

Re: Julian LALONDE, Driftpile, Alta.--
Murder. Sec. 263 C.C. of C.

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investigation made so far, and comparing the information contained in the different reports made so far, with the information obtained in my investigation, and this all simmers down to a strong possibility of suicide, and a weaker possibility of murder. Beginning first with the murder angle:-

(I) It is established that wife of Deceased was running around with Accused. This had been going on for some time, and deceased was aware of it. This lead to separation between Deceased and his wife, and deceased moved furniture away to a new location, namely to the home of William (Okemow) Williar.

(II) Shortly after lunch, Dan Williar came to Albert Williar and asked Rosalie where Jean was and she told him she had gone to Michael Chalifoux's place. He followed Jean there and gave her a beating up allegedly with a stick. (No stick was ever found) However Jean had marks to show at the Agency. Dan did not enter Albert Williar's house then, but went away stating that he would tell the Indian Agent his troubles.

(III) Investigation discloses that some of the statements disclose that Dan is alleged to have returned to the William (Okemow) Williar home, but later during the night, he went to Albert Williar's place. Jean was supposed to be there, and Julien Lalonde alleged to be hiding behind two large poplars behind the house with a rifle. From this point he could see clearly the light in Deceased quarters, also had a good view of approach to the Albert Williar house. (He admits himself that he was there and had his rifle with him) He could have seen Deceased enter Albert Williar's house, or nearly enough to conclude that Deceased had entered.

(IV) In the meantime Jean and Deceased quarrelled in the Albert Williar home, and she goes out and flashes Julien Lalonde a signal. He leaves his place of concealment, goes around the hay corral and waits till Deceased comes out, continues on the foot-path, then swings on to the left, makes a semi circle, and meets Deceased on the foot-path, strikes him on the nose to stun him, then shoots him twice, one of the shots taking an upper course, merely grazing the scalp. He reloads his rifle and fires again from the same angle, and deceased falls. Accused then returns to the house, and later returns to the scene to ascertain if Deceased is dead and turns him over on his back to make sure that he is dead, having in the meantime conspired with the other three in Albert Williar's house to make it appear like a suicide. Having assured himself that the victim is dead, he places his rifle between his legs, and leaves the scene, returning to the Williar home to finish the plot.

(V) There is a lot of evidence to uphold the theory outlined in Par. IV, but the chain of physical evidence is not complete.

(VI) It is quite definitely established that Deceased died between 2 and 3 o'clock A.M. of November 27th 1938. Of the four, namely; Julien Lalonde, Jean Williar, Albert, and Rosalie Williar, the first two mentioned are the only ones who would have a motive for murdering Deceased. Albert Williar and his wife would have no motive. The suspects are Jean Williar and Julien Lalonde.

(VII) Jean Lalonde has a bad moral character. She is also of a fierce nature. It is rumoured that she was suspected of having murdered a previous paramour in the spring of 1937. I refer to File Re: Victor Cardinal, Sucker Creek, Alta. (Treaty) - Accidental Death. The rumour has it that she met this man in the wood when he was returning home from the hunt, took his rifle, knocked him on the head, then pushed him into the river. Dan Lalonde, father of the accused herein is alleged to have spread this rumour.

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