



MysteryQuest 3

Support Materials 2 (Activity Sheet)

Examining the Evidence

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<i>British Colonist: March 24, 1868</i>	<i>Relatives of an Indian who is waiting trial may have wanted revenge on Robinson</i>	<i>No reason why Natives might want revenge on Robinson; Indicated that Robinson's gun, clothes, and books were missing</i>	<i>Perhaps theft was the motive, not revenge; Would Native people have been able to read or otherwise have need for Robinson's books?</i>	<i>Possible trial bias. If the jury read this newspaper account they might be influenced in their thinking before the trial began</i>

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