

of the brain, threatening apoplexy; I examined him with some care; I found the pupils of his eyes of natural size, but insensible to light; that is, when I opened the eye, there was but slight sensibility to the light; continued of that opinion until Mr. Hutton and I raised him to his feet; then dismissed that idea, as I found that instead of giving way to the floor he was rigid and stiff in his limbs; I then feared paralysis; we put him to bed, and I went down stairs; said to Mrs. Wharton "I'm glad we have found this bottle, for it explains his condition on yesterday, and if he has taken nothing but laudanum he will recover;" had discovered no evidences of a dangerous amount of opium having been taken; administered the dose of jasmine; had he taken a dangerous amount of opium the pupils of his eyes would have been contracted, and I should have expected to have found a very different character of breathing; would have been slow and laborious; failed, too, to find the muscular relaxation which would have resulted from a dangerous amount of opium; have seen a good many cases in which overdoses of opium have been taken, and speak from experience, when I went to give the General the first dose I found his teeth so clenched that it was very difficult to introduce the spoon into his mouth, and if he had been under the influence of opium that would not have been the case, but the muscles would have been relaxed; remained to watch the result of that dose; in about fifteen minutes his appearance began to improve, his color was better, and the appearance of his eye notably better; I sat by his bed and watched for some time the effect of the medicine; when I gave the dose at 11 o'clock I gave the direction to repeat the dose at 12 o'clock if he continued in the condition in which he then was; I directed, after observing the effect of the medicine, to give the dose at 1 o'clock; went to the house to look for a nurse, but failing to obtain one, I returned and so informed Mrs. Wharton, and at the same time I told her I had given directions for a dose of forty drops to be given at 1 o'clock; found it necessary to use a catheter; Mrs. Hutton came for me as she described, and when I went into the room I found the General in convulsions; that was about 1 o'clock; had feared urinic poison; put him under the influence of chloroform, by inhalation, that I might use my catheter; tested the urine and found it perfectly healthy; the convulsions were very peculiar, and there seemed to be an effort to throw himself from side to side; saw deep scratches on his neck, and a few on his forehead; found his stomach also scratched; the skin was practically torn off; not wishing to trust the inhalation of chloroform to inexperienced persons, I gave him thirty grains of chloral; when I returned to the General I remarked to Mr. Snowden "I fear the General has been poisoned;" that was about 2 o'clock; when my mind was in this condition of doubt and suspicion Mrs. Hutton called me aside, and we had a conversation. [The defence objected to the conversation being given, and the Doctor desisted.] I was sent for to see Mrs. Loney, and she took from her pocket a tumbler; I took out a minute portion of the sediment from the tumbler on my knife, and put

it to the roof of my mouth; found it contained a strong metallic taste, and it also burnt my tongue; the taste was so strong that it persisted in my mouth until I got my dinner, about 5 o'clock; then remarked to Mrs. Loney (here the Doctor was again stopped by the defence); returned to General Ketchum's room with my doubt very much changed into a conviction that he had been poisoned; found General Ketchum growing rapidly worse; left General Ketchum's room to notify Mrs. Wharton of the General's impending death; left her room to return to General Ketchum's, and I met a gentleman coming down stairs, and he answered me that the General was dead; passed on up stairs and soon satisfied myself that he was dead; knew a telegram had been sent to General Brice; looked in General Ketchum's pockets and took his watch, rings and other valuables, which I found, and gave them to Mrs. Hutton; examined the coat and pants, but saw no vest; hunted for the vest so as to be able to discover anything valuable in his pockets; found in his pockets a pocket-book, a watch and a knife; waited for some time hoping General Brice would arrive, but feeling very tired I went home and requested to be informed of his arrival; saw General Brice that night at 9 o'clock at Mrs. Wharton's; then told him—(here the defence quickly interrupted, and the doctor was not allowed to relate what he said); we made the post mortem examination about 11 o'clock on Thursday morning; Drs. Chew and Miles assisted me in the post mortem examination; the body had been removed to Jacob Weaver's, the undertaker, on Ross street; we removed the skull, took out the brain, but failed to discover anything to explain the cause of his death, we then examined the liver, kidneys and spleen, and found them all healthy; we then applied a ligature above and below the stomach and removed that also with its contents; we next removed the bowels, opened them and found nothing especially noteworthy except occasional points of congestion; we had a slight discussion as to the propriety of opening the chest to examine the heart and lungs, but we did not open them; subsequently, when the Grand Jury found an indictment, we proceeded to Washington, had the body exhumed and found no evidences of disease in the heart or lungs; we placed the stomach in a glass jar and sent it to Dr. Askin by Dr. Chew; we found the spinal column contained nothing we could regard as a cause of death; in the brain we discovered minute, little red points, which the book speak of as punctiform congestion; concluded that these little points were rather the effect of some other cause than that which resulted in his death; it might be looked for after a prolonged death struggle; there was no effusion of blood or of serum in any part of the brain; the jar in which the stomach was placed was perfectly clean, and came from Marion's drug store.

Here the Court adjourned until to-morrow at 10 A. M. Mrs. Wharton sat during the whole day with her veil down and appeared very composed.