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December 7th, 1911.

Mr. B. D. Warfield,
District Attorney,
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:-

As I wrote you Tuesday night a verdict in the Crawford case was rendered that day and of course I thought I had three days in which to file the motion and grounds for a new trial, but I wired the next morning (yesterday) stating that I would be there last night for that purpose. I received an answer advising that the court was going to adjourn at two o'clock. I sent him a long message urging him to allow the local attorneys to file merely formal grounds and let the case pass over to the next term with leave to me to file additional grounds.

Being unable to hear from him (the telephone wires being out of fix), after a conference with Mr. Cary I went to Beattyville on a special, arriving there just a few minutes before court adjourned. While he had in the meantime consented to the suggestion in my telegram, yet it was well that I went as I got matters in fine shape and in addition discovered some important evidence which I think will support the ground of misconduct of one of the jurors.

Before leaving home yesterday morning I received a letter from a friend of mine in Lee County stating he believed there was a deal on between one of the jurors and Crawford whereby the juror would give him a good verdict and then sell Crawford a farm. I wired this man to meet me at Beattyville Junction and he stated more fully the facts about it, which he had gotten from a reputable man to whom Crawford himself had told the arrangement.

I sent Sam Hurst, a young attorney at Beattyville, into the country to get an affidavit from this man last night and pressure he succeeded in getting it. Meantime I arranged for another man to talk with Crawford today. He thinks he can get some admission from him.

According to the report which I got from my friend it was a straight deal between Crawford and one of the jurors, named Sherman Napier. Sherman Napier's father, Sam Napier, was also a member of the jury.