

**15/03/1899**

**EVIDENCE ARTHUR BROOKING**

Arthur Brooking, a youth 17 years of age, working with his father at Deep Gully, deposed that he came into Gatton from Mount Sylvia on Boxing Night.

He passed Moran's sliprails about a quarter to 8 o'clock, and saw a man standing there.

He was strongly built, and wore a dark felt hat, pulled down over his face.

The man was looking slightly upwards at him.

He (witness) did not recognise him.

His clothes appeared to be of a dark colour.

When he came to the culvert, which was before he reached the sliprails, he heard a shot on the hill above.

On seeing the man he thought it must have been he who fired, but he didn't notice if he had anything in his hand.

He saw no one else all the way into Gatton.

As he reached town the train was just leaving.

He thus arrived at the time. He had never seen the man since.

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