

street, came down the left side (east of O'Connor street.) When opposite the door of the Public Works Department, West Departmental Building (side entrance,) heard a shot. Those with him said they were shooting crows. Witness said "not at that time of night." The others left him at Wellington street, proceeding westward, witness going on down O'Connor street, towards Sparks street. When he got to Sparks street, and was at the corner, saw something dark at the door of his mother's house, on the sidewalk. Thought it was a Newfoundland dog. It was not above a foot from the private lodgings door. Witness saw some person with a light come to the door, which, after a few seconds, witness saw closed. Then called out to his mother, and no one answering, continued up, towards the Times office on the opposite side (north side of Sparks street,) from his mother's. Went into the Times office, not knowing meanwhile what the object was, which he had seen. Went up stairs in the Times office, and told the men working there that something was lying at his mother's door. The men then came down with him, and found Dr. Robitaille and other boarders outside his mother's door. Saw Mr. McGee lying on the sidewalk with his head to the road, his face turned upwards covered with blood, and his hat on his head. There was blood on the sidewalk and in the gutter. Mr. McGee appeared to be then dead. Does not know who took up the body for removal.

*Cross-examined by Hon. M. C. CAMERON.*—Has no idea how long it would take to go from the Department of Public Works to the corner of O'Connor and Sparks streets. Saw nothing at this corner but the black object described. Coming down from the Public Works saw nobody on O'Connor street. From the time of his leaving the others saw nobody until he went to the *Times* office, and disturbed those there. Saw no one at the door of his mother's house, and only knew it was opened from having seen the light. Is certain that he was opposite the centre of the Public Works Department when he heard the shot. Could not see O'Connor street from there. Did not notice anybody outside the buildings on leaving. There were some people going towards the Russell House, but witness could not tell who they were. Could not, from the O'Connor street corner, recognize what was lying on the sidewalk, and did not know that it was Mr. McGee until after having been at the *Times* office. Recognized the body when within ten feet. Could not previously distinguish the color of the hat. Saw nobody on the west side of the parliamentary grounds. When coming down witness' party did not stop to talk. Followed the west side-walk right down to the gate.

To the Court.—Some persons had gone down the west side ten minutes before witness left.

To Hon. M. C. CAMERON.—One of these was Mr. McCarthy, a messenger.

MARY ANN TROTTER SWORN.—Lives on Sparks street. Has done so for two years and a half. Keeps a boarding-house and tavern there. Her house is in the Desbarats block. There are three entrances to it from Sparks street, by the bar door and by two private doors. Mr. McGee had come to board with witness about a month before he was shot. Not quite a month. That was the first time he boarded with her. He generally entered by the hall door next the bar door (which was towards the Russell House), from which it was separated by the large window of the dining-room. There is an entrance from the bar into the dining-room, and from the dining-room into the small hall into which the hall door opens. Mr. McGee called at her house about seven or eight o'clock that night, but had not dined there. He went up to his room for some papers which he said he wanted to take to the House with him. Cannot say in what direction he went on leaving. He was then in apparent good health. Witness did not retire for the night until her boarders had all returned. Waited for them in the dining-room where she had a couch. Cannot say who was the first to return from the House. Dr. Robitaille, (M. P.,) was the last. He went straight up to his room. Witness then lay down in the dining-room again, she cannot say for how long, when she heard as it were a quick run passing the large dining-room window. Witness said to herself "That is my boy coming home." Heard then a tapping as at the door, like a person playing with fingers as on a piano. Called out, as she supposed to her son, to be quiet, as she was coming to open