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Witness  
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to gauge the reliability of each witness. Specimens of the hand-writing of the accused, Miss Buchanan and Miss Brook were taken, signed by me and attached to the proceedings. I identify documents in the proceedings marked "F" on Page 73 as being specimens of the handwriting of the accused which are attached to the proceedings. In order to find out if there was any similarity between the writings of these specimens and the letter produced by the accused, a calligrapher was called as a witness. In his evidence he stated that the writing in the letter and in the specimen of handwriting of the accused were written by the same person.

When the letter referred to was produced by the accused, Miss Buchanan was asked by the Court whether she had written the letter. She stated that she had not. That she always writes in ink and that she always writes her letters herself.

Trooper Hawthorne was asked if ~~the~~ the letter <sup>was</sup> produced was the type of letter which Miss Buchanan writes. He stated it was not.

In his evidence the accused stated that he had found this letter on the 30<sup>th</sup> of May 1923 which date was after he had heard the evidence of