

ful examination of the cardboard showed that it must have been in the envelope at that time, as it bore a slight impression of the post mark. This fact convinced them, that Mr. Whitelaw's statements, that he had not enclosed the card board, and had never seen such, were untrue, and confirmed them in the opinion that the envelope had never enclosed any bank bills. In the evening they met Mr. Whitelaw at his house on his return. Mr. Bolduc informed him that anything he said might be used as evidence against him, but wished him to make a statement. He asked for time, and did not wish to make any statement that night; and told them he was obliged to leave Kinnear's Mills at 8 o'clock the next morning. Mr. Bolduc says, as he seemed to wish to put the matter off indefinitely, he told him they could not give any delay, but that he might have until next morning. It was arranged they should return at 7 o'clock the next morning. From the evidence it would appear it was about 6.30 p.m. when they met Mr. Whitelaw; and their interview must have occupied sometime. After they left, Mr. Whitelaw went to see Mr. Kinnear, and it could not then have been earlier than 7.30 p.m. There is great contradiction between Mr. Whitelaw and 4 members of the Kinnear family, as to what took place that evening and that night; and either Mr. Whitelaw swears falsely, or the four members of the Kinnear family do. He says he went and met Mr. Kinnear in the Post Office, and there had a lengthy conversation with him, before going into the house. They all swear positively that the Post Office was closed before that hour; that Mr. Kinnear had come into the house and that Mr. Whitelaw came to the house, and had no interview with Mr. Kinnear in the Post Office; and the four members of Mr. Kinnear's family declare that they heard all that took place that evening, between Mr. Kinnear and Mr. Whitelaw. Mr. Whitelaw says that at the lengthy interview in the Post Office, before going into the house, various propositions were made by Mr. Kinnear; that on Mr. Whitelaw's informing him the Inspectors were to call next morning and that if he should say he had placed the money in the letter, Mr. Kinnear would certainly be arrested and taken to the jail in Arthabaska on a criminal charge of having abstracted the money; that these various propositions were discussed between them in the Post Office: that Mr. Kinnear expressed his willingness to pay \$5,500, rather than be arrested or have the matter go any further; that Mr. Whitelaw informed him that he believed that if the \$200 was provided, or that the Inspectors were told it would be provided, the matter would end there; that Mr. Whitelaw consented to assume the responsibility of saying to the Inspectors the money would be forwarded, provided Mr. Kinnear would furnish the money and give him a note for \$5,300, to protect him from the responsibility of so acting and which, he said, might cause him "immediate trouble"; that he would not take a note for \$5,500, as the \$200 must be provided in cash; that after considerable discussion,