



CAPTAIN WILLIAM McLAUGHLIN, being called as a witness by the Coroner, was duly sworn, and testified as follows:

By Mr. Wellman:

Q You were with Chief Inspector Byrnes - you were called to the Fourth Precinct Station House for the purpose of assisting in detecting the person who committed this crime?

A Yes, sir.

Q You went there under the instructions of the Inspector?

A Yes, sir.

Q When was this man arrested? A. Friday, the 24th day of April.

Q Who arrested him? A. Officer Lang of the Fourth Precinct.

Q Did you go to this hotel? A. Yes, sir.

Q When did you go? A. About four o'clock on the afternoon of the 24th in company with detective Crowley and Captain O'Connor.

Q You have sat here and heard the testimony of Captain O'Connor and the different witnesses? A. Yes, sir.

Q As to the position of those blood stains? A. Yes, sir.

Q Does their testimony correspond with the facts?

A Yes, sir.

Q It was on the doors and on the floor? A. Yes, sir.

Q Did you cut any of them out? A. Yes, sir; from the stains on the center of the door xxx leading to room 33, I cut three, leaving three places there with a long strip a portion of which is left now.

Q Officer Frink says there were some left there Saturday?

A I brought Sergeant Frink there Tuesday afternoon and showed him some I had'nt cut out, and I wanted him to take them out carefully and get an instrument for that purpose.

Q You gave what you cut out xxx to Dr. Edson? A. Yes, sir.

Q And those he cut out? A. Yes, sir.

Q What conversation did you have, if any, with any of the witness relative to the person called Frenchy No. 2, and what efforts did you make to find out the whereabouts of Frenchy No. 2, and his guilt or innocence in regard to this crime?

Objected to by Mr. House.

Objection overruled.

A During the investigation I met several women, some who are attending here now as witnesses who told me that there was a man known as Frenchy, who is said to be a cousin of this man, the only way they knew it was one calling

on the other at different times and places, and asking if his cousin had been there; he denoted him as his cousin and in each instance the same.

Q Was he a light man, this Frenchy No. 2? A. A light complexioned man.

Q He was arrested? A. Yes, sir; on Sunday morning succeeding the murder at 100 Front Street.

Q What efforts did you make to prove he was elsewhere that night? A. I made a personal investigation myself, he claimed he worked as night watchman in the Bellevue Riding Academy and I went there and the superintendent, I heard from him that it would be impossible for him to remain away about the time, he had certain work to perform there that had to be done in the morning, and in no instance had his work been neglected; it was impossible for him to leave his place without him knowing it.

Q You found that out - you made that investigation?

A He was four miles from the scene of the murder - after Mary Miniter said he was not the man that went upstairs with the woman on that night.

Q There was something said about a low class woman - did you confront him with the witness? A. With Dublin Mary, he said, me no know, she recognized him and she asked him if he

did'nt know her and he said, "Me no know her."

By Mr. House:

Q You remember yesterday when we were down at the East River Hotel? A. Yes, sir.

Q You remember that you pointed out to me blood stains on the outside of room 33? A. Yes, sir.

Q Do you remember my asking you what the distance was from the top of the blood stains up to the door on that of room 33? A. Yes, sir.

Q And you said, if I recollect now, the distance was about fourteen inches? A. Yes, sir.

Q And from what the distance was about to the end of the door? A. Yes, sir, about eight.

Q And you said about eight inches? A. Yes, sir.

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