

GILES BEAUCHAMP, in the witness box:

THE COURT:

Q Giles, sit down for a minute please, will you?

What's what they call you, is it - Giles?

A Yes.

Q How old are you, Giles?

A Nine years old.

Q When was your birthday?

A May the 24th.

Q What grade are you in in school?

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A Grade four.

Q What school do you go to?

A St. Mary's.

Q How do you get along at school?

A Fine.

Q Do you pass all your grades?

A Yes.

Q Did you get your report card at Christmas time?

A Yes.

Q What kind of a report card did you get - was it  
good, bad or just fair?

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A Pretty good.

Q Pardon?

A Pretty good.

Q How did your teacher mark you for grades - does  
she mark you with A's and B's and C's?

A I don't know.

Q Well, you know how your report card - you have  
different subjects, don't you - do you take  
arithmetic, and spelling and writing and reading?  
And how does your teacher mark you on your  
report card say with respect to your reading?

How would she mark you - with an A or a B or with a 50% or 75% or anything like that? Or can you tell me?

A A or B.

Q Pardon?

A A or B.

Q I see; how did you get along in reading, do you remember? You don't remember, eh?

Do you remember how you got along in any of the others? You don't. Any A's at all? 10

A Not very many.

Q Not very many, eh - that would be like most of us. How about B's - any B's?

A Some.

Q Some; do you go to Sunday School?

A I go to church.

Q You go to church - what church is that?

A St. Mary's.

Q Is that the Roman Catholic church? Do you know what your religion is, son? What is it? Are 20 you Protestant or Roman Catholic, or do you know?

A Catholic.

Q You're Catholic; maybe I misled you by the use of the word "Roman" - you're Catholic, are you?

WITNESS NODS HEAD.

Q I see; how often do you go to church - every Sunday?

A Yes.

Q Do you know what it means to swear to tell the 30 truth on a bible?

A Yes.

- Q You do; what does that mean?
- A It means say the truth and nothing but the truth.
- Q I see; and that's on the bible? I see.  
How many brothers and sisters have you got?
- A Seven brothers - counting me it's seven - and one sister.
- Q Seven boys and one sister; the boys have a majority in your family then, haven't they?
- A Mhm.
- Q Do your mother and your father discuss religion 10  
at home with you at all?
- A Yes.
- Q Matters about the bible and Jesus Christ?
- A Yes.
- Q Is that right - do they tell you about Jesus  
Christ?
- A Yes.
- Q And do you say prayers every day? Not every day,  
eh? You're not too unusual.  
When you swear to tell the truth on the bible 20  
and you don't tell the truth do you know what  
might happen to you?
- A Yes.
- Q What?
- A You get punished.
- Q I see; and who punishes you? Who might punish  
you then, put it that way?
- A My Mum.
- Q Your Mum, eh; and you understand if you tell  
lies you can be punished, don't you? 30
- A Yes.
- Q Will you answer truthfully what you are going

to be asked today in Court?

A Yes.

Q You'll be truthful, will you? That's a good boy.

THE COURT: I don't really think I should swear this witness; however, I think he has enough intelligence that he can give evidence without being sworn; the usual rules apply, of course.

MR. CALDWELL: Thank you, My Lord.

GILES BEAUCHAMP, not sworn, states:

MR. CALDWELL, examining:

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Q Now, Giles, would you speak up good and loudly so everyone can hear; I believe you live at 1505 20th Street West, do you?

A Yes.

Q And I believe that your house is at the end of the same block that has St. Mary's School in the block?

A Yes.

Q And now, do you know the house of some people whose name is Cadrain around that neighborhood? 20

A Yes.

Q Do they have any little children around your age?

A Yes, one.

Q Alright; and where is Cadrain's house from St. Mary's School?

A Right across the road.

Q Across the road; and now, Giles, I believe that last year one day that you found a wallet, is that correct?

A Yes.

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Q And how did this happen - what was going on when you found the wallet?

- A I was walking home and I was kicking the snow and the wallet flew up in the air.
- Q And were you on the sidewalk when you were walking along?
- A Yes.
- Q Now, was this - where was this wallet in relation to either St. Mary's School or to Cadrain's house?
- A It was on the Cadrain side.
- Q And inside of the street I presume? 10
- A Yes.
- Q Alright; where was it from Cadrain's actual house?
- A Three houses up.
- Q Three houses up, is that right?
- A I think so - three houses up.
- Q Alright; and was anyone with you when you kicked it and it showed up?
- A No.
- Q Did you pick it up then? 20
- A Yes.
- Q Now, did anything come out of the wallet?
- THE COURT: Just a minute please; three houses up doesn't mean too much.
- MR. CALDWELL: Maybe I can follow that point up -
- Q Your house is on 20th Street, isn't it?
- A Yes.
- Q And when you say three houses up can you tell the Court which way, like toward what street? 30
- THE COURT: Maybe if you ask him what street he was walking on or which side of the

street he was walking on.

MR. CALDWELL:

Q Do you know the name of the street that runs down between Cadrain's house and St. Mary's School, like do you know it by name, Giles?

A Avenue "O".

Q Avenue "O"; alright and was it Avenue "O" you were walking along on the sidewalk?

A Yes.

Q And now, is Cadrain's house at a corner? 10

A Yes.

Q And do you know the name of the street that is at that corner, like that runs by Cadrain's?

THE COURT:

Q You say it's on the corner, son; is that the intersection of two streets?

A Yes.

Q What are the two streets? If you don't know you can say so but if you do know . . . ?

A I don't know. 20

MR. CALDWELL:

Q Okay. Well, Giles, would you be walking toward your house or away from your house?

A Toward our house.

Q Toward your house? Is that yes?

A Yes.

Q And when you say three houses up are you talking about three houses toward your house or three houses away from your house?

A Three houses toward our house. 30

Q Three houses toward your house? Alright now, did anything come out of the wallet?

THE COURT:

Q Excuse me just a minute -

Were you walking on 20th Street?

A No, on Avenue "O".

Q You were walking on Avenue "O" and you were going where?

A Home.

Q And you were coming from where?

A From the Cadrain's house.

THE COURT:

Oh I see, thank you.

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MR. CARONELLI:

Q You had been at Cadrain's, had you? Had you been there or had you just gone by their house, Giles?

A Well, I went to see if he was home but he was at Jim's and then I started walking home.

Q Oh I see; alright and you already said that it was along the sidewalk, is that right?

A Yes.

Q And when you kicked the wallet up did anything come out of it? 20

A Two pieces of paper.

Q Now, did you pick the wallet up?

A Yes.

Q Did you pick the pieces of paper up?

A No.

Q And when you picked the wallet up where did you take it?

A I put it under the cabin across from our alley.

Q And is this cabin something to do with St. Mary's School? 30

A Yes.

- Q And what was it used for, Giles?
- A For putting on your skates in the wintertime.
- Q Putting on your skates in the winter, eh?
- A Yes.
- Q And you put the wallet under that cabin, did you?
- A Yes.
- Q Now, is the cabin then - was it on the St. Mary's School side of Avenue "O"?
- A No, it was on the Cadrain side. 10
- Q The cabin?
- A Oh; it was on the side that St. Mary's School is on.
- Q Okay; and you said across the alley from your house?
- A Yes.
- Q How long did you leave the wallet under the cabin?
- A Not very long.
- Q And did you meet one of your friends after that? 20
- A Yes.
- Q And what was his name?
- A Norman Remenda.
- Q Norman Remenda; and after you met Norman did you go and get that wallet again?
- A Yes.
- Q And did you show it to Norman?
- A Yes.
- Q And how long would you think, Giles, that you left it there from when you put it under until 30 you got it out to show Norman?
- A Around five minutes.



- Q And did you get it back and show it to Norman?  
A Yes.  
Q And I believe you then went to Norman's house, did you?  
A Yes.  
Q Do you know his address or not?  
A No.  
Q And when you got to Norman's house was Norman with you?  
A Yes. 10  
Q Did you take the wallet there?  
A Yes.  
Q And did you show it to someone there?  
A Yes.  
Q Who first?  
A Norman; then Norman went and showed it to his son.  
Q Yes; and did somebody else show up at Norman's house after that?  
A One police. 20  
Q Pardon?  
A A policeman.  
Q A policeman showed up?  
A Yes.  
Q And was that while you were still at Norman's?  
A Yes.  
Q And did you give the wallet to the policeman?  
A Yes.  
Q And did you take the policeman somewhere, Giles?  
A Yes. 30  
Q And where did you take him to?  
A I took him to where I found the wallet.

- Q Did you take him to the same place you found the wallet?
- A Yes.
- Q And did he find anything or pick up anything that you saw at the place where you found the wallet?
- A Yes.
- Q What was that?
- A It was a piece of paper.
- Q And was it one of the ones that had fallen out when you kicked it the first time? 10
- A Yes.
- Q I see; and did the policeman keep the wallet?
- A Yes.
- Q Did he keep the paper?
- A Yes.
- Q Now, was there anything in the wallet when you found it, Giles?
- A No.
- Q Did you take anything out of it yourself and keep it or get rid of it? 20
- A No.
- Q Now, do you yourself know the date that happened or not?
- A Yes.
- Q When was that?
- A April the 4th.
- Q And that would be in 1969, would it?
- A Yes.
- Q And as I understand you, it would be the same day that the policeman came to Remenda's that you took him back there? 30
- A Yes.

Q I show you P.21 for identification. Would you look at this wallet, Giles. Do you want to stand up and have a good look at that? Now, aside from all those tags on there, how does that wallet look compared to the one you kicked up out of the snow?

A About the same.

Q And did you put your name or anything in the one you kicked out of the snow?

A No.

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THE COURT: Let me see that before you fold it up, will you please?

MR. CALDWELL: Yes, My Lord.

Thank you; your witness.

THE COURT: Cross-examination?

MR. TAYLOR, cross-examining:

Q Giles, I gather that you looked in the wallet as soon as you found it, did you?

A Yes.

Q And then after you had looked in it you took it over to this little cabin where you put your skates on in the wintertime? 20

A Yes.

Q And you sort of tucked it underneath?

A Yes.

Q And your friend Norman came along and looked at it, did he?

A Yes.

Q And did you show it to him over there by the cabin? 30

A Yes.

Q I see; and it was after the two of you had

looked at it that you showed it to Norman's  
mother, was it?

A Yes.

Q And I take it that the snow was fairly soft  
that day, was it?

A Yes.

Q Good enough for snowballs?

A Yes.

MR. TARRIS: That's all.

THE COURT: That's all, thank you; you 10  
can go now.

MR. CALDWELL: I call Victor Pyra, My Lord.