

- Q. Were there two patients? A. No, sir.
- Q. Patient and attendant? A. It was not an attendant; it was a man that worked in the kitchen.
- Q. Were you in the kitchen? A. Yes sir. I took his place in the kitchen.
- Q. What was the cause of it? A. He merely did it thinking he was showing off, doing some smart thing.
- Q. Blowed him bad just for fun? A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Did it hurt him? A. I don't know how much it hurt him.
- Q. Was he in sport? A. No, sir, he didn't do it for sport.
- Q. Devilry? A. You may call it what you see a mind to.
- Q. Puts his hands under his throat and goes to choking him without any provocation or any thing? A. Yes, sir.
- Q. What was the patient's name? A. Richardson.
- Q. What was the attendant, the man who did it? A. His name was Merchant. Merchant was not an attendant. He was in the kitchen at that time but left a few days afterwards. I took his place in the kitchen.