

WILLIAM A SMITH, a witness of lawful age, called on behalf of the State, after having been duly sworn, testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION.

Q. (By Mr. Green): Mr. Smith, where were you employed last August? A. F. Strohberg's, 56 First street Annapolis.

Q. Do you recall the 8th of August, the day Mrs. Brandon was found dead in her home? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Do you know this little boy, LeRoy Sisco? A. Yes, he takes small orders around for us.

Q. Was he sent out that day? A. Sent out that morning.

Q. Do you remember what time? A. Between half past eleven and twelve.

Q. Where to? A. 51 Second street.

Q. Were you there when he came back? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did he tell you what he heard and saw on Second street when he came back? A. Yes, sir; fifteen minutes after he got in the store.

CROSS-EXAMINATION.

(Mr. Brady): You say he was sent out between half past eleven and twelve? A. I did.

Q. How long did it take LeRoy to walk from your place? A. He was not crippled then.

Q. He was not crippled then? A. No, sir.

Q. What size of bag of flour did he have? A. Twelve pounds.

Q. How long would it take him, do you think? A. Not over ten minutes anyhow and he could play on his way a little bit.

Q. Would not take him over ten minutes to go that far?
A. No.

Q. Now, as a matter of fact, just before the Brandon case was to be called in the City of Annapolis last October, you recall of me having come to you and asked you a question as to the time about when LeRoy was sent up the street that day?
A. I do. What did I tell you that afternoon?

Q. Did you tell me it was in the afternoon sometime? A. I did until I asked Miss Lewis, the bookkeeper.

Q. You told me it was in the afternoon sometime? A. I did.

Q. That was about a month or two months afterwards? A. I don't know exactly how long, I could not tell you, didn't I tell you the next day when you came up there you came up there the next day, and I said, Mr. Brady, I was mistaken on that.

Q. That is the idea? A. I am on my oath.

Q. But you did tell him? A. I said I did.

Q. You said to me about two months at the trial—— A. It may have been the next week.

Q. It was sometime in October or November? A. I can't recall the day it was called.

Q. In the City of Annapolis? A. Yes.

Q. And you did tell me that LeRoy went up there in the afternoon? A. I told you better the next time when I saw you, the next day, no longer than the next day, either.

Q. Therefore I didn't summons you, did I? A. I don't know whether you summoned me or no, I don't know anything about it.

Q. You do admit you said that? A. I do; yes, sir. When you send out 35 or 40 orders in the morning——

(Mr. Brady): That is all.

(Examination concluded.)

(Adjourned until tomorrow morning.)

MRS. FLORENCE BAKER, a witness of lawful age, called on behalf of the State, after having been duly sworn, testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION.

Q. (By Mr. Green): Where do you live? A. I live 19 Second street.

Q. 19 Second street? A. Yes.

Q. You recall this day when Mrs. Brandon's body was found dead in her home? A. I was told that she was killed on the 8th of August.

Q. You remember the day, the time? A. Yes, I remember.

Q. Do you know John Snowden? A. Yes. I know him when I see him.

Q. Did you see him on Second street about twelve o'clock or any time that day? A. No, sir; I was not out.

Q. Did you say to him that day, why he was not at work? A. No, sir.

Q. Did you say, you people have to work pretty hard down there? A. No, sir.

Q. Where were you at that time? A. I was in my kitchen, preparing dinner for my brother, as we have dinner at twelve.

Q. You didn't see him at all that day? A. No, sir.