

DIRECT EXAMINATION.

Q. (Mr. Green): Where do you live? A. 23 Second street.

Q. Annapolis? A. Yes.

Q. Did you know Mrs. Brandon? A. Yes.

Q. And Mr. Brandon? A. Yes.

Q. How far was your home from their home? A. Their little home was three doors from me.

Q. On the same side of the street? A. On the same side.

Q. Did you hear any trouble in the Brandon home on the afternoon of the 8th of August last? A. No; not until Mr. Brandon came for me.

Q. That is what I am trying to reach. What time did he come to your house for you? A. Well, I judge it was about quarter of 5 or 5.

Q. Between quarter of 5 and 5? A. Between quarter of 5 and 5.

Q. In response to whatever he said to you, where did you go? A. Well, when Mr. Brandon came to my home I sent my niece to the door, as I was fitting a dress for myself, and he told her to tell me to come——

(Objected to.)

Q. Don't tell what he told you; what did you do in response to what he said? A. I went to the house.

Q. Went to the Brandon home? A. Yes.

Q. Who was there when you got there? A. Mrs. Burch was standing on the porch and Mrs. Carroll was on the pavement.

Q. Then did you go into the house? A. Yes.

Q. Did you see Mrs. Brandon, or the body there? A. Yes.

Q. Where was that? A. She was lying on the bed.

Q. Can you describe what you saw there? A. Yes.

Q. Please tell the Court and jury what you saw? A. She was lying on the bed with her hands thrown up; her dress was above the knee and one foot crossed over the other, and one stocking on and the other was across her instep, with the top to the floor.

Q. Hanging on her toe? A. Hanging on her toe to the floor.

Q. Did you notice anything about the bed or on the bed?
A. No; only the blood.

Q. Where was that? A. That was under her forehead.

Q. Did you notice blood anywhere else? A. No.

Q. How was that blood in shape; how was the stain of the blood stain? A. It looked like a round spot of blood on her forehead and dripped down.

Q. Could you see where it came from? A. From what I could see it looked as though a wound over her forehead, and that had dropped from there on to the bed.

Q. What was her position in the bed in reference to the body laying on the back or on the side? A. No; on the side. She was lying on the left side.

Q. Did you stay there until the doctor came? A. I did.

Q. Who else? You have stated that Mrs. Burch and the colored woman were there? A. When I arrived.

Q. You all went in together, did you? A. Well, I went in first and then Mrs. Burch and Mrs. Carroll came in right after me.

Q. Mrs. Brandon was on the bed. did you speak to her? A. Yes.

Q. Did she answer you? A. No.

Q. Why? A. Because she was dead.

Q. Did you notice anything about the body, any marks on her body are where? A. No, I did not; only the mark here (indicating) on face.

Q. Did you observe—did you look for other marks? A. I looked over her when I went in, not thinking she was dead, and I saw the froth from her mouth and knew of course she was dead.

Q. You knew she was dead then? A. Yes.

Q. Why did you know she was dead? A. I placed my hand on her hip and she was cold.

Q. She was cold? A. Yes.

Q. When the doctor came did you notice anything about the body after he came? A. I noticed her hair being pulled down around her throat and the doctor asking for water and I got the water and gave him, I got the water, Mrs. Burch and I went out and got the water, he asked for warm water and could not get the gas to burn and got the cold water and took the cold water to him.

Q. When the doctor moved the hair from the neck, did you notice anything? A. No.

Q. You didn't observe? A. No.

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Q. Did you see her that day? A. No.

Q. Had you been on your front porch that morning? A. I washed the porch off.

Q. What time? A. I didn't pay any attention to the time but I judge it was somewhere about ten o'clock.

Q. How long did it take you to wipe that porch, about? A. I guess about ten minutes.