

About half-past 3 o'clock in the afternoon of the 25th of May inst., I again inspected the body in company with Dr. R. P. Howard. The body lay in the same position which it did on the previous evening. There was a small bruised ecchymosed spot on the right side of the *box* of the larynx, and another at the upper end of the breast bone; three larger ones on the right breast on the right side of the chest; several bruises of long standing on the left arm, and three more recent ones upon the right leg. There was an abrasion on the left knee and on the right shin; there was also an abrasion of two and a half inches in length on the right shoulder, and another of the size of a sixpence on the right temple.

The larynx was found to be healthy, as also the muscles covering it; both lungs were healthy, except a patch two inches in area at the base of the left lung, which was in a state of congestion; the left lung was attached to the ribs by an old pleuritic adhesion; *there was slight congestion of the two bronchi and of the lower end of the trachea.* The heart was found to be healthy; the liver was somewhat paler and more friable than natural, with an ecchymosed spot about the size of a crown piece on the under surface of the left lobe. The spleen, kidneys, and intestines were healthy. The stomach contained a large quantity of bile, and its cardiac extremity was considerably congested. There was a small patch of ecchymosis about the size of a threepenny piece in the anterior portion of the uterus.

There were four patches of ecchymosis between the scalp and the skull, one over the forehead, another higher up, and one behind either ear, the two latter were extensive, the ecchymosis behind the right ear corresponding to an external mark. There was an ecchymosis about the size of

abrasion the size of a sixpence on the right temple," and the other—not discovered till after dissection—"behind the right ear."]

On the following day, at about 3 p. m., I made a post mortem examination of the body, in conjunction with Dr. R. P. Howard. The body lay in bed in the same room and in the same position in which I had left it on the previous evening. It appeared very much emaciated, pale, and ill-conditioned. The marks of violence were numerous, *very numerous*, but the following recent ones were noted: a bruise in the centre of forehead, another higher up, one over the right eye, one over each ear, that over the right being several inches in area. [It cannot fail to strike the reader that Dr. Hingston *now* remembers seeing bruises which he did not remember having seen *two days after death*, and also, that in the eight months which have elapsed, the ecchymoses behind the ears have travelled to a spot above the ears, no doubt endeavouring to reach their comrades on the convexity of the hemispheres inside.] An abrasion on the right side of the larynx; an ecchymosis of upper end of breast bone, an abrasion of considerable extent over right shoulder, three bruises of right side of chest near the mamma, four of left arm, three of right thigh, an abrasion of left knee, another of left leg. In addition to these there were numerous ecchymoses of longer date on different parts of the body, they were too numerous to count. Some were less recent than those enumerated, others were fast fading into health; there was more skin discoloured than in its natural state.

[It is singular that Dr. Hingston managed to count the bruises, when before the Coroner, and now fails. Probably these remarkable bruises possessed the power of self-propagation as well as of locomotion, and thus the enormous increase is accounted for.]

Beneath the scalp extensive effusions of blood were found corresponding to the injuries over forehead, right eyebrow, and both ears, [which external injuries had no existence except in Dr. Hingston's imagination], that of the right ear extending over nearly whole of right side of head.