

I asked Round how long it was since he had it. He said, twelve or eighteen months. Then we argued about it. Dowd, Timothy Dowd, and Round came to the conclusion it was three years since I borrowed it from Hodges. Round said he did not think he had borrowed it twice. Round showed me his shot-pouch. Round said that when he came for it I had not got it, and he came to the conclusion he had only borrowed it once; that he went a second time for it, and I did not have it.

Did Dowd or Greaves ask you to say that you were doubtful if Round had returned the shot-pouch or not?—They asked me if Round returned the shot-bag the time he had it or not, and I said I did not recollect about it. They said he could not have returned it if I cannot remember. I cannot say that he got it a second time or not. I thought it was Chemis up to Thursday night before Good Friday. On Thursday night Greaves asked me about it. I told him it was at Chemis's, and told him to bring it down—it and the sheath-knife. It was my own knife, the knife that Harris purchased for me. I got the knife back about Good Friday. When he brought them home I was in town, and he gave them to the missus, Mrs. Harris. At that time I had no doubt it was at Chemis's—the shot-pouch. The pouch was at Chemis's. I will not swear it was there. I have no doubt but that it was there, but I will not swear it. I know I left it there once when I was shooting. I left it there because I ran out of shot. I borrowed his (Chemis's) to go out shooting with. I left mine there then. I used Chemis's several times afterwards. I cannot recollect taking mine away. I have all along believed that my shot-pouch was there. I have used Chemis's shot-pouch several times. I cannot say which I used last, the one I borrowed or Chemis's. I had no doubt I borrowed the shot-pouch from Hodges. I had a conversation with Hodges, I think last Monday morning (26th August). I heard of the find when I was in a room with some young fellows, when Mrs. Overend came in and said a shot-pouch and a knife had been found. I spoke to Jim Holmes about it on Monday (the son); he came to me about it. He asked me what I had done with the pouch I had borrowed off Bonny (meaning Hodges). I said I thought it was up at Louis's. I said I thought it was not for me to say where it was. Holmes said he would find out about it, or see about it. I said, I know the place where I left it last. He did not say, "Where was that?" I gave him a reason for not saying where I had left it. I said, if I could prove where I left it it would not do the case any good. I meant the lawsuit between Mrs. Chemis and the detectives—this case. I was told the description of the flask, and it led me to the conclusion that it was the one I left at Chemis's. Jim Holmes was speaking about the description in the yard. I meant that I left it at Louis Chemis's, and it would not do Chemis any good. I heard about the knife. I cannot say that I have seen a knife like it in Chemis's possession. I cannot be sure if I have or have not seen it. I cannot say that I have seen one at Chemis's. I have seen some knives like it down at the fish-shops at Kaiwarra. I have never seen the knife produced in Chemis's possession [the knife found in Chemis's house]. The tannery knives are larger than this. I do not use knives like that produced. I spoke to Hodges on 26th August (Monday). I went to the engine-house to him. I asked him something about the shot-pouch. I asked him if it was he I had borrowed the shot-pouch from. He said, Yes. I had partly forgotten I had borrowed it from him. He did not say I would have to give an account of it. I said I thought it was at Chemis's. I think I used Chemis's name. I told Hodges that I saw Benjamin with a shot-pouch in his pocket, and I said if I saw the one he had in his pocket I would very likely tell it was the one I had had at Chemis's. I was in the room, the jury-room, while Benjamin was there and had the pouch in his pocket. I did not think it my duty to tell the police I had left a shot-pouch at Chemis's. I only told Greaves when he came to borrow it. I did not tell Dowd or Mrs. Chemis I knew I had left a shot-pouch at Chemis's. I thought it was there at the time of the murder. I did not know the police had taken only one pouch. I did not think it my duty to tell the police. I did not know but what the pouch was in the house. I cannot really swear the pouch produced is the same I borrowed. It is the same shape; it has no picture on it. I could not say if it had a brass top or iron top—leather is the same. The only thing that makes me think it is not the pouch is because there is no picture on it. I am more certain that there was a picture on it than I am that it is the same flask. There was no picture mentioned in the description by Holmes. The flask I left at Chemis's was the one I got from Hodges. I told you I fancied there was a picture on it about the size of a five-shilling piece. I said I would not swear there was, and I would not swear there was not. If it had a picture on it I would swear it was the flask I had. I gave Chemis the bullet.

*Ebenezer Round*, sworn, saith: I am a tinsmith, employed by Mr. Garland. I remember the Sunday after Hawkings's death. I live with my father. I had a gun in my house that day. I obtained it from Dimock Bros. There was nothing wrong with it. A nipple was not off it. I received the gun the third Friday in April last. That gun was in my house on the 1st June. It was taken out by me that day. I had it out all day. I went out in the morning. I have not the slightest idea what time I went out. It was daylight, I think, when I got up. I go to work at 8 o'clock. I cannot say if it was before 8 o'clock or not. I do not know what time I got up. I did not have my breakfast at home that morning. I had it over the hill. The gun was at home from Friday till Saturday at 2 o'clock. I knocked off work at 5 o'clock on Saturday night. I last spoke to Joe Eagle at our gate about 5.30 on Friday the 31st May. I did not look to see if the gun was there or not. It was there all right on Saturday at 2 o'clock, when I went for it; it was in the same place as where I left it the Sunday before. I never had it repaired. I cannot remember if anyone was with me on Saturday, shooting. It was before breakfast-time I went out. Breakfast-time is 8 o'clock on Sunday. I went round Cummings's. I did not see Cummings. I saw Charley Alpin when I had been out two or three hours. I had the gun then. I got home at dusk. I had the gun then. The gun was in the same state when I returned about a fortnight ago as when I received it. I gave it to Mrs. Bett. I always used paper with that gun. I generally use "B B" shot as a rule. I last bought shot at Bradford's. I had a shot-pouch—an ordinary