

home to a point within half a mile of where the murder took place where he was seen at a time which could not have been more than a few hours, and probably not more than half an hour before the time of the shooting. At this point in the course of the trial a dramatic incident occurred. Davis had throughout been sitting, leaning forward with his mouth partially open, watching the proceedings languidly, and apparently without taking much interest. An old Irishwoman was in the box giving evidence showing that he was near to the place of the murder at a time near to the time at which the murder must have taken place. Upon being asked how she identified him she pointed directly at him with a long skinny finger and said, "I have no difficulty in recognizing him, I know him. He has a tooth out of the front of his mouth. A little boy that was there after he left laughed at him having a tooth out." Upon this being said Davis shut his mouth with a snap, started back, throwing his head up, while his eyes flashed with anger. During the remainder of the trial he never opened his mouth but retained that position so that the tell tale gap could not be seen.

Davis' movements after the murder were traced by unimpeachable evidence. It was shown that he went away from the scene of the murder immediately after it must have taken place, and ultimately hid himself in the woods. Had it not been for suspicion resting upon one of the brothers of Mrs. Emory it might be that he would have escaped entirely. But when she found that one of her brothers was suspected, she permitted herself to be used as a decoy, and brought about Davis' arrest. The following letter was written by her to him :

"Mr. Edwin Davis Millbridge Ont. in hast

"Marmoor September 26th, 1889 oh my Dear Edwin its with mutch truble that i take my pen in hand to let you know that will is dead and the Emoreys has put you down for it he was shot in the march but know one nows how but Emorys say that you dun it and that it was maid up between you and me oh Ed everyone says if you wood come and say i haird you have got a warrent for me i and say i never dun it and i am willing to let them do there worst mr bounter says he