

ing to the Postmaster to use every precaution as I was sending quite a sum. The Postmaster weighed it to ascertain if it were over weight, but it was not. This is the first time anything like this has happened in my experience, so I am quite at a loss to know what to say and what is best to be done. Probably I had better not do anything at this end until I hear from you. The name I gave you was not John Kinnear, but James Kinnear. Was the letter in my writing? *Where did the Quebec Bank statement and cardboard come from?* Probably these may lead to a clue. Please let me hear from you at earliest date.

Very truly yours,

J. M. WHITLAW.

On the next day, the 15th, Mr. Whitlaw received Dr. Warden's letter of the 13th, and wrote again. This letter is also important.

"Kinnear's Mills, Dec. 15, '99.

Dear Dr. Warden :

Your second letter re. my registered letter is just to hand. The envelope must surely show signs of being opened. I have just seen our Postmaster, who remembers distinctly of my mailing the three registered letters, each with an official or large white envelope. The one addressed to you was the heaviest, and I asked him to weigh it, so as to make sure that it was not over weight, so that it must have been very near it,—so far as we can remember it was within $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. of full weight. He did not notice that any one of the letters was soiled in the closing. I told him to be careful, because a considerable sum was being sent. A Mr. Frizzle was in the office at the time and heard our conversation, but I have not seen him since. *The Postmaster has thought best to write P. O. Inspector Bolduc in the connection.* Our Postmaster, from late past experience, has suspicions, but of course I dare not write these. I scarcely know what to write. I have never even seen a Quebec Bank statement to my knowledge, and Postmaster said same was true of him, *but I doubt that.* I am just leaving to open our new church in the East Angus mission, and will not be back before Wednesday, the 20th, so that any communication from you in meantime will have no reply before that date. Hoping that we may soon find guilty one.

very truly yours,

J. M. WHITLAW.

As the result of this correspondence, Dr. Warden handed over the envelope and contents (exhibits Nos. 1, 2, 12 and 12a) to Post Office Inspector Henderson, of Toronto, who forwarded them immediately to Inspector Bolduc of Quebec, as Kinnear's Mills is in his division. On their arrival in Quebec, Assistant Inspector Green, being about to open up the envelope at the ends, (as he says is usually their custom) he discovered that one end of the envelope had been