

Ernest L. Porter, a witness of lawful age, produced on the part of the plaintiff, being first duly sworn, deposes and says as follows--

Q. State your name, age and residence?

A. Ernest L. Porter, aged 39 years and reside in Brunswick.

Q. Did you know Samuel Ridenbaugh in his lifetime?

A. Yes sir.

Q. For how long?

A. 15 years.

Q. Do you know Charles Bond?

A. Yes sir.

Q. For how long?

A. 12 years.

Q. Do you know where Mr. Ridenbaugh kept his restaurant?

A. Yes sir.

Q. How long have you lived there?

A. 20 years.

Q. Did you live near the restaurant?

A. I lived over his restaurant about 5 months.

Q. When was that?

A. In 1911.

Q. How often did you visit his place?

A. 3 or 4 times a week.

Q. Do you know long he was in that Hudson building?

A. No sir.

Q. Did you ever eat meals there?

A. No sir I bought soup from him.

Q. When you went there 3 or 4 times a week did you see any one there beside Mr. Ridenbaugh?

A. My little boy worked for him, ran errands, washed dishes for him.

Q. That was the time when Mr. Ridenbaugh was on the police force?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Before that did you see Mr. Bond there?

A. Yes sir did.

Q. What was he doing there?

A. Carrying away, washing the dishes, scrubbing the floor and most any thing?

Q. Was he a regular employe there?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Did you have a conversation with Mr. Ridenbaugh about Mr. Bond?

A. No, one night Mr. Ridenbaugh and Bond were sitting in there and they were talking about people dying, and Mr. Ridenbaugh said if ever I die Mr. Bond will get all I got, he said did you hear that?

Q. When was that?

A. That was in the year 1911.

Q. What month was that?

A. I do not know.

Q. Is that all he said in that conversation?

A. That is all I heard him say.

Q. Did Mr. Bond say anything about him?

A. No sir he did not say anything to him.

Q. Did he say why Mr. Bond would get all he had?

A. I did not pay any particular attention to that.

Q. Did you ever see Mr. Bond working there on Sunday?