

RE-CROSS-EXAMINATION.

Q. (Mr. Brady): But you said you cleansed the nails, if you didn't go down deep, to the quick as it were? A. No, sir.

(Mr. Green): I think the witness has been examined and cross-examined on that line.

(The Court): It seems to be quite thorough. I want to ask one or two questions.

Q. How was that body shipped? A. Shipped by a passenger, that is, you can buy a ticket if you have a corpse ticket, you can buy just an ordinary ticket.

Q. How was it shipped? A. In a casket in an outside case.

Q. In a casket? A. Yes.

Q. And the casket was enclosed in an outside case? A. Yes.

Q. How was the top fastened to the outside case? A. Screwed with thumb screws, generally six or eight thumb screws.

Q. How was the hands of the body left after you got through with it, across in front as they usually are? A. Yes, generally put them in, there is a slide that comes across and hands put down at the side and her hands I remember were down along the side, they were pretty rigid and were hard to bend and they were put down along the side, like this, one of them.

(Examination concluded.)

VALENTINE N. BRANDON, recalled by the State and testified as follows:

Q. (Mr. Green): Were you on the train in which your wife's body was shipped to Washington? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Were you given the ticket for the corpse by Mr. Taylor? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did you go right straight through to Washington on the train? A. Yes, sir; changed cars at the junction where they put on another car.

Q. About what time did you get to Washington, do you recall? A. Left 5:20 and it didn't take more than an hour and a half or two hours to make the trip.

Q. Who met you at the train? A. Mr. Sardo.

Q. Who took the body away from the train? A. Mr. Sardo took it in his own hearse.

Q. Where did he take it? A. Straight to his establishment.

Q. When was it brought away from his establishment? A. Well, he got it Thursday evening I think it was and brought it away from the establishment Saturday morning.

Q. Where did he take it? A. To my house, to my father's house.

Q. Who brought it there? A. Mr. Sardo.

Q. Did he stay there with it? A. To the best of my knowledge he did. I didn't see him all the time.

Q. Was the body then buried that day? A. That morning, yes, sir.

Q. It was taken to what cemetery? A. Glenwood Cemetery.

Q. Glenwood Cemetery? A. Yes, sir.

Q. And buried? A. Yes, sir.

Q. That was on the Saturday following her death? A. Yes, sir.

Q. You were there at the burial? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Was the body taken out of the casket at all when it got to your house on Saturday morning? A. No, sir.

Q. Did you give permission for the body to be taken up again? A. Yes, I went down with Mr. Sardo when he got it from the District authority.

Q. What was that? A. I went down to the District building with Mr. Sardo when he got permission to exhume the body.

Q. Did he exhume it, take it up? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Do you know what day that was, do you remember? A. No, sir; I could not say what day it was.

Q. Was it the same day the doctors went over there and made the complete, secondary autopsy?

(Objected to.)

(The Court): It seems to be harmless.

(Question repeated.)

(Objected to.)

(The Court): Don't say when it was.

A. Yes, sir; it was the same day.

Q. You were not present at the examination in Washington?
A. I was not in the same room, I was in the same building. I was down there.

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Q. You received the body at the W., B. & A. Station in the City of Annapolis? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Where was the body placed? A. It was in the freight room there in the station, when the car came up it was put on the car.

Q. Who was in the freight room with it? A. I was there.

Q. Any one else? A. This undertaker that just left the stand, I have forgotten his name—Mr. Taylor.