

CORONER'S INQUEST.

VICTORIA, TO WIT.

This Deponent*

SARAH ANN WILCOCK

on her oath saith, I am a married woman,
residing at 174 Fitzroy Street, Fitzroy.*Christian and
Surname in
full.

TO SIR INSPECTOR MCPHERSON: My husband is a soldier and he is at the front. I remember Sunday morning the 3rd June last. I was in bed when I heard quarrelling. That would be about 20 to 2 in the morning. I got out of bed and looked through the window and saw four men opposite my window on the opposite side of the street to my house. I did not know any of them. I went back to bed. After being in bed I heard a revolver shot, and then in about the space of two seconds I heard three in succession; then there was another space and I heard another; that was five altogether that I heard. In consequence of hearing the shots I came out. I looked out and saw a man lying on the footpath down near the Mission. about 50 yards from my gate on my side. I saw someone go over to him and speak. A man went over to him - to his right hand side and said - "Jack, Jack", and knelt right down; then he ran out on the road and referred to two other men near the Israelite's Church. He said "It is no use -(using a horrible expression) - fooling round here; something will have to be done", and with that he ran towards Gertrude Street. I saw the two men on the opposite side and the bigger man of the two said - "It is no use, he is shot now, you had better walk away, the police will be here soon." He repeated that twice. I could not hear what the smaller man said. I do not know where they went but they went towards Hanover Street. I saw a hansom cab come to the spot with this man who had walked away before the cab came. The man that ran towards Gertrude Street jumped out of the cab at the corner of James Street and Fitzroy Street, and said - "No, down here", and the

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driver drove up to where the man was lying. There were some women there but I do not know who they were. The man that I saw running towards Gertrude Street came back with the hansom cab. I could not tell you if he put the deceased in the cab; there was such a crowd around that I could not see. Then I heard a policeman call out - "Grab that horse, Cooper." Then a constable got up in the hansom cab and I went inside then. I think the lights were ~~on~~ burning in the cab. I do not know where the man who ran up towards Gertrude Street came from. The man had been lying there for fully five minutes before anyone came to him, and he was the first to come to him.

TO THE CORONER: That was fully five minutes after the shots had been fired. In the meantime I was standing at the fence in front of my place. I looked out just after I heard the shots and I only say the two men over at the Israelite's Church gate, and then this man - I do not know where he came from. I was watching the men on the opposite side - he had his hat in his hand.

(SIGNED) SARAH ANN WILCOCK.

Taken and sworn before me the 14th day of July 1917 at Melbourne
by Frank H. Cr Coronor.

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VICTORIA, TO WIT.

This Deponent*

THOMAS WILLIAM THOMPSON,

on his oath saith, I am a Cab driver,

residing at 7 Hilton Street, Clifton Hill.

*Christian and
Surname in
full

TO SUB INSPECTOR MCPHERSON: On the morning of the 3rd June last I was in Victoria Parade, by some supper rooms - No, about 140.

TO THE CORONER: I had a hansom cab there.

TO SUB INSPECTOR MCPHERSON: I was in Victoria Parade, near St Vincent's Hospital. While I was there a man came up to me. I identify the man Johnson now standing in Court as the man who came up to me. He wished to engage the cab. He asked me if I was engaged. He said "Are you engaged", or something to that effect. I said that I had another appointment and that I could not possibly do it, but he insisted. He said "You must come along to take a man to the hospital; he has got a bullet in his head." When I heard that I went immediately. I drove him down Fitzroy Street to the corner of Fitzroy and James Streets. He stopped me about 10 yards before he came to the right spot. Nothing was said - he just said to pull up. He got out of the hansom near where a man was standing or being supported by 4 or 5 women on the street. I heard something said by the women about "getting even". I do not know with whom that would be in regard to getting even. The attitude of the people about there towards the man Johnson was that they did not seem too friendly in my opinion. The injured man was put in my cab right away. There was no light inside the cab. I was just driving off when the police rushed up and stopped the cab. I went to the police station afterwards. I was not present in the office at the station; I was outside. I afterwards took the man to St Vincent's Hospital.

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I waited at the hospital and Johnson afterwards engaged me to drive him to Nicholson Street, North Carlton. I drove him there and that was the last I saw of him - that was the finish.

(SIGNED)

THOMAS W. THOMPSON.

Taken and sworn before me the 24th dayof July 1917 at Melbourne

Coroner.

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VICTORIA, TO WIT.

This Deponent* JOHN EDWARD RILEY,on h **is** oath saith, I am a Police Constable
residing at stationed at Fitzroy.*Christian and Surname in full

TO SUB INSPECTOR McPHERSON: At 2.30 a.m. on the 3rd June last I was on duty in Brunswick Street, Fitzroy. I heard cries of "Police" coming from the direction of Hanover Street and I went to the corner of Brunswick Street and Hanover Streets. On the way there I was joined by Constable Cooper. He joined me in Brunswick Street. I saw a hansom cab at the corner of Fitzroy Street and Brunswick Place. It was being driven away and I stopped it and on looking inside I found two persons, one of whom was bleeding freely from the head. The man Johnson now standing in court was the other one. The deceased Cleary was bleeding freely from a wound on the left side of the head, above the left ear. I said to him "Who shot you?" He said @ "I am not shot, I only fell down." Before that I heard a woman say "He is in the cab." That was prior to my looking in the cab. I took the hansom cab and the occupants to the Fitzroy Watch-house. I took the injured man out of the cab at the watch house and took him into the office. He was apparently under the influence of drink but otherwise he was quite conscious and rational. While he was at the lockup I ascertained his name and address. He put his hand in his trouser pocket and drew some silver out and handed it to Johnson. He then put his hand in the inside pocket of his coat or vest and drew out a roll of notes and handed that also to Johnson, at the same time saying - "Take this or these bastards will get it." By that he meant the police. I did not count the money. I conveyed the injured man to the hospital and he was admitted by Dr. Maher. I re-

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there while the Doctor examined him. The Doctor examined the wound while I was there and said that the deceased was suffering from a bullet wound in the head. Johnson was present at that time. Deceased was asked later on how he received his injuries. Constable Mafferzona and I went to the hospital later - about three ~~at~~ o'clock I think it would be.

We went to the ward where he was lying and Constable Mafferzoni said to deceased, "Do you know me"? He said "Yes." Constable Mafferzone said "How did you get hurt", or something to that effect. He said "I do not know." Constable Mafferzoni said "Where were you"? He said "I do not know." Constable Mafferzone again said "Who shot you?" He said "You know I would be the last one to give any one away." He refused to say how, where or when he was shot, or as to what happened.

(SIGNED) J. E. RILEY,

Const. 5876.

Taken and sworn before me the 24th day

of July 1917 at Melbourne
James A. Tre }
 Coroner.

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VICTORIA, TO WIT.

This Deponent*

ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL COOPER

on h ~~is~~ oath saith, I am a Police Constable
residing at stationed at Fitzroy.*Christian and
Surname in
full.

TO SUB INSPECTOR McPHERSON: On the morning of the 3rd June last I was on duty in Webb Street, between George Street and Napier Street - that would be about 200 yards from this house in Fitzroy Street where a party was being held. My attention was attracted by three shots being fired. I then ran along Webb Street to Young Street and I met Constable Riley in Brunswick Street. I saw a hansom cab when we had proceeded from Brunswick Street to Fitzroy Street. I went with the cab to the watch house. I took Murray and McDay to the watch house also. Constable Riley took the injured man to the hospital

R.H. TO THE ~~CORONER~~ CORONER: I only heard three shots; I heard one fired and then two in quick succession a few seconds after the first one. I heard no more after that. I should say it would be about 200 yards from the scene where the man was found to where I was. There may have been more shots fired; you could not tell where the sound came from from where I was.

(SIGNED) A. C. COOPER,

Const. 6063.

Taken and sworn before me the 24th day
of July 1917 at Melbourne
Archibald Cooper }
Coroner.

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VICTORIA, TO WIT.

This Deponent* William John Murray,*Christian and Surname in fullon h is oath saith, I am a Private
residing at attached to the Australian Imperial Forces at
the Seymour Military Camp.

TO SUB INSPECTOR McPHERSON: At the a.m. on the 3rd June I was round the corner from the Cyclorama in Fitzroy Street, having supper. I was with a stranger. After we had supper we walked down Fitzroy Street, and while walking along Fitzroy Street I heard four shots fired. I continued along the Street and I saw a man lying half in the pavement and half in the gutter. From where I was when I heard the shot fired to where I found the man lying in the street I think it would be between 100 and 150 yards. I did not see a woman there then. There was no one about at all when I saw the man. I struck a match and had a look at him and I found that he was bleeding from the head and face. Then I went down to the corner and called out for the police. I stopped at the corner and sang out. It was a junction and the police came to there; then I went back with the police to where the man was lying. The man at this time was either in a hansom cab or getting in; I am not too sure but I fancy he was in it. When I first saw the man he was not conscious. There was a man passed me when we were coming down Fitzroy Street. I could not say whether it is Mr Johnson, who is now present in court. It was very dark at the time. I saw a man running towards Victoria Parade. Some time after a cab came on the scene. It came during the interval while I was away getting the police. I do not know any of the people about there. There were a number of women about while he was being taken away in the cab,

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on h oath saith, I am a

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*Christian and
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full.

TO THE CORONER: I am attached to a machine gun® section - No.

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(SIGNED) WILLIAM J. MURRAY.

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of July 1917 at Melbourne
Frank H. G. Coroner.

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This Deponent* Ettie Joneson her oath saith, I am a married womanresiding at 237 Fitzroy Street, Fitzroy.*Christian and
Surname in
full.

I keep a boarding house. Annie James is employed by me. She resides on the premises. George Moody is my son. He also resides there. He is fourteen years of age. My husband is in Sydney. I game an evening at my place on the 1st June. I invited the neighbors. The following people were there. Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. Glazebrook, Mr. and Mrs. Cleary, Mrs. Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Mitchell, and Mr. Johnston.

I do not know a man named "Snowey". I do not know a man named "Cudmore". There were two men who called early to see Mr. Dunn. They were in the front room when I walked into the front room. It was early when I saw the two men there. I could not describe the two men because they had their hats on. They were both stout men. It was a musical evening, singing and playing the piano. There was nothing else. I had a small barrel of ale. There were no other refreshments. Deceased's wife came to the house somewhere between 9 and 9.30. She came with Mrs. Sullivan. The deceased was there about 9 or 9.15. I remember deceased coming. He came with Mr. Johnston at between 9 and a quarter past. There was no unpleasantness during the evening. I did not hear anyb shots fired. I first heard that Cleary had been shot on the Sunday morning. Mr. Johnston came in early in the morning when my servant was getting breakfast ready. He told the servant and the servant told me. Cleary left my place somewhere near 12 midnight. I did not see him going out the front door. I was out in theback yard talking to Mr. Johnston when Cleary went out. I was not in the front room. Johnston went back into the front room. It could

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on h oath saith, I am a

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not have been more than a couple of seconds from whe-n he left me and went into the front room. I remember a detective and plain clothes constable Maffersoni calling to see me. I did not tell them anything. I did not speak to Mr. Maffersoni and the other detective, I do not know his name. Detective McKerral never spoke to me. It was Maffersoni spoke to me. He abused me. He asked me did I know a man named Cudmore, and I said - "No, I never knew his name till you mentioned it to me". Then he abused and he said he had known me for 20 years, that I had been dying, and that it was a pity I was not dead. I have suffered from my nerves. I said - "There were respectable people in my house and I do not want to mention their names." I went down to the watchhouse and I said the same there. I have mentioned the respectable people's names to-day. The names I have given are all those people who were at my house that night.

TO THE CORONER: I last saw Johnston between 12 and a quarter past. They had not all gone then. Johnston went out of the place by himself. The deceased Cleary had gone before that. All the other men except Mr. Ryan and Mr. Mitchell had gone by that time, and Mr. and Mrs. Dunn, who were in the house, They were boarding with me.

(Signed). E. Jones.

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Coroner.

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VICTORIA, TO WIT.

This Deponent* Eliza Jane Glazebrookon h ~~er~~ ~~er~~ oath saith, I am a married womanresiding at 51 King William Street, Fitzroy.*Christian and
Surname in
full

I knew the deceased Charles Cleary. On the evening of June 2nd last I went to the house of Mrs. Jones. I arrived there at about a quarter to eight. I was by myself when I went in. The guests began to arrive some time after. When I arrived there were present Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. Clifford, Mrs. Dunn, Mrs. Jones and Mrs. James, the servant, and Mr. Dunn. Afterwards two fellows came into the front room. When they came into the front room, someone gave them a glass of beer, I think it was Mrs. Jones. I think they said to one of them - "Snowey". The man named "Snowey" left with the other man and Mr. Dunn. After they left, Mrs. Cleary and the lot of them came in and had beer. I left between a quarter and half past ten. Deceased and his wife were there at that time. I first knew of the shooting when I saw it in the "Age" newspaper.

(Signed). Eliza Glazebrook.

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of July 1917 at Melbourne
James H. C. Tre
Coroner.

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VICTORIA, TO WIT.

This Deponent* _____ Rose Clifford

on her oath saith, I am a married woman,

residing at 426 Drummond Street, Carlton.

*Christian and Surname in full.

At 7.15 on the 2nd June last I went with Mrs. Henderson to Mrs. Jones' place at Fitzroy Street, Fitzroy. There was a party being held there. The following were present -- Mrs. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Cleary, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Wilson, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Simpson, Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. Glazebrook, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Dunn, and two strangers came in afterwards. They came in for about five minutes. I did not know them. They called one of the strangers "Snowey". I think Mr. Dunn called him "Snowey". I saw them go away with Mr. Dunn.

TO THE CORONER: They did not come back that I know of. I was not there.

TO SUB-INSPECTOR MACPHERSON: There was some beer at the house.

There was no quarrelling during the evening. I left at about quarter past ten. I first new of the shooting on Monday morning when I read it in the "Age" newspaper.

(Signed). Rose Clifford.

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of July 1917 at Melbourne

Arnold H. C. Lee

Coroner.

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This Deponent* Annie James,on h oath saith, I am a married woman,residing at 237 Fitzroy Street, Fitzroy.*Christian and
Surname in
full.

I am employed by Mrs. Jones. My husband, Thomas Edward James is employed at the Domain Military Camp. I knew the deceased, Charles Cleary and his wife. He used to supply Mrs. Jones with firewood. The Clearys were frequent visitors at the house. On the evening of the 2nd June last there was a party given at Mrs. Jones' house. It started at about eight o'clock. I was in the kitchen most of the time. I saw Mr. Cleary at about 10 o'clock. I cannot say who was in the front room. During the evening I got more beer than was good for me and I went to bed. I remember the Sunday morning. I was then quite sober. I saw witness Johnston that morning. I was preparing breakfast and Mr. Johnston came in. I spoke first. I said - "What's the matter, Cull?" - we called him "Cull". He said - "I have been down at St. Vincents". I said - "What is wrong". He said - "Charlie was shot". I said - "Oh! my God". I gave him a cup of tea and I took Mrs. Jones in a cup of tea and I told her. Mr. Johnston remained there for about half an hour. There was no further conversation about Cleary with me. Mr. and Mrs. Dunn were living at the house where I was employed. They are not living there now; I do not know where they have gone to. I saw Mrs. Dunn yesterday morning. I told her this inquest was coming off to-day and we had to be down. I told her that the detectives were looking for her and they wanted her to come here.

(Signed). Annie James.

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of July 1917 at Melbourne
John H. Tre }
Coroner.

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This Deponent* Mary Sullivanon her oath saith, I am a married woman,*Christian and
Surname in
fullresiding at 211 Nicholson Street, Carlton.

I knew deceased. I lived next door to him. On the evening of the 2nd June I went with Mrs. Cleary to Mrs. Jones' place in Fitzroy Street, Fitzroy. There was a party there. There were just a few friends there. They were not playing cards. They were playing the piano and singing, and drinking beer. I remained there about two hours. I left about half past eleven. There was no unpleasantness while I was there. I knew all the people I saw there. I did not see two strange men in the front room. I first heard that the deceased had been injured on the Sunday morning at about 3 o'clock. Mrs. Cleary told me. She came in and told me to get up and go to the Hospital with her, that Charlie was shot. She did not say who told her he was shot. I did not go to the Hospital. I saw her again in the morning at about 11 o'clock. She did not tell me how he had got shot. I have not heard how he got shot.

(Signed). Mary Sullivan.

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Frank H. C.
Coroner.

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This Deponent* John Matthew Ryan,on his oath saith, I am a laborer.*Christian and
Surname in
full.residing at 6, McCarthy Square, Carlton.

On the 2nd June last at 9.30 p.m. I went to the house of Mrs. Jones. I saw Mrs. James, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. Dunn. Those are all I can think of now. I saw Mr. Cleary the deceased. When I went into the room he was there. I do not know when he came into the house. I saw Johnston there. I saw Rae Dunn there. Harry Dunn was there later in the night. I did not see him when I went in. He was there about half past 10. I cannot tell you who came with him. I left about half past 12. When I left there were present Mr. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Dunn and Mrs. Jones. The others had gone. Mrs. James was in bed. I did not hear any disturbance there during the evening. I did not know when Cleary left. I did not see him go. I was outside talking to Mitchell and when I came back Cleary was gone. I do not know a man named "Snowey Cudmore". Mitchell was the only "Snowey" I saw there. I first heard of the shooting on Sunday morning. I went over to Mrs. Jones' place, and Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Mitchell told me when I came in.

(Signed). John Matthew Ryan.

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Coroner.

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VICTORIA, TO WIT.

This Deponent* Roy Mitchell,on h is oath saith, I am a Laborer.residing at 237 Fitzroy Street, Fitzroy.*Christian and
Surname in
full.

I stay at Mrs. Jones' place at times. I stayed there the night of the party on 2nd June. I remained there till the Sunday night. I remained there all night. I remember seeing deceased Cleary there on the Saturday night, but I am not certain up to what hour. I think it was about half past 11. I do not know a man they call "Snowey". On Sunday morning I saw Mrs. Jones. She told me that Cleary had been shot and that he had been taken to the Hospital. She did not tell me how it happened, I have not heard how it happened. I cannot tell you what time Harry Dunn came back. I saw him there.

(Signed). Roy Mitchell.

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This Deponent* Bartolo Mafferzoni,on his oath saith, I am a Plain Clothes Constable
residing at stationed at Fitzroy.*Christian and
Surname in
full.

Between 2.30 a.m. and 3 a.m. on the 3rd June last, in company with Constable Riley, I went to St. Vincents Hospital, Victoria Parade, Fitzroy. I saw the deceased Cleary there. He was in bed. He was conscious. I said to him - "Do you know me". --- He said, "Yes, you are Mafferzoni". I said, "What has happened to you?" He said, "I do not know". I said, "Were you shot"? He said, "I do not know". I said, "Who shot you?" He said, "Oh! you know I am the last man in the world to tell you or anybody else." I said, "Where were you" He said, "I cannot tell you". He refused to make any statement at all. I had known deceased for about 18 years. He refused to make any statement or to tell me where he was at the time.

(Signed). B. Mafferzoni.

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of July 1917 at Melbourne }
I am the Coroner. } GR

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VICTORIA, TO WIT.

*Christian and
Surname in
full.

This Deponent* Alexander Thompson McKerrall
 on his oath saith, I am a detective,
 residing at stationed at Melbourne.

On the 3rd June of this year, in company with Detective Hawkins, I saw deceased at St. Vincent's Hospital. He was in bed and had his head in bandages. Hawkins said to him - "You know me. Cleary"---He said, "Yes." Hawkins said, "What happened to you?" He said, "I was shot". "I do not know who done it or where it happened. I had some beer at a grog shop but I do not know where that was or who keeps it".

Since that date Detective Hawkins and myself have interviewed all the witnesses that could throw any light on this matter and statements have been taken from them and placed before this Court with the exception of Harry Dunn and Rae Dunn. We have been unable to locate Harry Dunn. He was living at 237 Fitzroy Street, Fitzroy, but he and Rae Dunn have left there. Rae Dunn was seen last night by Plain Clothes Constable Appleby and instructed to be here to-day. She passed the remark that she would please herself, and she did not think she would be here. Early on Sunday morning of the 3rd June, I visited the locality where the shooting took place, and in front of St. John's Mission Hall, at the corner of Brunswick Street, Brunswick Place and Fitzroy Street, I noticed a pool of blood where the deceased was alleged to have been lying. And on the following morning, Monday, I noticed a bullet hole freshly made directly opposite where the pool of blood was, and in the yard of the church I found this bullet which I produce. I made a rough sketch of the locality, showing the place where the party was held on that night, at the witness Mrs. Jones' place. Also the Mission Church where the deceased

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was found lying and also the tin fence directly opposite where the bullet hole was found in the gate. We have been unable up to the present to get anyfurther evidence from witnesses who could throw any light on the matter.

(Signed). A. T. McKerrall.

Taken and sworn before me the 24th day

of July 1917 at McBrimme
Mount Hope }
Coroner.

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Government Shorthand Writer's Office,

Melbourne, 26 / 7 / 1917

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing typewritten pages, numbered
1 to 23, are a correct transcript of the Shorthand Notes
of Evidence of—

Maryans Clary
Ellen Clary
Dorcas Barbara
Walter John Johnson
Marian Smith
Sarah Ann Wilcock
Thomas William Thompson
John Edward Riley
Archibald Campbell Cooper
William John Murray

taken by me at Melbourne, on the 24th day of July 1917

at an Inquest upon the body of Charles Edward Clary
into a fire at

Geo Brown
Licensed Shorthand Writer.

Government Shorthand Writer's Office,

Melbourne, | 191

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing typewritten pages, numbered
24 to 31, are a correct transcript of the Shorthand Notes
of Evidence of—

Eliza Jane Geazebrook
Rose Clifford
Anne James
Mary Sullivan
John Matthew Ryan
Roy Mitchell
Bartolo Maffezzoni
Alexander Thompson McKellar

taken by me at Melbourne, on the 24th day of July 1917

at an Inquest upon the body of Charles Edward Cherry
into a fire at

Arthur Pan

Licensed Shorthand Writer.

CORONER'S INQUEST.

VICTORIA, TO WIT.

This Deponent*

on h oath saith, I am a

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MINUTES OF EVIDENCE

taken at

M O R G U E,

Melbourne,

on

Thursday, 2nd August, 1917,

before

DR. R. H. COLE

Coroner,

in re

CHARLES E. CLEARY, deceased.

RESUMPTION OF INQUEST.

Sub-Inspector McPherson appeared on behalf of the Police Dept.
 Mr Levy appeared on behalf of the relatives of deceased.

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 of _____ 19 _____ at _____

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CORONER'S INQUEST.

VICTORIA, TO WIT.

This Deponent* HENRY DUNNE,on h is oath saith, I am a Laborer*Christian and
Surname in
full.@residing at and did reside at 237 Fitzroy Street, Fitzroy.

TO SUB-INSPECTOR McPHERSON: On the evening of 2nd June last - which was in a Saturday night - I went to the Fight with two chaps, two Sydney boys. One was named Pat O'Connell but I do not know the name of the other. He was a friend of Pat's. He was not called Snowy. I remained at the Fight until it was about over and went home at about 11 o'clock to Fitzroy St. The two men who went to the fight with me did not come home with me. I went to Mrs Vern's place in Fitzroy Street, where there was a party. Quite a number of people were at the party. I just knew them through coming to the house - I was just a stranger staying there - I was boarding there. There were quite a number of men in the front room. The party broke up about one o'clock. I was there all that night in the house from 11 p.m. on. I did not see Cleary leave the house; they were not all sober. I stayed there that night. I first heard on the Sunday morning that Cleary had been injured. I did not hear any shots fired during that night. On the Sunday morning a servant employed in the house told me that Cleary had been shot. I do not know a man named Cutmore. I live in Carlton now. I was not warned to attend this Inquest last week by the Police. I do not know Sergeant Appleby. I did not know the date on which the Inquest would be held. I left the place where I was living. I think I informed quite a number of people where I was going. I did not tell the people at the house where I was boarding that I was going to live in Carlton. I never left my work where I had been working. When I came into the city with the two men from the Fight, I left them in Bourke Street. I had seen

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CORONER'S INQUEST.

VICTORIA, TO WIT.

This Deponent*

on h oath saith, I am a

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one of the men before; I had met the other one before but I did not know his name; he was a friend of the other man's.

TO THE CORONER: They came to see me at Mrs Jones' place at halfpast seven on the Saturday night. They did not come there after I arrived home from the Eight. I am sure of that. I do not know Cutmore or a man called Snowy. It is not true that he went away with me from this party. I work at 213 Berkely Street, Carlton, for a man named Young. I have been there for two months and I am working there still; since this trouble took place I have still been working there. I am living at 151 Barry Street, Carlton. I have been living there since I left Fitzroy Street. I have not seen either of the men since Cleary's death.

(Signed) R. DUNN.

Taken and sworn before me the 2nd day
 of August 1917 at Melbourne
Front of the
 Coroner.