

MRS. GRACE MYERS, a witness of lawful age, called on behalf of the State, after having been duly sworn, testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION.

Q. (By Mr. Green): Where were you living on the 8th of August last? A. 15 Second street.

Q. Whereabouts? A. 15 Second street.

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

Q. Do you recall the afternoon that she was found dead in her house? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did you see her during the day? A. I saw her that morning.

Q. About what time? A. About half past ten or quarter of eleven.

Q. Where did you see her? A. In her door.

Q. Speak to her? A. She spoke to me.

Q. What was she doing at the door? A. She seemed as if she had gotten out of a rocking chair at the window and come to the door to pick up a paper and she was getting ready to close the door when she hollered at me.

Q. What did she say? A. She just said, "Hello."

Q. That was you think between half past ten and quarter of eleven? A. Yes.

Q. Did you go into the house that evening? A. I never was in her house.

CROSS-EXAMINATION.

Q. She came out to pick up the paper? A. Yes.

Q. Where were you when you saw her? A. Well, Mrs. Burch had come after me to see if her little boy was in my yard; her little boy and my little girl were playing first in her yard,

and then mine, and she came after me about then; and I said, They just left here to go and get into your hammock. And she said, they were not in there. And by that time she came out front way to look up West street for them, and in the meantime my husband was coming from the Naval Academy. It was payday, and he was coming home, and when he came back he was on a wheel, and I said, Go and find the children; they may be on First street.

Q. That is how you came out? A. Yes.

Q. You were in the front, then? A. Yes.

Q. How long did you remain out there? A. Well, about fifteen minutes.

Q. What time did you go in the house? A. It was nearly 11 o'clock.

Q. You left Mrs. Burch on the porch, I suppose? A. Mrs. Burch went in her home and I went in mine. She may have stood on her porch after I left her.

Q. But you went in your house? A. Yes.

Q. And you left Mrs. Burch on her porch? A. Yes.

Q. How far is Mrs. Brandon's home from yours; did you say? A. Well, it is Mr. Freemill's row of houses.

Q. The first house next to Mrs. Brandon's is who? A. Mrs. King, then Mrs. Burch and then Mrs. Sarles, Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Small, and then mine.

Q. Then there were eight houses between your home and Mrs. Brandon's? A. Yes.

Q. And it was from that distance that she called to you and said, Hello? A. No; I had walked down towards Morris street, to see if my husband was coming with the child. We were both anxious to know if they were found, and I was going to meet my husband, and when I was towards Morris street, which is a little past Mrs. Brandon's, she came to the door

and she left a chair; she had gotten out of it and it was still rocking, and she must have been sitting at the front window.

Q. Do I understand you to say that your husband had gone to the Naval Academy to get his pay? A. Yes.

Q. Was he working for the Government? A. He was working for the Government, but the Government gives them so many days' leave, and he was on one day's leave at home and, being payday, he had gone to the Naval Academy to draw his money and was on his way home.

Q. When is payday at the Naval Academy? A. 8th, 15th, 23rd and 31st.

Q. Pay four times a month? A. Four times a month.

Q. You are positive it was that day you spoke of that you saw Mrs. Brandon? A. Yes; it was that day.

Q. Did you go in and view the body? A. No, sir; I was never in Mrs. Brandon's home.

Q. Can it have been after 11 o'clock that you went in the house that day? A. No, sir; it was about 11 o'clock.

Q. How do you know it was about 11; did you observe the clock? A. Well, I was in the house a good time before I started to fix dinner.

Q. You had been in the house a good time before you fixed dinner? A. Yes.

(Examination concluded.)

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THOMAS A. KING, a witness of lawful age, called on behalf of the State, after having been duly sworn, testified as follows:

#### DIRECT EXAMINATION.

Q. (By Mr. Green): Where were you employed on the 8th of August last? A. Department of Modern Languages at the Naval Academy.