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DESCRIPTION:

Ballard, John

DATE:

10/06/80



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IN SENATE, FEBRUARY 21, 1879.
REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE LAND OFFICE, IN ANSWER TO A RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE SENATE, JANUARY 15, 1879.

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Counsel,
Filed *6* day of *Oct.* 18*79*
Pleas

THE PEOPLE

vs.

John Ballax
Grand Juror

Indictment. Larceny.

B. K. Phelps
BENJ. K. PHELPS,

District Attorney.

A True Bill.

John W. Howell
Howman.

Charles Dudley
Dudley.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, in and for the County of New York, do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original thereof, as the same appears from the records of the County of New York.

1879

Witness my hand and seal of the County of New York, this 21st day of February, 1879.

THE TREASURER OF THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

OF NEW YORK, IN SENATE, FEBRUARY 21, 1879.

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FORM 89 1/2

STATE OF NEW YORK
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK

POLICE COURT SECOND DISTRICT.

of No. 152.7 Avenue Charles J. Pearson 30 day of May 18 99
and says, that on the _____ day of _____ 18 _____
at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried
away, from the possession of deponent, _____

the following property, to wit: One Double Case
gold watch

of the value of One Hundred and fifty Dollars,
the property of Deponent.

and that this deponent has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property
was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away by John Ballard
now present. as he admitted
in the presence and hearing
of deponent that he stole and
passed said watch.

[Signature]

[Signature]
Police Justice

Sworn to before me, this 30 day of May 18 99

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Police Court—Second District.

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK ss.

John Ballard. being duly examined before the undersigned, according to law, on the annexed charge; and being informed that he is at liberty to refuse to answer any question that may be put to him, states as follows, viz:

QUESTION.—What is your name?

ANSWER.—*John Ballard.*

QUESTION.—How old are you?

ANSWER.—*Forty years.*

QUESTION.—Where were you born?

ANSWER.—*In England*

QUESTION.—Where do you live?

ANSWER.—*1699, Fulton St Brooklyn*

QUESTION.—What is your occupation?

ANSWER.—*Painter.*

QUESTION.—Have you anything to say, and if so, what—relative to the charge here preferred against you?

ANSWER.—*I took the watch and pawned it for fifteen dollars. About two months after I pawned it, I went to David Hamilton's residence, and saw a man named Miller working there. He asked me about Mr. Harrison's watch. I told him I had the ticket in my pocket. I staid with Miller four days. When Hamilton asked me if I had the ticket, I showed it to him, and he gave me five dollars, and sixteen dollars to redeem the watch. I redeemed it and gave it to him, and have not seen it since.*

John Ballard

Taken before me, this day of 1880.
[Signature]
Police Justice

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Form 864.
POLICE COURT—SECOND DISTRICT.

THE PEOPLE & C.
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

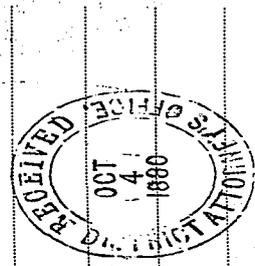
Charles Pearson
152 7 1/2 am
John Ballard

Affidavit—Larceny.

DATED *2 October* 18 *80*

W MAGISTRATE.

Schmittgen OFFICER.
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WITNESS: _____

Conr.
\$ *1,000* TO ANS.

BAILED BY _____

No. _____ STREET.

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CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

THE JURORS OF THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,
in and for the body of the City and County of New York,
upon their Oath, present:

That

John Ballan

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, afore-
said, on the *thirtieth* day of *May* in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred and seventy-*nine* at the Ward, City and County
aforesaid, with force and arms

*One watch of the value of one
hundred and fifty dollars*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

Charles J. Pearson

there being found, feloniously did steal, take and carry away, against the form of the
Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the
State of New York and their dignity.

BENJ. K. PHELPS, District Attorney.

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DESCRIPTION:

Banker, Robert

DATE:

10/02/80



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Day of Trial, *Green*
Counsel,
Filed *2* day of *Oct* 188*0*
Plends *Not guilty oct 4*

SELLING LOTTERY POLICIES.

THE PEOPLE

vs.

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113 87.

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West Banker

BENJ. K. PHELPS,

District Attorney.

Part. in Oct. 19, 1870

pleads guilty

A True Bill.

Amie S. C. P.
Chohan Leub

Foreman.

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Police Court—Third District.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK, }

Robert Banker being duly examined before the under-
signed, according to law, on the annexed charge; and being informed that he was
at liberty to answer, or not, all or any questions put to him; states as follows, viz.:

Question.—What is your name?

Answer.—Robert Banker

Question.—How old are you?

Answer.—23 years

Question.—Where were you born?

Answer.—New York City

Question.—Where do you live?

Answer.—113 4th Str.

Question.—What is your occupation?

Answer.—Clerk

Question.—Have you anything to say, and if so, what—relative to the
charge here preferred against you?

Answer.—I am not guilty

Robert Banker

Taken before me, this

22

day of April 1911

Police Justice.

J. J. [Signature]

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2 R. S. Title 8, Part 1, Chap. 20, Article 4.

Police Court, Second District. } ss.
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

Samuel Price of No. 73 *Bayard* Street, in said City and County,
being duly sworn, deposes and says, that on the 22^d day of September
1880 at No. 23 *First Avenue* Street, in said City, he saw there
in charge of the place,

Robert Parker (now here,) and that said place was openly, publicly and unlawfully kept and maintained as an office or place for the vending or selling of instruments or papers known as "LOTTERY TICKETS,"

Said Robert Parker did sell to this deponent the annexed slip of paper known as a lottery ticket, and deponent paid said Robert Parker the sum of five cents for the same depending upon the result of a drawing which deponent charges was in violation of the statute in such case made and provided, and prays that said Robert Parker

may be dealt with according to law.
Sworn to, this 22^d day of September, 1880 *Simon Price*
before me, *J. Williams* Police Justice.

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Police Court—Second District.

THE PEOPLE, &c. &c.
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Samuel Fried
173 Byard



Robert M. Mundy

Dated Sep 27 1880

Magistrate

Witnesses

Richard
17th Street

Committed by Agent of S. V. B. ...
Bailed by ...
No. 202 West 57th Street.

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CITY AND COUNTY } ss.:
OF NEW YORK, }

THE JURORS OF THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,
in and for the body of the City and County of New York,
upon their Oath, present :

That *Robert Banker*

late of the *Seventeenth* Ward in the City and County aforesaid,
on the *Twenty Second* day of *September* in the year of our
Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty *—* at the Ward, City and
County aforesaid, with force and arms did unlawfully and knowingly vend, sell, barter,
furnish, supply and procure, and cause to be vended, sold, bartered, furnished, supplied
and procured, ~~to and~~ for one *Samuel Price*
a certain paper and instrument, commonly called a lottery policy, is as follows, that is
to say :

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against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against the
peace of the People of the State of New York, and their dignity.

BENJ. K. PHELPS, District Attorney.

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DESCRIPTION:

Bauer, Charles

DATE:

10/13/80



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IN SENATE
JANUARY 18 1878
COMMISSIONERS OF THE LAND OFFICE
WASHINGTON

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L.A.H.

Counsel,
Filed 13 day of Oct. 1878
Pleads *(Quits 24)*

Indictment - Larceny.

THE PEOPLE

vs.

Charles Bowen

[Signature]
BENJ. K. PHELPS,
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

Chas. N. Howell

Foreman.

[Signature]
Finds guilty

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FORM 89 1/2

STATE OF NEW YORK,
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK

ss.

POLICE COURT—SECOND DISTRICT.

George Moynan
of No. *8487 and 789 Broadway* Street, being duly sworn, deposes
and says, that on the *6th* day of *October* 18*80*
at the City of New York, in the County of New York, was feloniously taken, stolen and carried
away, from the possession of deponent,

the following property, to wit:

*One piece Cloth contain
ing 54 yards in all*

of the value of *Twenty Seven* Dollars,
the property of *deponent and William Hill
copartners*

and that this deponent has a probable cause to suspect, and does suspect, that the said property
was feloniously taken, stolen, and carried away by

Charles Bower
(now here) for the reason that de-
ponent saw said defendant take
steel and carry away said property
which defendant dropped on the
sidewalk when stopped by de-
ponent.

George Moynan

Sworn to before me this

October

18*80*

My

Notary Public

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Police Court—Second District.

CITY AND COUNTY
OF NEW YORK

Charles Bower being duly examined before the undersigned, according to law, on the annexed charge; and being informed that he is at liberty to refuse to answer any question that may be put to him states as follows, viz:

QUESTION.—What is your name?

ANSWER.—

Charles Bower

QUESTION.—How old are you?

ANSWER.—

Thirty Three years

QUESTION.—Where were you born?

ANSWER.—

Germany

QUESTION.—Where do you live?

ANSWER.—

Brooklyn

QUESTION.—What is your occupation?

ANSWER.—

Carpenter

QUESTION.—Have you anything to say, and if so, what—relative to the charge here preferred against you?

Answer.—

I am not guilty of the charge

Charles Bower

Taken before me, this

day of

1880
Police Justice

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Form 894.

POLICE COURT—SECOND DISTRICT.

THE PEOPLE, & c.,
ON THE COMPLAINT OF

Alfred Lacey.

*George H. ...
78 1/2 ...
Charles Bower*

DATE: *October 7* 18*80*

MAGISTRATE.

South
Joyce OFFICER. *23*

WITNESS:



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\$ *1000* TO ANS. *957*

BAILED BY

No. _____ STREET.

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CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK, }

THE JURORS OF THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,
in and for the body of the City and County of New York,
upon their Oath, present:

That

Charles Bauer.

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, afore-
said, on the *sixth* day of *October* in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred and ~~seventy~~ *eighty* at the Ward, City and County
aforesaid, with force and arms

*one piece of cloth of the value of
twenty two dollars
fifty four yards of cloth of the
value of fifty cents each yard.*

of the goods, chattels and personal property of one

George Moyner

then and
there being found, feloniously did steal, take and carry away, against the form of the
Statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the
State of New York and their dignity.

BENJ. K. PHELPS, District Attorney.

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DESCRIPTION:

Bent, George

DATE:

10/20/80



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161.1 AS
Counsel,
Filed *24* day of *Oct.* 18*87*
Pleads, *San Gabriel 2/1*

INDICTMENT—Concealed Weapons.

THE PEOPLE

vs.

George Bent

BENJ. K. PHELPS,
District Attorney.

A True Bill.

Chas M. Russell

W. P. 25. 1887
Foreman.

W. H. H. 25. 1887
Spicer & Howard

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Police Court—Fifth District.

CITY AND COUNTY } ss.
OF NEW YORK, }

George Bent being duly examined before the under-
signed, according to law, on the annexed charge; and being informed that he was at
liberty to answer, or not, all or any questions put to him, states as follows, viz.:

Question. What is your name?

Answer.

George Bent.

Question. How old are you?

Answer.

Twenty-two years of age.

Question. Where were you born?

Answer.

New York City.

Question. Where do you live?

Answer.

341 East 122nd Street.

Question. What is your occupation?

Answer.

Clerk.

Question. Have you anything to say, and if so, what,—relative to the charge here
preferred against you?

Answer.

*I am not guilty of carrying
it.
George Bent.*

Taken before me, this

day of

*17th
October 1880*

Amelia Munn

Police Justice.

0141

STATE OF NEW YORK,
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK,

Police Court, 5th District.

Charles Lenz

of the 12th Police Precinct Street, being duly sworn, deposes and

says, that on the 16th day of October 1880

at the City of New York, in the County of New York, *George Brent*

(now here) was at the corner of 1st Avenue and 122nd Street, in said City and County of New York, and did wilfully and故意 and feloniously have concealed in the right side vest pocket then and there worn on the person of said Brent that certain unlawful weapon, now here shown, the same being commonly known as 'metal knuckles, with intent to use the same in violation of the statute in such case made and provided.

Shown to before me this 17th day of October 1880 } *Charles Lenz*

Chas. A. Flanagan
Police Justice

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Police Court, 5th District.

THE PEOPLE, &c.

ON THE COMPLAINT OF

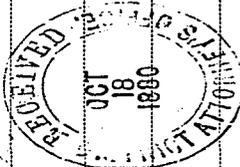
Charles Lewis
12th Precinct

George Brent

Dated October 17th 1880

E. H. Summers Magistrate.

Witness
Leng 12th



to Mrs. B. B. ...

Disposition

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Exp. Oct. 18th ...
Case transferred to ...
this ...
and Oct. 17th 1880 ca. 1

APPRIDAVIT
Conceded Chapman

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK, } ss.

THE JURORS OF THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,
*in and for the body of the City and County of New York, upon
their Oath, present :*

That

George Bent

late of the First Ward of the City of New York, in the County of New York, aforesaid,
on the *Sixteenth* day of *October* in the year of our Lord
one thousand eight hundred and ~~seventy~~ *eighty* at the Ward, City and County
aforesaid, with force and arms, at the Ward, City and County aforesaid, feloniously,
knowingly and secretly, did conceal upon his person a certain instrument and weapon
of the kind known as *metal Knuckles*, with intent then and there
feloniously to use the same against some person or persons to the Jurors aforesaid
unknown, against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and against
the peace of the People of the State of New York and their dignity.

And the Jurors aforesaid, upon their Oath aforesaid, do further present : That
the said *George Bent* late of the Ward,
City and County aforesaid, afterwards, to wit, on the day and in the year aforesaid, at
Ward, City and County aforesaid, with force and arms, feloniously, wilfully and
furtively did possess a certain instrument and weapon of the kind known as *metal
Knuckles* with intent then and there feloniously to use the same against some
person or persons to the Jurors aforesaid unknown, against the form of the Statute in
such case made and provided, and against the peace of the People of the State of New
York and their dignity.

BENJ. K. PHELPS, District Attorney.

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DESCRIPTION:

Bigot, Amedee

DATE:

10/06/80



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1880
HOMICIDE.

AN INQUISITION

On the VIEW of the BODY of

Harriet Resnant

whereby it is found that she came to
her Death by the hands of

Amedee Rigot.

with a razor on the
11th day of August 1880
at 148 Thompson street

Body taken on the 6th day
of October 1880

Monty E. Stanger, Coroner.

Committed October 6th

Obtained

Discharged

Date of death August 11th



Court of Oyer and Terminer
for the City and County of
New York.

The People
vs.
Amedee Bigot

To the Honorable the Pending Justice
of the Court of Oyer & Terminer.

The undersigned appointed by an order of this Court dated the 22^d day of November 1880 Commissioners to inquire into the sanity and degree of mental capacity of Amedee Bigot a prisoner under indictment for murder of Harriet Renaut, and to examine the said Amedee Bigot and to inquire into the facts of his case a copy of which Request Order is hereto prepared respectfully Report as follows.

Pursuant to the requirement of said order we have made a careful examination of the facts of the case of the said Amedee Bigot and we have taken the testimony of medical experts who have examined him and of persons who knew him

before the homicide alleged to have been committed by him or who have had occasion to observe him since his confinement in Prison. All of the said testimony has been reduced to writing and is hereto annexed, and made part of this report. It consists of the depositions of the following named persons, viz,

- (1) Moritz Ellinger. (2) Kate Lefebvre (3) Eleonora Lindner (4) Joseph Lefebvre (5) Clementine Renant (6) William L. Hardy M. D. (7) William H. Provens M. D. (8) James G. Keenan M.D. (9) E. C. Spitzka M.D. (10) J. G. Sharps M.D. (11) Stephen Cornick (12) Thomas Moran (13) James Ryan (14) Rosina Andes (15) James Finn (16) L. E. O'Brien (17) J. H. Hennessy (18) W. W. Jackson M. D. (19) John Orr (20) A. C. Macdonald. M.D.

We have each of us also had personal interviews with the said Amédée Rigot and have separately made critical and careful examinations with a view to ascertaining his mental condition and from all the evidence adduced before us and from our own observation, we do conclude and report;

First. The said Amédée Rigot is at the present time affected by that form of insanity known as Melancholia -

Court of Op. & Commerce
The People

W. D.
Anadee Bigot
Report of Commissioners

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

Maggie Batts of 141 Thompson St
 being sworn & dep. I have known
 deceased ~~Elizabeth~~ - only saw her
 my passings - I only lived 10 days in
~~the morning~~ the house - My bid East
 other the time of the day - On the morning
 of her death betw. 8 & 9 o'clk deceased
 went out & asked me whether I would
 not take her key - I told me, if any
 came I should pay, that she would
 be back in 10 minutes - She came
 back in abt. 10 minutes & said that
 she did not feel well - She took her
 key then she went out - I left the
 door open & presently I heard a rolling
 noise in the hall & looking out I saw
 Mrs Penant in the hall holding her
 hands to her throat & the side of her
 neck & then she stepped up to the
 hydrant & I thought that she was
 making fire - Presently she came
 to my door, dropped in the hall &
 in a few minutes she was dead -
 I saw nobody else in the hall.

Margaret Jos Batts.

Taken before me,

this 20 day of Oct 1880.

Wm J. Guizer

CORONER.

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

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Clementine Renaut being 12 years old
a sworn nurse & daughter
of deceased I was in the bedroom
two rooms from deceased when
she was killed - I heard some noise
in the front room - I got up & my
mother was in the front room
told me to lay down - I did - she lay
then alone in the room - then I heard
Kigos come in & distinguished his
voice, but cannot tell what he said
- My mamma ~~said~~ told him to
go down - after a while he went down
& sent his boys up - He said something
to my mother & she said, "no" -
I then fell asleep & when I woke up
my mother was dead - I knew Kigos
ab 8 yrs - he came occasionally to the
house - he used to come often
before in previous years - he always
came in the daytime, when papa
was out to work or he waited for
her on the street, when mamma
went shopping - she often told me
that she was afraid of Kigos as
he attempted to take her life before
with a knife - she showed me this

Taken before me,

this 6 day of Oct 1880.

CORONER.

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

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Knife, which she took out of
his hands

Eleonore Kanaut

Taken before me,

this 6 day of Oct 1880.

CORONER.

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

Annie Priestley of 141 Thompson
 St being sworn says she lives
 on the top floor - I saw her
 within 5 minutes before she
 was killed - I went up to her room
 because she had sent for me
 - While I was in the room,
 Bigot entered ^{Deceased} & asked me
 to go out of the room for a few
 seconds - I went out & but in
 every short time - a few minutes -
 she called me back & asked me
 to get a pint of beer - I did not
 like to do it, but I went for it
 anyway - Bigot was in the room
~~after~~ with his hands in his pockets
 talking to Deceased - I had not
 gone further than the first floor
 when I heard Deceased call out:
 "My God, I am murdered" I
 then ran up stairs & found Deceased
 in the hall way with her hands
 around her throat & drop down
 in front of Mrs. Batts' door -
 The blood was flowing like from
 a hydrant & she gave me fearful
 screams & was dead - I did not
 see Bigot any more - ^{her Priestley} ^{mark}

this 6 day of Dec 1880

Wm. H. Miller

CORONER.

0154

Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

Amadei Negro being informed
of his rights, to answer or not
any of the questions put to
him being sworn & says
I reside at 109 Thompson St
am 40 yrs old, born in
France 17 yrs in U.S. at
Wood Crook by Trade - I have
known Beddoes since 1864
but not intimately until
after my wife died in 1878
We lived together in one house
abt 4 yrs ago - When my
wife died she came to visit
me & we became intimates
& after awhile had ill
connection - In April last
I went with her to the theatre
In June last I promised her
she threatened me to give a letter
which I wrote in June last to
one Mrs Charles & which she
took possession of at the time
to Mr Charles, no consequence
of which I attempted to take
my life by Paris Green
by hanging myself at the time

Taken before me.

this 6 day of Oct 1880.

CORONER.

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY ⁶¹

time, but I was cut down
& saved — In August last —
which was the last time we went
out, about a week before
her death — we went to Albany
Cemetery & there she made a
ridiculous proposition to me,
which I did not accept —
I then told her that I would have
nothing to do with her, any
more — I asked her to give
up that letter, that I would
return her pictures — she
refused — On Tuesday, August
10th I met her by chance & asked
her to give up that letter & she
said "tomorrow" — I called
around next morning for the
letter — I saw her sweeping the
stoop — I asked her again for
the letter & she asked me to
come back & to speak to her
in her room — I then went
away & got a razor from some
body & intended to take my
life in her room — I went
up to her room —

Taken before me,

this 6 day of October 1880.

CORONER.

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

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~~room~~ I went up & met Mrs
Frischly there. She told Mrs
Frischly something - she went out
- then she called her back once
more & asked her to bring ~~of~~
of beer - when Mrs Frischly
was gone I asked her once more
to give me the letter & that I would
give her her picture ~~& something~~
~~I had for her~~ & that I would
have nothing to do with her any-
more - she refused & asked me
what I ~~do~~ do about it & then
I drew out the razor & said
I will show you what I do about
it & drew the razor across my
throat - she then took a hold
of my hand in which I held the
razor, drew it across ~~my~~ ~~throat~~ ~~then~~
the razor dropped - there I saw
her go out of the room & I followed
when I saw ~~her~~ ~~go~~ ~~down~~ &
saw the blood ^{on the floor} I was bleeding
myself & became excited &
exhausted at the same time. I never
threatened or attempted to
take her life, and I did not

Taken before me,

this 6 day of Feb 1880.

CORONER.

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY

8c

Attempt at this time
I do not know that she was
hurt until I saw her bleeding
in the hallway — Before
she seized my gun she said
no more — If you want to ruin
me & my husband to get my
birth & the walls & then she
took hold of my hands with
the razor & drew it across
Amiee B. B. B.

Taken before me,
this 6 day of ~~October~~ 1880.

Montlinger

CORONER.

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

Stephen Carrick, Roundman attached to the 20th Precinct being duly sworn, says: on the 11th day of August I was getting off the 7th Ave Car, and standing at the corner of Thompson and Prince I saw a crowd, and somebody pointed to a man, who was coming down the street with blood on his hand, I ran across the street, I arrested him and took him to the Station house; he was bleeding from his throat. At the Station house he wrote the name of ~~Harriet~~ Renaud and his own name Ameece Bygones on a piece of paper as he could not speak. I then left and the prisoner in charge of the 8th Precinct police

Stephen Carrick

Taken before me,
this 6 day of Oct 1880

Morty Ellinger

CORONER.

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

Dr. Wm. Sternau being sworn says
 I have viewed the body and made
 an external examination on Harriek
 Russell, and the following are the
 results of said examination—
 There was a large incised wound
 of the neck extending from in front
 of the right Sternocleidoid muscle,
 cutting clear through the Common
 Carotid artery & jugular vein; it
 was semi-circular in form, 5 inches
 long, and in depth passed down to
 the spinal column; the wound incision
 passing to the left cut off the
 os-hyoidium, dividing the Digastric,
 Sternohyoidens, the Sternothyroides
 of the right side, then passing oblique-
 ly downward to the left side, divided
 the Sternohyoidens, the Sternothyroides
 the Sternocleidoid muscle; ~~to the left~~ still
 extending it divided the common Carotid
 and the external & internal jugular vein
 of that side, completely severing the trachea
 or windpipe and laying bare the
 anterior face of the spinal column, the
 muscles upon which were incised down
 to the column itself.

Taken before me,

this 9 day of Oct. 1880.

CORONER.

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Coroner's Office.

TESTIMONY.

In my opinion Death was caused
by Heart-morhage the result of the
above injuries; W. M. Waterman M.D.

Taken before me,

this 9 day of Oct 1880.

Wm. J. Beecher

CORONER.

Oyer & Terminer Court.

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Before Commissioners

Charles B. Waite,

Edward Patterson

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THE PEOPLE, & C.,

-VS-

AMEDEE BIGOT.

INDICTED FOR HOMICIDE OF THE DEGREE OF
MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE,

DECEMBER 1, 1880.

CHARLES B. WAITE, ESQ., EDWARD PATTERSON, ESQ., AND SAMUEL R.
ELLIOTT M. D., COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED BY THE ORDER OF THE HONOR -
ABLE NOAH DAVIS, ONE OF THE JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE
STATE OF NEW YORK, NOVEMBER 22ND 1880, MET IN THE DISTRICT ATTOR-
NEY'S OFFICE THIS DAY, APPOINTED EDWARD W. BONYNGE AS THEIR STENOGR-
RAPHER, AND EXAMINED THE FOLLOWING WITNESSES:

M O R I T Z E L L I N G E R, BEING DULY SWORN, TESTIFIED AS FOL-
LWS:

EXAMINED BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. I AM ONE OF THE CORONERS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK. I HELD AN
INQUEST ON THE BODY OF THE WOMAN HARRIETTE RENAUT. I SAW HER
SHORTLY AFTER HER THROAT HAD BEEN CUT, BUT I DID NOT SEE BIGOT UN-
TIL A NUMBER OF WEEKS AFTERWARDS BECAUSE HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO ST.
VINCENT'S HOSPITAL AS HE HAD CUT HIS OWN THROAT. THE WOMAN WAS
KILLED THE 11TH OF AUGUST, AND THE DATE OF THE INQUEST WAS THE 6TH
DAY OF OCTOBER.

Q. YOU SAW THE BODY OF THIS MRS. RENAUT SHORTLY AFTER HER DEATH?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. HOW SOON AFTER?

A. ABOUT TWO HOURS.

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Q. AND YOU SAW BIGOT THEN FOR THE FIRST TIME?

A. ON THE 6TH OF OCHOBER AT THE INQUEST.

Q. DID YOU SEE HIM AFTER THE INQUEST AT ANY TIME?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. HOW LONG A TIME DID THE INQUEST LAST?

A. ABOUT TWO HOURS.

Q. DID YOU OBSERVE HIS ACTIONS AND SPEECH ON THAT OCCASION?

A. I DID. I PLACED HIM ON THE WITNESS STAND. I EXPLAINED TO HIM THAT HE WAS AT LIBERTY TO REFUSE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THAT I MIGHT PUT TO HIM, BUT HE VOLUNTARILY DECLARED THAT HE WAS WILLING TO TESTIFY IN HIS OWN BEHALF AND GIVE A FULL EXPLANATION OF THE ACT, AND HIS TESTIMONY IS EMBODIED IN THE INQUEST PAPERS.

Q. HAVE YOU EVER SEEN HIM SINCE THEN?

A. I HAVE NOT.

Q. WHAT WAS HIS BEHAVIOR AND HIS Demeanor, AND WHAT EXHIBITION DID HE MAKE OF INTELLIGENCE OR LACK OF IT ON THAT OCCASION. DESCRIBE GENERALLY WHAT HIS DEPORTMENT AND BEHAVIOR WAS?

A. HE MADE AN IMPRESSION UPON ME AS A MAN WHO WAS RATHER SORRY THAT THE WOMAN HAD BEEN KILLED, SORRY THAT HE DID NOT SUCCEED IN TAKING HIS OWN LIFE, BUT THERE WAS A SORT OF STOLID INDIFFERENCE IN HIS Demeanor THOUGH SELF-POSSESSED -- A STOLID INDIFFERENCE WHICH MADE THE IMPRESSION AS THOUGH HE WAS CONTROLLED NOT BY SANITARY EMOTIONS, NOT BY THE EMOTIONS OF A SANE MAN BUT BY SOMETHING THAT CONTROLLED HIM.

Q. IN WHAT RESPECT DID THAT MANIFEST ITSELF?

A. IN THE MANNER IN WHICH HE GAVE HIS TESTIMONY, TRYING TO EXPLAIN THE RELATIONS WHICH HE BORE TO THAT WOMAN, AND WHEN HE RECITED

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TO ME THE ROMANTIC CONNECTIONS THAT EXISTED BETWEEN THEM. THERE WAS A LETTER WHICH HE HAD WRITTEN TO ANOTHER WOMAN AND WHICH CAME INTO POSSESSION OF MRS. RENAUT AND WHICH SHE KEPT AND THREATENED TO EXPOSE HIM AND EXPOSE THAT OTHER WOMAN IF HE PROVED UNFAITHFUL, AND THE JEALOUSY THAT WAS MANIFESTED ON THE PART OF MRS. RENAUT.

Q. DID HE UNDERSTAND ALL THE QUESTIONS THAT WERE ASKED HIM?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. DID HE ANSWER INCOHERENTLY?

A. HE ANSWERED VERY COHERENTLY. I MUST SAY THIS, THAT HIS EXPLANATION WAS VERY INTELLIGENT, WAS THAT OF A MAN WHO WAS FULLY CONSCIOUS OF THE POSITION IN WHICH HE WAS, AND HE GAVE A COHERENT ACCOUNT OF THE WHOLE TRAGEDY.

Q. HAVE YOU HAD ANY EXPERIENCE WITH INSANE PEOPLE.

A. WELL, EXPERIENCE I HAVE NOT HAD, BUT I HAVE MADE THE QUESTION OF INSANITY PRIVATELY A SORT OF STUDY. IN THE COURSE OF MY EXPERIENCE AS CORONER I MADE A THOROUGH EXAMINATION OF THE CONDITION OF THE INSANE ASYLUM ON BLACKWELL'S ISLAND, AND PRECEDING THAT INQUISITION AND PRECEDING MY EXPERIENCE I STUDIED THE MORE CAREFULLY, AND I RE-READ AGAIN WORKS ON THAT SUBJECT; AND SOME YEARS AGO I EVEN DELIVERED A LECTURE BEFORE THE MEDICAL -
Society
LEGAL, ON MORAL RESPONSIBILITY -- SO I AM NOT ENTIRELY UNACQUAINTED WITH WHAT MIGHT BE CONSIDERED THE PHENOMENA OF MIND.

Q. WAS THERE ANYTHING IN HIS CONDUCT, DEPORTMENT OR SPEECH WHICH WOULD HAVE INDUCED YOU TO BELIEVE THAT HE WAS A PERSON OF ANY DEGREE OF UNSOUND MIND AT ALL?

A. NOT GENERALLY UNSOUND MIND; NOT THAT OF A PERSON GENERALLY OF AN UNSOUND MIND, BUT OF A MAN WHO WAS LABORING UNDER SOME

MANIA.

Q. WHAT MANIA DID HE SEEM TO INDICATE ?

A. AMOROUS MANIA -- AMOROUS INFATUATION.

Q. NOW DOCTOR, WAS HE IN YOUR JUDGMENT PERFECTLY RATIONAL?

A. DECIDEDLY.

Q. HE SEEMED TO CONTEMPLATE THE CONSEQUENCES OF HIS ACT?

A. YES, SIR.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. WAS THERE AN APPARENTLY ASSUMED CONDITION -- DID HE APPEAR TO ASSUME A CONDITION IN WHICH HE WAS NOT ORDINARILY IN?

A. NOT APPARENTLY SO. I WILL SAY THIS, HOWEVER, THAT PERSONS LABORING UNDER ANY MANIA HARDLY KNOW THEIR OWN MIND; IF THEY DO SIMULATE THEY ARE NOT OFTEN AWARE OF IT, BUT WHEN THEY DO SUFFER UNDER MANIA THEY ARE SO MUCH UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF THAT MANIA THAT THEY WILL SIMULATE AND BELIEVE THAT IT IS GENUINE.

Q. DID THE TESTIMONY THAT HE GAVE TO YOU SEEM TO BE THAT OF A MAN WHO HAD A PRE-ARRANGED STORY OR WHO HAD ANTICIPATED WHAT MIGHT BE ASKED OF HIM, OR DID HE ANSWER WITHOUT ANY THOUGHT?

A. IN HIS TESTIMONY HE WAS ANXIOUS TO GIVE A CONNECTED ACCOUNT AS HE UNDERSTOOD IT -- HE DIDN'T WANT TO BE ASKED ANY QUESTIONS BUT DECIDED TO GIVE THE ACCOUNT JUST AS HE UNDERSTOOD IT -- A CONNECTED, COHERENT ACCOUNT.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. AS HE MADE HIS STATEMENTS THEY DID HAVE THE APPEARANCE OF BEING COHERENT AND CONSECUTIVE?

A. YES, SIR.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. NOT THAT OF AN INGENIOUS STORY MANUFACTURED FOR THE OCCASION?

A. NOT AT ALL, SIR; A STORY WHICH HE EVIDENTLY BELIEVED HIMSELF.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. HOW DID HIS STORY ACCORD WITH THE STORY OTHER PEOPLE TOLD?

A. NO ONE ELSE TOLD ANY STORY. THERE WAS NO ONE PRESENT -- ONLY A WOMAN THAT WAS AT THE ROOM, SHE WAS SENT OUT FOR SOMETHING ELSE AND BETWEEN THE TIME.

Q. WAS HE INTERROGATED ABOUT ANY OF THESE OUTSIDE CIRCUMSTANCES?

A. HE TOLD THE STORY OF HIS OWN FREE WILL.

Q. DID THE STORY THAT HE TOLD OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF HIS ASSOCIATIONS THAT DAY WITH THIS WOMAN ACCORD WITH THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE STORY OF THE OTHER WITNESSES?

A. THERE WERE VERY FEW WITNESSES, AND THEIR TESTIMONY HAD VERY LITTLE OR NO CONNECTION WITH THE FACT OF THE HOMICIDE. THE FACT WAS CLEARLY ESTABLISHED THAT THAT WOMAN CAME TO HER DEATH BY HER THROAT BEING CUT WITH A RAZOR IN THE HANDS OF AMEDEE BIGOT.

Q. DID THE ACCOUNT WHICH HE GAVE OF THE IMMEDIATE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE HOMICIDE TALLY OR CORRESPOND WITH THE ACCOUNT OF WITNESSES AS TO THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES?

A. THEY DID PERFECTLY CORRESPOND -- EXACTLY.

Q. HE SEEMED TO HAVE A COMPLETE MEMORY AND PERFECT UNDERSTANDING OF ALL THAT OCCURRED ANTERIOR TO THE HOMICIDE?

A. YES, SIR.

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K A T E L E F E B V R E CALLED AS A WITNESS, BEING DULY SWORN,
TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

EXAMINED BY MR. WAITE:

Q. WHERE DO YOU LIVE?

A. 78 THOMPSON STREET.

Q. DID BIGOT LIVE THERE?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. DID YOU LIVE AT 109 WHERE HE DID LIVE?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. DID YOU LIVE THERE ON THE 11TH OF AUGUST LAST?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. WHEN DID YOU LEAVE THERE?

A. ABOUT A WEEK AFTER HE DID THE DEED.

Q. WERE YOU PRESENT AT THE TIME OF THE MURDER?

A. I WAS IN MY ROOM.

Q. DID YOU SEE EITHER BIGOT OR THE WOMAN WHO WAS MURDERED?

A. I SAW HIM BECAUSE HE CAME TO ME FOR THE RAZOR.

Q. AT WHAT TIME IN THE DAY DID HE COME TO YOU?

A. SOMEWHERE ABOUT NINE O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING.

Q. WAS THIS AT THE TIME THAT MRS. RENAULT WAS OUT, NOT IN THE HOUSE,
OR DON'T YOU KNOW THAT?

A. SHE WAS ^{NOT} THERE AT THE TIME. I BELIEVE HE SENT HIS SON IN THE
MORNING FOR HER BUT SHE WOULD NOT COME.

Q. THEN HE GOT THE RAZOR FROM YOU IN THE HOUSE IN WHICH HE LIVED?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. HOW DID HE APPEAR AT THE TIME HE GOT THE RAZOR FROM YOU?

A. NOTHING DIFFERENT FROM ANY OTHER TIME.

Q. WHAT WAS HIS USUAL CONDITION?

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- A. PLEASANT, AGREEABLE.
- Q. DID HE SEEM EXCITED?
- A. NO, SIR. HE SAID HE HAD NO MONEY TO GET SHAVED, AND IF I WOULD LEND IT TO HIM FOR FIVE MINUTES HE WOULD RETURN IT.
- Q. HAD YOU AT ANY TIME KNOWN THAT HE WAS INSANE?
- A. NOTHING -- ONLY FOR ABOUT A WEEK BEFORE HE WAS WRITING LETTERS.
- Q. THERE WAS NOTHING IN HIS BEHAVIOR THAT INDICATED ANYTHING STRANGE, OR INSANITY?
- A. NOT AT ALL.
- Q. HOW LONG PREVIOUS TO THE MURDER HAD YOU KNOWN HIM?
- A. ABOUT THREE MONTHS -- AS LONG AS HE LIVED THERE IN THE HOUSE.
- Q. DID YOU SEE HIM FREQUENTLY, THAT IS, IN A GENERAL WAY?
- A. EVERY DAY -- MY ROOM WAS NO. 10 AND HIS NO. 9.
- Q. DID YOU KNOW HIM WELL ENOUGH TO KNOW HIS HABITS?
- A. YES, HE USED TO COME AND SPEAK TO MY HUSBAND, BECAUSE MY HUSBAND IS FRENCH AND HE USED TO SPEAK TO MY HUSBAND IN FRENCH.
- Q. HOW OFTEN DID HE USE TO COME?
- A. EVERY DAY.
- Q. DURING A PERIOD OF THREE MONTHS YOU SAW HIM EVERY DAY?
- A. YES SIR. THE ONLY THING I THINK HE WAS WORRIED ABOUT WAS THAT HE DIDN'T HAVE MUCH WORK.
- Q. HE SIMPLY HAD THE APPEARANCE OF A MAN THAT WAS DEPRESSED PERHAPS?
- A. YES SIR.
- Q. DID HE AT ANY TIME TALK TO YOU OR YOUR HUSBAND ABOUT THE CHANGE IN HIS CONDITION BETWEEN THAT TIME AND THE TIME WHEN HE EMPLOYED MEN OR HAD A GOOD BUSINESS?

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A. YES, SIR.

Q. DID THAT SEEM TO AFFECT HIS MIND?

A. IT AFFECTED HIS MIND. HE SAID MRS. RENAUT DIDN'T PAY AS MUCH ATTENTION TO HIM AS SHE DID BEFORE.

Q. WAS THERE ANYTHING ABOUT HIM WHICH INDICATED TO YOU THAT HE WAS INSANE?

A. NO.

Q. WAS THERE ANYTHING ABOUT HIS CONDITION OR ACTIONS THAT CAUSED ANY FEAR ON YOUR PART THAT HE MIGHT DO YOU OR YOUR PEOPLE HARM?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. DID YOU EVER SEE HIM IN A VIOLENT TEMPER?

A. NEVER, BUT ONCE WHIPPING HIS LITTLE BOY.

Q. TELL US WHAT YOU NOTICED AT THAT TIME?

A. HE WAS ENRAGED AS WE MIGHT ALL BE.

Q. NOTHING MORE THAN A FATHER OR MOTHER MIGHT BE?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. YOU SAW HIM LAST THE 11TH OF AUGUST, AND YOU HAVE NOT SEEN HIM SINCE?

A. NO, SIR.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. DID HE EVER BORROW A RAZOR BEFORE FROM YOU OR YOUR HUSBAND?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. WHAT WAS HIS MANNER GENERALLY? - QUIET ?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. DID HE SEEM TO BE A MAN THAT BROODED ANY?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. ANYTHING WILD ABOUT HIM?

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A. NO, SIR..

Q. DID HE SEEM TO BE WELL INFORMED AND TALK COHERENTLY ON GENERAL SUBJECTS -- AND INTELLIGENTLY ?

A. OH YES, SIR.

Q. HOW OLD WAS HE?

A. HE TOLD US HE WAS 41.

Q. WHO ELSE KNEW HIM THERE IN THE HOUSE?

A. THE PEOPLE UP STAIRS KNEW HIS NAME. I DO NOT KNOW AS THEY EVER HAD MUCH CONVERSATION WITH HIM.

Q. WASN'T HE GENERALLY ACQUAINTED IN THE HOUSE?

A. HE SPOKE MORE TO US ON ACCOUNT OF MY HUSBAND BEING FRENCH .

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. YOUR HUSBAND WAS QUITE INTIMATE WITH HIM?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. WHAT WERE THE OTHER FAMILIES IN THE HOUSE - FRENCH OR WHAT?

A. FRENCH AND GERMAN.

Q. HE BEING NEXT DOOR TO YOU HE WAS MORE INTIMATE WITH YOUR FAMILY THAN WITH OTHERS IN THE BUILDING ?

A. YES, SIR.

MRS. ELEANORA LINDNER CALLED AS A WITNESS, BEING

DULY SWORN, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

EXAMINED BY MR. WAITE: [THROUGH A COURT INTERPRETER]:

Q. WHERE DO YOU LIVE ?

A. I LIVE AT 109 THOMPSON STREET.

Q. DID YOU LIVE AT THAT HOUSE ON THE 11TH OF AUGUST LAST?

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A. YES, SIR.

Q. AND BIGOT LIVED IN THAT HOUSE?

A. YES, SIR; HE LIVED IN ROOM NO. 9 AND I WAS LIVING IN ROOM NO. 16. BIGOT WAS LIVING ON THE THIRD FLOOR, AND I WAS LIVING ON THE TOP FLOOR.

Q. DID YOU KNOW BIGOT WHEN YOU LIVED THERE?

A. I KNEW HIM BY SIGHT -- I NEVER HAD ANY CONVERSATION WITH HIM OR ANY DEALINGS.

Q. NEVER SPOKE TO HIM?

A. A VERY LONG TIME BEFORE BIGOT COMMITTED THE CRIME HE CAME DOWN TO MY ROOM. I HAVE A SON CALLED AUGUST AND HE HAD A SON, AND THEY HAD A FIGHT TOGETHER AND BIGOT CAME UP AND WITH AN ANGRY APPEARANCE AND SAID "MRS. LINDNER, YOUR SON AUGUST IS VERY WILD" AND HE LOOKED VERY ANGRY. HE THEN LEFT. I TOLD HIM I WOULD TALK WITH AUGUST AND SEE THAT HE WOULD LEAVE ALONE HIS SON. A LITTLE AFTERWARDS HE CAME UP AGAIN AND SAID "MRS. LINDNER, YOU MUST NOT MIND ME, I WAS ANGRY", AND THEN WENT DOWN STAIRS AGAIN.

Q. THOSE WERE THE ONLY TIMES YOU SPOKE TO HIM?

A. THE ONLY TIMES.

Q. AFTERWARDS DID YOU OBSERVE HIS BEHAVIOR AND CONDUCT?

A. ONLY THE DAY WHEN HE DID THIS ACT, I WAS COMING UP THE STAIRS AND HE WAS GOING DOWN WITH HIS SON, AND AS I SAW HIM A KIND OF FEELING OVERCAME ME AND I WAS AFRAID OF HIM, HE LOOKED KIND OF STRANGE TO ME, AND I THOUGHT IF I ONLY COULD PASS THAT MAN; I FELT THAT HE WOULD DO SOMETHING WRONG TO ME. IT WAS THE SAME DAY, BUT BEFORE THE ACT WAS DONE.

Q. THIS WAS IN THE MORNING?

A. IN THE MORNING.

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J O S E P H L E F E B R V E, JR. CALLED AS A WITNESS, BEING DULY
SWORN, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

EXAMINED BY MR. WAITE:

- Q. WHERE DO LIVE?
- A. 78 THOMPSON STREET.
- Q. WHERE DID YOU LIVE ON THE 11TH OF AUGUST?
- A. 109 THOMPSON STREET. ROOM NO. 10.
- Q. WAS THIS IN THE SAME HOUSE IN WHICH AMEDBE BIGOT LIVED?
- A. YES, SIR; ON THE SAME FLOOR.
- Q. WERE THE ROOMS NEAR TO EACH OTHER?
- A. THERE WAS A SPACE OF ABOUT TWELVE INCHES BETWEEN THE TWO ROOMS.
- Q. THEY ADJOINED EACH OTHER?
- A. YES, SIR.
- Q. WERE THERE CONNECTING DOORS INSIDE?
- A. NO, SIR; ONLY CONNECTED FROM THE HALL.
- Q. WERE YOU ACQUAINTED WITH BIGOT PERSONALLY?
- A. WELL, I WAS ACQUAINTED -- THAT IS, I HAVE SEEN HIM.
- Q. THAT IS, HE WAS NOT A FRIEND OF YOURS -- ONLY YOU HAVE SEEN HIM?
- A. YES, SIR. MY WIFE USED TO COOK FOR HIM AT NIGHT BECAUSE HE USED TO GO OUT TO WORK -- ONLY FOR ABOUT A COUPLE OF WEEKS.
- Q. DID YOU SEE HIM OFTEN?
- A. I USED TO SEE HIM AT NIGHT. SOMETIMES HIS DOOR WAS OPEN IN THE SUMMER AND I COULD SEE HIM.
- Q. HOW MANY TIMES PROBABLY DID YOU SEE HIM WHILE HE LIVED IN THE HOUSE?
- A. ALMOST EVERY DAY DURING A PERIOD OF TWO MONTHS OR TWO AND A HALF MONTHS.

Q. WHAT WAS HIS GENERAL BEHAVIOR?

A. HE USED TO GO OUT AND WORK. I NEVER SAW ANYTHING WRONG ABOUT HIM. THE ONLY THING I SAW WRONG WAS ONE NIGHT HIS GETTING UP ABOUT THREE O'CLOCK AND SINGING. BUT HE WAS IN PERFECT MIND THE MORNING OF THIS OCCURENCE, BEFORE I WENT TO THE STORE AND BEFORE THE DEED WAS DONE.

Q. WHAT TIME DID YOU GO OUT THAT MORNING?

A. I WENT TO WORK AT A QUARTER PAST EIGHT.

Q. WHAT IS YOUR BUSINESS?

A. BOOKKEEPER.

Q. YOUR IDEA ABOUT MR. BIGOT FROM HAVING SEEN HIM DURING THESE TWO MONTHS ALMOST EVERY DAY, IS THAT HE WAS SANE OR INSANE?

A. HE WAS A SANE MAN -- AS SANE AS YOU ARE NOW.

Q. DID YOU SEE ANYTHING AT ALL ABOUT HIM DURING THAT TIME OR AT ANY TIME EXCEPT THE MORNING THAT YOU SPEAK OF WHICH SEEMED AT ALL QUEER TO YOU?

A. NO, SIR. HE ALWAYS USED TO SAY GOOD MORNING. HE SAID "GOOD MORNING, MR. ^{Sefabore} ~~LINDNER~~" THIS MORNING, AND I SAID "GOOD MORNING" AND WENT TO MY WORK. I HAVE SEEN HIM SINCE AT ST. VINCENT'S HOSPITAL.

Q. HOW LATELY?

A. ABOUT FOUR OR FIVE DAYS AFTERWARDS. I COULD NOT SAY EXACTLY, BUT I SAW HIM WHEN HE HAD A BANDAGE ON HIS THROAT.

Q. HOW WAS HE AT THAT TIME?

A. HE WAS VERY WELL. HE SPOKE TO ME AND ASKED ME HOW HIS SON WAS.

Q. WHERE IS HIS SON?

A. AT THE PROTECTORY.

Q. WHY WAS HE SENT TO THE PROTECTORY?

- A. I DON'T KNOW -- THERE MUST HAVE BEEN TROUBLE BETWEEN THOSE TWO LITTLE BOYS. MRS. LINDNER HAD CHARGE OF BIGOT'S BOY AFTERWARDS
- Q. WAS THERE ANYTHING BAD ABOUT THE BOY?
- A. HE WAS KIND OF WILD.
- Q. DID YOU HEAR OF HIS ATTEMPTING TO SET FIRE TO THE HOUSE, OR ANYTHING OF THAT SORT?
- A. I HAVE HEARD OF IT. I HAVE HEARD SAY -- OF COURSE I HAVE TO TELL THE TRUTH -- HE SAID THAT HE WOULD DO AS MUCH AS HIS FATHER WOULD.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

- Q. DID YOU TALK WITH BIGOT ABOUT GENERAL SUBJECTS -- ABOUT FRENCH POLITICS?
- A. ONLY ORDINARY MATTERS; WHERE HE WAS WORKING, AND THERE WAS NOTHING TO DO -- THINGS OF THAT SORT. I HAD ENOUGH TO DO OF MY OWN BUSINESS.
- Q. YOU NEVER SAW ANYTHING ABOUT HIM DIFFERENT FROM WHAT YOU HAVE STATED. DID HE HAVE A GLARING WAY ABOUT HIM?
- A. HE WOULD WALK QUICK AND SAY THAT HE WAS IN A HURRY, AND THEN HE WOULD SAY "HOW ARE YOU MR. LEFEBVRE, THERE IS NO MORE WORK TO DO".
- Q. DO YOU KNOW WHO HIS FRIENDS WERE?
- A. NO, SIR; I AM NOT ACQUAINTED WITH HIM.
- Q. DID HE HAVE PEOPLE COME TO SEE HIM?
- A. IT MIGHT BE BUT NOT TO MY KNOWLEDGE.
- Q. DID HE LEAVE HIS BOY AROUND THERE?
- A. HIS BOY USED TO WORK WITH HIM FOR A TIME, AND AFTERWARDS HE DID NOT GO WITH HIM.

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Q. HOW OLD IS THE BOY?

A. BETWEEN THIRTEEN AND FOURTEEN, I CANNOT TELL EXACTLY. THE BOY KNOWS HOW TO READ AND WRITE.

C L E M E N T I N E R E N A U T CALLED AS A WITNESS, BEING DULY SWORN, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

EXAMINED BY MR. WAITE:

Q. DO YOU KNOW WHAT AN OATH MEANS?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. YOU DID TAKE AN OATH ONCE AT THE CORONER'S OFFICE?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. DID YOU LEARN WHAT IT WAS THEN?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. WHERE DO YOU LIVE?

A. NO. 30 THOMPSON STREET.

Q. WHERE DID YOU LIVE AUGUST 11TH?

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Q. ON THAT DAY DID YOU SEE BIGOT IN THE HOUSE?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. DID YOU SEE YOUR MAMMA THAT DAY?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. WHAT TIME?

A. ABOUT SEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING.

Q. WHAT CONVERSATION HAD SHE WITH YOU?

A. I TOLD HER I DIDN'T FEEL WELL, AND SHE TOLD ME TO GO AND LAY IN BED.

Q. WHAT NEXT DID YOU SEE?

A. WHEN I WOKE UP I FOUND MY MAMMA WAS DEAD.

Q. DIDN'T YOU HEAR OR SEE BIGOT THERE?

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- A. I ONLY HEARD HIS SON -- HE WAS TALKING TO MY MOTHER, AND MY MOTHER TOLD HIM "NO, NO" THREE TIMES, AND THAT IS ALL I HEARD
- Q. HAD YOU EVER SEEN MR. BIGOT?
- A. YES, SIR.
- Q. HOW LONG BEFORE THE TIME OF THIS OCCURRENCE?
- A. I THINK IT WAS ON MONDAY NIGHT HE PASSED OUR WINDOW.
- Q. HAD YOU EVER SEEN HIM IN THE HOUSE?
- A. NO, SIR.
- Q. HAD YOU EVER SEEN HIM ON THE STREET?
- A. YES, SIR.
- Q. AND HAD SPOKEN TO HIM?
- A. NO, SIR -- I HAD SPOKEN TO HIM BEFORE HE THREATENED MY MOTHER'S LIFE ONCE BEFORE.
- Q. HE THREATENED TO KILL YOUR MOTHER ONCE BEFORE?
- A. YES, SIR.
- Q. WHAT DID HE SAY TO YOU AT THAT TIME?
- A. HE ALWAYS ASKED ME HOW MY MOTHER WAS.
- Q. HIS INQUIRY WAS ONLY FOR YOUR MOTHER?
- A. ONLY FOR MY MOTHER.
- Q. DID HE GIVE YOU A LETTER AT ONE TIME TO TAKE?
- A. NO, SIR.

ADJOURNED TO FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3RD, AT 11 O'CLOCK.

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DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE,

DECEMBER 3RD, 1880.

THE COMMISSION MET PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT.

WILLIAM L. HARDY CALLED AS A WITNESS, BEING DULY

SWORN, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

EXAMINED BY DR. ELLIOTT:

Q. YOU ARE A PHYSICIAN?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. AND YOU ARE IN THE CITY PRISON, IN THE TOMBS?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. AND YOU KNOW AMEDEE BIGOT ?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. AT WHAT TIME DID YOU FIRST SEE HIM?

A. TWO OR THREE MONTHS AGO.

Q. HOW SOON AFTER THE MURDER?

A. HE WAS IN THE HOSPITAL FOR SOMETIME AFTER THE MURDER; AFTER-
WARD HE WAS TRANSFERRED FROM THE HOSPITAL TO THE PRISON. I
SAW HIM THE NEXT DAY HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE PRISON. IT WAS
SEVERAL WEEKS AFTER THE MURDER THAT I SAW HIM.

Q. WHAT WAS HIS PHYSICAL CONDITION AT THIS TIME?

A. HIS PHYSICAL CONDITION WAS VERY GOOD. HE HAD A WOUND IN THE
THROAT WHICH WAS ALMOST HEALED.

Q. DID HE SEEM TO BE TROUBLED WITH OR SUFFERING FROM ANY GENERAL
DISORDER?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. OR NERVOUS AFFECTION?

A. HE DID NOT.

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Q. NONE AT ALL?

A. NONE AT ALL.

Q. WOULD YOU CONSIDER THAT HE WAS A MAN IN SOUND HEALTH, BARRING THAT WOUND?

A. HE WAS RUN DOWN SOME PHYSICALLY, BUT OTHERWISE IN GOOD HEALTH.

Q. WHAT WOULD YOU CALL HIS TEMPERMENT?

A. NERVOUS, EXCITABLE TEMPERMENT.

Q. DID YOU CONSIDER HIS MENTAL BALANCE GOOD. WOULD YOU CONSIDER HIM IN ALL RESPECTS RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS ACTIONS?

A. I WOULD.

Q. DID THE WOUND IN HIS THROAT SEEM TO AFFECT HIS HEALTH OR MENTALITY?

A. NO, SIR, IT DID NOT.

Q. WAS HE RATIONAL IN SPEECH?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. AND IN ALL OTHER RESPECTS... HE SEEMED TO BE A MAN IN FAIR AVERAGED HEALTH FOR A MAN IN HIS CONDITION?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. DID YOU HAVE ANY CONVERSATION WITH HIM IN RESPECT TO THE OCCURRENCE?

A. I HAD.

Q. WHAT ACCOUNT DID HE GIVE OF IT?-- WAS IT A COHERENT ACCOUNT - RATIONAL?

A. ACCORDING TO HIS STORY IT WAS A RATIONAL ACCOUNT.

Q. WAS IT LIKE ONE WHO HAD PREPARED HIMSELF FOR HIS DEFENCE, OR LIKE A MAN GIVING ONLY WHAT CAME INTO HIS HEAD AT THE TIME?

A. HE SEEMED TO BE TELLING JUST WHAT CAME INTO HIS HEAD.

Q. DID HE SEEMED TO BE TELLING THE TRUTH?

A. HE SEEMED TO BELIEVE WHAT HE WAS TELLING.

HE GAVE A CLEAR, DISTINCT ACCOUNT.

Q. DID YOU HAVE ANY CONVERSATION WITH HIM IN REGARD TO HIS ANTECEDENTS?

A. I HAD IN REGARD TO WHETHER HE HAD ANY DELUSIONS OR HALLUCINATIONS AND HE GAVE NONE.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. DID YOU MAKE ANY EXAMINATION IN THAT DIRECTION?

A. YES, SIR, BECAUSE I SUPPOSED I WOULD BE CALLED AS A WITNESS.

Q. YOU DISCOVERED NO ABERRATION?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. THE PROCESS OF THOUGHT AS EXPRESSED SEEMED TO BE THAT OF INTELLIGENCE?

A. YES, SIR.

BY DR. ELLIOTT:

Q. DID HE SEEM TO SUFFER FROM MELANCHOLIA?

A. NO, SIR -- ONLY THIS, THAT HE WOULD BE ABLE TO PROVE HIS INNOCENCE BEFORE THE JURY AND BE DISCHARGED.

Q. ON WHAT GROUND WOULD YOU ACCOUNT FOR THE SUICIDAL MANIA?

A. AS A DESPERATE, EXCITABLE MAN.

Q. A MERE IMPULSE?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. HOW MANY TIMES DID HE ATTEMPT SUICIDE?

A. I DID NOT ASK HIM -- I ONLY SPOKE ABOUT THIS ONCE.

Q. HE DIDN'T BREATHE ABOUT A FORMER OCCASION?

A. NO, SIR.

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BY MR. WAITE:

- Q. HAD YOU AND YOUR ASSOCIATE DR. JACKSON, A CONSULTATION OR ANYTHING OF THAT SORT, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CASE, OR WAS IT SIMPLY YOUR OWN EXAMINATION?
- A. MY OWN EXAMINATION, BECAUSE I THOUGHT I WOULD BE CALLED.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

- Q. HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU SEEN HIM?
- A. OVER A DOZEN.
- Q. DID HE HAVE THAT DRAWN INTENSE EXPRESSION OF THE FACE?
- A. YES, SIR.
- Q. WAS THERE ANY DILATION OF THE EYES OR ANY GLARE?
- A. THERE WAS ONE PUPIL THAT WAS DILATED.
- Q. DID HE ANSWER INTELLIGENTLY ^{enly} EVERYTHING THAT WAS SAID TO HIM?
- A. YES, SIR.
- Q. AND HIS MEMORY WAS PERFECT?
- A. HIS MEMORY WAS PERFECT AS FAR AS I COULD SEE.

BY MR. WAITE:

- Q. WAS THERE A SIMILARITY IN THE ACCOUNTS THAT HE GAVE-- DID ONE TALLY WITH THE OTHER?
- A. THE A COUNTS WERE THE SAME.

BY MR. NORRIS:

- Q. HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A PRACTICING PHYSICIAN?
- A. NINE YEARS.
- Q. HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN IN THE TOMBS?
- A. OVER THREE.

Q. WERE YOU EVER IN AN INSANE ASYLUM?

A. SIMPLY AS A VISITOR WOULD GO TO SEE CASES. I WAS IN CHARGE OF AN INSTITUTION RIGHT OPPOSITE THE INSANE ASYLUM ON WARD'S ISLAND. I TREATED INEBRIATES. I CONSIDER MYSELF AN EXPERT IN INSANITY CASES. I HAVE PRACTICED ALSO IN BELLEVUE.

Q. YOU HAVE NEVER BEEN A REGULAR PRACTITIONER IN ANY INSANE ASYLUM?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. DID YOU EVER EXAMINE THIS MAN IN THE PRESENCE OF ANY OTHER PHYSICIAN?

A. NO, SIR. I SIMPLY SAW HIM ONCE IN THE PRESENCE OF DR. KIERNAN.

Q. THEN YOU HAD SOME CONVERSATION WITH THIS MAN IN THE PRESENCE OF DR. KIERNAN?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. DID YOU EVER MAKE THE STATEMENT THAT YOU THOUGHT THIS MAN WAS SUFFERING FROM PARALYSIS OF THE INSANE?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. DID YOU EVER SAY THAT HE WAS SUFFERING FROM GENERAL PARESIS?

A. NO, SIR. DR. KIERNAN CALLED MY ATTENTION TO CERTAIN PHYSICAL CONDITION OF BIGOT'S FACE, ASKED WHAT THOSE CONDITIONS WOULD INDICATE, AND I SAID "THOSE CONDITIONS TAKEN ALONE WOULD INDICATE GENERAL PARESIS".

Q. HAVE YOU ANY OTHER KNOWLEDGE OF THE EVIDENCE IN THIS CASE EXCEPT THAT GIVEN BY BIGOT -- OTHER THAN THAT OBTAINED FROM BIGOT?

A. NOTHING BUT WHAT I SAW IN THE NEWSPAPERS.

Q. HAS HE NEEDED YOUR PROFESSIONAL CARE WHILE IN THE TOMBS?

A. NOTHING EXCEPT TO DRESS HIS WOUND.

Q. DO YOU KNOW HOW HE SLEPT?

A. I ASKED HIM HOW HE SLEPT, AND HE SAID HE SLEPT VERY WELL EXCEPT CERTAIN TIMES HE WAS FRIGHTENED; HE DIDN'T SAY ABOUT WHAT HE WAS FRIGHTENED.

Q. SIMPLY THAT HE HAD THE FEELING OF FEAR?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. ON CERTAIN OCCASIONS?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. YOU SAY THAT YOU WERE TOLD THAT HE SLEPT WELL?

A. I HAVE ASKED HIM AND HE TOLD ME YES, THAT HE SLEPT WELL.

Q. WHAT DID YOU CONSIDER THAT TO MEAN -- THAT DURING THE TIMES THAT HE WAS ASLEEP HE SLEPT WELL, OR SIMPLY THAT HE HAD THE ORDINARY AMOUNT OF SLEEP?

A. HE HAD THE ORDINARY AMOUNT OF SLEEP -- I INFERRED THAT FROM THE EXPRESSION THAT HE SLEPT WELL, AND I ASKED THE SLEEPERS HOW HE SLEPT.

Q. HOW LATE DID YOU EVER VISIT HIM?

A. ABOUT HALF PAST NINE AT NIGHT.

Q. DO YOU HAVE YOUR ROOMS THERE?

A. NO, SIR; BUT I VISIT THE TOMBS EVERY EVENING.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. GENERAL PARALYSIS OF THE INSANE IS THE INITIAL CONDITION OF INSANITY?

A. IT IS ONE OF THE FORMS OF INSANITY.

Q. IS IT A MARKED TYPE OF INSANITY ITSELF?

A. IT IS A MARKED TYPE OF INSANITY ITSELF WHICH CAN BE DIAGNOSED BY CERTAIN PHYSICAL SYMPTOMS IN CONJUNCTION WITH MENTAL SYMPTOMS.

ONE MARKED PHYSICAL CONDITION WAS THE DILATATION OF THE PUPIL - ONE PUPIL - AND THE MARKED REGULARITY IN HIS FEATURES.

Q. YOU SPEAK OF TAKING THOSE SYMPTOMS ALONE. WAS THERE ANYTHING IN BIGOT'S CONDITION WHICH NEUTRALIZED THE EFFECT OF THOSE SYMPTOMS IN YOUR JUDGMENT?

A. YES, SIR, THERE WERE NO DELUSIONS.

Q. AND YOU THINK THAT THOSE SYMPTOMS INDICATED GENERAL PARALYSIS OF THE INSANE ONLY AS CONNECTED WITH CERTAIN OTHER SYMPTOMS?

A. CERTAIN MENTAL SYMPTOMS, AS FOR INSTANCE DELUSIONS OF GRANDEUR -- AS FOR INSTANCE, SOME MEN THINK THAT THEY ARE IMMENSELY WEALTHY, VERY STRONG OR VERY BEAUTIFUL -- EXTRAVAGANT IN ALL THEIR VIEWS. I DID NOT NOTICE ANY OF THESE IN BIGOT.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. AT AN OUTSIDE FIGURE, HOW MANY CASES HAVE YOU BEEN CALLED UPON TO DECIDE UPON, AS TO THE DISPOSITION OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN SENT TO YOU?

A. SOMETIMES 50 A MONTH, AND SOMETIMES AS MANY AS 100.

Q. DO YOU IMAGINE THAT YOU HAVE PASSED ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ UPON 3000 PEOPLE SINCE YOU HAVE BEEN THERE?

A. 2000.

Q. EVERY EXAMINATION OF THE MENTAL CONDITION OF PERSONS BROUGHT TO THE POLICE COURTS ARE REFERRED TO YOU OR DR. JACKSON?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. THROUGH THE ENTIRE CITY IN ALL THE FIVE POLICE COURTS THEY ARE REFERRED TO YOU OR DR. JACKSON?

A. YES, SIR, ALL THE POOR.

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BY MR. MORRIS:

Q. DID YOU EVER TREAT THE INSANE?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. THE EXAMINATION YOU MAKE IS MERELY A PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. THEN THEY HAVE ANOTHER EXAMINATION?

A. YES, SIR. THERE ARE VERY FEW THAT I HAVE PASSED UPON REJECTED. I HAVE SOMETIMES TO KEEP THESE PATIENTS A WEEK IN BELLEVUE UNDER OBSERVATION.

Q. IN CASE A MAN IS LABORING UNDER A DELUSION HIS ACCOUNTS ARE PERFECTLY CONSISTENT WITH THEMSELVES, ARE THEY NOT?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. IF A MAN HAS A DELUSION, A PERSON WHO IS NOT ACQUAINTED WITH THAT MAN AND WITH HIS ORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES COULD HARDLY TELL WHETHER IT WAS A DELUSION OR NOT, COULD HE?

A. WELL, A DELUSION MIGHT APPEAR TO BE TRUE IF IT HAD A PROBABLE BASIS. OF COURSE YOU WOULD HAVE TO FIND OUT WHETHER THIS DELUSION WAS A TRUTH OR A DELUSION.

Q. THERE IS NOTHING IN A MERE STATEMENT THAT A MAN WAS LABORING UNDER A DELUSION TO SHOW THAT IT WAS A DELUSION -- A MAN MAY BE LABORING UNDER A DELUSION AND THE PERSON TO WHOM HE WAS SPEAKING WOULD NEVER BE ABLE TO TELL, EXCEPT BY REFERENCE TO A MAN'S CIRCUMSTANCES.

A. IF IT WAS A DELUSION LIKELY TO OCCUR, OF COURSE HE WOULD NOT.

Q. A MAN MIGHT PRETEND TO BE THE OWNER OF A CERTAIN PIECE OF PROPERTY AND ACT PERFECTLY RATIONAL ABOUT IT, AND WHEN YOU COME TO DISCOVER THE FACT IN RELATION TO THE OWNERSHIP, HE WAS NOT THE OWNER AT ALL?

A. YES, SIR.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. IN ANY OF YOUR EXAMINATIONS HAS HE MENTIONED TO YOU ANYTHING IN CONNECTION WITH THIS COMMISSION?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. HAVE YOU HEARD OF HIS BEHAVIOR WHEN THE POSSIBILITY OF HIS CONFINEMENT IN THE INSANE ASYLUM, OR SOME OTHER DISPOSITION OF HIM WAS MENTIONED?

A. I WAS TOLD THAT HE WAS IN DREAD, AND DIDN'T WISH TO GO INTO AN INSANE ASYLUM.

Q. AND HIS CONDITION IS UNCHANGED IN REFERENCE TO THAT SUBJECT?

A. IN REFERENCE TO THAT HE DOES NOT WISH TO BE CONFINED.

BY MR. NORRIS:

Q. HE DOES NOT WISH TO BE CONSIDERED AS AN INSANE MAN?

A. NO, SIR.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. HIS IDEA IN THAT RESPECT DOES NOT INDICATE ANYTHING MORE THAN A WISH TO DENY THE FACT THAT HE IS INSANE?

A. NO, SIR.

BY DR. ELLIOTT:

Q. HAVE YOU NOTICED IN EXAMINING INSANE PEOPLE A TENDENCY ON THEIR PART TO DENY THEY ARE INSANE?

A. YES, SIR; THEY AMMOST ALWAYS CLAIM TO BE PERFECTLY SANE.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. AS A GENERAL THING THOSE PROTESTATIONS ARE TO A CERTAIN EXTENT VERY DECIDED?

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A. YES, SIR.

Q. IS HIS CONDITION MARKED IN THAT RESPECT?

A. NO, SIR. I NEVER ALLOWED HIM TO KNOW WHETHER I CONSIDERED HIM SANE OR INSANE.

WILLIAM H. OWENS CALLED AS A WITNESS, BEING DULY SWORN, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

EXAMINED BY DR. ELLIOTT :

Q. YOUR RESIDENCE?

A. 132 WEST 32ND STREET.

Q. YOU ARE AT ST. VINCENT'S HOSPITAL?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. YOU ARE A PHYSICIAN, ARE YOU NOT?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN AT ST. VINCENT'S HOSPITAL?

A. ABOUT A YEAR.

Q. HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A PRACTICING PHYSICIAN?

A. SINCE I WENT THERE.

Q. WERE YOU THERE AT THE TIME BIGOT WAS TAKEN THERE WHEN HE ATTEMPTED HIS LIFE WITH PARIS GREEN?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. ALSO ON THE 11TH OF AUGUST WHEN HE CUT HIS THROAT?

A. NO, SIR, I WAS THEN IN THE COUNTRY.

Q. WILL YOU TELL US IN A GENERAL WAY ABOUT HIS BEING BROUGHT

THERE, HIS CONDITION WHEN HE CAME, AND WHAT OCCURRED WHILE HE WAS THERE?
A. HE WAS BROUGHT IN THERE AND HE DIDN'T HAVE ANY VERY MARKED SYMPTOMS, I THINK HE HAD A LITTLE GREEN ON HIS MOUSTACHE, AND WHEN HE WAS BROUGHT IN HE WAS RATHER BOISTROUS; NOISY, ACTED

LIKE A MAN DRUNK -- BUT HE DIDN'T HAVE ANY VERY MARKED SYMPTOMS OF POISONING.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. WHEN WAS IT?

A. ON THE 5TH OF MARCH, THIS PRESENT YEAR.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. WHEN YOU FOUND THAT HE WAS POISONED, WHAT WAS DONE?

A. WE GAVE HIM THE USUAL TREATMENT FOR POISON.

Q. WAS HE VIOLENT THEN?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. WAS IT ON THAT OCCASION THAT THE STOMACH PUMP WAS USED?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. THERE WAS SOME DIFFICULTY IN USING IT WITH HIM?

A. I DON'T REMEMBER WHETHER THERE WAS ANY DIFFICULTY OR NOT; THERE GENERALLY IS THOUGH.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. HOW MANY TIMES DID YOU SEE HIM DOCTOR?

A. TWICE.

Q. AND FOR HOW LONG ON EACH OCCASION?

A. WELL, FOR THE WHOLE TIME HE WAS THERE.. I THINK HE WAS THERE THREE OR FOUR DAYS THE FIRST TIME.

Q. DID YOU SEE ANYTHING PECULIAR ABOUT HIM THEN?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. DID YOU SEE ANYTHING WHICH INDICATED WANT OF INTELLIGENCE ON HIS PART?

A. NO, SIR, I THINK HE WAS A VERY INTELLIGIBLE MAN. HE TOLD ME OF HIS HAVING BEEN IN BUSINESS AND HAVING MANY MEN WORKING FOR HIM. HE SAID ABOUT MRS. RENAUT THAT SHE WAS CRAZY ABOUT HIM. HE TOLD ME THAT HE HAD HAD CRIMINAL INTERCOURSE WITH HER ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS.

Q. DID HE TELL THAT OF HIS OWN WILL?

A. YES, SIR; HE WAS VERY COMMUNICATIVE; HE WAS TALKING ALL THE WAY DOWN. HE APPEARED TO THINK THAT HE WAS NOT GOING TO BE HELD RESPONSIBLE; HE THOUGHT THAT HE WAS GOING TO GET RIGHT OUT THAT DAY; HE GAVE ME TO UNDERSTAND THAT HE THOUGHT HE WOULD BE DISCHARGED RIGHT THERE.

Q. DID HE ARGUE THAT HE WAS JUSTIFIED IN KILLING HER OR WHAT?

A. HE SAID THAT HE DIDN'T KILL HER BUT THAT SHE KILLED HERSELF. HE TOLD ME THAT HE WAS GOING TO CUT HIS THROAT AND THAT SHE GRASPED THE RAZOR FROM HIM AND CUT HER THROAT WITH IT. BUT AT THE CORONER'S OFFICE HE STATED THAT SHE CUT HER THROAT WHILE THE RAZOR WAS STILL IN HIS HAND.

Q. IN THE EXAMINATION BEFORE THE CORONER WAS THERE ANYTHING STRANGE IN HIS ACTIONS?

A. WHEN ONE OF THE LADIES WHO WAS A WITNESS BEGAN TO TESTIFY HE GOT UP PARTLY AND SAID IT WAS WRONG, IT WAS ALTOGETHER WRONG. HER TESTIMONY SEEMED TO AFFECT HIM MORE THAN ANY ONE'S ELSE. THIS WAS THE WOMAN THAT MRS. RENAUT SENT OUT FOR THE BEER, MRS. PRIESTLY I THINK WAS HER NAME. HE DIDN'T LIKE HER TESTIMONY AT ALL.

Q. PRISONERS DO SOMETIMES OBJECT TO TESTIMONY, THEY DON'T LIKE TESTIMONY AGAINST THEM?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. WERE HIS ^A~~M~~^E~~T^I~~O^N~~S~~ THOSE OF AN INSANE MAN OR A MAN AT ALL OUT OF HIS MIND?~~~~

A. I SHOULD NOT THINK HE WAS OUT OF HIS MIND; HE WAS PERFECTLY SANE.

Q. HE SEEMED TO COMPREHEND EVERYTHING THAT WAS GOING ON BEFORE THE CORONER?

A. YES, SIR. THERE WERE WORDS THAT PASSED THAT I DIDN'T HEAR - I TRIED TO GET EVERY WORD I COULD - AND HE COULD REPEAT THEM TO ME, AFTERWARDS. I SAT RIGHT BESIDE HIM.

Q. HE FOLLOWED EVERYTHING VERY CLEARLY?

A. YES, SIR.

BY MR. NORRIS:

Q. DID YOU NOTICE BIGOT AT THE STATION HOUSE?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. HOW DID HE APPEAR?

A. HE APPEARED TO ME TO TAKE IT VERY COOL.

Q. I MEAN ON THE 11TH OF AUGUST?

A. AFTER HE WAS BROUGHT INTO THE STATION HOUSE WOUNDED?

Q. YES.

A. HIS BOY CAME IN AND HE MADE MOTIONS I THINK FOR A KEY.

Q. HOW DID HE ACT AND HOW DID HE LOOK?

A. THE ONLY THING I NOTICED ABOUT HIM WAS HIS EYES - HIS EYES LOOKED VERY WILD.

Q. DID HE APPEAR FRIGHTENED?

A. I COULD NOT SAY WHAT IT WAS. THERE WAS SOMETHING VERY STRANGE

ABOUT HIS EYES. HIS EYES OPENED VERY WIDE AND LOOKED STAIRING STRAIGHT - FIXED.

Q. STRANGE, WILD APPEARANCE?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. DID YOU EVER HEAR HIM SPOKEN OF AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD THERE?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. WHAT DID THE PEOPLE SEEM TO THINK OF HIM?

A. GENERALLY THE PEOPLE SAY THAT HE WAS QUITE A SENSIBLE MAN, THAT HE WAS NOT INSANE. THAT IS WHAT THEY SAY UP TO THIS DAY.

Q. DID YOU EVER HEAR HIM CALLED CRAZY FRENCHMAN?

A. YES, SIR, BUT OTHER PEOPLE SAY THAT HE WAS NOT CRAZY.

Q. I MEAN BEFORE THIS OCCURRENCE?

A. NO, SIR, I DID NOT.

Q. DID YOU EVER HEAR THIS MAN SPOKEN ABOUT AS BEING ECCENTRIC, DOING QUEER THINGS?

A. YES, I HEARD SOME OF THEM SAY THAT HE HAD CRAZY ACTIONS ABOUT HIM WATCHING THAT WOMAN -- THAT IS ALL. I HAVE BEEN THREE YEARS ON THE FORCE, LAST SEPTEMBER.

R O S I N A A N D R E S CALLED AS A WITNESS, BEING DULY SWORN,

TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

EXAMINED BY MR. WAITE THROUGH AN INTERPRETER:

Q. WHERE DO YOU LIVE?

A. 143 THOMPSON STREET.

Q. DO YOU KNOW AMEDEE BIGOT?

A. A LONG TIME; I HAVE KNOWN HIM MORE THAN A YEAR.

Q. WHERE DID YOU KNOW HIM?

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A. NEXT TO ME IN THE SAME HOUSE.

Q. DID YOU NOTICE ANYTHING STRANGE ABOUT HIM - QUEER?

A. HE WAS VERY MUCH EXCITED.

Q. ALWAYS?

A. NO, HE WAS A DILLIGENT MAN AND ONLY WHEN HE WAS DRINKING WAS HE EXCITED.

Q. DO YOU KNOW OF YOUR OWN KNOWLEDGE THAT HE WAS A DRINKING MAN?

A. HE DIDN'T DRINK OFTEN BUT WHEN HE DID DRINK HE DRANK FOR TWO OR THREE DAYS AT A TIME.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. DID YOU NOTICE ANY DIFFERENCE ^{thing} IN HIS WAYS AND ACTIONS WHEN HE WAS DRINKING FROM WHEN HE WAS NOT DRINKING?

A. YES, A GREAT DIFFERENCE.

Q. WHAT WAS THE DIFFERENCE?

A. WHEN HE WAS NOT DRINKING HE WAS DILLIGENT AND A NICE MAN; - QUIET.

Q. WHEN HE WAS DRINKING WHAT EFFECT DID IT HAVE UPON HIM?

A. HE WAS VERY MUCH EXCITED - HIS NERVES WERE VERY EXCITABLE.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. WAS HE STUPID AT ANY TIME?

A. JUST AS HE WAS CRAZY - THEN HE DOES NOT KNOW WHAT HE DOES.

BY MR. NORRIS:

Q. DO YOU REMEMBER ONE DAY IN MARCH WHEN HE TRIED TO COMMIT SUICIDE?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. WHAT HAPPENED ON THAT DAY?

A. HE WAS IN POSSESSION OF A RING FROM HIS WIFE, AND IN HIS DRUNK-

ENNESS HE THOUGHT HE LOST THE RING.

Q. TELL ABOUT THE ACTUAL ATTEMPT AT SUICIDE?

A. HE WAS LOOKING FOR THE RING AND HE WENT AWAY THREE OR FOUR TIMES AND HE WAS DRINKING EACH TIME, AND THEN HE CAME BACK AGAIN AND HE HAD SOME PARIS GREEN IN A COFFEE CUP AND HE DRANK OF IT. MRS. RENAUT CALLED ME AND THEN I CAME AND TOOK THE PARIS GREEN AWAY FROM HIM AND I TOOK IT INTO MY ROOM. HE WAS QUIET FOR A MOMENT AFTER THAT, BUT THEN HE RAN HIS HEAD AGAINST THE WALL FIVE OR SIX TIMES. I WENT INTO MY ROOM, AND THIRTEEN OR FOURTEEN MINUTES AFTERWARDS MADAME RENAUT CALLED OUT HE IS HANGING, AND I WENT INTO THE ROOM AND HE WAS HANGING AND HIS TONGUE WAS OUT OF HIS MOUTH. I TOOK A KNIFE FROM THE TABLE BUT I COULDN'T CUT HIM DOWN; THEN ~~XXXX~~ I WENT INTO MY ROOM AND I GOT THE BIG SCISSORS, AND WITH THE SCISSORS I CUT HIM DOWN.

Q. WAS HE DRUNK THAT DAY?

A. OH, YES, HE WAS WILD WITH DRINK.

BY MR. NORRIS:

Q. HOW DO YOU KNOW?

A. I COULD SMELL IT, AND I HEARD THAT HE HAD BEEN IN LIQUOR SALOONS AND LAGER BEER SALOONS.

Q. IMMEDIATELY AFTER YOU CUT HIM DOWN WHAT HAPPENED? DID HE DROP DOWN INSENSIBLE?

A. I THOUGHT HE WAS GOING RIGHT THROUGH THE FLOOR. THEN I WENT WITH A POLICEMAN TO THE STATION HOUSE AND WHILE I WAS AWAY TO THE STATION HOUSE HE TRIED TO JUMP OUT OF THE WINDOW, AND ANOTHER MAN HELD HIM. I WAS AT THE STATION HOUSE AT THE TIME.

A. NO, SIR.

Q. DID YOU SEE ENOUGH TO INDICATE TO YOUR MIND WHETHER HE WAS AN INTELLIGENT MAN OR NOT?

A. I SHOULD SAY HE WAS.

BY DR. ELLIOTT:

Q. DID HE MAKE ANY EFFORT TO PREVENT THEM FROM SAVING HIS LIFE?

A. HE SAID HE DIDN'T WANT TO LIVE.

Q. AND HE BEGGED YOU TO DESIST?

A. WELL, YES.

Q. WAS THAT DONE WITH ANY VEHEMENCE?

A. NO, HE WAS NOT VIOLENT.

Q. HE SUBMITTED AFTER A TIME TO THE OPERATION.

A. YES.

Q. WHAT DID IT CONSIST OF?

A. I THINK WE USED THE STOMACH PUMP.

Q. WERE THERE ANY ANTIDOTES ADMINISTERED?

A. I THINK SO.

Q. DID YOU SEE HIM AFTER HIS RECOVERY?

A. NOT UNTIL HE WAS BROUGHT IN THE SECOND TIME.

Q. DID YOU SEE HIM WHEN HE WAS FIT TO BE DISCHARGED ON THE FIRST OCCASION?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. HOW DID HE SEEM THEN?

A. VERY WELL.

Q. DID HE EXPRESS REGRET FOR HIS ACT?

A. HE DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING ABOUT IT.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. YOU SAW NOTHING AT THAT TIME THAT WOULD INDICATE IN ANY WAY THAT HE HAD ANY ABERRATION OF MIND ?

A. I DON'T THINK SO.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. WOULD YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF, FROM THE LENGTH OF TIME YOU HAVE BEEN PRACTICING, ABLE TO EXPRESS AN OPINION AS TO INSANITY?

A. I DO NOT CONSIDER MYSELF AN EXPERT.

BY MR. NORRIS:

Q. YOU SAY THAT WHEN HE WAS BROUGHT TO THE HOSPITAL ON THE 5TH OF MARCH THAT HE WAS BOISTROUS, AND YOU SAY THAT THAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY INTOXICATION?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. AS FAR AS YOU KNOW IS THERE ANY SIMILARITY BETWEEN CERTAIN SYMPTOMS WHICH MAY BE CAUSED BY INTOXICATION AND WHICH MAY BE CAUSED BY SOME FORM OF INSANITY?

A. YES, SIR, I SHOULD THINK THERE WAS.

Q. DO YOU KNOW FROM ANY EXAMINATION THAT WAS MADE UPON BIGOT AT THAT TIME THAT HE HAD BEEN DRINKING?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. YOU KNOW THAT HE HAD BEEN DRINKING?

A. IF I REMEMBER RIGHT, YES, SIR.

Q. HAD HE BEEN DRINKING TO SUCH AN EXTENT - WOULD YOU JUDGE FROM THE CIRCUMSTANCES - THAT WOULD OF ITSELF HAVE CAUSED HIS BOISTROUS ACTIONS?

A. YES, SIR.

- Q. HOW LONG BEFORE HIS ADMISSION TO THE HOSPITAL WOULD HE HAVE TAKEN THIS ALCOHOLIC STIMULANT IN ORDER TO PRODUCE THESE ACTIONS
- A. WELL, I DON'T THINK I COULD SAY THAT.
- Q. WOULD YOU SAY TWO HOURS BEFORE?
- A. YES, SIR.
- Q. THREE HOURS?
- A. YES, SIR.
- Q. FOUR HOURS?
- A. WELL, I SHOULD SAY BETWEEN TWO AND SIX.
- Q. HOW MUCH LIQUOR WOULD HE HAVE BEEN OBLIGED TO TAKE, DO YOU SUPPOSE, IN THAT TIME?
- A. OH, I WOULD SAY FOUR OR FIVE OUNCES -- THAT WOULD DEPEND UPON THE PHYSICAL CONDITION OF THE MAN.
- Q. IF HE HAD TAKEN A GLASS OF SHERRY OR SOMETHING OF THAT SORT HE WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN IN THAT CONDITION FROM DRUNKENNESS?
- A. NO, SIR.

JAMES G. KIERNAN, CALLED AS A WITNESS, BEING DULY SWORN, DEPOSES AND SAYS:

EXAMINED BY DR. ELLIOTT:

- Q. ARE YOU A PHYSICIAN?
- A. I AM, SIR.
- Q. DO YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THE CASE OF AMEDEE BIGOT?
- A. THE FIRST OCCASION WHEN I SAW AMEDEE BIGOT WAS BEFORE I BECAME CONNECTED WITH THE CASE. I SAW HIM IN COURT. I WAS VERY MUCH STRUCK BY HIS PECULIAR INSANITY OF MANNER AND THE WAY HE ACTED.
- Q. WHERE WAS IT?

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A. IT WAS IN PART FIRST HERE SOMETIME I THINK IN THE LATTER PART OF OCTOBER, WHEN HE WAS ARRAIGNED THERE IN THE COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Q. WHAT DID YOU OBSERVE IN HIS ACTIONS?

A. HE IN THE FIRST PLACE MAINTAINED A VERY STOLID LOOK AND THEN SUDDENLY MADE A GREAT MANY GRIMACES AND STARTED, AND LOOKED AROUND THE WALLS AND THEN AGAIN MADE A GREAT MANY GRIMACES AND THEN SMILED - WITHOUT ANY APPARENT CAUSE. I DIDN'T NOTICE ANYTHING MORE ABOUT THAT. THAT WAS LONG BEFORE I WAS CALLED IN CONNECTION WITH THE CASE. I WAS ACCIDENTALLY PRESENT. I DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF HIS BEING THERE AT THAT TIME.

Q. HOW LONG WAS THIS AFTER THE OCCURRENCE?

A. I THINK IT WAS THE LATTER PART OF OCTOBER.

Q. AT WHAT TIME DID YOU SEE HIM NEXT?

A. I SAW HIM, I THINK, THE 8TH OR 10TH OF NOVEMBER, I HAVE FORGOTTEN WHICH, IN THE TOMBS AND I FOUND SOME SIMILAR INSANITY OF MANNER. I WAS SENT FOR BY HIS COUNSEL.

Q. YOU EXAMINED HIM THOROUGHLY?

A. I MADE THREE THOROUGH EXAMINATIONS. HE DIDN'T KNOW THE OBJECT OF MY EXAMINATION THE FIRST TIME, BUT HE SUSPECTED ON THE SECOND OCCASION AND REMONSTRATED WITH ME.

Q. AT WHAT TIME WERE HIS MOVEMENTS MOST EXTRAVAGANT?

A. IT WAS MOST THE FIRST TIME, AFTER THAT IT WAS LESS EXTRAVAGANT. ON ONE OF THE TWO OCCASIONS I WAS SITTING CLOSE TO THE MAN AND SUDDENBY HIS PUPILS GREW EXTRAORDINARILY LARGE, THE MAN SAT BACK IN HIS CHAIR AND THERE WAS A SLIGHT MOTION ABOUT HIS WHOLE BODY, AND SOON AFTER THAT HE BEGAN TO SAY SOME BROKEN FRENCH

WORDS, WHICH I DID NOT UNDERSTAND -- AND THEN OUR CONVERSATION WAS BROKEN IN UPON. ON THAT OCCASION I THOUGHT IT LOOKED VERY MUCH LIKE AN ATTACK OF PETIT MAL.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. WHAT IS PETIT MAL?

A. IT IS A CONDITION -- A FORM OF EPILEPSY, A TEMPORARY LOSS OF CONSCIOUSNESS WHICH IS NOT USUALLY ATTENDED BY ANY MODE OF DISTURBANCE.

Q. IT IS A TEMPORARY THING?

A. IT IS TEMPORARY. THE PERSON STANDING BEFORE YOU MAY HAVE ONE AND GO ABOUT HIS ORDINARY BUSINESS. AFTERWARDS IN QUITE A NUMBER OF CASES COMES A CONDITION WHEN THE MAN HAS PARTIALLY RECOVERED CONSCIOUSNESS AND AT THE SAME TIME HIS SENSES ARE NOT FULLY UNDER CONTROL. THERE HAVE BEEN OCCASIONS WHEN IT HAS CONTINUED TWO OR THREE DAYS, BUT ON THE AVERAGED NOT MORE THAN THREE OR FOUR MONTHS.

Q. DURING THE EXISTENCE OF ONE OF THESE PAROXYSMS IS A PARTY CAPABLE OF USING HIS MUSCULAR FORCES?

A. HE MAY NOT LOSE COMPLETE CONTROL OVER HIS MOVEMENTS. BUT ON THE OTHER HAND IN THE CONDITION THAT FOLLOWS AFTER IT, VERY FREQUENTLY THE PATIENT GOES ON AND IS APPARENTLY HIMSELF. A PATIENT HAS BEEN KNOWN TO GO AROUND THE HOUSE AND DO ALL SORTS OF THINGS AND AFTERWARDS NOT BE CONSCIOUS AT ALL OF ANYTHING THAT HAS HAPPENED. THERE IS NO SUBSEQUENT PROSTRATION. IN A GOOD MANY CASES THE MAN GOES INTO A SLUMBER AND ALL THE SYMPTOMS PASS OFF. IT IS A FORM OF EPILEPSY AND EPILEPSY IS A VERY COMMON DISEASE.

Q. HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A PHYSICIAN?

A. SEVEN YEARS. I AM A GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSIT. I WAS IN WARD'S ISLAND FROM 1874 TO 1878. AND I HAVE SEEN I SUPPOSE OUTSIDE OF WARD'S ISLAND PERHAPS 800 CASES. I WAS ASSISTANT PHYSICIAN AT THE INSANE ASYLUM.

Q. WHO WAS IN CHARGE AT THAT TIME?

A. DR. MACDONALD WHO IS THERE NOW. I DID NOT MAKE A DIAGNOSIS OF THE EXAMINATION. DR. HARDY CAME IN AND I MADE AN EXAMINATION OF THE MAN, AND I ASKED DR. HARDY WHAT THAT DENOTED AND HE SAID GENERAL PARESIS. I WOULD NOT EXPRESS ANY OPINION FROM THAT EXAMINATION. HIS CONDITION SEEMED TO BE THAT OF A MAN WHO MIGHT DO A DEED OF WHICH HE WAS THOROUGHLY UNCONSCIOUS, AND IF HE MADE A WILL FOR INSTANCE, I WOULD BE VERY STRONGLY INCLINED TO BREAK THE WILL. HIS MEMORY WAS COMPARATIVELY DEFECTIVE. HE SAID HE STARTED IN BUSINESS IN HOUSTON STREET AND FAILED THERE, AND I ASKED HIM ABOUT THAT OCCURRENCE AND HE GAVE A VERY MIXED UP ACCOUNT OF IT. HE WAS UNABLE TO RECOLLECT DATES HERE AND THERE AND HOW HE CAME TO FAIL. WHILE HE GAVE EVENTS THAT OCCURRED IN THE PAST FLUENTLY, EVENTS MORE RECENTLY HE WAS APPARENTLY UNABLE TO RECOLLECT. IN THE STORY HE TOLD ME HE SAID THE LAST THING HE REMEMBERED OF DOING WAS HIS ATTEMPTING TO COMMIT SUICIDE; AND HE TOLD THE SAME STORY OF THE WOMAN ATTEMPTING TO KILL HERSELF.

Q. HAVE YOU HAD ANY CONVERSATION WITH HIM IN REGARD TO HIS EXPERIENCES AND ACTS SINCE THE 11TH OF AUGUST?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. DOES HE GIVE A COHERENT AND RATIONAL ACCOUNT OF THEM?

A. IF YOU DON'T ANALYZE HIS STATEMENT IT SEEMS VERY COHERENT, BUT IF YOU CROSS-EXAMINE HIM IT DOES NOT. FOR EXAMPLE, AFTER I HAD OBTAINED THE POINTS, HE DIDN'T TELL ME ANYTHING ABOUT HIS TAKING PARIS GREEN OR HIS ATTEMPTING TO COMMIT SUICIDE. SINCE THAT TIME HE TOLD ME ABOUT THINGS THAT HAPPENED THERE IN THE TOMBS AND A PHYSICIAN COMING TO SEE HIM. I ASKED DR. HARDY ABOUT SOME ONE COMING TO SEE HIM AND IT WAS NOT THE SAME AS HE TOLD ME. HE WAS NOT PARTICULARLY LUCID.

Q. HOW IS HE AS TO INTELLIGENCE GENERALLY?

A. I THINK THE MAN ORIGINALLY HAD A PRETTY FAIR INTELLIGENCE. I THINK THE MAN HAD AN HEREDITARY TAINT SOMEWHERE. THAT IS MERELY A SUPPOSITION OF MINE.

Q. WHAT ARE YOUR RELATIONS TO THIS CASE?

A. I WAS SIMPLY CALLED IN BY THE ATTORNEY FOR THE DEFENCE. I MADE THE EXAMINATION IN THAT CONNECTION. I SHOULD SAY THAT THE MAN WAS IN THE INITIAL STAGE OF GENERAL PARESIS. HE POSSESSES ALL THE PHYSICAL SYMPTOMS OF THE DISEASE. THE FACIAL FOLDS WERE UNEQUAL.

Q. IS THAT SUPPOSED TO PROCEED FROM SOME DERANGEMENT OF NERVES?

A. IT IS SUPPOSED TO PROCEED FROM THE CHANGE IN THE BRAIN STRUCTURE.

Q. WILL YOU DESCRIBE HOW THAT MANIFESTED ITSELF IN THE CASE OF BIGOT?

A. IF I KNEW NOTHING MORE ABOUT THE CASE BUT SIMPLY OBSERVED THIS SYMPTOM IN HIS FACE, I WOULD HAVE RECOMMENDED HIM TO BE SENT TO AN INSANE ASYLUM AS A MATTER OF PROTECTION. ON ONE SIDE OF THE FACE ONE FACIAL FOLD HERE IS APPARENTLY ALL RIGHT, AND THERE THERE IS A SOMEWHAT PRESSING DOWN OF IT -- IN OTHER WORDS THE TWO CORNERS OF HIS MOUTH ARE NOT DIRECTLY OPPOSITE TO EACH

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- Q. MIGHT NOT THAT HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY THE WOUND IN HIS THROAT?
- A. NO, SIR, I DO NOT THINK IT COULD HAVE RESULTED FROM ANY OTHER CAUSE THAN THE CAUSE OF AFFECTION OF THE BRAIN.

BY MR. WAITE:

- Q. COULD THERE BE BUT ONE CAUSE FOR THAT CHANGED CONDITION OF THE MOUTH?
- A. THE MAN MIGHT HAVE BEEN BORN IN THAT WAY.
- Q. AND WOULDN'T IT HAVE CHANGED BEFORE HE HAD GROWN TO MANHOOD?
- A. I DON'T THINK SO -- IT IS SOMETHING MORE THAN DISTORTION.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

- Q. WOULD TEMPORARY MENTAL EXCITEMENT PRODUCE THAT CHANGE?
- A. NO, SIR, I DON'T THINK SO. I THINK THAT CHANGE HAS BEEN COMING ON FOR A LONG WHILE.
- Q. DID YOU NOTICE ANY DIFFERENCE IN HIS CONDITION OR IN HIS MANNER WHEN HE THOUGHT YOU SIMPLY A FRIEND OR VISITOR -- WAS HE ANY DIFFERENT THEN FROM WHAT HE APPEARED AFTERWARDS?
- A. HE WAS MUCH MORE RETICENT ON THE ^{first} TWO SECOND OCCASIONS.
- Q. WAS HIS CONDITION THAT OF A MAN WHOSE MENTAL CONDITION WAS DISTURBED, OR WAS IT THAT OF A FRIGHTENED MAN?
- A. IT WAS NOT THAT OF A FRIGHTENED MAN. I ASKED SOME OF THE OFFICIALS IN REGARD TO HIM BUT AS I ANTICIPATED I GOT VERY LITTLE INFORMATION FROM THEM.
- Q. WAS BIGOT'S MANNER COMPOSED OR RESTLESS?
- A. EVERY TIME THAT I HAVE SEEN HIM HE HAD A VERY CONSTRAINED MANNER ABOUT HIM. I COULD NOT SAY THAT IT WAS RESTLESS.

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BY MR. WAITE:

Q. HE WAS MUCH MORE FREE IN HIS CONVERSATION WHEN HE SAW YOU THE FIRST AND SECOND TIMES THAN WHEN HE WAS AWARE THAT YOU CAME FOR A CERTAIN PURPOSE?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. DID HE EXPRESS TO YOU ON THE THIRD OCCASION OR ON EITHER OF THE OTHER OCCASIONS HIS DESIRE NOT TO GO TO THE INSANE ASYLUM?

A. ON THE LAST OCCASION HE EXPRESSED HIMSELF STRONGLY ON THAT SUBJECT - HE SAID HE WAS NOT INSANE AND DIDN'T BELIEVE HIMSELF TO BE INSANE. THE FIRST EXAMINATION WAS IN OCTOBER AND THE OTHERS WERE IN NOVEMBER.

BY DR. ELLIOTT:

Q. I SUPPOSE YOU HAVE HEARD DR. HARDY TELL US THAT INSANE PEOPLE USUALLY PROTEST THAT THEY ARE PERFECTLY SANE?

A. THE GREAT MAJORITY DO.

Q. YOU WOULD NOT REGARD A MAN STATING THAT HE WAS PERFECTLY SANE OF ANY PROOF ONE WAY OR THE OTHER?

A. NOT POSITIVELY, NO, SIR.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. NOW DOCTOR, FORMULATING THE JUDGMENT THAT YOU HAVE IN REGARD TO THIS MAN'S CONDITION, WHAT WOULD YOU SAY IT TO BE.

A. I WOULD SAY THAT THE MAN WAS AT PRESENT LABORING UNDER GENERAL PARESIS, IN THE INITIAL STAGES, AND THAT SOONER OR LATER HIS MEMORY WOULD BECOME GREATLY IMPAIRED. I THINK THAT THE MAN HAD OTHER SIMILAR ATTACKS OF PETIT MAL.

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BY MR. NORRIS:

- Q. HAVE YOU RECEIVED ANY FEE IN THIS CASE?
- A. NO, SIR, I HAVE NOT.
- Q. DO YOU EXPECT TO RECEIVE ANY FEE?
- A. I WOULD LIKE TO BE PAID FOR MY TIME BUT I DON'T KNOW WHETHER I WILL OR NOT.

E D W A R D C. S P I T Z K A CALLED AS A WITNESS, BEING DULY

SWORN, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

EXAMINED BY MR. WAITE:

- Q. YOU ARE A PRACTICING PHYSICIAN DOCTOR, IN THE CITY?
- A. YES, SIR.
- Q. OF HOW MANY YEARS STANDING?
- A. IT WILL BE EIGHT IN FEBRUARY.
- Q. AND HAS YOUR PRACTICE BEEN DEVOTED TO ANY SPECIALTY?
- A. TO NERVOUS AND MENTAL DISEASES.
- Q. HAVE YOU BEEN CONNECTED WITH ANY OF THE INSTITUTIONS?
- A. I HAVE HAD NO FORMAL CONNECTIONS WITH ANY OF OUR INSTITUTIONS. I HAVE STUDIED THE SPECIALTIES IN THE ASYLUMS AT VIENNA, AND EXAMINED MANY PATIENTS IN THE CITY ASYLUMS HERE, AND MADE POST MORTEMS ON 36 OF THEM.
- Q. IN CONNECTION WITH THIS CASE WERE YOU CALLED TO MAKE AN EXAMINATION?
- A. NO, I WAS NOT. PERHAPS I MAY BE ALLOWED TO EXPLAIN MY CONNECTION IN THE CASE. I APPEAR VERY UNWILLINGLY IN FACT. MY ATTENTION WAS CALLED TO THIS CASE FIRST THROUGH THE NEWSPAPER REPORTS OF THE CRIME AND SOME STATEMENTS MADE IN THE PAPERS ABOUT HIS ANTECEDENTS, WHICH I DO NOT NOW RECOLLECT. THEY MADE AN IMPRESSION UPON MY MIND IN CONNECTION WITH SOME SIMILAR

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CIRCUMSTANCES. I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING MUCH FIRST. WHEN THE MAN WAS ARRAIGNED I HEARD THAT HE HAD NO MEANS AND COUNSEL WAS ASSIGNED TO HIM. I WROTE TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY A LETTER THAT FROM WHAT I DIMLY RECOLLECTED OF THE CASE I THOUGHT THAT THE ACT WAS THE OUTCOME OF A DISEASED PHASE OF THE MIND, AND THAT I WOULD DECLINE TO APPEAR IN THE CASE. I WAS THEN CALLED BY COUNSEL, MR. NORRIS, AND I DECLINED TO APPEAR UNLESS THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY SUMMONED ME, AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY HAS NOW SUMMONED ME. I NEVER MADE THAT THOROUGH EXAMINATION OF BIGOT, OF THE FACTS PRECEDING AND FOLLOWING THE HOMICIDE WHICH I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE DONE BEFORE PASSING FULLY UPON THE CASE. THE WAY I SAW HIM WAS INCIDENTAL. I WAS ASKED BY THE DEFENSE TO EXAMINE ANOTHER MURDERER (MUNZBERGER), AND WHEN I EXAMINED HIM DR. KIERNAN CAME IN SOMEWHAT LATER AND EXAMINED THE PRISONER IN THE SAME ROOM. HE CALLED MY ATTENTION TO THE PHYSICAL SIGNS WHICH HE EXHIBITED AND THEN I EXAMINED THE PRISONER, BUT NOT THAT THOROUGH EXAMINATION WHICH I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE MADE. I DISCOVERED SOME FACTS THAT WOULD POINT IN A CERTAIN DIRECTION BUT THAT IS ALL. SO FAR AS I HAVE EXAMINED HIM, SOME OF THE FACTS THAT I HAVE ASCERTAINED STRENGTHENED MY SUSPICION, BUT TO SAY THAT THE MAN WAS INSANE IN THE SENSE OF THE LAW, I WOULD NOT SAY SO NOW.

Q. DO YOU THINK HE COULD GIVE A COHERENT ACCOUNT SO AS TO DEFEND HIMSELF?

A. THAT I WOULD NOT SAY DEFINITELY. I SAW FROM MY CONVERSATION WITH HIM REASON TO SUPPOSE THAT A PART OF THE OCCURRENCE WAS A COMPLETE BLANK IN HIS MIND. THE QUESTION WHICH I WAS MOST INTERESTED IN WAS WHETHER HE WAS SIMULATING OR NOT, AND I AM

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WILLING TO SAY THAT HE WAS UNWILLING TO BE CONSIDERED AS INSANE AND HE SAYS HE RECOLLECTS VERY WELL THE ACT OF CUTTING HIS OWN THROAT BUT NOT THAT OF KILLING ~~CHARLOTTE~~ HARRIETTE REBOUT THE WOMAN.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. DOESN'T HE MAKE ANY STATEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE CUTTING OF HER THROAT.

A. NO, HE DOES NOT.

Q. DOES HE NOT POSITIVELY OR PARTIALLY DENY THAT HE CUT HER THROAT?

A. HE DENIES THAT HE DID IT. I DIDN'T EXAMINE HIM VERY THOROUGHLY I WAS MORE INTERESTED IN THE PHYSICAL SIGNS WHICH ARE VERY MARKED IN HIS CASE. I KNOW THERE WAS A MOST MARKED DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE SIZE OF THE TWO PUPILS. THERE WAS ALSO AN IRREGULARITY OR ASSYMMETRY IN THE INTERVENTION OF THE TWO SIDES OF THE FACE. THERE WAS A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE NASAL-LABIAL FOLDS OF THE TWO SIDES OF THE FACE, AND THE ANGLE OF THE MOUTH WAS DEPRESSED ON ONE SIDE. I MAY PERHAPS SAY IN EXPLANATION OF THOSE SYMPTOMS THAT THE IRREGULARITY IN THE TWO NASAL-LABIAL FOLDS IS AN INDICATION OF PARESIS OF THE MUSCLES OF THE FACE ON THE SIDE IN WHICH THE FOLD IS NOT WELL MARKED. THE FOLD BECOMES HALF OBLITERATED AS IT WERE OWING TO THE LACK OF TENSION OF THE MUSCLES THAT ARE INSERTED INTO THE SKIN.

Q. ON WHICH SIDE WAS THAT?

A. THE SIDE ON WHICH THE PUPIL WAS DILATED WAS THE SIDE ON WHICH THE *Innervation* INTERVENTION WAS IMPERFECT.

Q. WHAT WOULD BE YOUR ESTIMATE OF HIS CONDITION FROM THESE FACTS?

A. MY ESTIMATE WOULD BE THAT THESE WERE INDICATIONS OF SOME CEREBRAL DISEASE. AS FOUND IN COMBINATION, AND EXCLUDING EVERY

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THING ELSE, THEY WOULD INDICATE THE INITIAL STAGE OF GENERAL PARALYSIS OF THE INSANE, BUT NOT NECESSARILY. THERE WAS SOME DISTURBANCE IN THE STRUCTURE OF THE BRAIN.

Q. WHAT WOULD BE YOUR PROGNOSIS ?

A. I WOULD BE VERY GUARDED ABOUT IT WITHOUT KNOWING ANYTHING MORE ABOUT THE CASE. HE IS NOT A MAN OF MUCH EDUCATION. HIS ANTECEDENTS ARE SHROUDED IN OBSCURITY, AND I CANNOT FIND ANYTHING ABOUT HIS ANCESTRY, AND SO MY OPINION IS ALMOST LIMITED -- MY EXAMINATION WAS SIMPLY INCIDENTAL.

Q. DID HIS TROUBLE AFFECT HIS MENTAL CONDITION?

A. I CONSIDER THIS AN OLD TROUBLE. THESE ARE THINGS THAT CANNOT BE ARTIFICIALLY PRODUCED. I CONSIDER IT AS STRUCTURAL. THERE IS NOT NECESSARILY OF COURSE A DISEASE OF THE BRAIN, BUT THERE IS A GENERAL PARALYSIS.

Q. WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO HOLD A MAN IN SUCH A CONDITION AS THIS RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS ACTIONS.

A. I SHOULD NOT. I SHOULD CONSIDER IN THIS CASE THE SUSPICIONS ARE SO STRONG IN THE DIRECTION OF GRAVE CEREBRAL TROUBLE, THAT THE BURDEN OF PROOF WOULD REST UPON THOSE WHO WOULD TRY TO PROVE RESPONSIBILITY IN THIS CASE.

Q. YOU THINK HIS CONDITION WOULD ADMIT OF A REASONABLE DOUBT OF HIS RESPONSIBILITY?

A. IT WOULD.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. UPON ALL THE FACTS AS THEY ARE COLLATED AND PRESENTED TO YOUR MIND ^{AND} AS YOU UNDERSTAND THEM AT THE PRESENT TIME, YOU WOULD NOT UNDERTAKE TO SAY THAT HE WAS ABSOLUTELY INSANE AT THE PRESENT.

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A. NO, I WOULD NOT.

Q. WOULD YOU UNDERTAKE TO SAY THAT HE IS INCAPABLE OF CONDUCTING HIS DEFENCE?

A. I SHOULD NOT BE ABLE TO SAY THAT POSITIVELY.

Q. WHAT IMPORTANCE WOULD YOU ATTACH TO THE EXPRESSION OF HIS FACE?

A. WE ANTICIPATE IN THE INITIAL STAGE OF THIS DISEASE VERY INTENSE HEADACHES.

BY MR. NORRIS:

Q. YOU SAY THAT YOU HAVE MADE DISEASES OF THIS SORT YOUR SPECIALTY?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. HAVE YOU EVER WRITTEN ANY WORKS ON THE SUBJECT, ANY ARTICLES?

A. NUMBER OF THEM. THERE IS ONE POINT WHICH I MIGHT TAKE THE LIBERTY OF BRINGING BEFORE THE GENTLEMEN - THAT IS, THIS ONE REASON WHICH FIRST LED MY SUSPICIONS TO THIS CASE. THERE IS

WHAT THE GERMENS CALL PATHOLOGICAL FRENZY, TO WHICH THE SUBJECTS ARE EXPOSED WHO ARE BUFFERING FROM ORDINARY CEREBRAL DISEASES.

THERE IS A DISEASED ELEMENT AT THE BASIS OF IT. AND, IT, THIS KIND OF CRIME AND THE MANNER IN WHICH IT WAS COMMITTED THAT IS

CHARACTERIZED PATHOLOGICAL FRENZY. THE SIMILARITY IN THE CASE FIRST CALLED MY ATTENTION TO ITS POSSIBLE MEDICAL LEGAL RELATIONS.

Q. I THINK YOU SAID YOU CONSIDERED IN THIS CASE FROM THE EXAMINATION YOU MADE OF THE MAN THAT THE BURDEN OF PROOF WOULD REST UPON THOSE WHO WOULD AFFIRM THAT THE MAN WAS RESPONSIBLE?

A. OF COURSE THAT IS A LEGAL QUESTION.

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J O H N C. S H A P P S CALLED AS A WITNESS, BEING DULY SWORN,
TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

EXAMINED BY MR. WAITE:

Q. WHERE DO YOU RESIDE?

A. 153 ROSS STREET, BROOKLYN.

Q. YOU ARE A PHYSICIAN OF HOW LONG STANDING?

A. I RECEIVED MY DEGREE LAST SPRING, BUT I HAVE BEEN WORKING TWO YEARS. I RECEIVED MY DEGREE FROM BELLEVUE HOSPITAL. I WAS CONNECTED WITH ST. VINCENT'S HOSPITAL FOR ONE YEAR, TO OCTOBER 1880.

Q. WHAT WAS YOUR POSITION AT ST. VINCENT'S HOSPITAL ON THE 11TH OF AUGUST?

A. HOUSE SURGEON.

Q. AT THAT TIME DID THIS PATIENT COME UNDER YOUR OBSERVATION?

A. HE DID, SIR.

Q. RELATE YOUR CONNECTION WITH HIS TREATMENT FROM THE TIME OF HIS ADMISSION UNTIL HIS DISCHARGE, OR UNTIL YOU QUIT THE HOSPITAL IF IT WAS BEFORE HIS DISCHARGE?

A. ON THE 11TH OF AUGUST HE WAS BROUGHT TO THE HOSPITAL SUFFERING FROM A CONSIDERABLE WOUND OF THE NECK, AND REMAINED THERE UNTIL THE LATTER PART OF SEPTEMBER OR FIRST OF OCTOBER. HE WAS TREATED THERE FOR THAT WOUND.

Q. WERE YOU HOUSE SURGEON IN MARCH AT THE TIME HE WAS BROUGHT THERE.

A. I WAS NOT HOUSE SURGEON AT THAT TIME, I WAS AMBULANCE SURGEON.

Q. DID YOU OBSERVE HIS CASE AT THAT TIME AT ALL?

A. AT THAT TIME I WENT DOWN ON THE AMBULANCE TO THOMPSON STREET AFTER BIGOT. THEY ATTEMPTED TO TREAT HIM THERE AND SUBSEQUENTLY BROUGHT HIM TO THE HOSPITAL.

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Q. DID YOU TREAT HIM AFTER BRINGING HIM TO THE HOSPITAL?

A. I ASSISTED IN TREATING THE CASE, I WAS NOT IN CHARGE.

BY DR. ELLIOTT:

Q. DO YOU RECOLLECT ANYTHING DISTINCTLY ABOUT IT?

A. I THINK QUITE DISTINCTLY.

Q. WHAT WAS HIS CONDITION WHEN HE ARRIVED IN MARCH?

A. HE WAS THEN SUPPOSED TO HAVE TAKEN PARIS GREEN AND HE WAS TREATED FOR PARIS GREEN POISON.

Q. DID YOU USE THE STOMACH PUMP?

A. IT WAS USED AFTER HE GOT INTO THE HOSPITAL.

Q. DID HE APPEAR TO BE LIKE A PERSON INTOXICATED?

A. I DON'T RECOLLECT, I HAVE NO CLEAR IMPRESSION THAT HE WAS INTOXICATED. I WOULD NOT SWEAR THAT HE WAS NOT.

Q. DID HE SEEM TO BE EXCITED?

A. YES, JUST AS EXCITED AS ANY ONE WOULD BE -- NOTHING MORE THAN A GREAT MANY OTHER PEOPLE WOULD BE UNDER SIMILAR CIRCUMSTANCES. HE TRIED TO PREVENT US FROM USING THE STOMACH PUMP.

Q. DID HE SAY THAT HE WISHED TO DIE AT THAT TIME?

A. I DON'T RECOLLECT IT.

Q. DID HE SHOW ANY RELUCTANCE TO HAVE REMEDIAL AGENTS APPLIED?

A. A DECIDED RELUCTANCE, AND HAD A GREAT DEAL MORE TO SAY THAN OTHER PEOPLE WOULD.

Q. DID HE APPEAR TO BE RATIONAL?

A. QUITE SO.

Q. DID YOU SEE HIM THE SECOND TIME?

A. I DID, SIR.

Q. WHAT WAS HIS CONDITION THEN?

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A. AS REGARDS THE WOUND?

Q. YES.

A. HE WAS SUFFERING FROM AN INCISED WOUND OF THE NECK.

Q. DID THAT APPEAR TO AFFECT HIS GENERAL HEALTH IN ANY UNUSUAL WAY?

A. HE WAS RATHER WEAK FROM LOSS OF BLOOD.

Q. DID THE SHOCK TO HIS NERVOUS SYSTEM APPEAR TO AFFECT HIS MIND?

A. AT THAT TIME HE COULD NOT SPEAK, OR SPEAK WITH GREAT DIFFICULTY AND I WOULD NOT LET HIM SPEAK -- THAT WAS FROM THE WOUND.

Q. DID YOU SEE HIM OFTEN AT THAT TIME?

A. WHILE I WAS IN THE HOSPITAL I SAW HIM TWICE EVERY DAY AND SOMETIMES FIVE OR SIX TIMES EVERY DAY. HE APPEARED TO BE RATIONAL AT THAT TIME. I ADVISED HIM TO MAKE NO EXPLANATION ABOUT IT WHATEVER UNTIL HE HAD SEEN HIS LAWYER.

Q. DID HE SEEM TO BE AWARE OF WHAT HE HAD DONE?

A. I DID NOT LET HIM TALK ABOUT THE MATTER AT ALL.

Q. WOULD YOU JUDGE FROM HIS MANNER THAT HE APPRECIATED THE GRAVITY OF THE SITUATION?

A. NO, I DON'T THINK HE DID, NOT FROM HIS MANNER -- I JUDGE FROM OTHER REASONS THAT HE MIGHT.

Q. FROM ALL THAT YOU HAVE SEEN OF HIM WOULD YOU CONSIDER HIM A PERFECTLY SANE MAN?

A. I WOULD.

Q. AND ENTIRELY RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS ACTIONS?

A. PERFECTLY, SIR.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. HAVE YOU SEEN HIM SINCE?

A. NOT SINCE HE GOT TO THE HOSPITAL. I SAW HIM TWICE EVERY DAY

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AND SOMETIMES FIVE OR SIX TIMES EVERY DAY FROM THE 11TH OF AUGUST TO
SOMETIME THE LATTER PART OF SEPTEMBER OR FIRST OF OCTOBER --
ABOUT SIX WEEKS.

Q. DID YOU HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH HIM AFTER HE WAS IN A CONDITION
TO TALK?

A. A NUMBER OF TIMES.

Q. HOW LONG AFTER HE WAS ADMITTED WAS HE IN A CONDITION TO TALK

A. I DO NOT REMEMBER. BUT BY CLOSING UP THE WOUND SO THE AIR
COULD COME THROUGH THE MOUTH HE WOULD BE ABLE TO SPEAK IN A
FEW DAYS.

Q. WAS YOUR CONVERSATION WITH HIM IN REFERENCE TO HIS CASE OR
WITH GENERAL TOPICS?

A. GENERALLY IN REFERENCE TO HIS OWN CASE. HIS ACTIONS SHOWED
THAT HE COMPREHENDED EVERYTHING THAT WAS SAID TO HIM, AND HE
SEEMED IN SOME RESPECT TO HAVE A LITTLE MORE THAN ORDINARY IN-
TELLIGENCE.

Q. AND YOU CLASSED HIM AS A MAN ^{of} AT LEAST ORDINARY AVERAGE INTEL-
LIGENCE, AND HIS ACTIONS SEEMED TO BE AS ~~GOOD~~ ^{same} AS THOSE OF
ORDINARY PEOPLE?

A. IN FACT MORE SO THAN A VAST MAJORITY.

BY DR. ELLIOTT:

Q. DID YOU OBSERVE ANYTHING ABOUT THE PUPIL OF HIS EYE?

A. I DID NOT, SIR.

Q. OR ANYTHING IN REGARD TO THE INTERVENTION OF THE FACE?

A. NO, SIR, BUT I HAVE IN THE CONFORMATION OF THE FACE. THAT WAS
QUITE PECULIAR ON ONE SIDE. HE TOLD ME HOW THAT MIGHT BE
ACCOUNTED FOR. BIGOT SAID THAT WHEN HE WAS YOUNG HE HAD A HAIR

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LIP, AND THAT THE HAIR LIP WAS CUBED BY AN OPERATION, WHICH OPERATION DESTROYED THE SYMMETRY OF THE FACE.

Q. WHAT WAS THE IMMEDIATE EFFECT OF THE OPERATION IN DISTURBING THE SYMMETRY?

A. HE MENTIONED AN OPERATION WHICH I NEVER HAD HEARD OF MYSELF. HE SAID THAT THE GAP IN THE LIP INSTEAD OF BEING GROWN TOGETHER WAS FITTED IN BY THE TISSUE OF SHEEP. IN THAT CASE IF THE PIECE INSERTED WAS LARGER IT WOULD THROW THIS SIDE OUT, AND IF IT WAS SMALLER IT WOULD BRING IT IN. I SATISFIED MYSELF THERE WAS A SCAR THERE, BUT AS TO THE TRUTH OF HIS STORY I WAS NOT ENTIRELY CONVINCED.

Q. THERE WAS NOTHING IN THE APPEARANCE OF THE SCAR TO THROW DOUBT UPON HIS STATEMENT?

A. I HAD IN MY MIND SOME SLIGHT DOUBT OF THE INSERTION OF THE ~~EX~~ SHEEP'S FLESH OR, WHATEVER IT WAS.

Q. YOU STILL BELIEVE HOWEVER THAT THERE WAS SOME OPERATION WHICH MIGHT ACCOUNT FOR IT?

A. I BELIEVE SO.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE TO DISTINGUISH IF SOME OTHER FLESH HAD BEEN PUT IN THERE -- WOULD THERE BE ANY DIFFERENCE IN THE FLESH

A. I DON'T THINK IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO DISTINGUISH IT AT THIS TIME.

Q. DID HE HAVE A MOUSTACHE AT THIS TIME?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. AND WAS THE SCAR VISIBLE?

A. NOT UNTIL AFTER A CLOSE EXAMINATION.

Q. IN MARCH AT ANY TIME WAS HE PLACED IN A STRAIGHT JACKET OR CONFINED IN ANY WAY UNDER THE SUPPOSITION THAT HE MIGHT BE

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INSANE, OR WAS THERE ANY RESTRAINT PLACED UPON HIM OTHER THAN THAT
PLACED UPON PEOPLE WHO ARE THERE FOR TREATMENT?

A. I DO NOT REMEMBER. I MIGHT HAVE HAD HIM PLACED IN A STRAIGHT
JACKET, AND YET NOT CONSIDER HIM AS AN INSANE PERSON.

BY DR. ELLIOTT:

Q. YOU DIDN'T NOTICE THE CONDITION OF THE PUPIL OF HIS EYE?

A. I DIDN'T NOTICE THAT -- AT LEAST I DON'T REMEMBER IT NOW.

Q. ~~YOU~~ THINK THAT IF IT HAD EXISTED THEN YOU WOULD HAVE NOTICED IT

A. I THINK I WOULD.

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Q. YOU THINK PROBABLY IT WAS ABSENT?

A. I THINK PROBABLY IT WAS ABSENT.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. WOULDN'T YOU EXAMINE A CASE OF THAT SORT AS CAREFULLY AS ONE
THAT CAME IN WHICH YOU KNEW NOTHING ABOUT?

A. I WOULD NOT -- IF IT WAS A CASE OF POISONING I WOULD PROCEED
IMMEDIATELY TO THE TREATMENT. THERE WAS POISON ON HIS TONGUE
WHEN I FOUND HIM IN THOMPSON STREET.

BY DR. ELLIOTT:

Q. DID HE APPEAR TO BE SUFFERING FROM MELANCHOLIA AT ANY TIME
YOU SAW HIM?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. WHAT WOULD YOU JUDGE TO BE THE CAUSE?

A. I HAVE NO IDEA OF THE CAUSE.

Q. HE MADE THREE ATTEMPTS ON THAT ONE DAY?

A. YES, SIR.

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BY MR. NORRIS:

Q. DO YOU SUPPOSE THAT IT IS POSSIBLE TO ASSIMILATE SHEEP'S FLESH AND HUMAN FLESH IN THAT WAY?

A. I THINK IT IS POSSIBLE.

Q. DID YOU EVER HEAR OF ITS BEING DONE BEFORE?

A. I DON'T THINK I EVER DID. I HAVE HEARD OF THE SKIN OF ANIMALS BEING GRAFTED, BUT NOT FLESH.

Q. WHAT WAS HIS APPEARANCE WHEN YOU SAW HIM IN 1932?

A. THE APPEARANCE THAT STRUCK ME MOST WAS THE GREEN ON HIS TONGUE.

Q. YOU DIDN'T NOTICE HIS GENERAL APPEARANCE?

A. HE WAS EXCITED - QUITE SO.

Q. DID YOU CONSIDER THAT THE EXCITEMENT WAS MERELY EXCITEMENT/AND NOT THE RESULT OF SOME MENTAL DISTURBANCE?

A. I DIDN'T CONSIDER ABOUT IT. I SAW THAT HE WAS EXCITED AND DIDN'T GO INTO THE CAUSE OF IT AT ALL.

Q. HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN LABORING UNDER SOME NERVOUS TROUBLE, AND YOU NOT NOTICE IT?

A. IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE.

ADJOURNED TO TUESDAY THE 7TH INST. AT 10.30 A. M.

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VS.

AMEDEE BIGOT.

DECEMBER 7TH, 1880.

THE COMMISSION MET PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT.

STEPHEN CORMICK CALLED AS A WITNESS, BEING DULY
SWORN, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

EXAMINED BY MR. WAITE:

Q. YOU ARE AN OFFICER OF THE 20TH PRECINCT?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. ON THE 11TH OF AUGUST DID YOU ARREST ONE AMEDEE BIGOT?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. WHERE ?

A. IN THOMPSON STREET, NEAR PRINCE.

Q. THAT IS IN THE 8TH PRECINCT?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. YOU WERE NOT IN THE 8TH AT THE TIME?

A. NO, SIR. I WAS WAITING ON THE CORNER AND SOMEBODY SHOUTED. I
LOOKED UP AND SAW A NUMBER OF PEOPLE STANDING ON THE SIDE-WALK
ABOUT OPPOSITE 141 WHERE THOMPSON ST. IS. THE OFFICER ON POST
HAD JUST GONE BY AND I HOLLOED TO HIM. I THOUGHT IT WAS SOME
LITTLE FRACAS. THE OFFICER DIDN'T HEAR ME. I LOOKED UP AND
I SAW A MAN COMING FROM THE CROWD TOWARDS ME. I NOTICED THERE
WAS BLOOD ON HIS FACE AND HIS HANDS WERE STAINED WITH BLOOD,
AND HE PUT HIS HANDS UP TO HIS THROAT.

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BY MR. WAITE:

- Q. WAS HE EVER IN THE SAME EXCITED CONDITION WHEN NOT DRUNK AS WHEN DRUNK, OR WAS THERE ANY APPROACH TO THE SAME CONDITION?
- A. THE WOMAN THAT ~~HE~~ HE KILLED, SHE EXCITED HIM.
- Q. IN WHAT WAY?
- A. SHE WENT TO HIS ROOM AND IN WHAT WAY SHE TEAZED HIM I DON'T KNOW ; BUT WHENEVER I WAS THERE HE WENT OUT DRINKING.
- Q. IT WAS WHEN HE WAS IN DRINK THAT HE WAS THE WILD MAN?
- A. YES, SIR.

BY MR. NORRIS:

- Q. WHEN HE WAS DRUNK HE WAS EXCITED IN THAT WAY, WHENEVER YOU SAW HIM, EXCITED DID YOU THINK HE HAD BEEN DRINKING?
- A. I BELIEVE EVERY TIME.
- Q. YOU SUPPOSED FROM THE MERE FACT THAT HE WAS EXCITED THAT HE HAD BEEN DRINKING?
- A. YES, SIR.
- Q. YOU SUPPOSED EVERY TIME THAT HE ACTED QUEERLY THAT HAD BEEN DRINKING?
- A. YES, SIR.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

- Q. HOW OFTEN DID YOU SEE HIM THAT WAY?
- A. I CANNOT TELL, VERY OFTEN.

BY MR. NORRIS:

- Q. DID YOU KNOW EVERY TIME OF YOUR OWN PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE THAT HE

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HAD BEEN DRINKING?

- A. OFTEN I MADE SURE THAT HE WAS DRUNK AT THE TIME THAT HE WAS EXCITED, BUT SOME OTHER TIMES I DID NOT.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

- Q. SOMETIMES YOU INFERRED SO ?
- A. YES, SIR.

BY MR. NORRIS:

- Q. WHAT DID HE DRINK?
- A. I THINK EVERY THING THAT HE CAME NEAR.
- Q. WHAT DO YOU KNOW THAT HE DRANK?
- A. I CANNOT SAY ALL THAT HE HAS DRANK, BUT HE OFTEN WENT FOR BEER.
- Q. DO YOU KNOW THAT HE EVER DRANK ANYTHING BUT BEER OR LIGHT FRENCH WINES?
- A. I HEARD IT BUT I HAVE NOT SEEN IT. I HAVE ONLY SEEN HIM DRINK BEER.

ADJOURNED TO SATURDAY AT 11 A. M.

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IN THE MATTER
OF
AMEDEE BIGOT.

JANUARY 28TH, 1881.

PRESENT:

COMMISSIONERS PATTERSON AND ELLIOTT.

DUDLEY NORRIS, ESQ., COUNSEL FOR BIGOT.

J A M E S F I N N, CALLED AS A WITNESS, BEING DULY SWORN, TESTI-
-FIED AS FOLLOWS:

EXAMINED BY MR. PATTERSON:

- Q. MR. FINN, YOU ARE THE WARDEN OF THE CITY PRISON?
- A. YES, SIR.
- Q. AND YOU KNOW AMEDEE BIGOT, A PRISONER DETAINED THERE?
- A. YES, SIR.
- Q. AND YOU HAVE BEEN THE WARDEN DURING ALL THE PERIOD OF HIS CON-
FINEMENT THERE?
- A. YES, SIR.
- Q. HAVE YOU HAD OCCASION TO SEE HIM OFTEN?
- A. SEVERAL TIMES EVERY DAY.
- Q. DO YOU RECOLLECT ABOUT WHAT TIME HE WAS TAKEN THERE?
- A. ABOUT THE 30TH OF SEPTEMBER, I THINK, 1880.
- Q. AND YOUR OBSERVATION HAS EXTENDED SEVERAL TIMES A DAY EVERY DAY
FROM THAT TIME TO THE PRESENT?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. WILL YOU PLEASE STATE IF YOU OBSERVED ANYTHING ABOUT AMEDEE BIGOT, WHICH WOULD INDICATE THAT HE HAD ANY MENTAL TROUBLE?

A. ABOUT THE 18TH OR 19TH OF NOVEMBER, IN THE MORNING, I HAD A CONVERSATION WITH BIGOT. HE TOLD ME THAT BIG MIKE [WHICH IS THE ONLY THING THAT I COULD SEE THAT WOULD INDICATE THAT HE WAS TOUCHED IN ANY WAY; THE NURSE OF THE HOSPITAL CAME TO HIM DURING THE NIGHT, WITH A WOMAN, AND THAT HE BEAT HIM; AND THAT HE HAD PAINS IN HIS BACK. HE APPEARED TO BE AFRAID OF WHAT HE CALLED "BIG MIKE". I REPORTED THE CASE TO DR. HARDY A FEW DAYS AFTERWARDS.

Q. WHILE HE WAS MAKING THIS STATEMENT TO YOU DID HE SEEM TO BE FULLY CONVINCED OF IT, DID HE APPEAR TO BE SINCERE?

A. HE APPEARED TO BE FULLY CONVINCED THAT BIG MIKE CAME INTO THE CELL AND BEAT HIM. THAT IS THE ONLY THING I SAW ABOUT HIM BEFORE OR SINCE.

Q. DID YOU SEE ANYTHING ABOUT HIM INDICATING GREAT LASSITUDE OR DEPRESSION?

A. HE APPEARED TO BE AFRAID, APPEARED TO BE UNDER SOME GREAT FEAR OF SOMEBODY GOING TO HURT HIM. HIS EYES APPEARED TO BE WILD.

BY DR. ELLIOTT:

ANY MORE SO THAN USUAL?

A. ONLY AT THAT TIME.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. HIS PHYSICAL CONDITION SEEMS TO BE WHAT?

A. STRONG. HE EATS HEARTILY. HE HAS BEEN SICK SINCE HE HAS BEEN THERE. DR. HARDY ATTENDED HIM FOR A FEVER. HE WAS SICK TWO OR

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THREE DAYS WITH A FEVER.

Q. HIS DEPARTMENT IS GENERALLY QUIET AND RESERVED?

A. VERY QUIET AND RESERVED; NO TROUBLE WITH HIM AT ALL.

Q. HAVE YOU EVER TALKED WITH HIM ABOUT HIS SITUATION THERE, SO AS TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER HE REGARDED HIMSELF IN PERIL?

A. HE THINKS HE WILL BE DISCHARGED AND WANTS TO GO ON WITH THE

TRIAL -- 'I DONE NOTHING AND WANTS TO BE PUT ON TRIAL'. HE *saw* SOMETHING IN THE PAPERS ABOUT THE COMMISSION BEING APPOINTED, AND APPEARED TO BE AFRAID OF THE COMMISSION.

BY DR. ELLIOTT:

Q. WAS THAT BECAUSE HE PREFERRED TO BE TRIED, IN ORDER THAT HE MIGHT BE IMMEDIATELY DISCHARGED?

A. YES, SIR.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. DID HE MAKE ANY ALLUSION TO THE PROPRIETY OF APPOINTING A COMMISSION -- SAY ANYTHING AS TO WHETHER HE WAS INSANE OR NOT?

A. HE SAID 'I AM NOT INSANE, I AM NOT CRAZY -- ME NO WANT TO GO TO A LUNATIC ASYLUM; ME WANT TO GO TO TRIAL'.

Q. AND YOU HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE OF ANY OTHER DELUSION THAN THAT IN REGARD TO BIG MIKE ON THAT ONE OCCASION?

A. THAT IS THE ONLY OCCASION.

Q. THESE PRISONERS, I SUPPOSE, ARE ALL LOCKED UP AT A CERTAIN TIME AT NIGHT?

A. YES, SIR. FIVE OR SIX O'CLOCK. THIS MAN'S DOOR I LEAVE OPEN -- THE INSIDE DOOR -- SO THE NIGHT KEEPER WOULD KEEP AN EYE ON HIM. WE PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO BIGOT ON ACCOUNT OF HIS ATTEMPTS AT SUICIDE BEFORE HE WAS BROUGHT TO PRISON. YOU COULD SEE RIGHT THROUGH THE GRATE AT NIGHT. THE NIGHT WARDEN MR.

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JOHN ORR SEES HIM EVERY NIGHT. HE SITS ALONGSIDE OF HIM ALL NIGHT.

BY MR. NORRIS:

Q. DO YOU KNOW WHETHER BIGOT WAS HAVING ANY VISITORS OTHER THAN OFFICIAL VISITORS?

A. THERE WAS A NEWSPAPER MAN NAMED CORCORAN OF THE NEW YORK SUN, WHO SPEAKS FRENCH, AND OCCASIONALLY HE WOULD CALL; AND ANOTHER PERSON, WHOSE NAME I FORGET. I TAKE THE NAMES OF ALL VISITORS. THERE WAS A WAITER WITH HIM ON THE GRAND REPUBLIC -- IT APPEARED BIGOT WAS THE HEAD WAITER.

Q. WHERE DID YOU GET THAT INFORMATION?

A. FROM BIGOT HIMSELF.

Q. DID YOU EVER HEAR OF ANY ONE COMING THERE FROM THE FRENCH CONSUL?

A. YES, SIR -- LATELY. I HAVE GOT HIS NAME TOO.

Q. DID YOU EVER KNOW OF BILLY EDWARDS, THE PRIZE FIGHTER, BEING TO SEE HIM?

A. NO, SIR, HE MAY HAVE BEEN IN TO SEE SOMEBODY ELSE.

Q. DO YOU KNOW OF ANY ONE WHO TOLD HIM THAT A MAN CAME TO SEE HIM BY THE NAME OF BILLY EDWARDS?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. DO YOU KNOW HOW HE SLEPT?

A. MR. ORR TELLS ME HE SLEEPS WELL.

Q. YOU DON'T KNOW?

A. NO, SIR, I DON'T KNOW OF MY OWN PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE.

Q. HAS BIGOT EVER BEEN REPORTED SICK?

A. ONLY AT THIS TIME WHEN HE HAD THE FEVER.

Q. WHEN WAS THE FEVER WITH REFERENCE TO THE DESCRIPTION OF BIG MIKE?

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- A. THAT WAS NOVEMBER -- THE FEVER WAS AFTERWARDS.
- Q. IT WAS NOT THE SAME OCCASION?
- A. NO, SIR, SHORTLY AFTERWARDS.
- Q. DO YOU KNOW WHAT BIGOT HAS BEEN IN THE HABIT OF EATING -- HAS HIS DIET BEEN GOOD.
- A. HIS DIET WAS GOOD. HE DIDN'T LIKE OUR PRISON COFFEE. I ORDERED MRS. FOSTER TO GIVE HIM A BOWL OF COFFEE SINCE THE TIME HE HAD THE FEVER. HIS APPETITE IS GOOD.
- Q. IS IT VORACIOUS?
- A. I COULD NOT TELL YOU THAT.
- Q. WHO WOULD KNOW ABOUT THAT?
- A. MR. O'BRIEN, THE KEEPER, WHO IS OUTSIDE. HE GETS A GOOD BOWL OF COFFEE IN THE MORNING. THERE IS QUITE AN IMPROVEMENT IN HIM
- Q. WHAT DOES HE DO MOST OF THE TIME WHILE IN THE CELL?
- A. I SEE HIM LIE DOWN ON THE BED VERY OFTEN -- STRETCHED OUT WITH HIS SHOES ON AND HIS HEAD DOWN. IF ANYBODY SPEAKS TO HIM HE WILL JUMP RIGHT UP.
- Q. DOES HE WALK AROUND HIS CELL MUCH?
- A. I HAVE NOT SEEN HIM VERY OFTEN -- HE IS QUIET.

DR. H A R D Y RECALLED:

EXAMINED BY MR. PATTERSON:

- Q. YOU HAVE HAD BIGOT UNDER OBSERVATION SINCE YOU WERE EXAMINED, CONTINUOUSLY, HAVE YOU NOT?
- A. I HAVE NOT HAD MUCH TO DO WITH HIM -- HE HAS TAKEN A DISLIKE TO ME. MY ASSOCIATE DR. JACKSON HAS BEEN ATTENDING HIM OFF AND ON
- Q. HAVE YOU SEEN, OR LEARNED ANYTHING, ON THE PART OF BIGOT THAT INDICATED THAT HE WAS AFFECTED BY DELUSIONS.

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A. EXCEPT WHAT I WAS TOLD BY WARDEN FINN AND THE NIGHT WARDEN.
Q. BUT PERSONALLY YOU HAVE SEEN NOTHING WHATEVER?
A. PERSONALLY I HAVE SEEN NOTHING. I HAVE BEEN TOLD BY THE WARDEN
OF SOMEBODY BEATING HIM IN THE CELL, AND I HAVE BEEN TOLD SINCE
THEN BY ONE OF THE RUNNERS AROUND THE TOMBS THAT HE WAS STAND-
ING UP IN THE CELL ABOUT NINE O'CLOCK, ACTING IN A SCARED
MANNER.

Q. HAVE YOU HEARD ANYTHING ABOUT HIS BARRICADING HIMSELF IN THE
CELL?

A. THAT IS WHAT I HAVE REFERENCE TO.

Q. DO YOU RECOLLECT WHO TOLD YOU THAT?

A. I CANNOT GIVE HIS NAME -- HIS NICK-NAME IS "SKATES". THOSE
THINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED TO ME. THEN HE INSISTS UPON THAT HE
IS NOT INSANE.

BY DR. ELLIOTT:

Q. HAVE YOU SEEN FURTHER EVIDENCE OF INSANITY?

A. I HAVE SEEN NO EVIDENCE OF DELUSION, EXCEPT THE VACANT EX-
PRESSION OF HIS FACE.

Q. DID YOU NOTICE ANYTHING PECULIAR ABOUT THE PUPILS OF HIS EYES.

A. NOTHING PECULIAR ABOUT THEM, ONLY THERE IS A LACK OF EXPRESSION
IN HIS FACE.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. YOU HAVE OBSERVED THE PECULIAR BULGING OF THE EYES, AND THE
OBLIQUE LOOK -- HIS EYES APPEAR TO BE SET IN HIS HEAD PECULIARLY?

A. NOTHING -- ONLY THAT VACANT LOOK.

BY MR. NORRIS:

Q. DO YOU REMEMBER ON ONE OCCASION IN NOVEMBER, I THINK IT WAS,
THAT HE COMPLAINED THAT BIG MIKE HAD COME TO HIS CELL WITH A WOMAN

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Q. AND YOU ARRESTED HIM?

A. YES, SIR; I HURRIED ACROSS THE STREET AND TOOK HOLD OF HIM BY THE ARM. I WAS AFRAID FROM HIS APPEARANCE THAT HE WOULD SINK DOWN BEFORE HE GOT TO THE STATION HOUSE. THERE WAS A GREAT BIG HOLE IN HIS THROAT.

Q. WAS HE IN A CONDITION TO TALK AT ALL?

A. IT SEEMED HE COULD NOT SPEAK; HE MADE AN EFFORT AND A NOISE CAME OUT. HIS LITTLE BOY CAME RUNNING UP.

Q. AND DID YOU SEE HIM SINCE THEN?

A. NOT AFTER I TOOK HIM TO THE STATION HOUSE.

Q. AND HAVE NEVER SEEN HIM SINCE THEN?

A. NO, SIR. HE MADE SIGNS IN THE STATION HOUSE THAT HE WANTED TO WRITE. I GOT HIM A PENCIL AND A PIECE OF PAPER AND HE WROTE ON IT "A WOMAN, 141 THOMPSON STREET". I TOOK THAT TO THE DESK AND THE OFFICER ON POST SAID "THERE IS A WOMAN THERE DEAD"

Q. ALL YOU KNOW IS - YOU SAW HIM IN THE STREET, ARRESTED HIM AND TOOK HIM TO THE STATION HOUSE?

A. YES, SIR.

BY DR. ELLIOTT:

Q. DID HE SEEM EXCITED?

A. NO, SIR, HE CAME DOWN THIS WAY IN A SORT OF HALF TROT.

Q. WHAT DID HE SEEM TO BE TRYING TO DO?

A. TO BE GETTING AWAY FROM THE PEOPLE UP THERE. HE DIDN'T SHOW ANY INCLINATION TO GET AWAY FROM ME. I TOOK HIM BY THE ARM.

Q. HE WAS VERY WEAK?

A. YES, SIR, HE WAS PRETTY WEAK FROM THE LOSS OF BLOOD. HE ACTED

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AS IF HE WAS GOING TO GIVE WAY.

BY MR. NORRIS:

Q. DID YOU NOTICE THE EXPRESSION OF HIS FACE AT ALL?

A. I DID NOT NOTICE IT VERY CLOSE - NO, SIR. HIS FEATURES DID NOT SEEM TO BE ANY WAY DISTORTED.

Q. YOU COULD NOT TELL WHETHER HE WAS LABORING UNDER GREAT EXCITEMENT OR NOT?

A. HE SEEMED TO BE EXCITED BUT NOT LIKE A MAN THAT WAS FRENZIED, OR ANYTHING OF THAT KIND - DIDN'T SHOW ANY OF THAT KIND OF SYMPTOMS - NOTHING DESPERATE.

Q. DID ANYBODY ASSIST YOU TO TAKE HIM TO THE STATION HOUSE?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. YOU TOOK HIM ALONE?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. DO YOU REMEMBER THE NAME OF THIS OFFICER YOU SAW GOING DOWN THE STREET?

A. I FORGET HIS NAME; HE HAD JUST PASSED THERE. I SAW HIM AGAIN AT THE STATION HOUSE. HE WENT TO 141 AND HE TOLD ME AT THE STATION HOUSE THAT THE WOMAN WAS DEAD.

T H O M A S M O R A N CALLED AS A WITNESS, BEING DULY SWORN,

TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

EXAMINED BY MR. WAITE:

Q. ON THE 11TH OF AUGUST DID YOU SEE A FRENCHMAN NAMED BIGOT?

A. I AM NOT POSITIVE AS TO THE DATE - IT IS THE DAY THAT HE ATTEMPTED TO COMMIT SUICIDE.

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Q. THE DAY THAT HE WAS FOUND BY OFFICER CORMICK WITH A CUT THROAT?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. ON THE 11TH OF AUGUST WAS THE TIME THE WOMAN WAS FOUND DEAD IN THOMPSON STREET. DID YOU SEE BIGOT THEN?

A. I DID SIR, AT THE STATION HOUSE IMMEDIATELY AFTER HE WAS TAKEN IN. I CAME INTO THE STATION HOUSE AND WALKED BACK INTO THE SITTING ROOM AND I SAW HIM SITTING THERE. I KNEW THE MAN. I ASKED HIM WHAT WAS THE MATTER AND HE MADE NO ANSWER. I ASKED HIM IF HE KNEW M E AND HE SAID YES - MADE SOME MOTION - HE SPOKE OR MUMBLED SOMETHING - HE DIDN'T SAY YES. THEN HIS THROAT WAS CUT. THAT WAS BEFORE THE DOCTOR GOT THERE.

Q. HAVE YOU SEEN HIM SINCE THAT TIME?

A. YES, SIR. I SAW HIM TWO OR THREE TIMES AT THE HOSPITAL. I TOOK HIM FROM THERE TO THE STATION HOUSE AND FROM THERE TO THE CORONER'S OFFICE AND FROM THE CORONER'S OFFICE TO THE TOMBS.

Q. AND ON THOSE SEVERAL OCCASIONS WHAT WAS HIS BEHAVIOR IN A GENERAL WAY?

A. I DIDN'T NOTICE ANYTHING ABOUT HIM. THE DEPUTY CORONER ASKED HIM SEVERAL QUESTIONS. THIS WAS WHEN THEY TOOK HIM THERE TO HAVE HIM COMMITTED TO THE CITY PRISON. THEY ASKED HIM SOME QUESTIONS IN RELATION TO THE MATTER AND HE DIDN'T SAY MUCH. THEN THEY ASKED HIM A FEW QUESTIONS AND HE SAID THAT HE HAD COUNSEL.

Q. HE WAS A MAN WHO SEEMED TO UNDERSTAND PERFECTLY WHAT HE WAS ABOUT?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. THERE WAS NOTHING STRANGE - NO MORE THAN IN ANY OTHER ACCUSED

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PACIFIED AND THEY WENT OUT AND RETURNED IN A LITTLE WHILE, AND FOUND HIM HANGING FROM THE FAN-LIGHT IN THE BEDROOM DOOR. HE GOT A TOWEL AND TURNED IT OVER THE FAN-LIGHT AND AROUND HIS NECK, GOT A CHAIR AND KICKED IT AWAY AND HUNG THERE. WHEN THESE TWO LADIES CAME IN AND SAW HIM ONE OF THEM TOOK A HOLD OF HIM AND THE OTHER CUT HIM DOWN. THAT IS WHAT THEY TOLD ME, AND IT WAS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THAT THAT I GOT TO THE HOUSE.

Q. DID YOU SEE BIGOT AT THAT TIME?

A. HE WANTED TO KNOW WHAT I WAS DOING THERE AND ORDERED ME OUT OF THE PLACE. SO I TOOK HOLD OF HIM AND HE WANTED TO FORCE ME OUT. I GOT HIM DOWN ON THE FLOOR AND I GOT TWO YOUNG MEN THERE TO HOLD HIM UNTIL I WENT TO THE STATION HOUSE AND REPORTED THE CASE. THEY IMMEDIATELY TELEGRAPHED FOR THE AMBULANCE. I WENT BACK, AND BEFORE I GOT BACK HE TRIED TO GET AWAY FROM THESE TWO YOUNG MEN. I SAW THE WINDOW FROM WHICH HE ATTEMPTED TO JUMP WAS BROKEN. AFTER I WENT BACK I TRIED TO KEEP HIM AS QUIET AS POSSIBLE, AND HE SAID HE WOULD KEEP QUIET BUT THE FIRST CHANCE HE GOT HE WENT FOR THE WINDOW AGAIN, AND I GOT HIM JUST AS HE REACHED THE WINDOW. THE WINDOW WAS NOT OPEN THEN. THEN THE AMBULANCE ARRIVED. THE DOCTOR CAME UP, AND HE OR I COULDN'T FORCE HIM OR COAX HIM TO DRINK ANY. SO I TOLD THE DOCTOR THE SOONER WE GOT HIM OUT OF THERE THE BETTER. HE REFUSED TO LEAVE THE HOUSE. HE SAID THOSE ARE HIS PREMISES, AND WE HAD NO BUSINESS THERE. WHEN HE SAW THAT I TOOK HOLD OF HIM AND FORCED HIM OUT AND ANOTHER GENTLEMAN CAME TO MY ASSISTANCE, HE SAID HE WOULD GO WITH ME, AND HE WENT DOWN WITH ME AND WE PUT HIM IN THE AMBULANCE AND SENT HIM OFF.

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Q. HE WAS WILD?

A. YES, SIR. I NOTICED THAT THIS WOMAN WAS THERE AT THE TIME AND SHE GOT HIM IN THE BEDROOM, AND HE WAS SITTING ON THE BED AND I NOTICED SHE HAD CONSIDERABLE INFLUENCE WITH HIM. THAT WAS MRS. RENAUT.

Q. DID HE AT THAT TIME SEEM TO HAVE BEEN DRINKING?

A. I THINK HE HAD BEEN DRINKING?

Q. DO YOU KNOW ANYTHING MORE ABOUT HIM?

A. AFTER HE CAME OUT OF THE HOSPITAL HE CAME TO HIS OWN HOUSE AND THE HOUSEKEEPER HAD THE KEYS OF HIS APARTMENTS AND SHE WOULD NOT GIVE THEM TO HIM. THEN HE CAME TO THE STATION HOUSE TO SEE WHAT HE COULD DO. I WENT AROUND THERE AND THE HOUSEKEEPER TOLD ME THAT THOSE WERE THE ORDERS THAT SHE RECEIVED FROM THE LANDLORD. HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW ASKED HIM TO GO AND HAVE DINNER WITH HIM AND I COAXED HIM TO GO WITH HIM AND TO COME BACK IN AN HOUR OR TWO, THAT THEY EXPECTED THE LANDLORD AT THAT TIME AND NOT TO BE GUARRELING WITH THE OLD LADY. HE DID SO, AND I DID NOT SEE HIM FROM THAT TIME UNTIL HE ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Q. WHEN YOU SAW HIM AT THE STATION HOUSE WHEN HE CAME ABOUT THE KEY WAS HE RATIONAL AND INTELLIGENT?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. QUIET?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. UNDERSTOOD HIMSELF?

A. YES, SIR. HE APPEARED EVEN AT THE TIME HE WAS SENT TO THE HOSPITAL KIND OF CRAFTY, CUNNING, TRICKY. HE COAXED ME TO LET HIM GO, THAT HE WOULD BE ALL RIGHT; AND THE FIRST CHANCE HE

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GOT HE WENT FOR THE WINDOW. HE REFUSED TO LEAVE THE HOUSE UNTIL HE SAW THAT HE WOULD HAVE TO, AND THEN HE WOULD GO WITH ME AND WITH NOBODY ELSE.

BY DR. ELLIOTT:

- Q. WOULD YOU JUDGE HIM TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS ACTIONS?
- A. I DON'T KNOW ; HE DIDN'T APPEAR TO ME TO BE -- I COULDN'T SAY WHETHER HE KNEW WHAT HE WAS DOING OR NOT; HE HAD BEEN DRINKING BUT HE WAS NOT DRUNK. I AM REFERRING NOW TO THE 5TH OF MARCH - HE WAS A LITTLE EXCITED.
- Q. WHY DID YOU JUDGE THAT HE HAD BEEN DRINKING -- DID YOU SMELL IT ON HIS BREATH OR DID YOU JUDGE IT ONLY FROM HIS ACTIONS?
- A. BY HIS ACTIONS -- HE WAS A LITTLE TRICKY AND CRAFTY.

BY MR. WAITE:

- Q. WAS THERE ANY GREAT DIFFERENCE IN HIS CONDITION FROM THE LAST TIME AND THE FIRST?
- A. HE WAS VERY MUCH EXCITED ON THE FIRST OCCASION.
- Q. HE LOST A GREAT DEAL OF BLOOD?
- A. HE APPEARED TO TAKE THINGS VERY QUIET AFTER I SAW HIM AT THE STATION HOUSE.
- Q. HE WAS MUCH MORE EXCITED THE FIRST TIME THAN THE SECOND?
- A. YES, SIR. I KNEW ALL THE PARTIES CONCERNED IN IT.

BY MR. NORRIS:

- Q. YOU HAVE SEEN A GREAT MANY MEN UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF LIQUOR , HAVE YOU NOT?

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A. YES, SIR.

Q. YOU SAY THAT THIS MAN WAS NOT DRUNK?

A. HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN DRINKING BUT HE WAS NOT DRUNK.

Q. YOU DON'T KNOW THEN THAT HE HAD BEEN DRINKING OTHERWISE JUDGING FROM HIS ACTIONS?

A. NO, I DID NOT SEE HIM; I HEARD THAT HE HAD BEEN DRINKING, AND I SHOULD JUDGE THAT HE HAD BEEN DRINKING.

Q. DID YOU EVER SEE A MAN UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF LIQUOR ACT EXACTLY AS BIGOT DID?

A. OH, I SAW PEOPLE ACT IN DIFFERENT WAYS. I SAW A GREAT MANY DRUNKEN MEN. I SAW MEN ACT DIFFERENT WAYS. I DON'T KNOW AS I SAW ANY DRUNKEN MAN TO ACT AS HE DID; THAT IS, TRY TO JUMP OUT OF A WINDOW; AND THAT I SAW.

Q. WAS THERE ANYTHING IN HIS ACTIONS THAT WOULD INDICATE THAT HE WAS ACTING FROM SOME OTHER EXCITEMENT THAN THAT OF DRINK?

A. WELL, I DON'T KNOW. HE APPEARED VERY MUCH EXCITED AND HE TALKED TO COAX ME FOR TO LET HIM ALONE, AND LEAVE HIM TO HIMSELF AND HE WOULD KEEP QUIET.

Q. WAS HIS TALK INCOHERENT, RAMBLING, OR DID HE SEEM TO EXPRESS JUST WHAT HE THOUGHT?

A. HE SEEMED TO BE VERY MUCH EXCITED AND HAD A STRANGE WILD LOOK; THAT IS HE ONLY THING THAT I COULD NOTICE.

Q. WAS HIS TALK INCOHERENT?

A. HE WAS A LITTLE UNEASIER THAN THEY USUALLY ARE.

Q. DID HE APPEAR TO UNDERSTAND WHAT HE WAS SAYING?

A. I SHOULD JUDGE FROM HIS ACTIONS THAT HE DID; BECAUSE WHEN HE COAXED ME TO BET HIM GO, THAT HE WOULD KEEP QUIET, AS SOON AS

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I LET HIM GO HE WENT FOR THE WINDOW.

Q. DID YOU EVER HAVE ANY EXPERIENCE WITH MEN THAT YOU KNEW WERE INSANE?

A. I HAVE PICKED UP MEN ON THE STREET THAT HAD THE JIM-JAMS AS THEY ARE CALLED.

Q. I MEAN INSANE?

A. THEY WERE MORE OR LESS SO FOR THE PRESENT. THEY WERE RUNNING WILD ON THE STREET AND THOUGHT THERE WERE CATS CRAWLING OVER THEM, OR SOMETHING ELSE.

Q. I MEAN SOME MENTAL DISEASE?

A. I DON'T KNOW.

Q. YOU NEVER CAME IN CONTACT THEN WITH A MAN WHOM YOU KNEW WAS SUFFERING WITH SOME FORM OF MENTAL DISEASE.

A. I THINK NOT.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. DID YOU EVER SEE TWO DRUNKEN PRISONERS OR ANY TWO PRISONERS BEHAVE ALIKE?

A. IT WOULD BE VERY HARD FOR ME TO ANSWER THAT. I MIGHT HAVE BUT I CAN'T TELL - I SAW SO MANY OF THEM THAT I CAN'T TELL.

BY MR. NORRIS:

Q. YOU SAY THIS MAN WAS NOT DRUNK ON THE 5TH OF MARCH?

A. NO, HE WAS NOT DRUNK; HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN DRINKING; I THINK HE HAD BEEN DRINKING.

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JAMES RYAN CALLED AS A WITNESS, BEING DULY SWORN, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

EXAMINED BY MR. WITE:

Q. YOU ARE AN OFFICER OF WHAT PRECINCT?

A. THE 8TH PRECINCT.

Q. ON THE 11TH OF AUGUST DID YOU SEE AMEDEE BIGOT THE FRENCHMAN?

A. YES, SIR, I SAW HIM PREVIOUS TO THE TIME THE WOMAN WAS FOUND DEAD. ABOUT NINE O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING I SAW AMEDEE BIGOT LOOKING INTO A WINDOW AT 141 THOMPSON STREET. THERE WAS A CANDY STORE THERE AND HE WAS LOOKING INTO THE WINDOW. I PASSED HIM DOWN AND I DIDN'T SEE HIS FACE. I WENT DOWN TO THE CORNER AND CROSSED OVER PRINCE STREET AND GOT HALF WAY DOWN THE OTHER BLOCK WHEN I HEARD THE SHOUTING. THAT WAS NOT MORE THAN FIVE MINUTES AFTER I SAW HIM LOOKING INTO THE WINDOW. AFTER I HEARD SOMEBODY SHOUTING I LOOKED AROUND AND I SAW SOME BOYS, AND SOME OF THEM CALLED TO ME THAT THERE WAS A MAN CUT HIMSELF; AND I STARTED ON THE WAY UP AND I SAW HIM WITH THE ROUNDS-MAN COMING TOWARDS PRINCE STREET. ANOTHER BOY CAME AND TOLD ME THERE WAS A LADY CUT IN THE HALL. I WENT UP AND SHE WAS LYING IN THE HALL; HER HEAD WAS THREE OR FOUR INCHES OVER THE THRESHHOLD OF THE DOOR AND HER FEET WAS TOWARDS HER OWN DOOR AND HER HEAD INSIDE THE THRESHHOLD. SHE OPENED HER MOUTH ONCE OR TWICE.

Q. YOU NOTICED THIS MAN LOOKING INTO THE CANDY STORE?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. WHAT MADE YOU POSITIVE THAT HE WAS LOOKING INTO THE WINDOW - ANY STRANGE ACTIONS?

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- A. NO, SIR, HE WAS PERFECTLY STILL, DIDN'T APPEAR TO NOTICE ME. I SEEN HIM AROUND THERE VERY OFTEN BEFORE THAT AND HE USED TO STAND AROUND THE CORNER ONCE IN A WHILE.
- Q. YOU NOTICED HIM LOOKING INTO THIS WINDOW, YOU WENT ONLY DOWN PRINCE STREET AND THEN BOYS CAME CHASING AFTER YOU?
- A. YES, SIR.
- Q. AND YOU WENT BACK AND FOUND THE WOMAN DEAD?
- A. YES, SIR.
- Q. THEN AFTER THAT DID YOU SEE THE PRISONER?
- A. YES, SIR, I RAN RIGHT TO THE STATION HOUSE TO REPORT THE CASE TO THE SERGEANT, AND ROUNDSMAN CORMICK HAD THE PRISONER AT THE DESK. I RAN IN AND TOLD THE SERGEANT THAT THE WOMAN WAS DEAD.
- Q. DID YOU OBSERVE HIM AT ALL, OR HAVE ANY CONVERSATION WITH HIM AFTER YOU SAW HIM AT THE DESK?
- A. NO, SIR; HE COULDN'T SPEAK.
- Q. DID YOU SEE HIM LATER ON?
- A. NEVER SEEN HIM SINCE UNTIL I TOOK HIM FROM THE TOMBS TO THE CORONER'S OFFICE; I DO NOT REMEMBER THE DAY.
- Q. DID YOU HAVE ANY CONVERSATION WITH HIM AT THAT TIME?
- A. YES, SIR; HE SPOKE OF SEVERAL THINGS ON THE WAY. I DIDN'T NOTICE THAT HE ACTED STRANGE; HE SPOKE VERY SENSIBLE.
- Q. DID YOU CONSIDER IT NECESSARY TO NOTICE THE MAN AS TO HIS STRANGE OR RATIONAL ACTIONS?
- A. YES, SIR, I TOOK AN INTEREST. ON ACCOUNT OF WHAT HAD TAKEN PLACE I TOOK PARTICULAR NOTICE OF HIM. HE SAID "YOU NEEDN'T HANDCUFF ME, I AM NOT GOING TO RUN AWAY." I TOLD HIM IT WAS THE RULE.
- Q. IN HIS CONVERSATION DID YOU NOTICE ANYTHING STRANGE?

AND BEAT HIM?

A. THAT IS THE TIME I HAVE BEEN SPEAKING OF.

Q. DID YOU EXAMINE BIGOT THE NEXT DAY IN REFERENCE TO A PAIN IN ~~THE~~ HIS SIDE?

A. I DON'T REMEMBER. SINCE MY EXAMINATION HERE I HAVE NOT PAID MUCH ATTENTION TO HIM. HIS GENERAL HEALTH IS VERY GOOD. ONCE IN A WHILE HE WANTS A CATHARTIC AND HE ASKS TO SEE THE OTHER PHYSICIAN -- HE GENERALLY AVOIDS ME.

Q. DO YOU KNOW HOW HIS APPETITE IS?

A. IT IS VERY FAIR.

L A W R E N C E E. O' B R I E N SWORN.

EXAMINED BY MR. PATTERSON

Q. YOU ARE ONE OF THE KEEPERS OF THE CITY PRISON?

A. YES, SIR; AND IN CHARGE OF BIGOT. HIS CELL IS IMMEDIATELY BEHIND MY DESK.

Q. AND YOU HAVE BEEN IN CHARGE OF HIM EVER SINCE HE WAS ADMITTED?

A. YES, SIR. I HAVE SEEN HIM SEVERAL TIMES A DAY DURING THE WHOLE OF THAT PERIOD.

Q. WHAT HAS BEEN HIS DEPORTMENT?

A. VERY QUIET INDEED.

Q. WHAT IS HIS PHYSICAL CONDITION, SO FAR AS YOU HAVE OBSERVED?

A. RATHER HEALTHY. I DO NOT KNOW OF HIS HAVING BEEN SICK ON ANY OCCASION.

Q. AND HAVE YOU CONVERSED WITH HIM?

A. OH, YES.

Q. HAVE YOU HAD OCCASION TO OBSERVE THAT HE WAS AT ANY TIME, AFFECTED BY DELUSIONS?

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A. YES. WE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN SUSPICIOUS OF HIM ON ACCOUNT OF HIS HAVING ATTEMPTED TO TAKE HIS LIFE. BIGOT IS ON THE RECEPTION TIER OF THE PRISON. WE HAVE EARLY NIGHTS AND LATE NIGHTS IN THE PRISON. ONE EVENING -- THE 18TH OF NOVEMBER -- IT WAS MY LATE DAY ON. I WAS SITTING AT MY DESK READING THE EVENING TELEGRAM WHEN IT STRUCK ME TO LOOK AT BIGOT. I TURNED ROUND AND LOOKED IN HIS CELL AND SAW NO LIGHT. I CALLED TO ONE OF THE ATTENDANTS TO LOOK FOR BIGOT. HE LOOKED IN AND SAID THERE WAS NO LIGHT. I SAID "TAK~~E~~ THE LAMP OFF THE TABLE AND SEE IF HE IS ALL RIGHT. HE SAID "BY GOD, HE AINT THERE!" I SAID "HE IS THERE". HE LOOK UNDER THE BED AND SAID HE WAS NOT UNDER THE BED. I LOOKED IN AND DIDN'T SEE HIM. I LOOKED AGAIN AND SAW HIM CROUCHED ON HIS KNEES IN THE CORNER ON THE TOP OF HIS BED. SAID I "WHAT IS THE MATTER WITH YOU?" SAID I "COME OUT" AND I TOOK HIM OUT AND SEARCHED HIM. HE SAID "THEY TAKE ME AWAY". "WHO WILL TAKE YOU AWAY" I SAID. HE SAID "TO THE LUNATIC ASYLUM." I SAID "YOU ARE ALL RIGHT" AND I TOLD HIM TO SIT DOWN BY THE STOVE. AFTER AWHILE HE WAS QUIET AND SEEMED TO BE ALL RIGHT, IN THE MORNING HE APPEARED TO BE RATIONAL.

Q. DID YOU ABOUT SOMEBODY BY THE NAME OF BIG MIKE AND A WOMAN, WHO WANTED TO BEAT HIM?

A. HE TOLD ME SOME MAN WAS IN HIS CELL, WHO TOLD HIM HE WOULD GO TO THE LUNATIC ASYLUM. I SAID "THAT IS ALL IMAGINATION ON YOUR PART. TO-DAY HE WAS ALL DRESSED UP, COLLAR ON AND NECK-TIE. I SAID "WHERE ARE YOU GOING?" HE SAID "I AM GOING TO COURT. WE CALLED THE TIER-MAN DOWN, AND HE TOLD THE TIER-MAN "YOU WILL BE ALL RIGHT WHEN I GET OUT OF THIS THING; I WILL

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GIVE YOU TWENTY DOLLARS; YOU HAVE BEEN VERY KIND TO ME."

- Q. DOES HE APPREHEND THAT HE IS IN PERIL OF HIS LIFE?
- A. NOT THE SLIGHTEST. HE TOLD ME THE OTHER DAY THAT HE HAD 20 WITNESSES, AND HE THINKS THE COURT WILL LISTEN TO 15 OF THEM. HE THINKS THAT THE WOMAN DID IT HERSELF.
- Q. DID YOU OBSERVE ANYTHING ELSE THAT INDICATED THAT HE WAS AFFECTED BY DELUSIONS?
- A. HE HAS A VERY QUEER EXPRESSION. HIS EYES SEEM TO BULGE OUT AND HE ADVANCES HIS BODY. HE IMAGINES OTHER PEOPLE ARE CRAZY. DR. HARDY ONE DAY SPOKE TO BIGOT ABOUT HIS CASE. HE SAID "WHEN DO YOU EXPECT TO GO OUT?" HE SAID "SHORTLY." HE SAID "WHAT DID YOU CUT THAT WOMAN'S THROAT FOR?" HE SAID "I DIDN'T CUT HER THROAT." HE SAID TO ME AFTERWARDS, "DR. HARDY MUST BE CRAZY. HE SPEAKS ABOUT HIS TRADE OCCASIONALLY. HE CLAIMS TO BE A PROFICIENT WORKMAN IN HIS LINE OF BUSINESS. THIS MORNING HOPE WAS ON THE TIER TAKING HIS EXERCISE AND ABOUT LIGHTING A CIGARETTE, AND HOPE SAID TO HIM, "AMEDEE, WOULD YOU PUT YOUR HAND IN THERE AND TAKE OUT ONE OF THOSE COALS IF YOU THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING OUT." HE SAID YES, I COULD DO THAT WITHOUT ITS AFFECTING ME." HE TOOK UP A COAL AND HELD IT THREE OR FOUR SECONDS. IT WAS A KIND OF A DARK COAL, AND IT DID NOT AFFECT HIM. HE SAID THAT HE COULD TAKE A LIVE COAL, AND I SHUT UP THE STOVE SO HE COULD NOT. IT WAS A HOT COAL THAT HE LIFTED.

BY MR. NORRIS:

- Q. DID YOU EVER HEAR HIM SAY ANYTHING ABOUT BILLY EDWARDS COMING TO SEE HIM?
- A. NO, SIR. I NEVER SAW BILLY EDWARDS.

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Q. DID YOU EVER TELL HIM, OR DID YOU EVER HEAR OF A KEEPER TELLING HIM THAT A CERTAIN MAN CAME TO SEE HIM NAMED BILLY EDWARDS?

A. NO, SIR. HE TOLD ME THAT HE WAS QUITE A LADIES MAN.

J O H N R. H E N N E S S Y SWORN.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. YOU ARE ONE OF THE KEEPERS AT THE CITY PRISON?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. AND YOU KNOW AMEDEE BIGOT?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. AND YOU HAVE HAD OCCASION TO OBSERVE HIM SINCE HE HAS BEEN IN CONFINEMENT THERE?

A. YES, SINCE SEPTEMBER 30TH. I AM ON DUTY EXCEPT EVERY SECOND SUNDAY, AND ON THOSE DAYS I HAVE NOT SEEN HIM, BUT ON EVERY OTHER DAY I HAVE SEEN HIM.

Q. HAVE YOU TALKED WITH HIM?

A. OH YES.

Q. WHAT IS HIS GENERAL Demeanor AND DEPORTMENT?

A. WELL, HE ALWAYS SEEMS ANXIOUS TO BE PUT ON TRIAL; STATES THAT IF HE WAS PLACED ON TRIAL THAT CERTAINLY THERE IS NO EVIDENCE AGAINST HIM, AND THAT HE WOULD BE DISCHARGED FROM CUSTODY. HE IS VERY DESPONDENT SOMETIMES, AND ESPECIALLY WHEN HE FIRST CAME THERE. WHEN HE CAME FROM THE HOSPITAL HE WAS VERY MUCH RUN DOWN -- TO MY MIND HE DID NOT HAVE MUCH VITALITY LEFT; BUT HE HAS BEEN BUILT UP SINCE. BUT HE IS NOT ^{ALTOGETHER} A BIG, STRONG AND ROBUST MAN -- A MAN WHO COULD BEAR HARDSHIP.

Q. HAVE YOU SEEN ANYTHING ABOUT HIM THAT WOULD INDICATE THAT HIS MIND WAS AFFECTED IN ANY WAY?

- Q. HE HAS BEEN VERY DESPONDENT AND MELACHOLY, WOULD DROOP HIS HEAD
HEAD AND WAS RATHER WILD.
- Q. HOW DID THAT WILDNESS MANIFEST ITSELF?
- A. WELL, IN A WAY NOT DANGEROUS, BUT TELLING ABOUT SOMETHING ALL
THE TIME.
- Q. IN HIS CONVERSATIONS WITH YOU HAS HE SHOWN ANY DELUSIONS?
- A. NO. SEEMS TO GO ON THE SAME STORY ALL THE TIME, ANXIOUS TO GO
ON TRIAL AND BE DISCHARGED.
- Q. ABOUT PEOPLE BEING IN HIS CELL AND BEATING HIM?
- A. HE HAS TOLD ME THAT. HE TRIES TO BARRICADE HIMSELF SO THAT THE
WASH-BASIN WOULD FALL IF ANYBODY SHOULD OPEN THE DOOR.
- Q. DOES HE SEEM TO BE EARNEST AND SINCERE IN HIS BELIEF?
- A. OH, YES; AND HE HAS TOLD ME TOO THAT HE DIDN'T SLEEP ALL NIGHT
THINKING.
- Q. YET HE SEEMS TO ENTERTAIN NO SORT OF FEAR OF CONSEQUENCES?
- A. NO, SIR. HE FEELS THAT HE WOULD BE DISCHARGED; THAT HE IS
INNOCENT; THAT THERE IS NO EVIDENCE AGAINST HIM.
- Q. HAVE YOU EVER TALKED WITH HIM ABOUT HIS EARLY LIFE AND HISTORY?
- A. YES, I TALKED SOME TIME YESTERDAY AND OTHER TIMES, AND HIS CON-
VERSATION IS THAT AFTER HIS WIFE DIED HE THEN WENT TO LIVE IN
THE SAME HOUSE WITH THIS WOMAN THAT WAS MURDERED. THAT SHE WAS
VERY KIND TO HIM IN SICKNESS; ALSO THAT HE HAD A ROOM IN WHICH
SHE USED TO BRING HIS MEALS, AND STATES THAT HE USED TO COHABIT
WITH HER.
- Q. DID HE EVER SAY ANYTHING ABOUT HIS LIFE IN FRANCE?
- A. NO, SIR.
- Q. DID YOU EVER HAVE ANY TALK WITH HIM ABOUT MRS. REMAUT BEING
INSANE AND TRYING TO COMMIT SUICIDE A GREAT MANY TIMES?

A. HE TOLD ME ONCE THAT SHE TRIED TO COMMIT SUICIDE.

BY MR. NORRIS:

Q. YOU SAY THAT ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS HE HAS NOT SLEPT AT NIGHT.

A. SO HE HAS INFORMED ME.

Q. DID HE SAY THAT THE REASON HE DID NOT SLEEP WAS ON ACCOUNT OF ANXIETY?

A. YES, FOR FEAR THAT SOME PEOPLE MIGHT COME IN AND INJURE HIM.

Q. NOT ON ACCOUNT OF HIS CASE?

A. NO, SIR. MEN CHARGED WITH MURDER SOMETIMES STAY AWAKE AT NIGHT THEY HAVE A KIND OF FEELING OF DREAD.

Q. NOT SIMILAR TO HIS?

A. NO -- TO MY MIND, I THINK IF THE MAN WAS BUILT UP SOMEWHAT, HE WOULD BECOME A GOOD, STRONG, POWERFUL MAN, BUT IF HE WERE DISCHARGED AND OUT OF WORK TOMORROW AND DID NOT GET THE PROPER FOOD, I THINK HE IS A MAN NOT FIT TO BE AT LARGE.

Q. HOW IS HIS APPETITE?

A. HE HAS A VERY GOOD APPETITE.

Q. DOES HE EAT A GOOD DEAL, ALL THAT A WORKING MAN WOULD?

A. YES SIR.

Q. DOES HIS APPETITE SEEM TO BE VORACIOUS?

A. NO. HE ATE THE BEST YESTERDAY THAT I HAVE SEEN. HE LIKES GOOD THINGS. I NOTICED SINCE THE WARDEN FURNISHED HIM WITH SOME GOOD COFFEE AND BREAD AND BUTTER FROM MRS. FOSTER'S KITCHEN, THAT HE HAS SOMEWHAT PICKED UP.

Q. DOES HIS APPETITE SEEM CAPRICIOUS?

A. IT HAS BEEN, BUT LATELY GOOD.

ADJOURNED TO MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH AT 11 A.M.

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IN THE MATTER
OF
AMEDEE BIGOT.

FEBRUARY 7TH, 1881.

COMMISSIONERS MET PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT.

WILLIAM W. JACKSON BEING DULY SWORN, TESTIFIED AS
FOLLOWS:

EXAMINED BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. YOU ARE A PHYSICIAN AT THE TOMBS?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. AND YOU KNOW AMEDEE BIGOT?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. HAVE YOU HAD OCCASION TO TREAT HIM AND OBSERVE HIM WHILE HE HAS
BEEN IN CONFINEMENT THERE?

A. I HAVE BEEN CALLED TO SEE HIM, I THINK, THREE OR FOUR TIMES
ABOUT SOME SLIGHT AILMENT.

Q. HAVE YOU HAD ANY CONVERSATION WITH HIM?

A. NO, CONVERSATION, ONLY IN REFERENCE TO HIS COMPLAINT AT THE
TIME.

Q. HAVE YOU OBSERVED HIS DEPORTMENT?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. HAVE YOU SEEN ENOUGH OF HIM TO HAVE FORMED AN INTELLIGENT
OPINION WITH REFERENCE TO HIS MENTAL CONDITION?

A. I HAVE NOT, SIR. DR. HARDY SAW A GREAT DEAL MORE OF HIM THAN
I DID.

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Q. YOU DO NOT FEEL QUALIFIED TO EXPRESS AN OPINION?

A. I DO NOT FEEL QUALIFIED TO EXPRESS AN OPINION AS TO HIS MENTAL CONDITION.

J O H N O B E R BEING DULY SWORN, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

EXAMINED BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. YOU ARE CONNECTED WITH THE CITY PRISON?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. WHAT IS YOUR OFFICIAL POSITION?

A. NIGHT WATCHMAN.

Q. DO YOU KNOW AMEDEE BIGOT?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. HOW OFTEN HAVE YOU SEEN HIM SINCE HE HAS BEEN IN CONFINEMENT?

A. HALF A DOZEN TIMES EVERY NIGHT. I WAS AWAY A WEEK.

Q. HAVE YOU EVER SEEN ANYTHING ABOUT AMEDEE BIGOT THAT INDICATED THAT HE WAS SUFFERING UNDER ANY ILLUSIONS?

A. NEVER ANYTHING OF THAT KIND, EXCEPT TWO OR THREE NIGHTS, AFTER DR. GRAY EXAMINED HIM, HE WAS VERY MUCH EXCITED. THAT IS, THESE TWO OR THREE NIGHTS HE DID NOT LIE DOWN. EVERY OTHER NIGHT HE WOULD LIE DOWN AS USUAL.

Q. DID YOU HAVE ANY CONVERSATION WITH HIM?

A. VERY LITTLE.

Q. DID YOU KNOW ABOUT HIS BARRICADING HIMSELF IN AFTER HE WAS LOCKED UP?

A. THERE WAS A LITTLE STAND THERE WITH A WASH BASIN ON TOP, IN FRONT OF HIS DOOR -- HE PLACED THAT THERE EVERY NIGHT, BUT WHAT FOR I DON'T KNOW. SOMETIMES HE WOULD LIE DOWN ON A LOUNGE WITH BOOK AND CANDLE AND READ.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. WHERE DO YOU PASS YOUR NIGHTS?

A. AT THE DESK.

Q. RIGHT CLOSE TO HIS CELL?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. HAVE YOU EVER HEARD HIM SAY THAT HE WAS COLD AT NIGHT AND HE STOPPED HIS DOOR UP TO KEEP HIMSELF WARM?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. NO REASON FOR IT?

A. NO, SIR. HE HARDLY EVER SPEAKS TO ME. SOMETIMES HE WANTS A LIGHT AND I GET HIM A LIGHT.

Q. YOU SAY THE NIGHTS THAT DR. GRAY EXAMINED HIM HE WAS VERY MUCH EXCITED ?

A. HE DIDN'T LIE DOWN.

Q. WAS HE QUIET AT OTHER TIMES?

A. HE WAS.

Q. IS THERE A DIFFERENCE IN HIS CONDITION AFTER THESE EXAMINATIONS FROM WHAT IT IS AT OTHER TIMES?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. DOES THIS CONDITION OF QUIETUDE APPROACH ANYTHING LIKE STUPIDITY?

A. NO, SIR. HE WAS EXAMINED THE OTHER DAY BY DR. MACDONALD, AND AT THAT TIME HE WAS A LITTLE EXCITED.

Q. DID HE EVER EXPRESS ANY VIEWS TO YOU ABOUT HIS BEING INSANE?

A. HE SAID DOCTORS WANTED TO MAKE HIM INSANE, AND HE WAS NOT -- HE DID NOT WANT ANY DOCTORS.

Q. THAT IS, HE HAS A DECIDED OBJECTION TO BEING CONSIDERED INSANE?

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A. YES, SIR. THURSDAY OR FRIDAY DR. MACDONALD EXAMINED HIM, AND HE SAID "WHAT DO I WANT WITH THE DOCTOR? I AM NOT INSANE."

BY MR. NORRIS:

Q. HOW DOES HE GENERALLY SLEEP?

A. VERY GOOD. HE LIES DOWN AT NINE O'CLOCK MOST EVERY NIGHT. HE GETS A CANDLE AND PAPER AND READS.

Q. HOW LATE DOES HE READ?

A. SOMETIMES TILL HALF PAST TEN.

Q. HOW EARLY DOES HE WAKE UP IN THE MORNING?

A. SOME MORNINGS AT SIX O'CLOCK, AND AT OTHER TIMES NOT UNTIL HALF PAST SEVEN. HE IS VERY QUIET -- THE QUIETEST MAN I EVER HAD IN THE PLACE. HE WALKS UP AND DOWN A LITTLE WHILE IN THE EVENING, THEN HE SITS DOWN AND READS.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. ISN'T HE ALLOWED A LITTLE MORE LIBERTY?

A. HE HAS THE INSIDE DOOR OPEN.

BY MR. NORRIS:

Q. YOU DON'T KNOW WHETHER HE SLEEPS?

A. I DON'T WANT TO SAY THAT HE SLEPT ALL THE TIME. I KNOW HE LIES THERE WITH HIS EYES CLOSED.

Q. DID YOU EVER HEAR HIM SAY ANYTHING ABOUT THIS BARRICADING?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. AT NIGHT HE IS GENERALLY VERY QUIET?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. DO YOU KNOW HOW HIS APPETITE IS?

A. HE EATS TWO VERY LARGE PICES OF TOAST AND A BOWL OF COFFEE EVERY MORNING BEFORE I COME AWAY. THAT IS ALL I SEE OF HIM IN THE MORNING. HE SEEMS TO EAT PRETTY LIVELY IN THE MORNING.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. ON THE WHOLE HE IS A QUIET COMFORTABLE PRISONER?

A. HE IS THE QUIETEST I EVER HAD IN THE PLACE.

Q. BUT NOT STUPIDLY QUIET?

A. OH, NO.

BY DR. ELLIOTT:

Q. DOES HE SLEEP QUIETLY?

A. VERY QUIETLY.

Q. HEAVILY?

A. NO, SIR. THE OTHER NIGHT AT HALF PAST TEN I SAW THE CANDLE BURNING DOWN AND I ASKED HIM IF HE WAS ASLEEP AND HE SAID NO, AND SAID HE WOULD PUT OUT THE CANDLE WHEN HE FELT LIKE GOING TO SLEEP; AND IN A FEW MINUTES HE BLEW IT OUT.

BY MR. NORRIS:

Q. YOU NEVER SPOKE TO HIM AFTER THE TIME THE CANDLE WAS BLOWN OUT UNTIL MORNING TO SEE IF HE WAS ASLEEP?

A. NO, SIR.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. IN ANYTHING THAT HE HAS SAID TO YOU HAVE YOU NOTICED ANYTHING THAT WAS INCONSISTENT -- HAS HE ANY REDICULOUS IDEAS?

A. NO, SIR.

A L E X A N D E R E. M A C D O N A L D BEING DULY SWORN,
TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

EXAMINED BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. WHAT IS YOUR PROFESSION?

A. I AM A PRACTICING PHYSICIAN, SIR.

Q. HAVE YOU ANY SPECIALITY?

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A. YES, SIR, I MAKE A SPECIALTY OF THE TREATMENT OF INSANITY.

Q. YOU HAVE MADE AN EXAMINATION OF AMEDEE BIGOT AT THE TOMBS?

A. I HAVE, SIR.

Q. AT THE REQUEST OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY?

A. I HAVE, SIR.

Q. PLEASE TO STATE WHAT YOU DISCOVERED IN RELATION TO AMEDEE BIGOT UPON THIS INVESTIGATION. STATE HOW YOU MADE THE INVESTIGATION AND WHEN?

A. I HAVE SEEN HIM UPON THREE OCCASIONS FOR AN HOUR AT EACH TIME. FIRST ON MONDAY LAST, THEN ON WEDNESDAY LAST, AND THEN THIS MORNING. ON THE FIRST OCCASION I DID NOT LET HIM KNOW MY PURPOSE IN VISITING HIM. I DID NOT MAKE ANY EXPLANATION AT ALL. NOR DID I UNTIL NEAR THE CLOSE OF THE SECOND INTERVIEW. HE CARRIED ON CONVERSATION WITH ME VERY READILY, WITHOUT MAKING ANY INQUIRY AS TO MY PURPOSE. HE ANSWERED MY QUESTIONS QUITE READILY ALL THROUGH. I FOUND THAT THE MAN PHYSICALLY WAS IN FAIR CONDITION, AND NO CHANGE BEYOND WHAT MIGHT BE EXPECTED FROM HIS CONFINEMENT. I FOUND, HOWEVER THAT HE WAS EXTREMELY NERVOUS AND VERY EMOTIONAL. HE WOULD LAUGH AND CRY ON VERY SLIGHT PROVOCATION. I FOUND THAT HIS MANNER WAS VERY RESTLESS AND STARTLED. HE WOULD MOVE VERY QUICKLY FROM SLIGHT SOUNDS FROM OUTSIDE. I FOUND AN ABNORMAL CONDITION OF THE PUPILS -- THE PUPILS WERE UNEQUAL; THE LEFT BEING THE LARGER. THAT PUPIL WAS ALSO IRREGULAR. I FOUND DISTORTION OF THE FACIAL FOLD, BUT THAT MIGHT BE ACCOUNTED FOR BY AN OPERATION WHICH I FOUND TO HAVE BEEN PERFORMED UPON HIS LIP -- FROM HIS ACCOUNT-- THE SCAR REMAINING. THAT WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY DRAW DOWN ONE OF THE FOLDS. I QUESTIONED HIM AS TO HIS HISTORY, FORMER LIFE,

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AGE, RECOLLECTIONS OF HIS HOME, ABOUT HIS COMING TO THIS COUNTRY, ALSO AS TO HIS LIFE HERE, AS TO THE CIRCUMSTANCES ATTENDING THE HOMICIDE, AND HE ANSWERED ALL MY QUESTIONS VERY READILY, WITHOUT ANY APPARENT FORETHOUGHT; WITHOUT APPEARING TO COLLECT HIS IDEAS, OR REFLECT WHAT HE WAS GOING TO SAY. I FOUND THERE WAS CONFUSION OF MEMORY BOTH AS TO FORMER EVENTS AND AS TO RECENT EVENTS. HE DIDN'T APPEAR TO HAVE A VERY DISTINCT RECOLLECTION OF HIS EARLY LIFE IN FRANCE, OF HIS RELATIVES THERE, OR OF THEIR RELATIONS TO HIM. AS TO EVENTS AFTER COMING TO THIS COUNTRY HIS MEMORY WAS APPARENTLY BETTER UP TO THE TIME OF THE HOMICIDE. THERE SEEMED TO BE SOME CONFUSION OF THE EVENTS OF THAT DAY, AND A CONFUSION WHICH IN MY JUDGMENT WAS NATURAL, ENTIRELY. HE SEEMED ANXIOUS TO REMEMBER AND ANXIOUS TO ANSWER THE QUESTIONS, AND THE CONFUSION WHICH HE SHOWED APPEARED TO BE ENTIRELY NATURAL. AS I SAY, I DID NOT TELL HIM THE PURPOSE OF MY VISIT. I SIMPLY COMMENCED THE CONVERSATION, WHICH CONTINUED FOR AN HOUR WITHOUT MY TELLING HIM OR HE ASKING ME FOR WHAT PURPOSE I WAS THERE. TOWARD THE CLOSE OF THE SECOND VISIT I THEN ASKED HIM IF HE KNEW THE PURPOSE OF MY VISITING HIM. HE ANSWERED VERY PROMPTLY NO, AS IF HE HAD NOT THOUGHT OF IT BEFORE - HE SAID NO, HE HAD NOT. HE SAID HE DID NOT THINK I LOOKED LIKE A NEWSPAPER MAN; HE THOUGHT I MUST BE FROM THE FRENCH CONSUL'S OFFICE. I THEN TOLD HIM THAT I WAS A PHYSICIAN AND ASKED HIM IF HE HADN'T HEARD THAT HE WAS THOUGHT TO BE INSANE, OR SOME QUESTION AS TO HIS INSANITY. HE SAID THERE HAD BEEN SOMETHING OF THE KIND IN THE NEWSPAPERS, BUT IT WAS A LIE, UNTRUE, AND HE WAS APPARENTLY INDIGNANT ABOUT IT. I SPOKE TO HIM TO-DAY ABOUT IT, AND HE BURST OUT CRYING, AND CRIED VERY COPIOUSLY FOR SOME LITTLE TIME

Q. DID YOU DISCOVER THE PRESENCE OF ANY DELUSIONS?

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A. HE MADE STATEMENTS TO ME, WHICH, CERTAINLY IF HE BELIEVED THEM, AND I THINK HE DID, WERE ILLUSIONS.

Q. WHAT WERE THEY?

A. WELL, AS TO THIS OPERATION UPON HIS LIP. HE TOLD ME THAT THE SPACE IN THE LIP WAS FILLED IN WITH THE FLESH OF A DOG, AND ALL DOGS THAT HE WOULD MEET IN THE ROAD WOULD RECOGNIZE THIS QUALITY AND YELP. THINGS OF THAT SORT. HE SAID AFTERWARDS, ON ANOTHER OCCASION, IT WAS THE FLESH OF A SHEEP, AND THAT THE SHEEP WOULD BLEAT AFTER HIM. THEN AS TO THE EVENTS OF THAT DAY, ESPECIALLY AFTER THE HOMICIDE WHEN HE WENT TO THE HOSPITAL, IF HE REALLY BELIEVED WHAT HE STATED TO ME, HE MUST HAVE HAD ILLUSIONS. HE SAID HE SAW THIS WOMAN LYING IN THE HOSPITAL AND THAT SHE WANTED TO SPEAK; AND THAT THE DOCTORS WOULD NOT LET HER SPEAK. THAT HE SAW HIS SON THERE, AND HEADS AND BODIES LYING AROUND THE ROOM. THOSE, IF HE REALLY BELIEVED, AND I THINK HE DID, WERE HALLUCINATIONS OF SIGHT. IN MY JUDGMENT, I THINK THEY WERE ACTUAL HALLUCINATIONS. I QUESTIONED HIM AS TO HIS EARLY LIFE AND HE TOLD ME THAT HE HAD BEEN TO AFRICA. I ASKED HIM HOW HE GOT THERE, AND HE TOLD ME HE WALKED, AND IT TOOK HIM THREE DAYS. I GAVE HIM PENCIL AND PAPER AND HE WROTE DOWN "AFRIQUE", AND I QUESTIONED HIM VERY CLOSELY ABOUT THAT -- WHAT PART OF AFRICA IT WAS, AND HE DIDN'T APPEAR ABLE TO SAY. HE THOUGHT HE WENT THERE IN CONNECTION WITH HIS BUSINESS OF CHAIR MAKER. HE WAS QUITE SURE THAT HE TOOK NO SHIP UNTIL HE CAME TO THIS COUNTRY. HE REMEMBERED THE DETAILS OF THAT VERY CLOSELY. HE REMEMBERED OF TAKING ONE SHIP FROM HAVRE TO LIVERPOOL, I THINK IT WAS; HE THEN REMEMBERED TAKING ANOTHER SHIP THERE TO COME TO THIS COUNTRY, BUT OWING TO SOME ACCIDENT THAT SHIP DID NOT SAIL.

AND HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO A THIRD. HE REMEMBERED ALL THE DETAILS OF THAT MATTER. SO THERE WAS QUITE A CONTRAST BETWEEN HIS RECOLLECTION OF ONE AND THE OTHER. I ASKED HIM IF HE DIDN'T KNOW THAT THERE WAS A SEA BETWEEN FRANCE AND AFRICA, AND HE INSISTED UPON IT THAT HE HAD GONE BY LAND; THAT HE HAD NOT BEEN IN A SHIP BEFORE HE STARTED TO THIS COUNTRY.

Q. DID HE TELL YOU THESE THINGS BEFORE YOU TOLD HIM YOUR PURPOSE?

A. YES, SIR.

Q. DID YOU EXAMINE HIM WITH REFERENCE TO ASCERTAINING WHETHER THESE HALLUCINATIONS OR ILLUSIONS COULD BE SIMULATED?

A. SO FAR AS I COULD, YES. I DID NOT COME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT HE WAS SIMULATING FOR THE REASON THAT OTHER MATTERS HE WOULD BE PERFECTLY CLEAR ABOUT, WHICH, HE COULD PLAINLY SEE, WOULD HAVE THE SAME EFFECT UPON ME - YET HE WOULD ANSWER PROMPTLY WHAT THEY WERE.

Q. HE DIDN'T VOLUNTEER ANY OF THIS?

A. NO, MERELY ANSWERED QUESTIONS.

Q. WHAT IS YOUR JUDGMENT, AS A PROFESSIONAL MAN, BASED UPON WHAT YOU HAVE LEARNED FROM BIGOT AND FROM THE TESTIMONY IN THIS CASE, WHICH I TAKE IT FOR GRANTED THAT YOU HAVE READ, WITH RESPECT TO HIS MENTAL CONDITION?

A. I WILL SEPARATE YOUR QUESTION, IF YOU WILL PERMIT ME. IF I HAD READ THAT TESTIMONY ALONE, I WOULD SAY THAT MAN IS INSANE; BUT FROM MY EXAMINATION OF THE MAN, I WOULD CONSIDER NOW THAT THE MAN IS INSANE.

Q. HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN ENGAGED IN YOUR SPECIALITY, INQUIRING INTO INSANITY?

A. FOR THE LAST FIFTEEN YEARS.

Q. AND YOU HAVE HAD CONSIDERABLE EXPERIENCE.

A. FIFTEEN YEARS AGO I WAS IN THE BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM, AND I HAVE BEEN SUPERINTENDENT OF WARDS ISLAND INSANE ASYLUM FOR SEVEN YEARS.

Q. HOW MANY CASES HAVE COME UNDER YOUR OBSERVATION?

A. BETWEEN 5000 AND 6000 UNDER MY PROFESSIONAL CARE.

Q. WHAT FORM OR KIND OF INSANITY DO YOU CONSIDER HIM AS SUFFERING FROM?

A. I CONSIDER HIM NOW IN THE CONDITION OF MELANCHOLIA. WHETHER THAT IS THE ULTIMATE FORM OF HIS DISEASE, OR SIMPLY THE INITIATORY STAGES OF ANOTHER FORM, GENERAL PARESIS, I AM UNABLE TO SAY.

AND ALSO, I THINK THAT HIS DELUSIONS POINT IN THE DIRECTION OF GENERAL PARESIS. A MATTER WHICH I HAD NOT MENTIONED BEFORE, IS HIS BELIEF THAT THE RESULT OF HIS IMPRISONMENT WILL BE HIS OBTAINING A LARGE SUM OF MONEY FROM THE AUTHORITIES; AND ALSO HIS BELIEF, WHICH HAS NO APPARENT FOUNDATION, THAT HE WILL BECOME MUCH MORE SUCCESSFUL IN HIS WORK IN THE FUTURE THAN HE HAS BEEN IN THE PAST.

Q. WHAT EFFECT WOULD THIS CONDITION OF HIS MIND, WHICH YOU DESCRIBE, AND WHICH HE LABORS UNDER, HAVE UPON HIS MENTALITY GENERALLY?

A. WELL, I SHOULD SAY THAT HIS JUDGMENT, OF COURSE, WOULD BE VERY DECIDEDLY WEAKENED. I SHOULD SAY THAT HIS REASONING POWERS WOULD BE IMPAIRED.

Q. WOULD A PERSON SUFFERING UNDER THE AILMENT THAT YOU SPEAK OF, IN HIS CONDITION OF MIND, BE COMPETENT TO DEFEND HIMSELF AGAINST ANY SERIOUS ACCUSATION, INVOLVING HIS LIFE?

A. I SHOULD SAY NOT.

Q. HOW WOULD THE DISQUALIFICATION ARISE?

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A. FROM HIS INABILITY TO APPRECIATE THE SERIOUSNESS OF HIS POSITION, AND THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE POSSIBLE RESULT.

Q. WOULD HE BE ABLE TO THINK COHERENTLY AND TO RECOLLECT WITH DISTINCTNESS AS A GENERAL RULE?

A. I THINK NOT.

Q. APPLYING IT TO THE CASE OF BIGOT, AS AFFECTING HIM, DO YOU THINK THAT THE PRESENCE OF THIS MENTAL MALADY WOULD PREVENT HIS INTELLIGIBLY AND REASONABLY PRESENTING AND CONSIDERING HIS CASE?

A. IT WOULD.

Q. HAVE YOU ANY OPINION AS TO THE LENGTH OF TIME THAT BIGOT HAS BEEN IN THIS CONDITION?

A. I SHOULD JUDGE THAT THIS HAD BEEN APPROACHING FROM, CERTAINLY, BEFORE THE TIME OF THE FIRST ATTEMPT AT SUICIDE ON HIS PART.

Q. DO YOU REGARD THESE ACTS OF ATTEMPTS AT SUICIDE AS BEING CONNECTED WITH HIS MENTAL CONDITION?

A. ONLY AS CONNECTED WITH OTHER THINGS. I DO NOT THINK THAT SUICIDE IS AN EVIDENCE OF INSANITY; AS SUICIDE IS COMMITTED BY SANE PEOPLE, MORE THAN ^{BY} INSANE. TAKING ALL THE FACTS THAT HAVE COME TO MY KNOWLEDGE AND COUPLING THEM WITH MY OWN EXAMINATION, I HAVE FORMED MY OPINION. I DO NOT GIVE THIS TESTIMONY WITHOUT

A REASONABLE DOUBT, ALTHOUGH I CERTAINLY HAVE NO MORE THAN THAT

Q. HAVE YOU CONFERRED ABOUT THIS CASE WITH ANY OTHER SPECIALIST?

A. NO, SIR, I HAVE NOT.

Q. YOU HAVE HAD NO COMMUNICATION WITH DR. GRAY ABOUT IT?

A. NO, SIR, I HAVE NOT SEEN HIM. BIGOT SPOKE ABOUT THE JUDGE COMING TO SEE HIM, MEANING DR. GRAY, AND TOLD ME SOME OF THE QUESTIONS HE ASKED HIM.

Q. IS THIS CONDITION OF HIS CURABLE?

A. THAT WOULD BE CONTINGENT UPON MY OTHER ANSWER. IF THIS CONDI-
TION IS SIMPLE MELANCHOLIA, THEN IT WOULD BE A CURABLE CONDI-
TION; BUT IF THE MELANCHOLIA IS THE PRELIMINARY STAGE OF GENER-
AL PARESIS, IT WOULD NOT BE.

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Q. IN YOUR JUDGMENT, DOES AMEDEE BIGOT AT THE PRESENT TIME POSSESS SUFFICIENT MIND, MEMORY AND INTELLIGENCE TO BE PUT UPON TRIAL ON AN INDICTMENT FOR MURDER?

A. WELL, TAKING THE NECESSARY INSTRUCTION OF COUNSEL AS A PART OF THAT CONDITION, I WOULD SAY NO.

Q. THAT IS, THE INSTRUCTION OF COUNSEL BY HIM?

A. YES, SIR. SO FAR AS I CAN GATHER FROM MY EXAMINATION OF HIM, HE DOES NOT AT ALL APPRECIATE THE NECESSITY OF HIS POSITION, NOR DOES HE APPRECIATE THE NECESSITY OF COUNSEL; HE APPEARS TO BELIEVE THAT HE HAS NOTHING TO DO BUT TO GO INTO COURT AND TELL THE JUDGE WHAT HAS HAPPENED, AND THE JUDGE WILL LET HIM GO AT ONCE. HE THINKS THE NEWSPAPERS MISREPRESENT HIS CASE, BUT THE MOMENT HE TELLS THE JUDGE THAT HE DIDN'T KILL THE WOMAN, THEY CAN'T KEEP HIM.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. YOU SPOKE ABOUT HIS HALLUCINATIONS WHEN IN THE HOSPITAL. WHAT DID HE SAY ABOUT HIS SON?

A. HE THOUGHT HIS SON HAD BEEN KILLED. HE BELIEVED THESE PEOPLE HAD KILLED HIS SON; AND HE SAID THAT HE HAD BEEN TOLD THAT HIS SON WAS COMING TO SEE HIM; THAT HE WOULD COME THIS MORNING. HE WAS VISITED ON SATURDAY BY ONE OF HIS COUNSEL, WHO TOLD HIM THAT HIS SON WOULD BE HERE THIS MORNING.

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Q. WHERE WERE YOUR EXAMINATIONS MADE?

A. IN THE COUNSEL ROOM, BY HIMSELF.

Q. THE CONDITION OF HIS EYES, AND HIS RESTLESSNESS AND DISTURBED MENTAL CONDITION -- MIGHT MASTURBATION CAUSE OR AID IN PRODUCING THAT CONDITION?

A. RESTLESSNESS MIGHT BE PRODUCED IN THAT WAY, BUT NOT THE CONDITION OF THE EYES.

Q. HIS PROFESSION OR TRADE AS I UNDERSTAND IT WAS THAT OF A WOOD TURNER, WOULD THE CONDITION OF THE PUPILS OF HIS EYES BE DUE TO HIS FORMER OCCUPATION?

A. NO, SIR, UNLESS ONE OF THE EYES HAD BEEN INJURED; AND OF THAT I HAVE NO EVIDENCE.

Q. HAS IT THE APPEARANCE OF AN INJURY?

A. NO, SIR.

Q. YOU SPOKE OF HIS IGNORANCE OF THE SITUATION OF AFRICA. IS HE MORE IGNORANT OF GEOGRAPHY, OR THE LOCATION OF TOWNS AND COUNTRIES THAN THE MAJORITY OF PEOPLE IN HIS CONDITION OF LIFE?

A. WELL, I DIDN'T CONSIDER THAT AS TO ITS BEARING UPON HIS KNOWLEDGE OF GEOGRAPHY, BUT AS TO HIS MEMORY.

Q. AS A FACT, IF HE DID GO TO AFRICA, MIGHT NOT THE DISTANCE HAVE BEEN COVERED AT NIGHT, OR AT SUCH A TIME THAT IT DID NOT MAKE SUFFICIENT IMPRESSION UPON HIM TO REMEMBER IT?

A. THE FACT THAT HE SAID HE HAD WALKED ALL THE WAY, IN VIEW OF THAT FACT, IT LOOKED TO MY MIND LIKE A FAILURE OF MEMORY. I MIGHT SAY THERE WERE OTHER POINTS, AS TO HIS FAMILY, HIS RELATIONS, FATHER AND MOTHER -- THERE WERE CONFUSIONS OF MEMORY IN THAT REGARD.

Q. WAS HE AT ALL CLEAR AS TO THE NAME OF THE TOWN OF HIS BIRTH-PLACE?

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- A. YES, SIR, I THINK HE TOLD ME WHERE HE WAS BORN IN FRANCE; I CANNOT REMEMBER THE PLACE. HE TOLD ME ABOUT HIS MOTHER'S SUCCESSIVE MARRIAGES; ABOUT HIS SISTER AND HIS AUNT.
- Q. DID HE INCLINE TO TALK OF ANYTHING THAT MIGHT BE CONSIDERED LEWD?
- A. NO, SIR, EXCEPT IN ANSWER TO QUESTIONS IN RELATION TO THE WOMAN THAT WAS KILLED; HE TOLD ME AS TO HIS RELATIONS WITH HER. I MUST SAY THAT I PLACE A GOOD DEAL OF STRESS UPON THE EMOTIONAL DISTURBANCE. I DO NOT THINK IT IS POSSIBLE FOR A MAN TO PRODUCE SO COPIOUS TEARS BY WILL. AT ANOTHER TIME HE BURST OUT INTO A FIT OF LAUGHTER.
- Q. THIS LAUGHTER WAS SO MARKED THAT IT INDICATED INSANITY?
- A. NO, I THINK IT INDICATED AN ACTUAL FEELING IN THE MAN'S MIND. THE FEELING WHICH PROMPTED THE LAUGHTER OR CRYING WAS AN ACTUAL ONE. HE COULD NOT HAVE BROUGHT THESE TEARS IN ORDER TO AFFECT MY JUDGMENT. IT WAS SIMPLY THE ATTACK OF AN EMOTION WHICH MIGHT BE FELT BY A SANE OR INSANE MAN. IN HIS CASE I THOUGHT IT WAS A REAL EMOTION. IF HIS OBJECT WAS TO PERSUADE ME THAT HE WAS INSANE, I DO NOT THINK THAT HE COULD PRODUCE THIS FLOW OF TEARS IN A MOMENT.
- Q. AS A FACT, DOCTOR, INSANE PERSONS, WHENEVER THEY BECOME THOROUGHLY INSANE -- DO THEY LOSE THOSE FEELINGS OF WHICH YOU SPEAK? ARE THEY REALLY AFFECTED AFTERWARDS BY EVENTS?
- A. THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SANE AND INSANE AS TO DISPLAY, ONLY IN INSANE PEOPLE IT STARTS FROM A WRONG MENTAL EMOTION.
- Q. THERE IS VERY LITTLE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE INSANE AND SANE AS TO THE EXPRESSION?

A. VERY LITTLE.

BY DR. ELLIOTT:

Q. NOW WOULD YOU CHARACTERISE THE NATURE OF THE ILLUSIONS WHICH HE SEEMS TO LABOR UNDER?

A. MEGALOMANIA.

Q. WOULD YOU REGARD THE APPARENT WANT OF REALISATION OF HIS SITUATION AS ANOTHER ILLUSION?

A. YES, SIR; THAT WOULD DEPEND UPON FALSE BELIEF. I TOLD HIM VERY PLAINLY THAT HE WAS IN DANGER OF HIS LIFE, IN ORDER TO SEE IF IT WOULD MAKE ANY IMPRESSION UPON HIM, AND HE WAS APPARENTLY VEXED THAT I SPOKE IN THAT WAY AT ALL. HE SAID IF THEY WOULD ONLY TAKE HIM TO COURT AND LET HIM MAKE HIS STATEMENT THAT HE WOULD BE DISCHARGED AT ONCE; THAT PEOPLE WOULD NOT LIE EVEN UNDER OATH. THEN HE ALSO EXPRESSED A DOUBT THAT THE WOMAN WAS DEAD; HE WAS NOT SATISFIED THAT SHE WAS DEAD; THAT HE HAD SEEN HER IN THE HOSPITAL AND WANTED TO KNOW WHY SHE DIDN'T SPEAK.

Q. THE FORMER TESTIMONY SEEMED TO SHOW THAT HE WAS ADDICTED TO ASSINTHE AND OTHER INTOXICATING BEVERAGES.

A. I SAY THE HALLUCINATIONS WHICH HE CLAIMS TO HAVE HAD AT THE HOSPITAL MIGHT HAVE BEEN PRODUCED BY ASSINTHE. THE MORE PERMANENT ILLUSIONS, NO. I QUESTIONED HIM IN REGARD TO HIS HABITS IN

THAT RESPECT, AND HE SAID THAT HE GENERALLY DRANK BEER, HE HAD DRANK ASSINTHE AT TIMES BUT HE TOLD ME THAT HE DIDN'T CARE FOR IT. AS TO THAT DAY AND THE DAY BEFORE HE SAID THAT THIS MRS. REMANT HAD SENT OUT AND GOTTEN BEER, THAT HE HAD NOTHING ELSE TO DRINK. I THINK HE SAID THAT HE DIDN'T DRINK THE GLASS

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WHICH SHE POURED OUT FOR HIM.

Q. YOU THINK THEN THAT THE PHYSICAL INDICATIONS POINT TO GENERAL PARESIS?

A. YES, SIR, THERE ARE PHYSICAL INDICATIONS THAT WOULD TEND IN THAT DIRECTION, AND WOULD DETERMINE IT. I QUESTIONED HIM AS WELL AS I COULD.

Q. THERE WAS NOTHING IN HIS SIGHT OR THE ABSENCE OF IT, WHICH WOULD SEEM TO SHOW THAT THIS WAS IN THE DISEASE OF THE SIGHT ITSELF?

A. NO, SIR. THE PUPILS READILY RESPONDED TO LIGHT, BUT UNEQUALLY. THERE WAS AN EVIDENCE OF INTOLERANCE OF LIGHT, AND IN ADDITION HE HAD TOLD ME THAT HE HAD TROUBLE WITH HIS SIGHT THAT LED HIM TO PURCHASE SPECTACLES. THERE WERE NO ADHESIONS OF THE PUPIL THAT WOULD CAUSE IRREGULARITY IN THAT WAY.

BY MR. PATTERSON:

Q. IF THESE ILLUSIONS WITH REFERENCE TO WHAT HE SAW IN THE HOSPITAL HAD BEEN PRODUCED AT THAT TIME BY THE USE OF ABSINTHE OR INTOXICATING STIMULANTS, WOULD THEY HAVE CONTINUED TO AFFECT THE PATIENT AFTER ALL DISTURBANCE CAUSED BY INTOXICATING STIMULANTS HAD BEEN REMOVED, AND CONTINUED UP TO THE PRESENT TIME?

A. HE WOULD NOT CONTINUE TO HAVE THE ILLUSIONS, BUT MIGHT CONTINUE TO BELIEVE IN THEM.

BY DR. ELLIOTT:

Q. YOU DON'T REGARD HIS HAVING ATTEMPTED SUICIDE, ITSELF, AS BEARING UPON THE CASE AT ALL PER SE?

A. I TAKE IT INTO CONSIDERATION WITH OTHER MATTERS, BUT ALONE I WOULD NOT CONSIDER IT. I CONSIDERED HIS NATIONALITY. I ALSO

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CONSIDERED TO SOME DEGREE THE FACT THAT HIS FATHER HAD COMMITTED
SUICIDE BY CHAR-COAL -- FROM HIS OWN STATEMENTS.

BY MR. WAITE:

Q. MIGHT NOT THE SAME CONDITION OF MIND WHICH PERMITTED OF HIS
BELIEVING THAT HE WENT TO AFRICA, PERMIT HIM ALSO TO HAVE
THESE ILLUSIONS ABOUT MATTERS LATER IN LIFE?

A. I REGARD THAT MORE AS TO SHOWING A DEFECT OF MEMORY, THAN AS
BEING AN ILLUSION -- AS OF COURSE, I HAD NO OTHER INFORMATION
AS TO WHETHER HE WAS THERE OR NOT.

Q. IS THERE ANY TREATMENT THAT COULD POSSIBLY AFFECT A MAN SO
THAT HE WOULD BE IMPRESSED BY ANYTHING OF THAT SORT, AND THEN
KEEP IT AFTERWARDS?

A. OH, YES, SIR; ANY NARCOTIC MIGHT DO IT, AND THE LOSS OF
BLOOD.

Q. IS THAT SUFFICIENTLY A FACT SO AS TO AFFECT HIM IN THAT WAY?

A. YES, SIR. THE HAALUCINATION DOES NOT REMAIN, HE DOES NOT SEE
THESE THINGS, BUT HE STILL BELIEVES THAT HE *did*.

BY MR. NORRIS:

Q. WHERE DO YOU THINK THE SEAT OF THIS DISTURBANCE OF BIGOT IS --
IN THE BRAIN?

A. IN THE BRAIN, CERTAINLY.

Q. DID YOU NOTICE HIS TONGUE?

A. YES, HE PUT OUT HIS TONGUE AND IT WAS TREMULOUS.

Q. DID YOU NOTICE THE PECULIAR TREMOR THAT ACCOMPANIES GENERAL
PARESIS?

A. HIS TONGUE WAS TREMULOUS.

Q. YOU SAY HE SPOKE ABOUT HIS FATHER?

A. YES.

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Court of Oyer and Terminer,

and for the City and County of New York,
City Hall of the said City, on Monday,
the 22nd day of November in the year of our Lord
One Thousand Eight Hundred and eighty.

PRESENT,

The Honorable Noah Davis
one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of
the State of New York.

Justice of the
Oyer and Terminer.

The People
against
Amedee Bigot

In confinement on Indictment
for Murder in the first degree
Harriet Remant

(filed in Sessions Oct. 19. 1880)

It appearing to the Court from the
statement of J. O. Matt. Esq. Counsel
for the prisoner Amedee Bigot, that
he is insane and not in a mental
condition to undertake his defense
and this being a proper case
for the exercise of the power
conferred upon the Court by
Section 20 of title first of Chapter
1146 of the laws

It is therefore
Court pursuant
of said law that
made into the
Bigot as to the

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*the parents of the
report the man
an early day.*

*At time extract for
J. Spencer, Clerk*

New York City and District.

THE PEOPLE

OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

against

Amedee Beget

Dated Nov^r 22nd 1880.

*Order of Court
appointing Com^{rs} to
examine prisoner
as to mental
condition.*

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Coroner's Office,

CITY AND COUNTY }
OF NEW YORK. } ss.

..... being duly examined before the undersigned, according to law, on the annexed charge, and being informed that he was at liberty to answer or not, all or any questions put to him, states as follows, viz.:

Question.—What is your name?

Answer.—

Question.—How old are you?

Answer.—

Question.—Where were you born?

Answer.—

Question.—Where do you live?

Answer.—

Question.—What is your occupation?

Answer.—

Question.—Have you anything to say and if so, what, relative to the charge preferred against you?

Taken before me, this day of 187

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MEMORANDUM.

AGE.		PLACE OF NATIVITY.		WHERE FOUND.	DATE, When Reported.
53 Years.	Months.	France		141 Thompson St	Aug 11, 1880
	Days.				

Handwritten notes:
 7 of ...
 killed ...
 ...
 Oct 11, 1880

Handwritten: 462 1880

HOMICIDE.

AN INQUISITION

On the VIEW of the BODY of
 Harriet Renaud

whereby it is found that she came to
 her Death by the hands of
 Amédée Rigot.

with a razor on the
 11th day of August 1880
 at 141 Thompson Street

Autopsy taken on the 13th day
 October 1880

Monty ... Coroner
 committed October 13
 1880
 sealed
 discharged

of death August 11th