

“ That the remains of the seven bodies above mentioned are evidently those of seven of the patients named on the said list, but that it has been impossible to identify the said bodies, the action of the fire having deprived them of all form of humanity.

“ That the fire originated in a cell to which a patient had shortly before been relegated.

“ That it became necessary, as a measure of safety, to transfer this patient, Julie Elie *alias* Breton by name, she being in a state of frenzy, to the cell in question, in which there was only a simple straw-bed.

“ Then when the said Julie Elie *alias* Breton was placed in the said cell, the said straw-bed was laid along one of the sides of the cell, and was perfectly intact, showing no sign of fire or smoke.

“ That a few moments subsequently, fire was discovered in the mattress, which was then found in the middle of the cell.

“ That during all the time that elapsed between her entry into the cell, and the moment when the straw-bed was discovered to be on fire, the said Julie Elie *alias* Breton, remained alone confined in the said cell inaccessible to any other person, except the nurses and officials of the institution.

“ That at the time of the admission of the said patient, there were no light, fire, matches, or any other material of a nature to produce fire in the said cell.

“ That when the said patient was thus transferred to the said cell, she was only clothed in a night-gown, came out of her own cell with her hands hanging down, and entered the last mentioned cell in the same manner.

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