

me. I never had any occasion to remark the time it would take me to walk up from the road. When Mr. Jellicoe came out, and saw all these things in the drawer, he advised me to lay these informations. I showed him the things. I said the policeman swore lies about these things not being in the drawers the night he took the drawer away, two days after the conviction. I did not lay the informations then, but left it to Mr. Jellicoe for when he had time to attend to it. He had some cases in Court then. I came in one morning to see Mr. Jellicoe, to see what time he thought fit to lay the informations. I had not been sent for. The informations were not ready then. I came in by the 9 o'clock train. I went home in the afternoon. I had dinner at home. It was before tea. The children had had their dinner. They told me so. I swore the informations. I went with Mr. Jellicoe's clerk to some gentleman's office. Mr. Glascodine was the clerk. I stayed there until the informations were made out. Mr. Jellicoe made them out and sent them to be copied. I do not know how long it took. I had some money in the Savings Bank in my husband's name. He gave me an order and I drew it out. I paid some bills, and I have the balance in the bank. I remember on the 5th June the four constables coming. Benjamin asked me to come in and see what he was doing. I went into the room.

Do you ask the Court to believe that the police having invited you to come into the room to see what they did, then proceed to tell a series of falsehoods as to the result of the research?—I do: they told a falsehood saying those things were not in the drawer.

*By Mr. Jellicoe.*]—In this book I entered the customers' names, and opposite their names I enter the quantity of milk that is taken. When I make out bills on the first of the month I make entry that bill has gone out, and when they pay I rule a pencil over the figures, which shows that the account is paid. [Exhibit E.] The road to the house is up a hill.

*Mary Kate Jellicoe*, sworn, saith: I am the wife of E. G. Jellicoe, solicitor. I remember Sunday, the 21st July last. I drove out to the Hutt that day. I left you at the bottom of Chemis's lane, and I went on to the Hutt with the others who were with me. On my return I picked up Mr. Jellicoe about the same place. Mr. Jellicoe had a man with him, who carried a box covered with paper (newspaper) I think. The box was put into the carriage and we drove home. On the same day I saw Mr. Hawkins, he was by his gate next door to my house. The box was brought from the carriage and placed in my drawing-room. Mr. Hawkins went into the drawing-room. I was present when he looked into the box, and looked into it myself. The box is not now in the same state as when it came to my house; the top was quite straight round, except the piece that is cut out of the side. Care was taken of the box, and it was put in a cupboard in Mr. Jellicoe's dressing-room. I wrapped it in paper and gave it to the office boy who called next morning. I gave it to him just as I had received it; it was quite straight all round then.

*By Mr. Bell.*] I have not heard Mr. Jellicoe say he would have every policeman out of the place, or every detective. I am not aware he has said so to any one else.

*Robert Samuel Hawkins*, sworn, saith: I am a Justice of the Peace. I remember Sunday, 21st July, and a carriage driving up to your door. At your invitation I went into your house with you. I went into the drawing-room. You brought in the bandbox produced; it was in paper; you opened it; I looked at it. It is not now in the same state as it was then; a piece has been cut off the top of the rim; the rim was perfectly level when you produced it. I had a reason for looking at it at the time.

*By Mr. Bell.*] I am the editor of the *Evening Press*, and the writer of a number of articles on Chemis's case. I have been in frequent communication with Mr. Jellicoe. I have never had any with the solicitor for the prosecution. My information has been drawn from public sources and from Mr. Jellicoe; all that has not been gained from public sources has been gained from Mr. Jellicoe. From time to time Mr. Jellicoe has produced to me affidavits which he collected for the purpose of an application for a reprieve. I have frequently discussed the Chemis case with Mr. Jellicoe. I have discussed some things relating to these perjury prosecutions. He told me that Mrs. Chemis intended to lay the informations. He did not tell me any object in laying the informations. He did not say what he intended to do with the police generally. He did not express his opinion as to the Wellington police generally, I do not think. He has not said anything with regard to Thomson or Campbell, but he did express an opinion as to Benjamin. He said that he would be prosecuted, and that he believed that Benjamin had stated lies, that he lied in his evidence. He told me so on more than one occasion. He instanced the statement about the quail, the wad-cutter, the wads and the powder-flask. I forget if he said anything about the paper. I do not think he told me that Benjamin was a liar. He did not comment on Benjamin's character generally. He has not used abusive language about the police. I never heard him say he would have the police out of the place.

*By Mr. Jellicoe.*] I am not responsible for what appears in the paper; I am editorially responsible. I have no reason for saying that Mr. Jellicoe makes wild accusations. It would not be right for me to express an opinion on an action which is practically *sub judice*, meaning an action Bell *versus* Jellicoe.

*Edwin George Darke Woodward*, sworn, saith: I am a clerk in the office of Mr. Jellicoe. I remember the 29th July last; on that day I took the bandbox produced to the Premier. I remember it being brought into the office by the office-boy, Cropp, a few days before it was sent to the Premier. I placed it on the table in the Premier's room. The Premier was present. You were there. I delivered other exhibits at the same time. It is not now in the same state as it was when delivered in the Premier's room. It had then a straight edge. The piece had not been cut off the top. I went in a cab to the Premier's. George Cropp carried the box to the cab from Mr. Jellicoe's office. Mr. Bailey is a clerk in your office. The box was kept in the safe at the office. I had the box in my possession in presence of Mr. Bailey on the morning I took it to the Premier's.