

relative to the inquest. DeLong told me there was no other key than the one which he gave me. A man named Squier sitting in the room asked me to show him the stomach. I simply took the bottle from my pocket and let him see it. Next day the stomach was placed in a clean dish, in the presence of the jury, as Drs. Gross and Procter wished again to see it, the *post mortem* examination having previously been conducted by candle light. No one besides the doctors touched it. The table was between me and them. The stomach was in the dish about fifteen or twenty minutes. It was then replaced in the bottle and sealed in the presence of the jury. The stamp I used was a penny piece. I am not sure that a penny was used on the twine that I wound round the box. I rather think I used an ordinary wafer stamp—but I am not confident. I gave the package to Mr. Robert Barker, one of the jury to take to Kingston, on the day it was sealed.

ROBERT BARKER—I was one of the jury who enquired into the death of Mrs. King. The bottle containing the stomach was delivered to me. The stomach was secured as described by last witness. I received it on the morning of either the 10th or 11th of November and by the twelve o'clock train I went to Kingston. The package was in my carpet bag, which I kept in my hand all the time. In the evening I saw the professor of Queen's College, who declined to give me a decisive answer until next morning I left my bag in a closet of the laboratory, which I looked up. Next morning I called, took it away and returned with it to Brighton—the package being precisely in the same conditions as when I received it.

Cross-examined.—When the stomach was placed in the bottle it (the bottle) was not at once corked. The *post mortem* examination was conducted in the school-house, in the presence of the jury. There were fourteen or fifteen on the jury. No one that I saw, either went near to the body or touched it. I do not think during the *post mortem* examination any of the relatives of the deceased were present. It was not impossible, certainly, for any of the jurors to drop something into the basin which contained the stomach; but I do not think any of them went near it. The mouth of the bottle was not corked on the day the stomach was taken from the body, it was merely covered with paper tied down with strings. Next day I produced a cork, and when the Jury re-assembled the Coroner produced the bottle in the same state as it had been the day previous.

SIMON DAVIDSON recalled—I received the bottle from Mr. Barker, the same day that he returned from Kingston. I placed it in a locked closet, and kept it till the morning of the 13th. I then started with it for Toronto. I got as far as Colborne, when, learning that King had been arrested, I determined to return. I gave the stomach to Mr. Keeble, the conductor, to take it to Professor Croft.

Cross-examined—Between the time I placed the bottle in the closet after I received it from Mr. Barker, and the time I took it out on the thirteenth, I did not see it.

JAMES KEEBLE examined.—I am a conductor on the Grand Trunk.