

whether the signs of death by drowning were absent. Other evidence went to show that the deceased had shot himself while on the bridge and that his body fell into the river. These cases are instructive as they point to the necessity of careful and patient investigation, and by the exercise of reason the actual nature of the case can generally be arrived at with certainty. Murder, when perpetrated, can very rarely be so covered up as to obliterate all trace of the crime. And it is as well the public should be aware that the profession possesses sure and certain signs, unmistakeable, reasonable, and convincing, which will bring to light a hideous crime of this nature even though there may be no corroborative evidence, which, however, in the instances above referred to was not wanting.

THE BONES IN PERNICIOUS ANÆMIA.

We notice that reference is made in the London *Lancet* of August 2nd, to some observations published last autumn in the "Transactions of the Canada Medical Association," by Professor William Osler, M.D., of McGill University, in reference to the condition of the bones and marrow in Pernicious Anæmia, as well as to other remarks on the same subject, more recently published. The latter we have not seen, but the *Lancet* does not accredit the source from whence it has obtained the information. This is to be regretted, as it is due to the author, as well as to the readers of the *Lancet*, to give them the opportunity of seeing the entire article, and not a mere abstract of observations which are of practical importance, and which are attracting very general attention. Dr. Osler has devoted a large amount of time to these inquiries, and so far as he has gone his deductions are highly interesting and instructive, and reflect credit on his persevering industry.

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