.25.”

Mrs. Dr. Kelly. “Left the house to go to the dentist’s; looked at the clock just before going out, 10.35. Saw Mr. Borden coming around the north west corner of the house, going towards the front door, saw him put a key in the door. He had a small package in his hand. From the way was coming, I think he was at the side door first.” The time when Mrs. Kelly left the house is also fixed by the work girl at 10.35.

(Doherty & Harrington)

Elle M. Gifford No. 38 Franklin street. “I know nothing personally of the domestic relations of the Borden family; but I have heard much rumor to the effect that they did not get along very pleasantly.”

Mrs. Perry Gifford. “We do sewing for the Borden family. I have heard Lizzie say harsh things of her stepmother. She said she did not and would not dine at the same table. She also said she (Her step-mother,) was a horrid old thing. she was very pronounced and out-spoken

when referring to Mrs. Borden. This occurred last April.”

Miss Ida Gray, No. 27 Whipple street. Last Friday evening, Aug. 5, while in the horse car, two ladies were talking of Lizzie Borden. One remarked that Lizzie said, when referring to Mrs. Borden, that “she was one of the kind that never die.” Who the ladies were, she did not know.

All this from these three ladies was given very reluctantly, and not until they were forced quite hard.

Hiram Harrington. “When the perpetrator of this foul deed is found, it will be one of the household. I had a long talk with Lizzie yesterday, Thursday, the day of the murder, and I am not at all satisfied with statement or demeanor. She was too solicitous about his comfort, and showed a side of character I never knew or even suspected her to possess. She helped him off with one coat and on with another, and assisted him in an easy incline on the sofa, and desired to place a afghan over him, and also to adjust the shutters so the light would not disturb his slumber. This is something she could not do, even if she felt; and no one who knows her, could be made believe it. She is very strong willed, and will fight for what she considers her rights. She went to the barn, where she stayed twenty minutes, or half an hour, looking for some lead from which to make sinkers for fishing lines, as she was going to Marion next week.” He spoke about the Ferry street estate being given to the girls, and afterwards being returned. He spoke at some length about her telling about the same story as was published in the News and Globe of Friday evening.

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Monday, August, 8, 1892. Afternoon. Dr. Bowen. “Mrs. Churchill first told me of Mrs. Borden’s death.”

Second interview of Mrs. Churchill. Mrs. Churchill. “Must I, am I obliged to tell you all?” “Well, if I must, I cant be blamed. O, I wish I had not to do this. I do not like to tell anything of my neighbor; but this is as it is. When I went over in answer to Lizzie’s call, I asked O, Lizzie where is your father? In the sitting room. Where were you? I was in the barn looking for a piece of iron. Where is your mother? She had a note to go and see someone who is sick. I dont know but they killed her too. Has any man been to see your father this morning? Not that I know of. Dr. Bowen is not at home, and I must have a Doctor. I think I heard Mrs. Borden come in. Will I go and get one or find someone who will? Yes. I did so. When I returned the first thing I recollect she, (Lizzie) said is, O, I shall have to go to the cemetery myself. No, the undertaker will do that, was my

reply. Then Dr. Bowen, Geo. Allen and Charles Sawyer came in. When Dr. Bowen had seen Mr. Borden, he asked me to come into the sitting room and see him, but I declined, and said I would not, I saw him this morning, and he looked so nice, I do not care about seeing him now. The Doctor then went out. Lizzie said, I think father must have an enemy, for we were all sick.

When the Doctor returned, he asked for a sheet. Bridget Sullivan, the work girl, was afraid to go up stairs alone, so I went with her. Lizzie said we would find the sheets in the dressing room, which is off of Mrs. Borden's room. I think we waited for a key to Mrs. Borden's room, and I think Dr. Bowen went into the sitting room to get it. If I am not mistaken, he first brought out a bunch, but the one wanted was not among them; so he went in again, and returned with a single key. We then went up stairs, and Bridget asked me if two would be enough. I said I think so, one will cover a person. But we brought down two, and gave them to Dr. Bowen. He covered Mr. Borden, and then went out. Lizzie requested the Doctor to send a telegram to her sister Emma, but not to tell her the facts, for the lady whom she is staying with, is old and feeble, and may be disturbed.

Lizzie then said I wish somebody would go up stairs and try to find Mrs. Borden. So Bridget and I started. I think she led the way. We went up the front stairs, but I only went far enough to clear my eyes above the second floor. The door to the spare room is on the north side of this hall, and was open. I turned my head to the left, and through this door I could see under the bed of this room. On the north side of the bed, on the floor, I saw what I thought to be a prostrate body. There was not much light in the room, so I could not distinguish clearly, but I knew the object was more than a mat. I felt certain it was Mrs. Borden. I then rushed down stairs, and entering the dining room, I doubled myself up, and uttered an exclamation of fright. Miss Alice Russell asked, is there another? I said yes, they killed her too, or something to that effect. I then informed Charles Sawyer of the fact. He made some exclamation. Dr. Bowen then returned, and I told him Mrs. Borden was up stairs in the spare room. He left the sitting room, I think to go up stairs.

I then thought I would go home, and said, Lizzie, if there is there anything you wish me to do, let me know later on. She said, there will be plenty to do bye and bye.

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Miss Sarah Scholick(?) of Cook street had clue. Janice Duckworth No. 43 John street told her that Annie Connelly aged eight years, and Mamie Smith aged ten years, heard cries in Mr. Borden's house, and a few minutes later a man came out the front door wiping his coat and vest with a handkerchief.

These children deny this; the oldest saying she was at her cousin's on the corner of Second and Rodman streets all that day, and the other girl was with her. It was simply child's talk.

Thos. Walker, a tailor employed by John Carey, lived in a tenement of Mrs. Borden's on Fourth street. He was ordered out, and R. S. Reed's store took his furniture. He worked all day Thursday, so says Mr. Carey. Walker said he had no feeling against Mr. Borden. What trouble he had was caused by himself. He said he went on a drunk, and could not pay his bills, so he had to vacate the tenement and return the furniture, which was purchased on the installment plan.

Tuesday August 9, 1892. P. H. Doherty. Went for Bridget, and escorted her to Court.

Went with Officer Perron to the Flint to locate a Frenchman, but could not find him. Then returned to the house with Bridget, and remained until relieved by the night. officer.

Tuesday 9, 1892. Harrington. Went with the Marshal to summons Lizzie. Returned to the station. When the Inquest adjourned, remained in the Court Room until 5.10 P.M.

Peleg Brightman reported to having seen an ax covered with blood in a house over the River on the Brayton farm. Officer Medley and I took Mr. Brightman. We found the ax which was owned by Joseph Silvia. There was no blood on it at this time. Silvia gave a full account of himself. There were two children there, who had dirty dresses on, which were caked with blood. The mother explained this, by saying they were very much subject to the nose bleed, and as the ax is always at the back door yard, where there is a pile of wood, the blood from them might have stained the blade. The ax was old, dull and much worn. In our judgment it could not produce the wounds, and if it were used for this purpose, it would not be carried so far away, over the River, and by ponds, one of which was close by the house, when either of those places would afford such a secure hiding place.

Wednesday August 10, 1892. Doherty & Harrington. A story was circulated that Lizzie tried to induce Bridget to leave the house by reminding her of a cheap sale of dress goods at F. E. Sargent's, and offered her money to purchase one pattern, after Bridget said she could not afford it. Bridget denies this, but says that Lizzie told her of the sale, and she, Bridget, said, well, I am going to have one.

We then went to Mrs. Geo. Whitehead, on Fourth street. She said "this property was owned in part by me and my mother. My mother

wished to dispose of her interest. I could not purchase it, and did not want to sell; so in order that I might keep my place, Mrs. Borden, my step sister, bought the other interest. This the girls did not like; and they showed their feeling on the street by not recognizing me. Lizzie did not like Mrs. Borden.”

Engaged Maurice Daly, carpenter, to go to the Borden house, about one o'clock, Marshal, Mr. Seaver and I. From there we took a marble slat from the west end of the dressing case, a piece of moulding that capped the mop-board, and a piece of plaster, to which was adhered the wall paper. Each of these articles had spots of blood on them. Mrs. C. J. Holmes then asked “do you want the bed spread and pillow shams?” The Marshal replied “if you please.” These articles were taken from the northwest room on the second floor, where Mrs. Borden was found. A piece of wood was taken from the west casing of the door which leads from the dining to the sitting room where Mr. Borden was murdered. This piece of wood had a spatter of blood on it. There was also taken one pair of ladies low tie shoes, and one pair of ladies black stockings.

From the barn we took one willow basket containing two pieces of round lead pipe, and a number of pieces of scrap sheet lead; and one wooden box in which were pieces of round and sheet lead. The basket and contents were found up stairs, and the box and its holdings, down stairs. All were brought to the station house, and locked in the store room by Marshal Hilliard.

I then summoned Mrs. Churchill, Hiram C. Harrington and Allen Eagan to appear in court at 4. P.M.

Went in search of Dr. Handy; found him at Chas. J. Holmes'. Asked him, would he accompany an officer to Boston to see a party whom the Boston police located, and who they thought resembled the person whom he saw. He said “well, I suppose I must go.” I said “No, there is nothing compulsory about the request”. He did not seem to like the idea of going, and said “it is a very warm night, and I have quite a number of cases on hand, from which I expect births, but then, (laughing) I suppose they are as apt to come during the day as well as night. Wait a moment and I'll see.” He then went to another part of the house, and talked with the Holmes family for a few minutes. He then returned to the parlor and said “well, I'll go. Who is going with me, is it you?” I told him I could not say. “Will the officer call at my house, will he come in a carriage, or will we go to the depot in the horse car”? I said I did not know, but whichever way, the officer would be there in time.

After arriving in Boston, we called at Station 4, and learned

something of, and the residence of the man we sought. We then went to Police Headquarters, and after transacting my business there, we retired.

Evening. Wednesday 10, 1892. Doherty. Summoned Hannan H. Gifford, Alice Russell, Chas. S. Sawyer and Mrs. Geo. Whitehead.

Thursday 11, 1892. In the morning we went again to Station 4, from whence a local officer accompanied us to No. 19 Oxford street, the home of Henrick Wood, the man wanted. Mr. Wood was not at home, he had gone to Lexington in the morning to see a friend who was building a house near a lot owned by him. From the lady who came to the door, we got a description of Mr. Wood. She also showed us a photograph of him. She handed it to me, and I immediately turned it over to the Doctor, who before he had it rightly in his hand, pronounced him not the person. There were three persons on the card, two men and a child. The child was in Mr. Wood's arms. Owing to the position in which he sat, his face was very much shaded, which made it rather difficult of observation. This, together with the fact that Dr. Handy so readily pronounced him not the man, is, to my mind, very significant. His social relations with Miss Lizzie are very close. She was to spend her vacation at Dr. Handy's cottage at Marion, with his daughter.

He left Boston for home at 8.30 A. M. I went again to Police Headquarters, and with a detective went to the Diebold (?) Safe Co. No. 72 Sudbury street. From there a mechanic accompanied me home. At 3.15 P. M. in company with A. J. Jennings went to open the safe. I remained there until relieved by the District Attorney at about 5. P. M.

Doherty. Orin Rounds, car conductor, saw a man talking to A. J. Borden one week before the murder. They stood at Wood & Hall's corner. Mr Borden appeared not to desire to talk to him, and walked away, but the man followed him a few steps, and then turned north, and left him.

The clue of Frank Wade of No. 58 Snell street was partially investigated.

Summoned Eli Bence, Frank Kilroy and Fred. Hart to appear at Court at 2.30 P. M. Went for Fred Hart at 3.45 P.M. Was sent to see what progress was being made on the safe.

Friday 12, 1892. Harrington. At the Borden house all forenoon assisting on the safe. Afternoon. Doherty, Medley and Harrington continue on the Frank Wade clue. Got a boat and rakes, and went all over the pond where he saw the suspicious person. We pulled up much stuff and things, but failed to find the hatchet which he thought might be thrown there. We brought

back to the station a paper bag which contained an old banana peel, which was tied up with a very long string. This was very suspicious indeed. We had Mr. Matherson the superintendent of the Chase Mill to see we did our work well. He expressed himself as being satisfied we could do no more in that line.

Saturday 13, 1892. Went to Forest Hill to see Abner Coggeshall. It was reported that he heard cries from the Borden house on the fatal morning. Mr. Coggeshall denied this, saying he was at work at Forest Hill, where he had been since early last June. Mr. Frank Thurston, Asst. Superintendent of streets, confirms this statement.

From there we went to Stone Bridge to see Gideon Manchester, draw-tender, who it was reported, told that his brother George carried a suspicious person from Newtown to Newport. Mr. Gideon Manchester has had no brother for three years. He related the following story "Friday afternoon, S. R. Paquin of Bliss Fourcorners, told me Manchester carried a man from Newtown to Newport." We went to Newtown, found the Manchester there, of whom there were two, George and Oscar. They knew nothing of any such person. There is a John Manchester at Bristol Ferry, who carried papers from there to Newport. His son George carried the papers all week, and had no passengers.

We then drove to Bliss Fourcorners, found Paquin. He said it was John Henry Manchester of State Hill, Portsmouth R. I. His statement. "On Friday August 5 at 5.30 A. M. gave a young man a ride to Newport. He was about twenty years of age, belonged to Nova Scotia, worked at Dighton, picking strawberries, and also in the canning factory. Thought Newport a good place to get employment during the Summer. Walked from Dighton to Fall River. Heard of the murder, to which he incidentally referred while riding. He said nothing more than a murder had been committed. He was well dressed and smart looking.

Fall River, Sunday Aug. 28, 1892.

Monday Aug. 15, 1892 Called at Geo. Bentley's No. 185 N. M. street. Bentley's statement. On Thursday Aug. 4, 1892, an Italian, about 24 years, light complexion, not certain of mustache, if he had one it was small, about 5-7 or 8, 160 or 170 lbs. , called, left a trunk and box. Trunk old, sides and ends painted red, top covered with oil cloth and bound with iron hooping. It was tied with rope which had red sealing wax on each knot. It contained a lot of old clothes, a new grey vest, a lantern, two or three packages of letters written in Italian and

bearing different foreign post marks, an old carpet bag, the inside of which was stained with what looked like blood, or iron rust. The trunk was marked Elmer's Baggage Express 42d st and Fourth Ave. N.Y. F. R. L. 28 N. R. 5 Check 2975.

The box had a tag as follows. 162. American Ex. Co. From Canton. Landing N. Y. (50) For Peter Cerety of 118 st. What followed was blotched out by ink. N. Y. Another tag from the same Co. Peter Cerety of F. R. L. Pier 28 N. Y. Another paper 58/No. 109-52 tag. Recd. Aug 1, 1892. From Canton. Charges .33. Peter Cerety 46. Why not delivered W. C. No. 8443

Inquired at the depot, but learned nothing of the arrival of these things. Express offices knew nothing of them. Sought for a man of this description in Tiverton, Portsmouth and Bristol Ferry R. I. Instructed Bentley not to deliver these articles without notifying the Marshal.

Tuesday 16. Called on West Cook at the Durfee Ice houses, who directed us to Hiram Brightman of Wilson Road at the head of New Boston Rd. There was a man loafing around there, who had his face and hands blacked with burned cork or soot, but he had not been seen since July 31st, or the Sunday before the murder.

Wednesday 17. Called on Maurice Libby, from whom we got an old brown and white plaid apron stained with blood. He found it in the yard adjoining his shop on Turner street. This we left in the office.

Harrington. Visited Mrs. Jane Gray, Mrs. Borden's step mother. Her statement. "Things were not as pleasant at the Borden house as they might be. That is the reason I did not call on Mrs. Borden as often as I would have liked to. I told Mrs. Borden I would not change places with her for all her money. What I know about them is all hearsay. Mrs. Borden was a very close mouthed woman. She would bear a great deal, and say nothing. She told me she and the girls were allowed an equal monthly allowance, but they had more out of it than I for I had to furnish the table coverings, towelling, and other small things for the house out of mine."

Mrs Phebe Warner of Second street, with whom Mrs. Currier, Mr. Borden's sister, lived and said, knew nothing substantial. During her sickness which was quite long, the Bank street Church took care of her. Mr. Borden and the girls called once in a while. Mr. Borden gave her \$10. each Christmas. She heard things were not pleasant there, but knew nothing about them.

Friday 19. and Saturday 20. On street duty.

Sunday 21. Summoning witnesses, Bestcome A. Case and wife of 199 Second street. Their statement. Understood from general talk the girls and Mrs. Borden did not get along very pleasantly. Never heard Mrs. Borden say anything about the family relations. Her allowance was about \$200. a year; but much of it was spent on articles for the house. The lace curtains in the parlor she purchased. The girls got the same amount as she, but it was for their own use. A short time ago Mrs. Borden, for the first time, told me of the robbery, which took place about a year ago. She simply mentioned it, and said she would tell me all about it some time.

Mrs. Case directed me to Mrs. Daniel O'Leary of Fifth street, who at times worked for the Borden's. She could give no information

Monday 22. Hearing continued.

Tuesday 23. Interviewed Joseph Derosier and Michael Sullivan.

Wednesday 24. Summoned witnesses.

Thursday 25, Friday 26 and Saturday 27, court.

Fall River, Saturday Aug. 27, 1892.

Statement of Lucy G. Collett, aged 18 years.

"John Normand, clerk for Dr. Chagnon, telephoned to our house, No. 22 Borden street, requesting me to attend Dr. Chagnon's house while he drove the Doctor and his wife to the depot. This message was received by father (Dr. Collett). When he repeated it to me, I looked at the clock, it was 10.45 A. M. As I knew there was a train for Providence, where they were going, or rather Pawtucket, through Providence, I hurried to get ready. While in the sitting room up stairs arranging my hat, I saw the Doctor, his wife, and Mr. Normand, drive by. I then went to Dr. Chagnon's, arriving there at 10.50 A. M. The door was locked, so I went into the yard to see if the hammock was there. It was not, so I walked around the yard a while, then sat down on the steps. While there two men called. The first, about ten minutes after I had arrived, which would be about 11. A. M. He waited about ten minutes, when he said, I must go. He gave me a bottle, and asked me to give it to the clerk and tell him to refill it, and he would call for it this afternoon. When the second man was informed the Doctor was not at home, he went away. Both men came up Third street from Borden street, and returned the same way. About 11.45 A. M. Mr. Normand returned. We both entered the house, talked a short while, and after having a drink of lemonade, I returned home arriving just as the clock was striking twelve M. It was by this I fixed the time of Mr. Normand's return. While there at Dr. Chagnon's, no one came through the yard, nor could such be done without my knowing it. I heard no noise or cry. I first heard of the murder when I arrived home.

This interview took place at Dr. Collett's house No. 22 Borden street Saturday Aug 27, from 3.55 to 4.40 P. M. This is my second interview with Miss Collett.

(Phil Harrinton)

Fall River. Sept. 25, 1892.

Mrs Arubia P. Kirby No. 29 Third street, the next house north of Dr. Chagnon's, says "I was in the kitchen and sink room all during the forenoon of the 4th of August, and could and would have heard and seen anybody who might have gone up or down Dr. Chagnon's drive way."

Dr. Bowen stopped me on the street, and was very anxious to know what Mr. Knowlton meant when he referred to having found another agent of death. He was very nervous when talking of this I told him I did not recollect of any such statement in his plea.

Louis L. Hall No. 81 Second street. "Was standing on Second street in front of my office, in view of the Borden house, for some time before eleven o'clock, until Mrs. Churchill ran down and told of the murder. I generally observe whoever is on the street, and am most positive I would notice any suspicious character."

Alexander H. Coggeshall No. 143 Second street. "Was on Second street opposite the Borden house at 11.45 saw no suspicious person around."

Robert Nicholson, No. 147 Second street. "Drove up the street between 11.10 and 11.15 o'clock. Saw nothing strange. Met Charles Sawyer, A. H. Coggeshall, and several others. Fixed the time by consulting my watch when I arrived at my office."

James E. Cunneen, No. 17 Freedom street. "Drove up Second street that day, and the only strange thing I observed was Dr. Handy's actions. His carriage was drawn up to the west side of the street, about opposite Dr. Kelly's yard. He sat in the buggy and was quickly turning his head from right to left, and left to right. He seemed very nervous, and his strange actions caused me to look around to see what was the occasion of this; but I observed nothing. Before I reached where he was standing, he started and drove slowly down the street by me."

Dr. Handy. "Entered Second street from Morgan street, continued down and turned into Borden street; did not stop until I arrived home, No. 37 Rock street.

Now, Mr. Harrington, I never told you I thought the man I saw committed the crime, did I? I never said the man I saw committed the crime, and don't think he did."

Henry A. Clark, No 39 So. Main street. "No, Mr. Borden never mentioned a will in my shop. He often spoke of his property and rents but not a will."

Charles H. Cook, No. 36 Borden street. "Was with John Donnelly in the barn. Saw nothing that looked like the imprint of a man. Donnelly had been drinking.

Fredrick A. Pickering, No. 8 Forest street. "Was on Second street in view of the Borden house from 10.40 until I saw officer Allen come up the street."

Mark Chase. "Was around the Express Company's stable, opposite the Borden house all forenoon. Was back and forth from the stable to V. Wade's store several times between 10.30 and 11.15. Saw nothing suspicious.

Leander A. Winslow, No. 95 Second street. "Had been standing at the store door for sometime when a lady named Mary Wyatt told me of the murder."

Thos. J. L. Brown and Fred Lavalle, No 43 Third street. "Were in the yard of the Fall River Ice Company. Saw no person go by who looked suspicious."

Carrie E. Rogers, No. 25 Cherry street. "Was on Second street at eleven o'clock. Saw nothing strange."

John Eagan, No. 20 Pearl street. "Drove up and down Second street several times between 10.30 and 11.15."

Sarah Gray, No. 103 Second street. "Was in the store, not busy; saw nothing strange. Think I would notice a person if there was anything remarkable about him."

Macy C. Macomber, Westport. "Stood in front of Wade's store from ten to twenty minutes talking to several persons. I then drove down the street to Louis L. Hall's, and was standing there when Mrs. Churchill ran down."

Mrs. Mary Wyatt, No. 91 Second street. This woman lives over Dr. Bowen. It is she who first told Mr. M. Chace, L. Winslow, and several others who were standing in front of Wade's, about the crime. She dodged us for a week or more; and when finally seen, positively refused to be interviewed.

Elizabeth M. Johnson, No. 24 Ridge street. "I have said all I think I should about that letter."

Harry Pearce, No. 25 Third street. "Was on Second street in front of L. L. Hall's for sometime before Mrs. Churchill came."

William L. Hacking, No. 10 Hartwell street. "Passed the Borden house at about 10.30. Went to A. Riche's, and remained there until 10.55."

George Petty, No. 98 Second street. "Went in the house with Dr. Bowen on his second visit. Mr. Borden had the appearance of having been killed but a short while, for the blood was fresh and flowing. Went up stairs, got down on my knees to examine Mrs. Borden's head. At once I saw she had ben dead sometime, and told the Doctor she must have been dead an hour. I further said, this is where the trouble began; this is the starting point. The blood had ceased to flow. It was dark, and covered with a kind of skin."

Mrs. Jane Grey, No. 215 Second street. "Dr. Bowen's character is al least suspicious. Four years ago, while the Borden family were summering over the river on the farm, Lizzie remained at home. One Sunday evening during this time, she and Dr. Bowen came to church together, and sat in the Borden seat. I myself saw them this evening. At the time, and since, there was much comment on this act. Some remarked how courageous she was to remain in the house alone; but others replied in a knowing way, perhaps she has very acceptable company.

About the robbery, I think Mrs. Fish, or her daughter in law of Hartford knows more or less about it, if they wish to tell.

(Harrington & Doherty)

Fall River, Saturday October 1, 1892.

Bridget Sullivan. "Yes, I left New Bedford for good. I did not like the way the papers spoke of me, said I was in New Bedford jail. And I got a postal card from the Court, requesting me to call for my witness fees, and that was addressed to New Bedford jail. I did not like this, so I thought I would show them I would not stay any longer. I think I will try to get a place here, through Mrs. McKenney's Agency; if not, I may go to Newport R. I. and work in the hotel where I was employed before. I have relatives in So. Bethlehem, and as I worked there before, I may go again." In a joking manner she said she may go back to Ireland. She promised wherever she would go, she would let me know through Mrs. Harrington of Division street.

She saw nobody about this case since the trial, but several called at New Bedford, and she would not see them; neither would she in the future, for she was tired of the whole thing.

"I think it will be hard for me to get a place, for no one wants to hire a person for one month. I think the District Attorney should give me something for my time. The papers and postal card made me feel badly; but aside from them, I got tired over there. I had nothing to do but look at the walls of the prison, and I found seven grey hairs in my head. I would rather have a place where I would have something to do."

“No, I never, at any time, saw Lizzie put anything in, neither did I ever throw any milk away. Whatever milk was left, and that wasn’t much, I drank it, for I dont like tea. That story is not true.”

“Did you see anybody wash their hands that day?” “Yes Sir, Dr. Coughlan and Dr. Dolan. I do not see how Dr. Dolan forgot that. I remembered it well, for I gave him a towel. This was in the kitchen. Dr. Coughlan washed first. I know nothing about up stairs. No, I did not empty the basin, and I do not know who did.

I think the wood was chopped over the River. At one time one of the farm hands chopped a few planks for kindling. I never had occasion to use a hatchet but once, and that was to take the heels off of my shoes.

When I returned from Miss Russell’s, I asked Lizzie if I would go to Mrs. Whitehead’s to see if Mrs. Borden was there. It was then Lizzie said, no, I think I heard her come in.”

Dr. Albert C. Dedrick. “I was going on a call to Whipple street, when I saw Dr. Dolan drive along Second street like mad, and stop at Mr. Borden’s. When I returned, there was a large crowd there, and I went in. Mr. Borden’s left hand, which rested on his hip, was smeared with blood. I called Dr. Bowen’s attention to it.

I went up stairs, and as I entered, I noticed the basin which was on the wash stand, contained water stained with blood. I called Dr. Bowen’s attention to this, and he said perhaps some of the Doctors washed their hands there. Afterwards I saw Dr. Dolan wash his hands there. I remember this distinctly, for I had put my hands in Mrs. Borden’s wounds, and when I had washed my hands, I took the towel from Dr. Dolan, who had just finished drying his.

I think Mrs. Borden was dead first, for when I took hold of her arm, it was cold, clammy, and very stiff. When I took hold of Mr. Borden’s, to look at the blood on his hand, it bent very easily.

I do not want to get into the case, but I tell you just as I saw and found things.”

(Harrington)

Fall River, September 29, 1892.

Wednesday Sept. 29 at 5.30 P. M. the Marshal ordered me to Providence R. I. I arrived at Providence about 7. P. M. and went directly to the house of E. P. McHenry, College street. At 7.15 P. M. Henry G. Trickey of the Boston Daily Globe called at Mr. McHenry’s. He was ushered into the parlor, where the following conversation between Messrs. Trickey and McHenry was overheard by me. Substantially, it was as follows:

“Begorry, I waited up there until I got tired.” “Well, Mr. I fixed the deal with Adams; there is \$1000. to be had for the prosecution’s case.” Then something was said about \$200. from the paper business.

(Trickey) “Mel. Adams has the \$1000. ready to pay over the minute

the evidence of the prosecution was obtained by him. I will come down tomorrow night, and get the whole business, take it to Adams, get the money, and turn it over to you. The first proposition made to me, as you know, was \$500. that came from Adams; but the \$1000. was later agreed to by Jennings, Adam having sent for him, and talked the matter over. He, Jennings, then went and saw Lizzie, and she assented to it, and Jennings wrote Adams it was all right. Jennings then called on Adams, and told him he had seen Lizzie, and she agreed to the proposition, so the money will be paid. There will be \$500. for you, and \$500. for me.”

(McHenry) “You know, Trickey, they are not looking for the murderer.”

(Trickey) “Why, of course not, all they want is the evidence of the government. Now let me tell you something, Mr. I asked Mel. Adams if he thought Lizzie was not guilty. He said I am counsel for her, and cannot speak; but here is something I will show you. He handed me a letter which was from his wife, and it read something like this; I am ashamed to think that my husband has interested himself in the defence of this woman, when you know she is guilty. You had no business to have anything to do with her case.”

(McHenry) “Now Trickey, what do you think of Jennings? Did you see him to talk about this matter?”

(Trickey) “No, I am doing business with Adams. He, Adams, said Jennings was a provincial fellow, and doesn't know anything. When he was spoken to about this deal, at first he would not do it. I could do nothing with him, he is too much of a Puritan. I suppose you know Adams got Hanscom into this case. They are great friends. It was Adams who defended Hanscom when in trouble with the Boston Police.”

(Trickey) “No, Adams stands well with the Pinkertons. He is a pretty shrewd fellow, and stands well in with the crooks. When he was Asst. District Attorney, he would go to them, and assure them he had nothing against them, and then say, did you do this? I wont be hard on you. You know what this meant, so as to get their business when he got out of office. As I said before he defended Hanscom at his hearing before the Police Commission. They are both good friends, and always work together.”

(McHenry) “Trickey, you must have a step on Seaver, getting information in this case while you were in Fall River.”

(Trickey) “No, Mr. Seaver only gave me the ground work every day to go do. For instance, he would say, today the ax is the principal subject. The next day, the tip would be the bottle of acid, and so on. It is true he gave me such tips every day I saw him, but he did not give me everything; that is, he would not give me the whole subject. He would merely hint at the subject and then I would go to work. I get the most of my information indirectly from Harrington and Doherty. The prussic acid story I got indirectly from them through a friend of theirs to whom I gave \$25. The party to whom I gave up the \$25. is a policeman on the inside.”

(McHenry) "How about Medley?"

(Trickey) "Oh, pshaw, he is cheap. I got him anytime for a couple of beers. He is the cheapest chump of them all.

(McHenry) "Well, how about the Mayor?"

(Trickey) "He was one of my best friends. I got a great deal from him. He is a dandy for staying up nights. I tell you he gave me lots of good news.

Now about the deal with Adams; I cant see him tonight, as he lives out of town, I think in Worchester; but I will see him about 8.30 A. M. tomorrow morning. After nine o'clock nobody can find him; sometimes he goes to Cambridge."

(McHenry) "How about advancing some money now as a retainer?"

(Trickey) "Well, of course I cannot do so now, for I haven't got the stuff; but Adams is thoroughly honest, I know this, for I have worked with him before; and as soon as you have this evidence ready, there will be no delay about the money."

(McHenry) "Now, old man, how will this money be paid, in cash or check? You know a check can be very easily stopped."

(Trickey) "He does not do business that way. I would trust Adams with anything. You may come to Boston with me, or not. Perhaps it would be better not to be seen in Boston together, the Pinkertons might catch on. What time will it be convenient for you to see me tomorrow?"

(McHenry) "Make it late in the afternoon, I am not feeling well."

(Trickey) "I will leave Boston about 3. P. M. and arrive here about 6. P. M. Have your notes ready, and arrange them like this; John Jones, No.---street, will testify as follows; Then give what he knows in full. How many witnesses did you say there were?"

(McHenry) 17.

(Trickey) "Do you think the evidence that has not been submitted of importance?"

(McHenry) "Very"

(Trickey) "Does Bridget know much more than she has told?"

(McHenry) "O, yes, much. There are three or four very important witnesses, and they should be kept out of the state. They are under my control. They have made affidavits, and I as Notary swore them."

(Trickey) "Can these people be kept out of the state?"

(McHenry) "Yes, Bridget ought to be sent out of the country."

(Trickey) "With her out of the country, we could get a --(here was a blank) a house and ---(here I could not hear again). When will the Grand Jury meet?"

(McHenry) "I do not know, but I think sometime in October."

(Trickey) "Then we will keep this back for sometime."

(McHenry) "Until after the Grand Jury meets?"

(Trickey) "No, we will publish it a few days before. That will give Adams a chance to work things. Three or four days before we publish this, I will go to Fall River, and spend much time there among these people, and put some time in around Jennings' office, and no one will be able to tell where the story came from. Neither you nor I can afford to lose our reputation for \$500. and if you give me straight goods, we

can get---(here I lost what was said for a while). Do you think that from what the government has got, Lizzie will be convicted?

(McHenry) "Why, yes. Once while Adams and Lizzie were talking, I was under the bed, and heard every word. This was unintentional, for I think it is not honorable to listen to what a lawyer and client might say; but this time it could not be helped, as there was no time to arrange matters differently before Adams came in. Why, there was some one in that room nearly all the time, and all the conversation between Lizzie and her friends was overheard."

(Trickey) "What a story it will make. We will have a large picture of you and your wife, and the room with bed, and a person under it. I made Billings come to his knees. I had not spoken to him for four years, and he came to me and apologized, and acknowledged I had outdone him. I'll show those fellows how to do things. Adams when talking about this case, said, I think I will soon give up this criminal business, and go entirely into the civil. I am getting tired of trying to keep criminals out of jail, and the rope away from their necks."

(McHenry) "Why don't Hanscom take that hatchet away with him? He was around there long enough. I would, if I had to split the handle, and put the blade in my pocket."

Trickey laughed at this, and said I dont know. But Bob Pinkerton called him off of the case.

(Trickey) "Have you a typewriter, what make is it? Never mind I guess I can run it. I have a little typewriter in Boston, and I will bring her down. You have your notes ready, and I will dictate them to her, so they will be in proper form. Will this evidence fill up much space? Will it occupy two columns?"

(McHenry) "Yes, there are two witnesses that will fill up a column apiece."

(Trickey) "Then I can get a whole pace out of it."

(McHenry) "There is no need of bringing a typewriter down here, my wife runs the machine."

(Trickey) "Is the lawyer who was mentioned in the papers, the right man?"

(McHenry) "No."

(Trickey) "You give your word the evidence is valuable, and is only a matter of turning the evidence over to Adams, and I know the money will be all right."

(McHenry) "Now Trickey, I am thinking it is not asking too much of you to give me some money."

(Trickey) "That is just what I want myself, as my creditors are pushing me for a couple of hundred dollars, and the sooner this thing is settled, the better it will be. When Jennings first approached Adams about coming into this case, he asked Adams if \$250. would be sufficient as a retainer. Adams said, no, I want \$500. in this case; and Jennings, after seeing Lizzie, made it right with Adams."

(McHenry) "I know that. That is what he got."

Trickey to a question said, "The reason Adams did not consummate this deal before was because he was not sure of remaining in the case; but now he is. He also said they were seriously considering the idea of obtaining assistance."

(McHenry) "I know they have had agents in New York, and heard they consulted Mark Corcoran; but they could not get him, for he was playing to big houses."

(Trickey) "They will catch on to a big one somewhere." "I was surprised this afternoon to learn how much your wife knows about what we have been talking."

(McHenry) "Yes, she knows all; she is my confident. While she was under Lizzie's bed, she took shorthand notes; and her evidence will be very interesting. You need not fear her, I would trust her with my life."

(Trickey) "The money is ready Mc. and we can have a"--- (I lost this) "the evidence."

The above conversation was overheard by John F. Golden, and myself.

The room in which Trickey and McHenry met is on the second floor, and measures 15 feet 8 inches x 15 feet 2 inches. Height of room 8 feet 7 inches. The room contained a piano, lounge, two oak tables, one rocking chair, two common chairs, two small chairs for children, one writing desk, and small fancy table. There are three doors in the room one leading to the main hall, one to a small hall, and the other to the cupboard in which Golden and I were secreted. The small hall door, and the door leading to the cupboard were covered with portieres. The door of this room was unhung, and in front of it, facing the parlor, stood a large picture on an easel. This picture measured 4-3 X 3 and 1/2. The room in which we were is 4-7 X 4-7, height the same as parlor. There was a small trunk in this room.

(Harrington)

Providence, R. I. Monday October 10, 1892.

Henry G. Trickey of the Boston Globe came in company with E. D. McHenry to the latter's house at 11.30 P. M. In the house at the time were Mrs. McHenry, Jas. B. Carroll, John F. Golden, Dennis Desmond Jr. and Phil. Harrington. The following took place in the dining room which McHenry entered first, Trickey soon following.

As Trickey entered, both he and McHenry began to talk together. What was said, I did not understand distinctly until McHenry said "No, I will say no more, until you make that letter straight with my wife. Nellie come in here." As she entered all began to talk at once. Owing to their excitement, it was impossible to catch what was said. When quiet was restored, Mr. Trickey said "Mc. you have not dealt squarely with me in this matter."

(McHenry) "What about the agreement, have you been honest with me?"

(Trickey) "I did not know it was to be published, and did not intend it

should be until Tuesday or Wednesday. It was as much a surprise to me as it was to you.”

(McHenry) “Did you not say you would see me twenty-four hours before you published the matter?”

(Mr. Trickey) “I know I did.”

(McHenry) “You agreed to see me at midnight Saturday?”

(Trickey) “Yes, but when I received your dispatch at the Gladstone Hotel, I was called to the office, and then for the first time learned it was to be published.”

(McHenry) “Why did you not telephone me then?”

(Trickey) “It was too late then, and I did not want to disturb you.”

(Mrs. McHenry) “Well, you promised to let us know 24 hours before publishing it?”

(Trickey) “I know that.”

(Mrs. McHenry) “Well, you did not keep your agreement.”

(Trickey) “We rushed the fellows down to Fall River this morning, and found all the names and addresses wrong. The whole thing crooked.”

(McHenry) “Do you mean to say you were straight; were you not to give me \$200 more?”

(Trickey) “I gave you \$200. in Attleboro.”

(McHenry) “Yes, but part of that was to go to my wife.”

(Trickey) “No.”

(McHenry) “And was I not to get \$500.?”

(Trickey) “Yes.”

(Mrs. McHenry) “Wasn’t part of the \$200. which you gave Mc at Attleboro to go to me for the purpose of getting Bridget away?”

(Trickey) “No. I said nothing of Bridget.”

(Mrs. McHenry) “Why, you certainly did, for you told me so.”

(Trickey) “You dont know anything about the agreement in Attleboro, only what he told you.”

(McHenry) “What are you talking about? That is just what you said at Attleboro.”

(Trickey) “I never made any contract I did not live up to. No man ever heard me make a statement I did not carry out.”

(McHenry) “O, yes, they have. You have not done what you promised in this transaction. Did you not promise that I would have \$500.?”

(Trickey) “Yes, but the stuff is not straight.”

(McHenry) “Well, that is your own fault. You promised not to publish it until you had given me 24 hours notice.”

(Trickey) “Yes, that is so, but I could not avoid it; and now all the statements are crooked.”

(Mrs. McHenry) “I thought the Globe’s interest in these statements was of a secondary consideration.” Here the three began to talk all at once, and use the name of Adams; but there was so much clatter, I could not get the sentences.

(Trickey) “Now Mc. I want those correct names and addresses. Chas. H. Taylor Jr. sent five men down there to verify the story; and if I dont get the right names to night, a new story will be published in the

paper and we will roast you.”

(McHenry) “Then If that is the case, I refuse to give you a thing, and you may go ahead, and roast.”

(Trickey) “Well, good night Mc. ----Now do you wish to reconsider before I go, and give me the right names?”

(McHenry) “I’ll give you nothing.”

(Mrs. McHenry) “Weren’t you to get the stuff, the evidence, for Adams?”

(Trickey) “You dont understand the Attleboro agreement.”

During the conversation all three were very much excited. I saw Mr. Trickey as he entered and passed from the dining room.

(Harrington)

WILLIAM H. MEDLEY.

Fall River, August 4, 1892.

Called to the Marshal’s office in a hurry at 11.30 from my beat; it might have been a few minutes earlier. Jumped in a team and was soon at the office. I was then ordered to the Borden homestead on Second street. On arrival there, I found Andrew J. Borden and his wife dead.

Had a talk with Lizzie about the deaths of her parents. I asked here where she was when this thing happened. She said she was up stairs in the barn; and on coming into the house, found her father all cut and bleeding on the lounge. She then called Maggie, and then Mrs. Churchill. She did not have any idea who could have done it. I inquired about some cloths which looked to me like small towels, they were covered with blood, and in a pail half filled with water, and in the wash cellar. She said that was all right; she had told the Doctor all about that. I then asked her how long the pail and its contents had been there; and she said three or four days. I asked the Doctor about it, and he said it had been explained to him, and was all right.

I then had a talk with Bridget about the pail and it contents. She said she had not noticed the pail until that day, and it could not have been there two days before, or she would have seen it, and put the contents in the wash, as that was the day she had done the washing.

She said shortly after Mr. Borden came in, she went to her room, and had not been there but a little while when Lizzie called her down, saying some one had killed her father. She did not tell me what she was doing in her room. I went at once up stairs in the barn, but found no footprints in the dust, except what I made myself.

Fall River, August 4, 1892.

John V. Morse stated to me that he left the Borden homestead on Second street at about 8.50 A. M. and went to see a nephew and niece whom he had never seen before, so he said, who were stopping at Mr. Emery's at No. 4 Weybosset street. Mr. Morse said he went there, and remained until 11.30 arriving there at about 9.30. Leaving No. 4 Weybosset at 11.30, he said he took a street car going directly back to the Borden home, arriving there about 11.50, when he found that Mr and Mrs. Borden had been murdered; that was the first he knew of it. He told Reporter Porter of the Daily Globe that the first he knew of it was when he was telephoned for.

To prove the truth or falsity of the above statement, I went to the home of Mr. Emery at No. 4 Weybosst street. Mrs. Emery said Mr. Morse did come there at about 9.40, and left there at 11.20, or thereabouts; that he did meet his nephew and niece. She also said Mr. Morse had not been to their house before in several years. She asked him to remain to dinner, but he declined saying something about going to New Bedford, to which place they understood he was going after leaving the house. He left by the front door, but she does not know whether or not he took a street car .

Fall River, August 4, 1892.

Went at 9.30 P. M. tonight with officer Connors to New Bedford to ascertain the whereabouts of a man who offered a Frenchman living on Jencks street four dollars to carry him to New Bedford. This man is said to have got into the Frenchman's team near Eight rod way, on Pleasant street, and is said to have acted strangely. His description is given as follows; height 5 feet 9 or 10 inches, weight 175 lbs. dark complexion, broad shoulders, wore dark clothes. The Frenchman declined to carry him to New Bedford, and the man went off, after inquiring where he might get a drink. We followed from one saloon to another until we arrived outside the city limits, going to New Bedford, ten hours incessant work failed to find any such person; and I now doubt the truthfulness of the Frenchman's story.

Fall River, August 7, 1892.

Andrew J. Borden visited the Union Saving Bank about half past nine A. M. Thursday, and explained to Mr. A. C. Hart the reason of his (Mr. Borden's) inability to attend a meeting of the Board of Directors which he said was because he did not feel well. He remained but a few minutes, and went north from the bank. He was alone when he came and went away from the Bank.

Mr. Everett Cook of the First National Bank gives the following statement. "Andrew J. Borden came to this Bank somewhere about 10

o'clock; it might be as early as 9.50. He does his business with us. That morning he deposited a check which was made payable to him by the Troy Mills. While making this deposit, Mr. William Carr came in. They talked together a few minutes, and Mr. Borden left the Bank. He was here not more than ten minutes. While he was here I noticed that he looked tired and sick; knowing him so well, I could not help noticing that he looked real sick. I did not speak to him about it, because I thought he might consider it none of my business. He was alone when he came and went away from the bank."

John T. Burrill, Cashier of the Union National Bank makes the following statement. "Andrew J. Borden came into the Bank, as near as we can place the time, about ten o'clock. He went to the rear of the Bank, and looked in the rooms, probably for Mr. Hart; and finding no one, went out, remarking something about calling again. He did not call again. He was alone."

Edith Francis, clerk for C. C. Cook makes the following statement. "I happened to be looking out of the window of our office in Mr. Borden's Block on South Main street Thursday morning, shortly after ten o'clock; and saw Mr. Borden going south on So. Main street, walking on the East side of the street. He looked up at the building, but kept right on. He was alone at the time."

Charles C. Cook made the following statement. "I am business manager for Mr. Andrew J. Borden, for the Borden Block. I did not see Mr. Borden Thursday. I have had charge of the Block almost since it was built. He used to come in once in a while, but not every day, nearly always alone. The only other person who ever came with him was his wife, excepting once when Lizzie came with him to sign a deed conveying some property she owned to her father. This property was owned jointly by the two sisters, and was situated on Ferry street. Lizzie has been here three or four times, once came to ask me about the value of the property she was going to convey to her father. I told her, and she went away."

(Question.) "Mr. Cook, have you any reason to believe Mr. Borden had, or had not, made a will?"

(Answer) "I do not think Mr. Borden had made a will, unless it has been made recently. I will tell you how I know. He came to my office one day when I was writing, and waited until I finished, when I told him I was just writing a will. He said "Charles, do you know that is something I have never done yet, but I must attend to it."

(Question) "Mr. Cook, do you know of anything that would lead you to imagine that Lizzie and her father did not get along well together?"

(Answer) "I do not like to answer that question on account of my position as custodian of property, as I do not know what my relations may be with the family, when this thing is settled."

(Question.) “Would you be willing to answer that question in strict confidence to the City Harshal?”
 (Answer) “Yes sir, I would.”

Fall River August 5, 1892.

In accordance with instructions, I visited New Bedford. I find that Lizzie Borden arrived in that city on Thursday July 21st, and went to Mrs. Poole's, the mother of a friend, a former schoolmate, living near South Water street. While there she never went out alone, always going in the company of the family, with one exception, that being Saturday morning July 23, when she went on the street to buy a piece of dress goods of some cheap material, being gone about one and 30 minutes. She went alone and returned alone. No one called to see her while here. She never made mention of her family affairs. On Tuesday Lizzie, Mrs. Poole, and Mrs. Poole's daughter went to ride to Westport to see Mrs. Poole's daughter who was a schoolmate of Lizzie's, and who is now married to Cyrus W. Tripp. They spent the day there, leaving time enough for Lizzie to connect with train at New Bedford for Fall River. That was the last time the Pooles saw her. While at Westport, Lizzie saw no one outside of the family. Made this visit to New Bedford August 7.

Fall River, August 8, 1892.

Paid a visit to Mrs. Cyrus W. Tripp at her home in Westport on August 7, 1892. In reply to my questions she made the following statement. “Lizzie told me she thought her stepmother was deceitful, being one thing to her face, and another to her back. Lizzie told me her stepmother claimed not to have any influence with her father. But she must have influence with my father, or he never would have given my stepmother's half sister such a very large sum of money. She said, I do not know that my sister or I would get anything in the event of my father's death. This conversation took place at different times during former visits; nothing being said during her visit July 26th.

Fall River, August 9, 1892.

Went with Officer Harrington to one of John S. Brayton's farms near Gardner's Neck, and there found a Portugese family named Joseph Silvia. It was reported by a Mr. Brightman that while working there on Friday the 5th, he had noticed an ax covered with blood in porch of the house. Investigation revealed that no member of the family were in Fall River on August 4th; that the ax had never been out of their possession. The ax found lying on the wood pile was identified as the one he saw by Mr. Brightman. There was no blood on the ax when found by us; and the family did not remember to have seen any. If there was blood on the ax at any time, it might be caused by the children having the nose bleed by falling down, which was frequently the case. There was no reason to doubt a word these people said.

Fall River August 10, 1892.

Went today to make measurements of the barn and its distances from the house. The nearest point of the barn to the back door of the house, about 22 feet. From the side, or small door of the barn to the back door, about 41 feet. Space vacant in the barn when I made my examination, about 14 feet square. Found a box of leaf lead, weighting perhaps 15 lbs. at a distance of about 3 feet 2 inches from the door on the ground floor of the barn. Found a piece of lead pipe about 4 or 5 feet long laying on the ground floor of the barn; distance from the door about five feet. This lead was in full view, and could readily be seen by anyone. I saw this lead also on the afternoon of August 4th.

Fall River, August 13, 1892.

Went to New Bedford today to investigate about a man acting strangely in a druggist's store on North Second street, kept by Wm. H. Drummond. This information was furnished by Stephen Sawyer of New Bedford, and turned out not to be worth the paper upon which it was written. A man stopped into the store, said he was hungry; bought a glass of soda and a few sticks of candy, lounged around the store a little while, looking once or twice up and down the street. He said he lived on Chestnut street Fairhaven; and went away. Description of the man; height 5 feet 6; age 45 or 50; complexion dark; wore blue clothes.

Fall River September 2, 1892.

In obedience to orders given to me on Monday last, I have visited Needham, Chestnut Hill, Boston, and other places, endeavoring to find or locate the man, Sam Robinsky. Every place mentioned above was thoroughly worked; and we are satisfied that the man Robinsky is absolutely unknown to the people of the places above mentioned. The letters which were said to have been delivered to a man of that name at the Needham Post Office last spring, were not delivered last spring but a year ago last Spring; and the Post Office people have not seen or received anything for him since that time. For a remembrance of the name, they have nothing to govern them but their memories; and as so many Jews spell their names almost the same, the Post Office authorities admit their liability to err.

In company with Inspector J. Ryder of Station One I went to all the wholesale dealers in peddlers supplies, who are Jews themselves. They, not only do not know any one of that name, but are willing to make affidavit that they do not believe any such man lives in this state.

Capt. Cain of Station One put four men to work on the Jewish Section, who made house to house canvass, using up three days, and this canvass failed to reveal anybody by the name of Robinsky. Everywhere in Police Circles the Robinsky letter was considered a "fake" pure and simple.

Fall River September 2, 1892.

In pursuance of orders I this day visited Mrs. John Marshall at Pawtucket. I was unable to secure an interview with her because Mr. Jennings had telephoned to allow no one to see her until he came on. I waited until next day, when Mr. Jennings and I had an interview with her, and she made the following statement. She was out riding in company with Mrs. Robert Marshall in Fall River on the fourth of August. They were going south through Third street about eleven o'clock, or a few minutes after. When opposite Dr. Chagnon's house, she saw a horse and top buggy, and a man standing beside it. He was not in a hurry, did not seem excited; no blood or anything on his clothing; nothing in his hands, but simply standing beside his carriage, and presently he got in, but did not notice which way he went. He had a red face. In concluding, she said "that is all I know."

September 8. This day visited Mrs. Robert Marshall at the Melon House. She is what I consider a very upright conscientious woman. After calling in Asst. Marshal Fleet that he might be a witness to what was said, I inquired of Mrs. Robert Marshall if she concurred in the statement made by her mother in law. She said "No, I cannot. I was with my mother in law on the 4th of August riding out. While I know it will make more or less feeling in my family, yet I must tell The truth, and I cannot say that I saw anything at all either on Third street, or anywhere else, that could be construed into a suspicious circumstance. While on Third street in front of Dr. Chagnon's house, there was absolutely nothing at all; neither did she call my attention to anything at all. When we passed, the High School Building it was 10.45, she told me so herself. I am sorry I cannot agree with her, but it is my duty to tell what I honestly believe to be the truth."

Fall River September 13, 1892.

I have visited New Bedford, going to the hardware store of Hillman & Vincent. Mr. Mark Vincent is the man who sold the ax of which I have before made mention, the purchase being made about two days before the murder. I took Mr. Vincent to see the Portugese working at the slaughter house on the Davis farm, and who is well acquainted with Mr. Morse. But after a thorough look at the man, concluded that he was not the man; neither had he ever noticed him in the store at any time. The Portugese man has a distinctive look about him; and anyone seeing him once, would know him again. This Portugese claims never to have been in New Bedford, except on Sunday, at any time within six months.

Fall River September 12, 1892.

I visited Miss Lizzie Johnson at Myricks on Saturday. She refused to make known to me the contents of the letter she received from

Lizzie Borden on the day of the Borden murder, until she had consulted Mr. Jennings. I talked with her for two hours, but was unable to make her change her mind. She met Mr. Jennings Saturday night. I saw her again today, when she informed me that Mr. Jennings told her she need not tell me the contents of the letter if she did not want to; and she did not want to. I have seen the other girls who were at Marion at the time. None of them will talk. I have made all this know to Mr. Knowlton, and that gentleman instructed me to procure all their names, and give them to you, in order that they may be summoned to appear before the Grand Jury. The names are as follows; Mary L. Holmes, Isabel J. Fraser, Lizzie Johnson, Louise Remington, Mabel H. Remington.

On the 6th day of October Curtis I. Piece of Westport came to Fall River, and met Mr. A. J. Jennings. I was informed by Mr. Champlain of the Daily News that Piece was an old lover of Lizzie A. Borden. In order to sift the matter to the bottom, I commenced a thorough investigation.

I found that Mr. Piece first met Lizzie Borden at the house of Mr. Tripp at Westport, about ten years ago. At that time Piece was a sort of itinerant preacher, and was doing a little in that line in Westport at that time. While he was on speaking terms with her, yet there was not anything to indicate that Lizzie cared for him. I was told by Mrs. Tripp that Lizzie could hardly tolerate him.

Mr. Piece told me he first met Lizzie at the home of the Tripp's about ten years ago. Was not intimately acquainted with her; he had not met her in over four years, and had not written to her in two years before the murder. He was not her lover, and never was. He never was to her house in his life, and did not know her people, either father, mother or Emma, and had never spoken or written to any of them. He did write to Lizzie since she was sent to Taunton Jail; and the letter was answered by Mr. Jennings. He never wrote to any member of Lizzie's family, expressing regard for Lizzie, or in any other way. The following is a copy of the letter sent by Mr. Piece to Lizzie. "Westport Sep. 20, 1892. To Miss Lizzie, with friendly greetings. I am very anxious to meet you, and as I cannot presume upon your presence without your permission, will you be so kind as to appoint a day for me to visit you as soon as convenient. I can come any day or hour. Please not deny this one request, believe me you have my deepest sympathy and constant prayer. I am sincerely yours. Curtis I. Piece. Westport Box 34.

Copy of letter sent by Andrew J. Jennings to Curtis I. Piece. Fall River, Mass. September 24, 1892. Mr. Curtis I. Piece. P. O. Box 34, Westport Mass. Dear Sir; Your letter to Sheriff Wright and to Miss Lizzie A. Borden have been handed to me by the latter. For your sympathy, as for that of everybody else in her suffering, she is grateful but she is at a loss to understand why you should presume upon her unfortunate position to open correspondence with her, or write to Sheriff Wright asking for an interview. She does not to see you,

nor to receive letters from you. She has not, tis true, a father to appeal to, or family to compel you to cease your attempts to force yourself upon her notice; but there are others who can and will supply his place. She has told me of your previous conduct, and I am surprised that any man should attempt to renew it under present circumstances. Yours truly, Andrew J. Jennings.

F. L. EDSON

Fall River Mass. Friday Aug. 5, 1892.

At 5.55 A. M. went from the Police Station to the residence of the late A. J. Borden, No 92 Second street. Arrived there about 6 A. M. entered house by the side door on North side of the house. Officer Harrington was on duty at the door. The door from the entry to kitchen was open. J. V. Morse was in front of the stove; we did not speak. I went down cellar from the entry, went into the wash room in the southmost corner of the cellar. On the floor were two axes and a single hatchet. On a bench or table were a number of wet towels. There was blood on the towels. I went up stairs with the axes and hatchet, met Harrington at the door. Harrington said "there was one more hatchet in the cellar." I went down cellar again, Harrington with me. In the vegetable cellar, off wash room, Harrington handed me a hatchet from a shelf or scaffold. We then went up stairs, and out of the house. On the steps I saw John V. Morse coming from the back yard. I said "good morning"; he answered. I went from there directly to the Police Station; arriving there about 6.23 A. M. At the Police Station I examined the axes. They were common ones, had been used rough; the single hatchet the same. The large hatchet was in good condition, and very sharp. On the back of the blade, near the handle was a spot of rust or blood. From this spot to the handle was a light colored hair. There were dark spots on handle; do not know whether they were dirt or blood. The blade appeared to have been in water. The extreme length of this hatchet was about 17 inches; the blade about five inches broad; the head, and claw on head, about one inch wide, and about two and a half inches long. The length of handle wood axes about two feet 8 or 10 inches in length; the single hatchet about 16 inches long. Officer Harrington, Doherty, Minnehan, Regan 2nd and McCarty saw me when I left the premises; and Officer Mahoney and Steward Cummings when I arrived at Police Station. I carried the axes and hatchet openly in my hand.

About 7.15 A. M. I returned to the Borden house, went into the house with Officer Doherty. Bridget Sullivan and J. V. Morse were in the kitchen. I also inquired of Morse about his relatives in New Bedford and vicinity. I also inquired about Mrs. Borden's relatives. Morse called Miss Emma, and she answered the questions. While I was talking to Miss Emma, Miss Lizzie came in. She said "Bridget, are you sure the

back cellar door was fastened?" Bridget said "Yes marm."

Monday August 8, 1892.

About 10 A. M. went to the A. J. Borden house with Charles H. Bryant, Officers Desmond, Medley, Conners and Quigley. Desmond asked permission to search the premises of Miss Lizzie and Emma. They gave consent. We searched the cellar, chimneys, sounded walls and floor; after which we searched the barn, out house, under out house, yard, lumber pile in the yard, and adjoining yards. We found no weapon, or anything suspicious. The search was complete about 1.30 P. M.

Friday August 26.

J. V. Morse testified that one ax and three hatchets were taken from the house, put in a light colored bag of coarse material, and carried away. This is false.

(F. L. Edson, Constable)

GEORGE F. SEAVER

August 11, 1892.

Early Thursday morning, Aug. 11, went to Luther's Corners, Swansea, with Marshal Hilliard, to the farm owned by the late Andrew J. Borden, and had an interview with Frederick Eddy and Alfred C. Johnson, who have been employed on that place, Mr. Eddy for sixteen years, and Johnson for nine. Frederick Eddy made the following statement. "John V. Morse came over to this house Wednesday evening Aug. 3, between seven and eight o'clock. He drove a horse and top buggy; said it was a stable team. He came in the house and brought a rattan basket, took out three pears and laid on the table, said he brought them over from the Borden house. He said Mr. Borden sent him over to see how I was, and get the eggs. Said Mr. Borden was coming with him, but he, his wife and Lizzie were taken sick last night, and he couldn't come. He said he stopped to supper at Mr. Vinnecum's, who lives a short distance from here. I said to him, after he got his eggs, "how about the oxen Mr. Davis of South Dartmouth was to have to use?" "I am going back and see Mr. Borden, and think we will make arrangements to get them back over Saturday morning", was the reply. Mr. Morse stayed here perhaps ten or fifteen minutes. Since hearing of the murder, it has seemed to me a singular coincidence that he should have come over that night for the eggs, for, had he not, I should have taken the train and gone to Mr. Borden's Thursday morning, arriving at the house about quarter to eleven or eleven. I have seen axes and hatchets at Mr. Borden's. The large hatchet was comparatively new. When it was bought, it was brought over here, and ground sharp. After being ground, Mr. Borden was here, and it was

carried out and put on the wall by the gate for him to carry home. When he went away he said, I wont take the hatchet. You'll be coming over in a day or two, and you bring it over; which I did. I did not use axes or hatchets at Mr. Borden's, as a Sweden, Andrew Johnson, went to Mr. Borden's when he was not busy here, and did all the work, cutting the wood, cleaning up the yard etc. When I go to Fall River with hay or anything for market, I have always been in the habit of going to Mr. Borden's house to dinner. Sometimes I have eaten dinner with them; often I have not got there until after they were through dinner.

Alfred Johnson made the following statement. "Have worked for Mr. Borden nine years. Have done his work at the house, cutting wood and cleaning up the yard, when not busy at the farm. Think the two last times I cut wood was early in the Spring, and again just before planting. Mr. Borden had two axes, a single hatchet, and a shop or bench hatchet. The bench hatchet has never been used much since it was sharpened. I ground it over here to the farm in the early Spring. The hatchet and axes were always kept in one place, in a box in the wood room at the left of the furnace. Never found them in any other place, and always put them back after using them, as Mr. Borden was particular about having one place for all tools. When I have been working at Mr. Borden's, I have stayed there.

(Geo. W. Seaver B. P.)

D. DESMOND

On Monday Aug. 8, 1892., F. L. Edson, P. Connors, M. Quigley, W. H. Medley and D. Desmond went to Borden house, Second street, to make a search of the premises. Mr. Charles Bryant, Mason and Contractor, went with us to assist if necessary. I, Desmond, inquires for either of the Borden family, and Lizzie Borden came. I told her that we had been sent by Marshal Hilliard to make some further search of the premises. Lizzie said "if there is going to be anything done, or anything said, Mr. Jennings must be here." this took place in sitting room. Hanscomb was sitting in the room at the time. While waiting for Mr. Jennings, Emma a came into the sitting room from front hallway, and said "if you only want to do some searching, you can go right ahead and search any place you 'wish; but if there is any conversation to be had, Mr. Jennings better be here." I told her we came only to search. About the time we got ready to search, Mr. Jennings came. I told what Lizzie said, also what Emma said. Mr. Jennings said "thats all right, go right ahead." Edson, Connors, Quigley, Medley, Desmond and Charles Bryant went into the cellar; had only been there a few minutes, when Mr. Jennings and Hanscomb came down. Mr. Jennings spoke about the lumber pile in the yard, and wanted us to be sure and search that before we got done. Mr. Bryant and myself (Desmond) looked over the

chimneys. After finishing the east chimney, which is the one in the kitchen, we went to look at the one in the west of building. This runs up between the parlor and dining room. The side in the dining room seemed to be bricked up or cemented. While we were looking over it, Emma and Lizzie both said "if this front is in your way, tear it out." Mr. Jennings was there at the time. Emma spoke about a "lumber pile in the yard", and thought it would be a good place to search. Mr. Bryant, and myself went into the cellar; and it was thoroughly searched by Edson, Conners, Quigley and Desmond. From there, we went and searched the barn, lumber pile, yard, privy vault and well, also John Crowe's yard which is on south side of Borden house.

The search I am satisfied was a good one; but we failed to find anything.

At the outset of the search in the cellar, officer Medley found a small hatchet. I wrapped it up in a newspaper, and gave it to Medley to put in his pocket. It had no handle to it.

On afternoon of August 8, 1892, Marshal Hilliard, John Fleet, George Seaver, Dr. Dolan and D. Desmond met at Borden house, Second street about three o'clock P. M. Mr. Jennings joined, and a thorough search of the house commenced. We started in the attic, and overhauled everything, piece by piece. From there we came down to second floor and gave it the same thorough search. This was continued until the cellar was reached; the same persons, with the exception of D. Desmond doing the searching there.

JOSEPH HYDE

August 4, 1892.

In talking to Bridget Sullivan on the above date I asked her what time Mrs. Borden went upstairs. She said she thought it was a little before nine o'clock in the morning; and sometime after she came down for some pillow shams. And she said to me, "have you anything particular to do?" Bridget answered "No mam." Mrs. Borden said "I would like you to wash those windows." I went out and washed the windows, and never saw Mrs. Borden again alive. I asked her if she saw anyone round. She said she was speaking to Dr. Kelly's servant. After washing the windows, she came in and let Mr. Borden in by the front door. Then I asked her if she fastened the door. She said she did not think she did; that she left that for Mr. Borden to do. A little while after she saw Mr. Borden sitting on the lounge reading out of a thin book. When she went up stairs, she left Miss Lizzie in the kitchen ironing.

About half past eight in the evening, Miss Russell told me they

were going to retire, and would lock the door; and if we wanted anything, we could knock, and they would open the door. In a little while afterwards, Miss Russell and Miss Lizzie came down into the cellar, Miss Russell carrying a small hand lamp, and Miss Lizzie had something in her hand which I could not see distinctly. She went over to the sink and emptied something that sounded to me like water, Miss Russell standing some distance back. Then they both went up stairs. About fifteen minutes after, Miss Lizzie came down the cellar alone, with the small lamp in her hand. She set the lamp on the table, and went over towards the sink again, and stooped; but I could not see what she did there. Then she took up the lamp again, and went up stairs.

August 8th 9 o'clock in the morning, I spoke to Miss Russell about her and Miss Lizzie being in the cellar on the night of the 4th. Miss Russell said Miss Lizzie had the toilet pail. Miss Russell said she offered to carry the pail. Miss Lizzie says "you bring the lamp"; and they went into the cellar. I said to Miss Russell, Miss Lizzie came down into the cellar alone after that time. Miss Russell said that could not be. I said, O, yes she did; it was about ten or fifteen minutes after you and she went up stairs. Miss Russell said that must have been while I was taking my bath.

About fifteen minutes after this conversation, Miss Russell came to me and told me she would like me to come up stairs, she wanted me to see something. She led the way to the southeast bedroom, and pointing to something that lay on the floor under the head of the bed, said "what's that?" I picked it up. It was a club, about twenty inches long. She said I slept here last night; if that was there last night, I don't see how I missed seeing it. Miss Russell seemed very much excited, and begged me to tell no one but the Marshal. Mrs. Charles Holmes was present at the time.

JOHN DEVINE

I arrived at the house of A. J. Borden, 92 Second street about 11.40 A. M. Went into the cellar of the house with Officer Mullaly and searched there. Found two hatchets and two axes in cellar. One of the hatchets had a mark across it that drew our attention to it, marks across the blade and a mark diagonally on the inner corner of the same hatchet. We, myself and Mullaly, called the attention of the Asst. Marshal Fleet to it at the time. Two hatchets were in the wash cellar, and two axes were in the next room west of the wash room.

JOHN RILEY

Fall River, August 28, 1892.

I arrived at the Borden House about 12.35 August 4th. I was told of the murder on the way to the station house. Went into the kitchen and sitting room. Saw Mr. Borden on the sofa; saw blood spots on the door leading to the parlor; saw Mrs. Borden up stairs on the floor in the bed room; saw Miss Russell and Lizzie Borden in another room on the second floor. I came down, and went to the cellar. Marshal Fleet, Mr. Morse and Officer Mullaly were there. Looked through the cellar; saw the hatchets. Came up stairs to the kitchen. Dr. Dolan, Dr. Bowen and Bridget Sullivan were in there. Marshal Fleet sent me to the New Bedford Depot. Left there after the 3.30 train left; then came to the station house. The Marshal then sent me to the Borden house, and I helped to search the barn.

J. M. HEAP.

August 14th I saw Ronald St. Amant. He said that August 4th he was coming from Atwater's coal yard on Eight Rod Way with a half ton of coal at 2.30 or 3 o'clock. He met a man at the corner of Eight Rod Way and Pleasant street. "The man asked me if he could get in. I told him yes, come on then. He asked me if I could take him to New Bedford. I asked him why he did not take the cars. He said he wanted to go in a team. I asked him if he had a girl with him. He said no. He asked me how much I charge to take him to New Bedford. I said four dollars. He said all right. Then he kept kicking the horse. I made him understand that I had too much load to trot, and he stopped kicking the horse. I asked him what part of New Bedford he wanted to go to. He said the south part. Then he asked me if I could come back at four or five o'clock in the morning. I said it is too late, I want to come back at eleven or twelve. He said that all right, lets hurry up. We came to the woodyard on Jencks street. Before we got there he asked me if I had a buggy. I said no, I have got a carry all. I showed him the carryall. He said it was all right. He got into the carriage before I could hitch the horse to it; then he gave me a five dollar bill, I gave him one back. He wanted the reins, and kept saying hurry up. I saw that he was in a hurry, that I could not change my clothes, so I sent a boy after my coat and vest. The boy brought them. Then my wife came and asked me where I was going. I said, to take this man to New Bedford. She said, I dont want you to take that man to New Bedford. Then she said that there had been some one murdered in the city today. She said it might be bad to take that man to New Bedford. I told her that he had paid me. She said, give him back his money. I do not want you to go to New Bedford. I gave him back his five dollar bill, and he gave me my one dollar bill. As near as I could understand him, he said, I have paid you, and I want to go to New Bedford. I told him my wife did not want me to go. Get out, I dont want to see you here again.

Description. Age 28 or 30, height 5 feet 8 inches or 8 and 1/2; weight 175 or 180 lbs; dark complexion; full face; smooth shaven; a little round shouldered, and leans a little to the left when walking; a plain dark suit, cut away coat, a black stiff hat, white shirt and collar, and black bow; black hair.

Mrs. Exentive StAmant said that the man sat in the carriage, his head bent forward, and his hat drawn over his eyes, and kept saying hurry up and get in. When Mr. StAmant said here is your money back, the man said, aint it enough, will you take ten dollars. He took the five dollars and some silver from his pocket. Description. Age 30 or 35 years; height 5 feet 8 or 8 and 1/2 inches; weight 175 or 180 lbs; dark complexion, full face, smooth shaven, black hair, a little round shouldered, and leans a little to the left when walking, a plain dark suit, cut away coat, a black stiff hat, white shirt and collar, and black bow.

John St. Laurant, No. 59 Jencks street. "Saw the man when he came out of he wood yard. He asked me if there is a livery stable around here. I told him there is one on Flint street."

Description. Age 25 or 30; height 5 feet 6 or 8 inches; weight 150 lbs. dark complexion, rather plain, dark clothes, frock coat, dark derby hat, tight fitting pants, and outing shirt, a little round shouldered, and leans a little to the left when he walks.

Francois Charret, Flint Street, works for Mr. St. Amant. "I was in the wood yard when Mr. StAmant and the man came in. I thought by the looks of the man's hands and face he worked out of doors. They had the appearance of being sun burned. The inside of his hands was rough and hard, I saw them when he gave the money to Mr. St. Amant. He got into the carryall before we could hitch the horse to it, and kept saying hurry up. When Mr. StAmant said, here is your money back", the man said "aint it enough, will you take ten dollars. He took the five dollar bill and some silver from his pocket."

Description. Age 31 or 32; height 5 feet 8 or 8 and 1/2; weight 175 or 180 lbs. dark complexion, full face, smooth shaven, a little round shouldered, and leaned a little to the left when walking, a plain dark suit, cut away coat, a black stiff hat, white shirt and collar and black bow.

"I saw the man go to Pleasant street. He stood at the corner of Pleasant and Jencks street a minute, then started towards New Bedford."

Joseph Michaud, age 16, lives on Jencks street. "I saw the man in the team in the wood yard. When Mr. StAmant said he could not take him to New Bedford, he said, take me to Steep Brook then."

Description. Age 40, dark complexioned, height 5 feet 8 inches, dark clothes, white shirt, and collar, black bow.

Alexander Cote lives on Jencks street, works at Arcand's. "A man came to the stable August 4th at 3.30 o'clock P. M. and asked me if he could be carried to New Bedford. I said no sir."

Description. Age 29 or 30, height 5 feet 8 or 9 inches, weight 180 or 190 lbs. dark complexion, full face, dark cut away coat, no vest, no tie, an outing shirt. When he went from the barn, he went towards Alden street.

ALBERT E. CHASE

Fall River, Mass. August 5, 1892. The following articles and wearing apparel were this afternoon taken from a washtub in the cellar wash room of the Borden House by orders of the City Marshal and Medical Examiner, and were buried under my direction in the yard back of the barn.

1 sofa pillow and tidy, one large piece of Brussels carpet, one roll of cotton batting, one sheet and several pieces of cotton cloth, three towels, one napkin, one chemise, one dress, one pair drawers, one skirt, two aprons, one hair braid and several pieces of hair from Mrs. Borden's head from five to eight inches long, one neck tie, one truss, one piece of black silk braid or watch guard.

I also found mixed in with the hair of Mrs. Borden a piece of bone, which from its nature I took to be a piece of Mrs. Borden's skull, it was cut so smooth, that I thought it might be of use in determining what kind of instrument was used, as the bone and hair both had the appearance of being cut with a very sharp instrument; I gave this piece of bone to Dr. Dolan.

About the middle of the next week Dr. Dolan ordered all the articles dug up. After taking out pieces of clothing and of the carpet, they were ordered buried again. This time they were all put in a box.

Fall River, August 17, 1892. During the past thirteen days I have been on duty at the Borden house at the front door. During all this time the front door locked every time it was closed. No one has been ever admitted without first ringing the bell. Several times the people who were inside, have stepped out to speak to me, and the door would close, and lock them out, and they would have to ring to get in. I have tried the door a great many times, and always found it locked. Have seen a great many other people try to get in before ringing the bell, but the door was always locked. I have never seen anyone get in without being let in by someone from the inside.

Fall River, August 19, 1892. Investigation made of the Character of Charles B. Peckham, who came to the city yesterday, and gave himself up saying he killed A. J. Borden.

I found Mr. Peckham lived on a farm in South Westport about 8 and 1/2 miles from this city, on what is called the Sodam Road. From inquires among the neighbors, I found that he had been insane for years, but that he was considered perfectly harmless. His wife told me that he had been crazy by spells for the last eighteen years, and had been away once before, about six years ago. She said that he was taken sick July 13th last past, and had been confined to the house most of the time since. On the 4th of August, he was at home all day, and lay on the lounge most of the time. Also that he had never been to the city on Thursday, except yesterday, since they had lived on the farm. He had read of the Borden murders in the New Bedford Standard, and ever since that, he kept saying he was going to go to Fall River to give himself up, as he was the man who had killed them. When he left home he told his wife he was going to give himself up, but she thought no more of it, excepting he would only go to one of the neighbors and be home to dinner. I found him to be well known as a crank for several miles about there.

Fall River, August 24, 1892. Investigation in regard to time Jonathan Clegg, Gents. furnisher, No. 6 No. Main street, states that A. J. Borden was in his store Thursday August 4, talking with him in regard to his leasing his store on South Main street. He left his store at just 10.29 to go to the South Main street store. Mr. Borden was seen standing in the door of said store by the men at work inside; also by Edmund Whitehead who saw him leave the store, and turn up Spring street, but cannot fix the time. Mrs. Lizzie Gray, corner of Spring and Second street, saw Mr. Borden as he came up Spring street, and turned north on Second street towards home. She cannot fix the exact time, but says it was between ten and eleven o'clock, and but a short time before the murder. Dr. Kelly's wife, who lives next south of Mr. Borden, saw him going into his house; thinks it was 10.35, or a little later.

L. L. Hall, 83 Second street, says that Mrs. Churchill came to his stable after a man that works for her to go after a doctor for Mr. Borden, who had been badly hurt. Mr. Hall says it was then 10.30. He is positive of this, for he looked at his watch.

John J. Cunningham, who carries papers, was going by Mr. Hall's stable, and says Mrs. Churchill and several men were talking very serious. He asked them what the matter was, and a boy by the name of Albert Pierce told him that some one had stabbed A. J. Borden at his house. Cunningham says he went right into Mr. Gorman's store, corner of Second and Borden streets, and telephoned what he had heard, first to the City Marshal, then to the Daily Globe office. By the clock in Mr. Gorman's

store, it was then ten minutes to eleven; but it may not have been right.

James Leonard, who drives for Dr. Bowen, says he had drove up to the house with the doctor, when his wife came out and told the doctor to go right over to Borden's, as something terrible had happened. It was then five minutes past eleven.

Alice M. Russell says that Bridget Sullivan came to her house, 33 Borden street, at 11.15 and told her Mr. Borden had been badly hurt, and Lizzie wanted her to come up there right away.

Charles Sawyer says that he went up Second street with Miss Russell and that she went into the Borden house, and as he turned to go away, he met Officer G. W. Allen, and went into the house with the officer.

Alexander B. Coggeshall, a stable keeper on Second street, left his stable at 11.10 to go to diner. He stopped to talk with Mrs Buffington, and she told him that there had been trouble in the next house. Just then Bridget Sullivan came out of the house on the run, and went over to Southard H. Miller's house, and went in. Soon after Mr. Miller came to the door, and called him over, and said "Here Alex, I want you to listen to what this girl says," Bridget then told them that Mr. Borden and his wife had both been murdered. Mr. Coggeshall then went to dinner at Mrs. Tripp's No. 80 Second street, and he told her of the murder. It was then 11.20 by the clock in the restaurant.

Fall River, September 20, 1892. I this day visited the Borden house under instructions from the City Marshal. I saw Miss Emma Borden, and she went down cellar with me, and showed me a window in the northeast corner room nearest to the barn, and next north of the cellar door, which she wanted to have fastened up, and wanted me to note the condition that it was in before anything was done. I found one light of glass broke in the upper sash, the lower sash had the appearance of being pushed in, and raised up about five inches.

A. PERRON.

August 18, 1892. 8.30 o'clock P. M. Joseph Lemay of North Steep Brook reports that about 5.30 o'clock this afternoon, while in the woods about a mile form his house, he heard somebody say "too bad about Mrs. Borden." Looking around to his left, he saw a man sitting down on a stone. Mr. Lemay asked him if he was tried. The man made no reply, but took up a small hatchet and commenced to grind his teeth. Mr. Lemay says that "he had some spots of blood on what was once a white shirt, three drops." His coat sleeves were pulled up, so that the wrist bands of his shirt could be seen, and there was some blood on both of them. They looked at each other for some minutes, when the man got

up, jumped a wall, and went in a northerly direction.

Description. 30 or 35 years of age, height about five feet three inches, 140 pounds weight, brown mustache, quite good size, face looked as though he had not been shaved in two or three weeks. Dressed in black coat, dark pants, laced shoes, black derby hat, torn on top. Looked as though he had been having hard times recently, as he was a hard looking customer. Investigated by A. Perron, August 17, 1892, and finds it as reported as above.

P. T. BARKER.

August 4, 1892. Statement of Mrs. Mary A. Chase, who lives over Wade's store Second street. About 10.45 o'clock today, saw a man sitting on Mr. Borden's fence in back yard, picking pears and filling his pockets. When he saw her, he jumped down between the fence and the barn in the rear. Was dressed in dark clothes, dark hat.

Statement of George H. Kelly. About six o'clock tonight, while at Stone Bridge, saw a man whom he took to be a Portugese cross the bridge and stop at draw tenders shed. He said to Mr. Kelly and draw tender that he wanted to find a way to New York. They notice the way he talked, and it was so queer the draw tender said "what in hell do you want anyway?" The Portugese said he wanted to find the way to New York. The draw tender told him he would have to walk to Newport.

EDWIN D. McHENRY.

Fall River, 28, 1892. The following is the result of my interview last Saturday night with Mrs. Whitehead. I could not reach her mother Mrs. Oliver Gray, (the stepmother of the late Mrs. Abbie Borden) until today. I found her at the home of Mr. Benj. Covell, at the top of Second street. I questioned her at length as to whether there was anything new that had come to her mind since she was last seen. She stated that Officer Harrington had been to see her, but since that time she had heard a great deal. She also stated that Mr. and Mrs. Case had gone to Tiverton R. I. or Little Compton, to remain away until after this Borden case had been disposed of; and that Mrs. Case was the woman above all others that was needed to let light in on Lizzie's actions. Mrs. Gray had heard of the scandal story as coming from Mrs. Case direct. She also stated that for years, whenever she, or any of Mrs. Borden's relatives, visited the house on Second street, they were totally ignored by the girls, Lizzie and Emma. I then read your anonymous letter to her. She said that was true, every word of it, although she could not imagine who the writer was; and that her sister, Mrs. Bordens, Mrs. Fish in Hartford, was the one, and her daughter in law, that was referred to. I then pressed the old lady very hard as to what was said as coming from Mrs. Churchill. She demurred, and

finally admitted she got her information from Mrs. Potter and her sister Miss Dimon, the milliners on Fourth street. I then looked up the above mentioned ladies and found them very hard people to handle. I was with them both two hours, and elicited the following; Lizzie Borden has been practicing in a gymnasium for a long time, and she has boasted of the strength she possessed, not to these people, but to others. The place where she practiced was supposed to be in the Troy Block. I also elicited the fact that one George Wiley, a clerk in the Troy Mill is the one who is authority for the statement that Mrs. Churchill made that she (Mrs. Churchill) said, that there was one thing she saw in the house the day of the murder, that she would never repeat, even if they tore her tongue out.

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