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Antonia tell that her father had acted improperly with her sister Helen, and from that time on my son James was in an excitable state of mind, a condition I never knew him to be in before. I was alarmed myself because I knew my son-in-law, Gust Tryfonopoulos, the father of Helen and Antonia, was a powerful man, very excitable and as having a very bad temper.

My son, the Applicant, from the time he had heard what Antonia had said until the time of the homicide, became more and more alarmed and excited, and especially so after he had been brought home by a policeman a day or two before the homicide, or about the time he had entered complaint against his brother-in-law in the Juvenile Court, looking and acting as though in fear that his life might be taken by the hands of his brother-in-law, Gust Tryfonopoulos, the father of the children Helen and Antonia.

On the night of the homicide James was in a terrible state of mind and in deadly fear that Tryfonopoulos would kill him for what he had told him and charged him of in the Juvenile Court. I was in the home at the time that the fatal shot was fired, and I am certain that my son James believed that it was Tryfonopoulos who was trying to get into our home when he fired the shot through the door, most likely not to kill, but to frighten him away from our home.

The man who was unfortunately shot and killed, Dan Karras, and my son James were old time friends and had never had a disagreement or trouble of any kind, and Karras associated and was a particular friend to all of my family.

I know that my son James has suffered greatly by reason of his mistake and that if restored to his liberty, there will be no bitterness in his heart towards anyone; that he will return to me and to his brother Peter, and in doing so extend to us the assistance so badly needed and that he will also resume his interest in his brother's family and also in his nieces.