DNA TESTING

They had to say the DNA sample was from the 2nd autopsy so that nobody would ask for the 3 genuine Henri Paul samples.

For the same reason, they said the DNA sample was not suitable for toxological testing. The labs in Nantes & Bordeaux each received exactly half of the samples taken. The Versailles lab received all the remainder and part of the same samples sent to the other two. He retained nothing since December 9th 2005.

He said 'LECOMTE deviated from the protocol by taking more samples. There was very little difference between cardiac and haemothorax blood because the body was in very good condition. It was NOT preserved with fluoride.

One blood sample plus a Spinal Cord sample, 2147, Paul HENRI, 09/09/97, LECOMTE. Handed to Germain Nouvion in a bag by LECOMTE at IML. Handed to Paget's Dave TADD, March 9th, 2005.

Nouvion reported 'Henri PAUL'. PHOTO shows 'PAUL HENRY'. No 'FD' seen on bad photo. No number seen on cap. DCS David Douglas numbered it Exhibit DD/09032 005/1**.

Only after the carbon monoxide level was known did Lecomte say it was chest cavity blood. This was buried in the French Dossier until 2006 so that it could be said that the blood was contaminated and that was the reason for the high carbon monoxide reading. Carbon monoxide testing was crossed out on the request forms to Ricordel and Pepin.

The 12.8% figure from autopsy 2 was more acceptable and could be attributed to smoking cigarillos. It was the genuine HP2 sample.

The only sample that could possibly have been sent to Paget was the first cardiac sample of genuine Henri Paul blood taken at the first autopsy on August 31st. All the others were either tested or taken by the Gendarmes.