

# A Dark Night

## The Walking Bridge Murder

(A Cold Case)

### Conclusion

Declan finally realized he had gathered all the necessary information to unravel the mystery surrounding what was initially suspected to be a murder. However, it turned out not to be a case of murder after all. Indeed, Mr. Campbell was embroiled in an affair, frequently meeting a mysterious woman at the local restaurant. Moreover, the initial suspects were confirmed to be out of town at the time of his untimely death. While the notion of organized crime briefly emerged as a potential explanation, the absence of any marks on Mr. Campbell's body quickly dispelled this theory. Typically, if a crime family were involved, they would likely leave a mark to send a message.

A pivotal moment came when a shadowy figure on the bridge hinted that Declan was both looking in the wrong and right directions simultaneously. This clue led Declan to recall the dark stains on the steel bridge and the weather that night.

It became clear to Declan that Mr. Campbell, distressed after his dinner—presumably because his mistress had ended their affair—sought solace and a moment of quiet reflection at the bridge. Tragically, it was a stormy night, and Mr. Campbell was soaked to the skin by the rain. Upon reaching the bridge, he leaned forward, touching it just as lightning struck the structure, leading to his immediate electrocution. This explained the dark mark on the bridge, the discolored grass nearby, and why Mr. Campbell was found drenched.

Case closed: The death of Mr. Campbell was a tragic accident.

