

the cellar and put it under the gallery; and went under the gallery at some convenient opportunity to take it away, or that the front door was opened by the original or a false key which latter supposition, deponent does not incline to. Deponent returned from the upper part of the village about 11 o'clock at night with Mr. Bethune, carrying a candle as he had not been able to get a lantern where they had been, and the night being calm but very dark. This was the night after the robbery was discovered.

On arriving at Mr. Bethune's door deponent observed a lot of Bank Bills which appeared to have been just thrown down there as there had been rain a little while before, and the bills were perfectly dry, as well as the paper round them. The paper now produced is the same which they there found with the bills partially enclosed. This paper bears the impress of a hot iron, and it had that impress on it at the time it was found. It was sealed up in deponent's presence by Mr. Bethune that night, and opened in deponent's presence the following morning.

*Sworn at Cobourg,
in the District of New
castle, this 2d of July,
1833, before me*

E. BARNUM, J. P.

CHR. CLARK.

Deposition of J. G. BETHUNE of Cobourg,
in the District of Newcastle, Esquire.

About half past ten in the morning of the 20th of June, deponent met W. Kittson, who is confidential Clerk in deponent's office, and has entire charge and control of all the Bank Funds Books, lodged in deponent's office. In the street between Orcutt's tavern and Mr. Clark's store, W. Kittson exclaimed we are robbed, we are robbed, or words to that effect, deponent proceeded with Mr. Kittson to the office, who showed him the empty chest; he also pointed out to deponent the place in the bureau where he put the key of the chest when he went to the Circus the previous evening, as he stated about 9 o'clock, that he found the key in the same place when he went to bed at eleven. Wm. Kittson pointed out to deponent that the table on which a quantity of paper, &c. is placed had one leg in nearly the centre of the trap leading to the cellar. Deponent followed Mr. Kittson down the trap, and saw him in the act of opening the door which divides the inner

from the outer cellar, but turned back to examine a window that he recollected seeing open in his way to the office; when deponent returned to the cellar, Mr. Kittson pointed out a track near the door in the outer cellar, which both Mr. Kittson and deponent at that time thought was made by the person who was in the act of forcing the inner cellar door, and this belief was strengthened by deponent observing tracks quite fresh under the front gallery of the building; deponent is of opinion from subsequent observation and minute examination of the premises, that there was not any forcible entry into the premises in question on the night of the 19th June; deponent has read Mr. C. Clark's deposition, and as far as relates to the finding of the Bank Notes in front of deponent's door, and the trial of forcing the inner door of the cellar, and believes the same to be correct in substance. Deponent recognizes the sheet of paper produced as the same that was found with the Bank Notes on the eight of the 20th June by Chs. Clark and deponent. That deponent discharged one of his clerks since the robbery of the name of Edmund Rubidge, because said clerk had deceived deponent in acknowledging that he was duly sworn as a Post office clerk, when the truth was otherwise. Deponent appears from the circumstances that have come out during this investigation, and matters that came to deponent's knowledge previous, that the robbery of the iron chest was committed by one or two persons in deponent's employ, and that said robbery was committed in the evening previous to the shutting of the office for the night.

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J. G. BETHUNE.

JOHN HEARD, of the township of Hamilton, in the Newcastle District, Yeoman, being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelists, maketh oath and saith, that conversing with Mr. Edmund Rubidge, on the subject of the robbery which took place at Mr. Bethune's office, on Wednesday the 19th inst. deponent said to him, he considered what the said Edmund Rubidge had stated on a deposition before Robert Henry, Esq. deponent thought the money might have been taken while Mr. Kittson was at his tea, and