he examined & declared that he had lost a few Dollars. This declaration appeared to add much to Reton's surprise & uneasiness.

As the money had been deposited in Benton's own trunk, the key of which he kept with remarkable care & caution, the undersigned thought that he must know something about the manner in which their money had been taken & disposed of, but were unwilling to indulge the suspicion of Benton having taken it himself. Some circumstances however occurred about this time which confirmed them in the belief of his guilt. As they lived in the same room with Benton they had an opportunity of knowing almost every part of his conduct. They could not help taking notice that instead of being extremely parsimonious, as he had been in the early part of the action, he had now become remarkably prodigal & extravagant. His change of conduct together with several other circumstances convinced the undersigned in the opinion that Benton had taken their money.

On the night of the eight of March, the pocket-book of the undersigned William Cherry...